

PKS Reentry Pass Permitting (Continued from page 1)

This list gives only the highlights of our storm preparations and does not cover everything. We have a limited staff to accomplish these mission-critical items—and the staff simply did not have the luxury of time to spend issuing duplicate passes to replace ones that were lost before Hurricane Florence. At only three days away from landfall, Florence was a category 4 hurricane. Our staff needed to spend that time planning the evacuation of Pine Knoll Shores.

Residents are encouraged to check their reentry passes now and make sure they know where they are. If you are unable to find your pass, stop by the public safety building at 314 Salter Path Road before May 31 and pick up a new one. Please be prepared to show your driver's license with your Pine Knoll Shores address, a utility bill with your address or your purchase/rental paperwork. We cannot issue a reentry pass without one of these types of documentation. If you are out of town and will not return before May 31, please email Natalie Gobble at ngobble@townofpks.com to make arrangements for your pass. Please note that there is a \$25 fee for replacing a previously issued pass.

Take care of this matter now. Our staff will no longer replace a lost reentry pass during hurricane season or days before a hurricane makes landfall. Thank you all for helping us improve our hurricane preparedness and response.



PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE

During December, there were 7 arrests; 19 911 hang-ups; 10 alarm activations; 9 animal calls; 8 disturbance calls; 34 assist Fire/EMS calls; 1 motor vehicle collision; 8 mutual aid calls; 192 traffic stops; 44 citations issued (11 speeding, 1 stop sign/stop light, 7 registration/inspection, 16 license revoked/expired, 9 other traffic violations); 4 beach patrols; 333 business checks; 434 foot patrols; and 173 residence checks. Police personnel participated in 12 training hours, and Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) worked 45 hours.

Annual totals. During 2018, there were 58 arrests; 330 911 hang-ups; 154 alarm activations; 106 animal calls; 21 larceny calls; 9 damage to property calls; 7 breaking or entering calls; 117 disturbance calls; 366 assist Fire/EMS calls; 30 motor vehicle collisions; 72 mutual aid calls; 2,312 traffic stops; 542 citations issued (166 speeding, 16 stop sign/stop light, 52 registration/inspection, 68 license revoked/expired, 163 other traffic violations, 36 narcotics violations, 37 alcohol violations, 4 other criminal offenses); 211 beach patrols; 4,282 business checks; 5,585 foot patrols; and 2,571 residence checks. Police personnel participated in 2,003 training hours, and Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) worked 708.5 hours.

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FIRE AND EMS

During December, responders handled 3 false alarms or false calls, 1 good intent call and 35 rescue and emergency medical service incidents. Personnel participated in 770 training hours, which includes part-timer training hours as they do not turn their hours in until year end.

Annual totals. During 2018, there were 81 false alarm and false calls; 22 fires; 13 good intent calls; 20 hazardous condition (no fire) calls; 1 overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat (no fire) call; 342 rescue and emergency medical service incidents; 24 service calls; and 2 severe weather and natural disaster calls—for a total of 505 calls for the year. Personnel participated in 7,898 training hours, which included paramedic class hours for personnel.

REMINDER: Lock your doors, especially your vehicles, and don't leave valuables in sight. Report suspicious people or vehicles to dispatch (726-1911) so that the police can be notified. You are not "bothering" the police if you call to report something that doesn't look right. They prefer to assess the situation rather than find out after the fact that you had noticed something and didn't report it. Alert citizens are assets to the community.

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