# **May 2022**



## **New Malabar Newsletter Format**

The Town of Malabar has moved its monthly Newsletter to an online format. Once a month, a new newsletter will be uploaded to the Town website, Townofmalabar.org. A new feature to help residents is the new subscription option on our website. Residents can subscribe to receive an e-mail notification whenever a new newsletter is uploaded. Please help us spread the word by telling your neighbors!

## Hurricane Season is Upon Us

It's that time of year again, as Hurricane season is right around the corner. The National Weather Service has declared May 1<sup>st</sup> to May 7<sup>th</sup> Hurricane Preparedness Week. The goal is to ensure that everyone is prepared and has a plan should a major storm cross our path. Each day of Hurricane preparedness has a theme to help you be ready for a major storm.

May 1<sup>st</sup> is a day to determine your risk. That includes checking local flood maps, storm surge charts, and the possibility of inland tornados in your area.

May 2<sup>nd</sup> is dedicated to developing an evacuation plan, which would mean finding out if you live in an evacuation zone, planning your evacuation route, and planning for your pets.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> should be used to assemble disaster supplies. You should have enough dry food and water for approximately a week, a backup of any essential medicines, an emergency radio with batteries, extra fuel for any vehicles, and a stash of extra cash in hand.

May 4<sup>th</sup> should include an insurance checkup. Use the 4<sup>th</sup> to find out what kind of flood insurance you have, learn if you need to update any of your policies, and get a copy ready to be taken with you in the event of an evacuation.

May 5<sup>th</sup> is a day to strength your home. That includes trimming all lose and overhanging branches on trees near your house, securing any loose items in and around your yard, developing a plan to secure your windows, and moving your car to a safe location. Remember, your garage door is generally the weakest point in most houses, so ensure that it can withstand hurricane force winds.

May 6<sup>th</sup> is a day to help your neighbors. Use that Friday to check in on your neighbors and ensure they have been following the same steps you have and offer to help them if needed. Before, during and after a hurricane, neighbors can be the best resource for communication and sharing needed materials, so you should all have a similar disaster plan.

Finally, Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> is dedicated to completing a written plan. Having a written plan helps ensure you do not forget any of these important steps and can help you remember many small things that could be over looked during a disaster. Being prepared for a major storm before the season begins gives you and your family the upper hand for safety.

By collecting all the necessary supplies, you can avoid spending valuable time waiting in long lines trying to get products that have already been sold out. Instead, you can use that time to begin following your written disaster plan and beginning to prepare. While we all hope that these steps won't be needed this year, it is much better to have a plan and not need it, then to need a plan and not have it!

### **April 2022 Public Works Report**

### **Equipment Update**

- Picked up Mower Head from Welder and reinstall
- Repaired Slope Mower

### **Streets & Roads Jobs**

- Repaired potholes on:
  - o Briar Creek Blvd
  - Hall Road (2 Spots)
  - o 16 Bags used
- Repaired Washouts on:
  - Hall/Corey (All 4 Corners)
  - o Weber Road
  - Town Hall
  - Marie Street South
  - Atz/Corey
  - North Corey Road
  - o 9 Pallets of Sod used
  - o 15 Yards of Fill
- Picked up 24 Loads of Stabilizer from Blue Goose
- Fill Road Edge North Corey Road (15 Yards)
- Pick up signs from County Sign shop in Merritt Island
- Installed No Outlet Sign in Country Cove
- Replaced Street Sign on Township Road
- Blocked access to Jordan Blvd per ITM instructions with Barricades

### **Parks and Recreation**

- Finish Handrails on bridge at Malabar Community Park
- Repair Sprinklers at Malabar Community Park

For information on the Mowing, Road Grading and Slope Mowing work completed for the month, please contact Malabar Town Hall at (321)-727-7764.