

## TOWN OF BOYKINS

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### Town Office Hours

M- T- T – F: 9am – 5pm  
Closed Wednesdays

**Town Clerk** – Victoria Edwards

**Police** – Sgt. George Brozzo  
757-556-2709

### Important Dates

**Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Baseball Sign-ups

**Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** – ODU Mobile Clinic

**Feb 16<sup>th</sup>** – Planning Commission Meeting

**Feb 17<sup>th</sup>** – Baseball Sign-ups

**Feb 19<sup>th</sup>** – President’s Day

**March 1<sup>st</sup>** – Business Licenses Due

**March 6<sup>th</sup>** – ODU Mobile Clinic

**Proposed Leash Ordinance is on the February 13<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting Agenda. Meetings are held at the Town Office the second Tuesday of every month at 7pm unless otherwise advertised. Anyone interested in speaking, should call the Clerk to be added to the Agenda.**



# BOYKINS BITS AND BITES

## KNOX BOXES

VICTORIA EDWARDS, CLERK

At its January meeting, the Town Council voted to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant funds to purchase 10 Knox Boxes. The Knox Boxes will be available to residents free of charge on a first-come-first-served basis based on these requirements:

- Applicant must be resident within Town limits.
- Applicant must be the owner of the residence.

Other considerations that will be used to distribute the Knox Boxes but are not a requirement to be eligible for a free Knox Box are if the applicant lives alone, if the applicant is eligible for tax break granted by the Town, and if the applicant is disabled or hearing impaired. Please review the flyer insert to learn more about Knox Boxes. If you have any questions or would like an application, please call or visit the town office.

If you do not meet these requirements but would like to purchase a Knox Box for your home, please contact the Boykins Volunteer Fire Department at 757-654-6361.

## YOUTH BASEBALL

VICTORIA EDWARDS, PARKS & REC COMMITTEE

Boykins Youth Baseball sign-ups have begun. Boykins participates in the Southampton Sussex Pony League, which means we play surrounding communities both at home and at their home field. We are happy to announce that we are expanding the age groups to include 9-10 year-olds this year. The age groups are as follows:

Ages 4-6 T-Ball  
Ages 6-8 Coach Pitch  
Ages 9-10 Mustang (Kid Pitch)

In-person sign-ups will take place Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at the ballfield from 11am-2pm. You may register online by scanning the QR code. Registration forms can also be found at the town office. **Deadline to register is Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>.**



The Parks & Rec committee is comprised of volunteers. Anyone interested in volunteering should call Victoria at 757-642-0909.

**NEED a BROOM?**

The Lion's Club brooms are available to purchase for \$12 - \$20. Contact Linda Beatty or any Lion's Club Member to purchase.

**Farm Fed Food Truck** will be at the Hi-Lite February 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup>, and March 21<sup>st</sup> from 11am to 2pm. A portion of their proceeds is donated to Boykins Parks & Rec. These funds help to fund community events and activities.

**Important Numbers****Emergency – Dial 911**

Boykins Fire & Rescue

(757) 654-6660

Southampton Sheriff

(757) 653-2100

Southampton Utilities

(757) 653-3015

Post Office

757-654-6371

CSX

1-800-232-0144

NC & VA Railroad

1-800-800-3490

Southampton Health Dept.

(757) 653-3040

Southampton Memorial

(757) 569-6100

## 2024 LAW ENFORCEMENT UNITED: ROAD TO HOPE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

SGT. GEORGE BROZZO

Alright folks, I am halfway to my goal of \$1,500.00 for the 2024 Law Enforcement United -Road to Hope Fundraising Campaign. I have two months left to meet my goals. For those of you who have donated so far, THANK YOU. It's easier than ever to donate. Just take a photo of the QR code and it will take you directly to my page. You can also find me around Town if you would like to donate in-person. This is a great charity for families of fallen police officers. It also benefits small agencies such as Boykins PD. Please consider donating. You can check out what we are all about at <https://www.lenited.org>.



## NEW COUNCILMEMBER APPOINTED

VICTORIA EDWARDS, CLERK

Hank Fuller announced his resignation as Councilman at the December 2023 Council Meeting. He shared that he was moving outside of town limits and his last day as a Councilmember would be December 31<sup>st</sup>. At the January meeting, Councilmembers nominated appointee candidates. Mrs. Janice Boone of DeLoatche Avenue was voted in to fill Hank's vacant seat until the end of his term, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Mrs. Boone will be sworn into office at the County Clerk's Office before the February Council meeting.

## ZONING CHANGES ARE COMING

VICTORIA EDWARDS, CLERK

Town Council was made aware of a few zoning map inaccuracies last fall. The town clerk was asked to review the zoning map for other inaccuracies and report back to the Council. Due to the number of errors found with only a portion of the map being reviewed, the clerk asked the Town Council to table the issue until after the holidays. At the January meeting, it was decided that the next step is to have the Boykins Planning Commission meet to review what the clerk discovered and begin the process of bringing the zoning map up-to-date with current zoning codes. After the Planning Commission meets, they will hold a Public Hearing to hear from the public. The final step of the process is for the Planning Commission to present the Council with its recommendations along with appropriate explanatory materials. Before approving or adopting the changes recommended by the Planning Commission, the Town Council will hold a Public Hearing pursuant of Virginia Code § 15.2-2204.

Property owners affected will be directly notified via certified mail. Boykins Town Council will do their best to remain transparent during this process.