

NEUSE HARBOUR OWNERS ASSOC

Not your typical HOA



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Who is the NHOA?

The NHOA is YOU. Annual membership in the NHOA is open to all home and property owners in Neuse Harbour and only costs \$125 per year. The Board of Directors are elected from the membership and other members volunteer to join certain committees. Every board and committee member is a volunteer who values the quality of life we enjoy in Neuse Harbour.

Would you like to volunteer? It doesn't take much of your time and it is a great way to meet or reconnect with your neighbors. Your skills and knowledge are needed. Call or email today to let us know where you would like to serve.

History of the NHOA

The NHOA was incorporated with the State of North Carolina in 2012 as a beautification and social association. The mission of the association is to promote harmony and unity, establish social and recreational outlets, and provide for common interests.

WHAT WE DO

COMMON AREAS

NHOA keeps Neuse Harbour beautiful by maintaining the traffic islands, park, and the NHOA beach

SOCIAL EVENTS

NHOA holds events at the park and hosts community yard sales

BEACH ACCESS

NHOA members enjoy access to the Neuse River via the NHOA's beach property

Beach access is for members only – as noted on the sign at the entrance. Do you use the beach but are not a member? Please consider joining NHOA.

Project Plans

The number one project in the works for 2022 is to build a covered Pavilion at the park. Past boards set aside funds for this project, but it stalled at that point. Vice President Heide Lock is spearheading the Pavilion project in hopes of making it a reality.

Craven County issued a permit to NHOA to build the Pavilion, but with the increasing costs of lumber the money set aside is insufficient. Ballpark figures from local contractors indicate that NHOA is about \$25,000 short to build per the current plans.

Options to build a significantly cheaper Pavilion using a steel carport shell or multiple gazebos was not well received by Board members. Efforts continue to find the funds to build a Pavilion the residents of Neuse Harbor will be proud to use.

Future Plans

As the neighborhood ages, so do our amenities. The NHOA will need to plan for repairs, replacement, or replenishment of such items as the entrance sign, playground equipment, stormwater retention pond structure, and beach sand. All are expensive and will take considerable effort to achieve

Fundraising

Member Jeff Morgan volunteered to head up fundraising efforts with a prize raffle. The first prize raffle benefited NHOA with over \$6900! Way to go Jeff! When the next raffle gets underway announcements will be posted to the message board at the entrance and on the NHOA Facebook page.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart of NHOA. Do you have a few hours every so often to donate?

Meet new friends, reconnect with old acquaintances, and help us save member dollars - dollars that can be used for other endeavors.

NHOA's standing committees that could use your help are the Social Committee, the Membership Committee, and the Garden Committee. Do you have an idea for a committee that would benefit the neighborhood? Tell us!

Join the fun to keep Neuse Harbour one of the most desirable communities in New Bern.

Trades, Skills, and Talents

Our community is fortunate to have neighbors/business owners like Jeff McCamy and David Mills who provide services to NHOA *at cost*. Neighbors like these save NHOA *thousands of dollars* a year.

Do you have a trade, skill, or talent that would benefit the NHOA? Tell us!

Support neighbors who support us

McCamy Lawn Care 252-671-5512
Parson Co. handyman svcs 252-777-2418

Upcoming election

Home and property owners who pay their 2022 annual dues to the NHOA will have the opportunity to vote on an issue that was discussed at the recent annual meeting, held July 17, 2021.

Are you in favor of raising the annual dues by \$25 starting in January 2023?

Costs are rising, but our dues have not for several years. The NHOA board will ask members if they are in favor of raising the annual dues from \$125 per year to \$150 per year starting in January 2023.