

WAIT AT HOME



InQuicker Online Check-In

Non-emergent **EMERGENCY** patients can now wait at **HOME** rather than in the ED waiting area.

InQuicker Online Check-In allows non-emergent patients to sign in through our website and wait at home rather than come straight to the Emergency Department.

The new service can be found at:
www.CarteretHealth.org and www.CarteretER.org.

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This is one way we have listened to our patients and are adding services to improve their quality care.



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It is nearly summer, and we look forward to having everyone back here in town. Here are a few of the things going on in Pine Knoll Shores.

Release of the new flood map. We are anticipating the release of the new flood maps in late June or early July. Please keep a lookout for this in *The Shoreline* and on the town email system. *It is important that we track this, as the release date will start a 90-day window for homeowners to file appeals.* Your contact on staff is Jim Taylor at 247-4353, ext. 18.

FY 2017 budget planning. The table below provides dates and times for the remaining planned budget meetings for the upcoming fiscal year. Please note the addition of the mayor's budget brief on June 1. All meetings are open to the public. We suggest you contact Town Clerk Scott Sherrill at 247-4353, ext. 11, ahead of time to ensure there have been no changes.

Budget Timeline	
Date	Topic
May 11, 6 p.m.	First Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting/Discussion of FY 2016-17 Budget (if needed)
May 25, 6 p.m.	Second Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting/Budget Message/Presentation of Proposed Budget/Call for Public Hearing
June 1, 6 p.m.	Mayor's Budget Brief and Webinar
June 8, 6 p.m.	First Monthly Regularly Scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting and Budget Hearing (Vote no later than June 30)

Next Dinner with the Mayor. The next dinner with Mayor Ken Jones will be on Saturday, July 9, at 5:30 p.m. at a location yet to be determined. This is our annual Saturday dinner in July, at which we target second-home owners. All are welcome.

Smart meter project. We have completed installation of the new smart meters. All Pine Knoll Shores water customers should now receive one bill for both water and electric service. If you have any questions, please call Connie Shelton at 247-4353, ext. 12.

Tragedy barely averted. On April 11 a tragedy nearly occurred during a house fire on the beach. It was avoided due to some luck and solid work by our fire department.

There is a lesson here that is worth passing along. The fire started in the dunes immediately adjacent to a home. The natural vegetation was very dry and there was a strong southwest wind blowing toward the home from the ocean.

The fire spread rapidly up the dune (landward) toward the house. By a near miracle the homeowner happened to get out of bed at just the right time, allowing the firefighters to be called to arrive on scene just as the flames were starting to melt the eaves of the home (according to the fire captain on the scene). The captain believes that if the home had started to burn it almost certainly would have quickly moved up and over the house with the southwest wind. He also believes the structure immediately to the east (downwind) would have been threatened.



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