

County Administrator's Update

ISLE CARES



September 2018

Dear Citizens,

September was a busy month with the threat of Hurricane Florence and the subsequent cancelling of the Isle of Wight County Fair. It was a difficult decision to cancel the Fair due to the joy that it brings to all the kids that attend the Fair as well as the financial loss for the County. All of those that were involved in the decision believe that it was the right thing to do given the potential threat from the hurricane. While we were not impacted directly from the hurricane, it did give us the opportunity to test our local response to a large weather event. As citizens who have been impacted from previous storms, we can offer our support and resources to help our neighbors in North Carolina and South Carolina who are still struggling to recover from Hurricane Florence.

The Blackwater Property Task Force has been appointed and we look forward to a report being presented to the Board of Supervisors in March 2019. Representatives from Parks & Recreation, Tourism, Scouts of America, Hunt clubs, kayakers, Fire & Rescue, hikers and other residents will serve on the Task Force.

The Board of Supervisors has authorized the formation of a Fire & Rescue Commission to include a representative from all Volunteer Fire and Rescue agencies and the Department of Emergency Services. The group is tasked with presenting a mission statement, bylaws and a recommended name for the proposed Commission in November.

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