



'THE MAILBOAT'



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The Town of Malabar got its 1st official Post Office and name on December 24, 1883 when R.A. Ward was named Postmaster by President Chester A. Arthur. Two times a week, the boat that travelled down the intracoastal waterway from Jacksonville, would deliver the mail to the palmetto shack post office along the river bank at Malabar. The mail was dumped on the counter for the population of 25 to shuffle through. With the coming of the railroad, in 1893, the mail boat was no longer needed.

NEW WASTE PICK-UP OPTIONS

This summer in August the Town of Malabar's five year contract with Waste Management (WM) for garbage and yard waste collection ends. The town has prepared a request for proposal (RFP) that was publicly released on April 9th. Three garbage collection companies applied to bid this RFP. WM, Waste Pro and Republic. Only WM and Waste Pro submitted. Your town council members will review all bids and make the final selection. There are various options that are being considered, see below. If we switchover to a full or partial automated system contractor carts will be furnished at no charge to residents. Residents can also specify which size carts they prefer. Please fill out the questionnaire at the end of this article and drop it off at Town Hall.

SUMMARY OF REQUESTED SERVICES

Single-Family Services (Provide 3 options)

- Twice weekly, curbside residential solid waste collection and disposal using:
 - Option 1 - Automated cart service with residents' choice of Contractor-provided 36, 64 or 96 gallon carts
 - Option 2 - Automated cart service with contractor - provided 64 gallon carts
 - Option 3 - Manual service utilizing residents containers (existing service)
- Once weekly collection and delivery to an appropriate processing facility of recyclable materials collected at the curb using:

- Option 1 - Automated cart service with residents' choice of Contractor-provided 36 or 64 gallon carts for commingled recyclables to include, at a minimum, newspaper, corrugated cardboard, aluminum and steel cans, junk mail, envelopes, magazines, white and colored office paper, computer paper, chipboard, PET plastic, HDPE plastic, cardboard and glass containers.
- Option 2 - Automated cart service with contractor - provided 64 gallon (approximate) carts
- Option 3 - Manual service utilizing single bin system (existing service)
- Free wheel-out service for eligible residents.
- Unlimited bulk yard waste (clam truck) collection.
- Once weekly White Goods and Bulky Waste service. White Goods are defined as "WHITE METALS", such as refrigerators, washers, dryers, etc. Bulk waste is defined as "HOUSEHOLD BULKY WASTE" such as furniture, rugs, carpet, and other large household items.
- Once weekly E-waste collection at no additional charge. E-waste include Computers, televisions, VCRs, stereos, copiers, and fax machines
- Waste and clam truck services broken down individually by service type.

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New Rules on Fertilizing your Property

On March 17, 2014, the Town Council passed Ordinance 2014-04. You are welcome to request a copy of the Ordinance from Town Hall and it is up on the website for your review at www.townofmalabar.org. However there are 4 major items that you as a resident really need to be familiar with about the new rules. They are as follows:

- Fertilizer Content and Application Rates – No fertilizer containing phosphorous shall be applied to turf or landscape plants in the Town of Malabar unless a soil or plant tissue deficiency is verified by a University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences, approved testing methodology. The nitrogen content of fertilizer applied to turf or landscape plants within Malabar shall contain at least 50% slow release nitrogen per guaranteed analysis label.
- No fertilizer may be applied during the Restricted Application Period which is between June 1st and September 30th.
- Fertilizer Free Zones – Fertilizer may not be applied in this area which is a minimum of ten (10) feet adjacent to any pond, stream, watercourse, lake, canal, or wetland as defined by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)

or from the top of a seawall. Newly planted turf and/or landscape plants may be fertilized to allow the plants to become well established. You or your landscaper needs to use caution to prevent direct deposition of nutrients into the water.

- Grass clippings and vegetative matter shall not be swept, washed, or blown off into stormwater drains, ditches, conveyances, water bodies, wetlands, or sidewalks, or roadways.

The main local area stores carry the fertilizers that are specified in the new Fertilizer Ordinance. Each manager has been sent a copy of the Ordinance and we are asking them to assist in your choice to comply with the new rule.

An example of a suggested schedule provided to me was you can buy one small bag of weed-and-feed and apply it in May, using a stingier spreader setting. In June cut your watering in half and treat for grubs instead of fertilizing and in October sprinkle a small bag of a fertilizer with iron, but not herbicide.

If you have any further questions please call or email the Town Administrator at 727-7764 or bwfree@townofmalabar.org.

