



the COLLARD CHRONICLES

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Vision Statement

Vision to
Improve the
Lifestyle and
Landscape of
Ayden through
Growth and
Enrichment

A clean, safe, and attractive community that encompasses characteristics of a village; consisting of an economically thriving retail and service Historic downtown district that is abutted by residential neighborhoods providing a good mix of housing options and that are within walking distance to downtown and recreational opportunities; and that are all surrounded by a flourishing and prosperous commercial and industrial corridor. Ayden is a vibrant community with hometown charm.



For more information, visit the Town of Ayden's website at www.ayden.com

Hurricanes and COVID-19

Planning for hurricane season and other potential disasters can be stressful, and because the 2020 hurricane season comes during the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, it may be especially so. Public health and emergency response professionals have advice to help you safely prepare, evacuate, and shelter for severe storms while protecting yourself and others from COVID-19. Here are some tips to help you and your family stay safe during hurricane season this year.

- Understand that your planning may be different this year because of the need to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.
- Give yourself more time than usual to prepare your emergency food, water, and medicine supplies. Home delivery is the safest choice for buying disaster supplies; however, that may not be an option for everyone. If in-person shopping is your only choice, take steps to protect your and others' health when running essential errands.
- Protect yourself and others when filling prescriptions by limiting in-person visits to the pharmacy. Sign up for mail order delivery or call in your prescription ahead of time and use drive-through windows or curbside pickup, if available.
- Pay attention to local guidance about updated plans for evacuations and shelters, including shelters for your pets.
- When you check on neighbors and friends, be sure to follow social distancing recommendations (staying at least 6 feet from others) and other CDC recommendations to protect yourself and others.

Prepare to evacuate

- If you may need to evacuate, prepare a "go kit" with personal items you cannot do without during an emergency. Include items that can help protect you and others from COVID-19, such as hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, bar or liquid soap, disinfectant wipes (if available) and two cloth face coverings for each person. Face covers should not be used by children under the age of 2. They also should not be used by people having trouble breathing, or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or unable to remove the mask without assistance.
- Know a safe place to shelter and have several ways to receive weather alerts, such as National Weather Service cell phone alerts, NOAA Weather Radio, or (@NWS) Twitter alerts.
- Find out if your local public shelter is open, in case you need to evacuate your home and go there. Your shelter location may be different this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- If you need to go to a disaster shelter, follow CDC recommendations for staying safe and healthy in a public disaster shelter during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Follow guidance from your local public health or emergency management officials on when and where to shelter.
- Make a plan and prepare a disaster kit for your pets. Find out if your disaster shelter will accept pets. Typically, when shelters accommodate pets, the pets are housed in a separate area from people.
- Follow safety precautions when using transportation to evacuate. If you have to travel away from your community to evacuate, follow safety precautions for travelers to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

Staying with friends or family

If you will be staying with friends or family outside your household to evacuate from the storm:

- Talk to the people you plan to stay with about how you can all best protect yourselves from COVID-19.
- Consider if either of your households has someone who is at higher risk of developing severe illness from COVID-19, including older adults or people of any age who have underlying medical conditions. Make sure everyone knows what they can do to keep them safe from COVID-19.
- Follow everyday preventive actions, including covering coughs and sneezes, washing your hands often, and avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands. Consider taking extra precautions for people living in close quarters.
- Know what to do if someone in your family or in the household you are staying with becomes sick with COVID-19. Take steps to keep your pets safe.

*Information copied from www.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/covid-19/prepare-for-hurricane.html

September & October Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 7th: LABOR DAY HOLIDAY—Town Offices Closed
 Sept. 8th: 6:30pm, Main Street Committee, Gwendy's Goodies
 Sept. 14th: 7pm, Governing Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
 Sept. 21st: 7pm, Planning Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
 Sept. 22nd: 7pm, Community Policing, Community Bldg.
 Sept. 24th: 6:30pm, Arts/Rec Commission Meeting, Ayden Recreation Center

OCTOBER

- Oct. 12th: 7pm, Governing Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
 Oct. 13th: 6:30pm, Main Street Meeting, Gwendy's Goodies
 Oct. 19th: 7pm, Planning Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
 Oct. 22nd: 6:30pm, Arts/Rec Commission Meeting, Ayden Recreation Center
 Oct. 27th: 7pm, Community Policing, Community Building

Know your Ws!



WEAR a cloth covering over your nose and mouth.



WAIT 6 feet apart. Avoid close contact.



WASH your hands or use hand sanitizer.

Ayden Historical and Art Society Museum

554 2nd Street
 252-531-4358 252-320-1954
 Hours: 4th Sunday of each month,
 2:00pm – 5:00pm
www.aydenhistoricalandartsociety.com



Customer Hot List

NEED TO KNOW ITEMS...

Due to COVID-19, Ayden Collard Festival and Art Show has been cancelled for 2020. We hope to be back bigger and better in 2021! Stay Safe!



Labor Day Sanitation Schedule

- Mon. Sept. 7th-- NO COLLECTION
 Tues. Sept. 8th-- Monday's Route
 Wed. Sept. 9th -- Tues. & Wed. Route
 Thurs. Sept. 10th -- Recycling



ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON lasts from June 1- November 30th. We hope you will find this list helpful in the event a hurricane is forecasted for our area.

A basic emergency supply kit could include the following recommended items:

- ◆ Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- ◆ Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- ◆ Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- ◆ Flashlight and extra batteries
- ◆ First aid kit
- ◆ Medications (7 day supply)
- ◆ Whistle to signal for help
- ◆ Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- ◆ Personal Hygiene items
- ◆ Family and emergency contact information
- ◆ Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger
- ◆ Full tank of gas in car, extra fuel for generator
- ◆ Extra cash
- ◆ Multi-purpose tool (like a Swiss Army knife)
- ◆ Pet supplies

Town of Ayden

Inc. in 1891 - 2014 Population 5,018
 Council – Manager Form of Government
 A Full Service Municipal Government Offering
 Electric, Water, Sewer, Solid Waste,
 Recreation, Police, Fire, and EMS Services
 to the Ayden community.

Governing Body

Stephen W. Tripp, Mayor
 Ivory Mewborn, Mayor Pro-tem/
 Commissioner 1st Ward
 Cynthia Goff, Commissioner 2nd Ward
 Raymond Langley, Commissioner 3rd Ward
 Johnny Davis/Commissioner 4th Ward
 Phyllis Ross, Commissioner 5th Ward

Management Staff

Steven L. Harrell, Town Manager
 Sarah Radcliff, Executive Asst./Town Clerk
 Stephen Smith, Planning Director
 Mallory Denham, Economic Development Director
 Chris Forehand, Chief of Police
 Keith Murphy, Public Works & Utilities Director
 Amy Coble—Finance Director
 Tommy Duncan, Arts & Recreation Director
 Rachelle Mondovich, Librarian
 Nichole Maye-Brown, Executive Director—Ayden Housing Authority

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FOR PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES EMERGENCIES

Ayden Customer Service at Town Hall
 Call During Normal Business Hrs.
 (252) 481-5821/481-5822/481-5823
 Ayden Police Dept.
 Call Nights/Weekends/Holidays
 (252) 481-5844

E-Z CALL

If you know individuals involved in committing a crime in Ayden, please consider reporting it. You need not fear your name/info will be revealed in any way to anyone; it will be kept anonymous. Please call (252) 746-APDO (2730).
"Together we can make a difference."

HAPPY LABOR DAY