



By the time you are reading this, spring training will be in full swing, we'll be days from the ACC tournament and we will be getting our poles and lures ready to chase April bluefish. Life doesn't get any better than this.

**Next dinner with the mayor.** The next dinner with Mayor Ken Jones will be on April 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clamdigger Inn.

**Budget planning—timeline for next fiscal year.**

The table below provides the timeline for our planning for next year's budget. I suggest you call Town Clerk Scott Sherrill at 247-4353, ext. 11, to check for any changes before you arrive for a meeting. All budget meetings are open public meetings.

DATE	TOPIC
February 24-March 7	Department Head/Town Manager Budget Meetings
March 13, 6 p.m.	First Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting
March 21	Budget Worksheets to Board
March 27, 6 p.m.	Second Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting Discussion of FY 2014-2015 Budget
April 10, 6 p.m.	First Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting
April 18	Budget Worksheets to Board
April 24, 6 p.m.	Second Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting Discussion of FY 2014-2015 Budget
TBD in May	Mayor's Budget Brief and Webinar
May 8, 6 p.m.	First Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting Discussion of FY 2014-2015 Budget (if needed)
May 22, 6 p.m.	Second Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting Budget Message, Presentation of Proposed Budget, Call for Public Hearing
June 12, 6 p.m.	First Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting and Budget Hearing (Vote no later than June 30, 2014)

**East End Stormwater Project.** The town awarded the construction contract to Sunland Builders of Newport, and we hope to be installing the lines by press time. The bids came in below the engineer's construction estimate, which was a surprise to all. We expect the project to be completed no later than the end of March. Total project costs should come in around \$320,000. The town has a 20-year zero-interest loan from the North Carolina Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

**Sale of town's oceanfront lot.** The town has decided to sell the oceanfront lot at 117 Knollwood via a sealed bid process. We purchased the lot as part of our public beach access obligations back in 2010. If you are interested in submitting a bid, you can find out more information on the town's website at [www.townofpks.com](http://www.townofpks.com).

**Sidewalks.** We will open the bids for the next two sidewalk segments on or about March 18. We have established a construction completion date of May 9.

**PKS crosswalks—signage and safety.** As we discussed here in December, we are concerned with the location and effectiveness of the blinking signs that are on Highway 58 to support the crosswalks at Mimosa Boulevard and Juniper Road. A group met to discuss this, and we will talk with NCDOT very soon. There is one

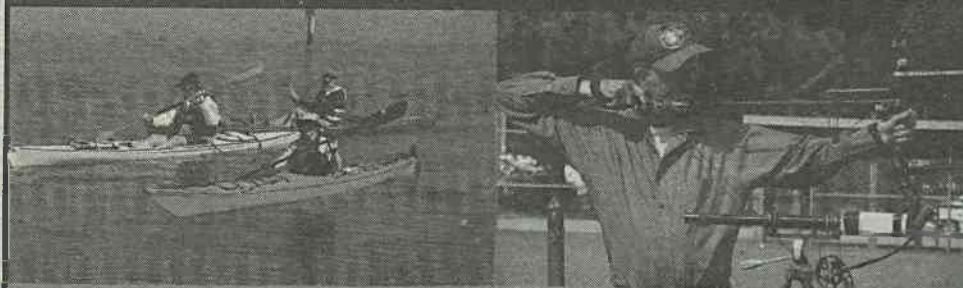
thing I want to point out that is sure to generate some discussion. We are exploring lowering the speed limit on Highway 58 from 45 mph to 35 mph from Memorial Day through the second weekend of October. Any decisions on this will be made by the Board of Commissioners at a monthly meeting, so keep an eye out for agendas that Town Clerk Scott Sherrill puts out.

**Fire alarm and home fire safety inspection.** Did you know that the Pine Knoll Shores Public Safety Department conducts free home inspections for fire safety? If you are interested, please call 247-2268.

## March Sudoku

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Registration for Spring Senior Games is **NOW OPEN** - Deadline Mar. 28th

**Over 60 types of Sporting Events and Silver Arts  
are scheduled at various locations across the County  
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