Waste Pick-up (con't from pg 1)

Customer Service

- Collection hours:
Commercial 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.,
Monday – Saturday
Residential 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., two
times per week, excluding Sunday.
- Toll free telephone service staffed from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Saturday and local number for service calls staffed from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday.

Single Stream means that the recycling will be everything goes in one bin and does not have to be separated at curbside.

Questionnaire:

I want to keep the same service I have now; using my trash cans. _____

I want the cheapest waste collection option.

I am OK with an automated service using contractor furnished carts. _____

I am OK with the once weekly pickup option.

News Around Town . . .

ELECTION 2014 – NOVEMBER 4, 2014

Malabar will hold elections for Council representation for District Seats 1, 2, and 3 this year and consider some referendum questions on the ballot. The term for office of council is two years and the qualification is to have been a resident and registered voter within your District for one year prior to submitting your application for office. You also submit the signatures of 15 of your neighbors from the same District on a petition provided by the Clerk's office. There is no pay for serving in this capacity but there can be a great deal of satisfaction in that you are helping to maintain Malabar's rural character and do good things for the community.

District 1 encompasses the east side of Corey Road from Malabar Road to Allen Street and then east to Highway 1 with a dog leg up from Marie Street to the Town's northern border. The District then runs south on Highway 1 to include the Southern Comfort MHP.

District 2 is generally described as the area south and west of District 1 to the west side of Corey Road, south side of Hall Road and the triangle between Malabar Road and Glatter Road.

District 3 is bounded by Weber Road on the west side, Malabar Road on the north side, McCain Lane on the east side and Atz Road on the south side with a dogleg jog at Corey up to Hall Road. Color maps of the Districts are available at Town Hall.

Golf Carts Are Allowed in Malabar

The Town Council adopted Ordinance 2013-65 in November 2013. If you would like to use your golf cart on Town roads, you can register your cart by completing the Golf Cart Registration Packet which you can download from the Town website or come by Town Hall and pick one up. The packet contains the needed forms and explains the rules for operating the golf carts on the road. There is a one-time registration fee of \$50.00 used to off-set the signage expense. Once you pay the fee you will receive a decal to be placed on the golf cart.

MALABAR SPRINGFEST 2014 – ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT

Malabar SpringFest 2014 was held April 5 this year. The weather was beautiful, the food was great and the turnout was large. If you didn't make it this year please mark it on your calendar for next year. It will be held March 28, 2015 due to the Easter season. We would love to have you participate, volunteer, be a vendor, enter your car in the car show or just come out and mingle with the neighbors in your community. John Quinlivan was again the MC and did a fabulous job of keeping everyone entertained and he and the rest of the Band provided music throughout the day.

We would like to recognize some of our regular sponsors that have helped make the event better each year: Hometown News, Digital Graphics, CMR Constructors, Inc., Florida Power & Light, Waste Management, Tharp's Complete Auto Repair & Transmission, Acquaviva's Pharmacy, Brook Hollow Community Association, Camelot RV Park, PODS, Rumbo Pets and Ace Hardware. The Town of Malabar also would like to recognize and thank all the local businesses for their generous donations received as raffle prizes. They ranged from free movies at the Cinema World in West Melbourne to trees at the Palm House to area rugs from Carpets Plus, massages from Barb at Malabar Moments and so much more.

We also had a great turnout for the 3rd Annual Cow Bell 10K race through the Malabar Sanctuary on April 12. Everyone earned an award and is looking forward to next year's race. A large thank you to Renee White for chairing this event.



From the Desk of Christopher Robinson

Fire Chief Town of Malabar

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NON-EMERGENCY Business line: (321)-725-1030

ALL EMERGENCIES 911

In accordance with the revised Burn Permit ordinance of the town of Malabar, it is the intent of the Malabar Fire Department to maintain strict inspection/enforcement of the burn permit and burning process. We are dedicated to the mission of maintaining a safe environment and control of open burning practices to prevent unfriendly fire. In preparing for open burning we strongly advise of the clearing of dry grass, brush and other combustible materials from around structures and gutters to remove all potential fuels. This simply reduces the potential of any embers starting unforeseen spot fires on or around a structure on the property, during open burning. Home owners should make the cleaning of gutters and around structures an annual housekeeping task as the dry season approaches.

