



Bluffton Police Department

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Public Hurricane Preparedness Meetings

Who:

Town of Bluffton Emergency Management, Town of Bluffton Engineering Department – Watershed Management Division, Beaufort County Emergency Management

What:

Public Hurricane Preparedness Meetings

Where:

Bluffton Police Department, 101 Progressive St., Bluffton, SC 29910

When:

Thursday, May 25, 2017 from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 31, 2016 from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

The Town of Bluffton's Emergency Management Division, Engineering Department, and the Beaufort County Emergency Management are teaming up for the public's benefit to offer two educational classes on preparing yourself, family and property if a hurricane were to strike. Both classes are comprised of the same information, but offered on different dates to accommodate those who want to attend.

Information to be covered during the presentations includes lessons learned from Hurricane Mathew, evacuation routes, procedures during an evacuation, how to develop a plan for evacuation, as well as answer questions the public may have.

Bluffton's Engineering Department will discuss the EPA-mandated portions of the Town's stormwater management program, as well as give advice to property owners on how to prepare their retention ponds and maintain the stormwater drainage system to help protect against flooding during storm events.

"We want the community to have as much information as possible when it comes to keeping their family safe. Hurricane Mathew caught some people off guard last fall. We don't want that to happen again, so these classes will allow the public to be aware and informed," said Bluffton Police Chief Joey Reynolds.

For those interested in attending either of the classes, please RSVP to Joy Nelson at jnelson@townofbluffton.com specifying which class you would like to attend.

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