Before any burning please review Florida statutes **62-256.300 Prohibitions, 62-256.700 open burning allowed. No burning before 09:00, extinguished no later than one hour before sunset, provided however that no burning shall be conducted during windy conditions.**

The following items are strictly prohibited from outside open burning:

- Burning of any tires
- Rubber or plastic materials
- Asphalt, roofing materials, Tar
- Biological waste, hazardous waste, asbestos-containing materials, mercury-containing materials, pharmaceuticals
- Railroad cross ties, other creosoted lumber, treated wood
- Residual or used oil
- House hold garbage/trash
- Or any other items listed by the Florida Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer services, or Florida Forest Service

A burn permit will authorize the burning of:

- Agricultural and silvicultural fires
- Rural land clearing of brush type debris
- Non-rural land clearing of brush and yard type debris
- Burn piles will not exceed 8 feet in diameter

The following safety requirements shall be in place before burning takes place:

- The fire is enclosed in a noncombustible container or is restricted to a pile no greater than 8 feet in diameter built upon ground cleared of all combustible material
- The burn site must be at least 25 feet from any Wildlands, brush, or combustible structure
- 50 Feet from any public roadway, and 150 feet from any occupied building other than that owned or leased by individual doing burning
- The fire is attended and adequate fire extinguishing equipment is readily available at all times; and
- The moisture content and composition of material to be burned is favorable to good burning which will minimize smoke.
- Smoke shall not become a hazard or hindrance to roads or nearby structures.

Any person conducting an open burning operation shall have the following means or combination of to control an onsite fire immediately, during open burning. Example:

- Immediate access to activation of 911
- Frontend loader
- Pumping water from wells or holding pond, with hose capable of reaching complete circumference of the burn pile location.
- Or any other means acceptable and approved by the fire chief or his assigned designee.

SMOKE WILL NOT BECOME A HAZARD OR HINDERANCE TO NEIGHBORS AND NEARBY ROAD WAYS

At any time should it become a question of whether a controlled burn has grown beyond the onsite capabilities, immediately activate 911 and safely await the fire department.

As a note FIRE will double in size every two minutes if not controlled. Please burn responsibly and never hesitate to call for advice or assistance.

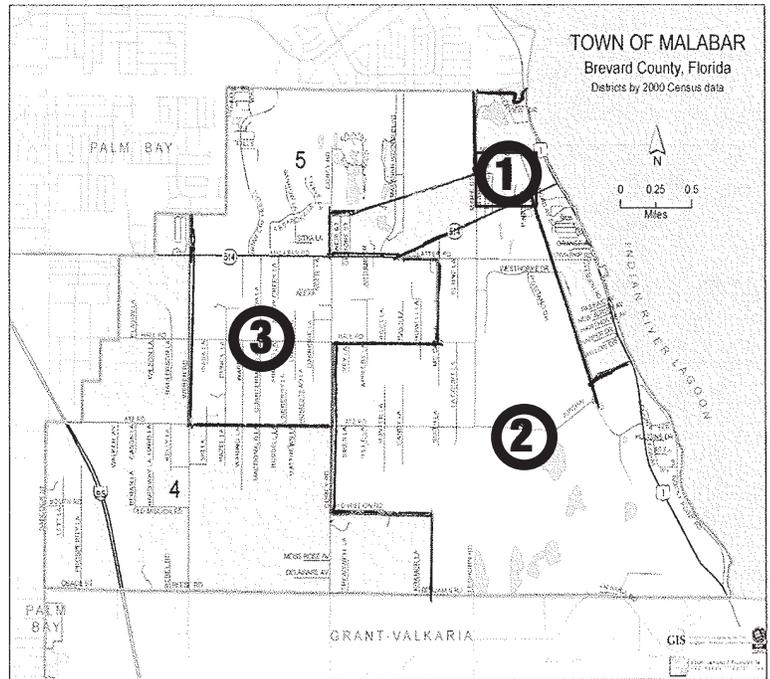
The Malabar Fire Department is here to assist the citizens of Malabar and surrounding communities through the education and practice of safety and fire prevention.

NO burning will take place when **FIRE DANGER** is HIGH or winds are greater than **10 MPH**. Department of Forestry is the authority who determines favorable/non favorable burn conditions.

Know Your Representatives on Council

The Council members to the left represent these districts:

District 1:	Jim Milucky • 1280 Highway 1 722-0882 jmilucky.malabar@gmail.com
District 2:	Wayne Abare • 2530 Rocky Point Rd 727-8559 wabare@cfl.rr.com
District 3:	Steve Rivet • 2005 Rivet Lane 431-9878 srivet@cfl.rr.com
District 4:	Dick Korn • 3115 Weber Rd. 288-9402 dickkorn@bellsouth.net
District 5:	Marisa Acquaviva • 1120 Baywood Court 693-4172 marisa-cq@msn.com
Mayor:	Carl Beatty • 2944 Century Oaks Circle 514-8623 beattycarl@aol.com
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St. John's River Water Mgmt District	www.sjrwmd.com



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