Mayor Tony Kennon

On behalf of the Orange Beach City Council and all of our staff, I’d like to introduce the 2020 Annual Report.

Folks, it was a year of unprecedented challenges. From the pandemic to Hurricane Sally and each time the city, our employees and the community as a whole met the challenge. We are stronger for it. We have a lot happening in the city as you’ll see with many project underway or completed that will lift our city’s quality of life for many years to come.

Orange Beach City Council

Annette Mitchell
Place 1

Jeff Boyd
Place 2
Mayor Pro-tem

Jerry Johnson
Place 3

Jeff Silvers
Place 4

Joni Blalock
Place 5

The City of Orange Beach is a Class 8 Alabama municipal corporation, incorporated in 1984. Legislative authorities are vested in the City Council, which is comprised of six elected members, including the Mayor. The City Council is responsible, among other things, for passing ordinances and resolutions, making public policy decisions, adopting the budget, appointing boards, commissions and committees, approving contracts, authorizing real estate transactions, awarding bids, selling property, and hiring the City’s department heads and City Attorney. City Council members and the mayor serve four-year terms. All sitting council members, as well as Mayor Kennon, were re-elected to office in 2020.
Dear Orange Beach Citizen,

What can you say about a tourism economy during a global pandemic? Orange Beach and the Alabama Gulf Coast were hit hard economically when Governor Kay Ivey was forced to close Alabama’s beaches in March and April 2020. When people cannot come on vacation to enjoy the natural beauty of the Alabama Gulf Coast, the Achilles heel is exposed showing the extensive impact of lost revenues to the local, county and state economies with major reductions in sales and lodging taxes related to tourism spending. This closing of the beaches to the public was a first to the knowledge of city leaders and had never occurred for decades.

Orange Beach rebounded with a tremendous summer with appropriate measures in place to keep people safe and to allow people to enjoy the region. Boating became an all-time popular hobby as people could enjoy boating while many other locations saw restrictions. The historic opening of the Orange Beach High School / Middle School on Canal Road was a true game changer for the community creating a year-round community and attracting young families who are seeking quality public schools in Baldwin County. The public-private partnership between the Baldwin County Board of Education and the City of Orange Beach continues with investments on campus as well as donating the 40-acre site for the campus. Work continued on the Performing Arts Center with 710 seats in the main theater, a 175-seat “black-box theater” and other appropriate spaces for the various performing arts programs. This $10 million investment will prove to be unique for Baldwin County based right in Orange Beach. The Makos saw growth and change as Orange Beach Elementary School changed its mascot from the traditional Marlin to also be the Makos creating all students having the same mascot.

Many capital projects were underway during 2020 including $2.4 Million in upgrades and construction of stadiums for baseball and softball at the Orange Beach Sportsplex along with the $3 million construction of an adult fitness gym, which is unique to Alabama as a 24/7 fitness facility with some 17,400 square feet of space. Completion of a new gymnasium at the Orange Beach Recreation Center with campus improvements to stormwater drainage and eight totally new rebuilt tennis courts at the Orange Beach Tennis Center were accomplished. Other capital improvements included the new 45,000-square-foot, $3 million Public Works facility relocating north of the Intracoastal Waterway providing one secure facility for all equipment and operations. The Utilities Department completed a new $700,000 office and separate storage facility at the wastewater treatment plant site relocated from the new school campus property.

The City continued to invest in improvements to healthcare for our citizens with the Fire Department achieving almost all staffing having medical training along with operating our own ambulance fleet. Construction began for a regional freestanding emergency department (FED) by South Baldwin Regional Medical Center at the Jack Edwards Airport site, which will be a huge addition coming online for healthcare improvements to the island.

“Resilient” continues to be the foundational word for Orange Beach, Alabama. Adapting through the many mandates related to Covid protocols, then along comes September 16th... 16 years to the exact anniversary of Hurricane Ivan in 2004 rolls in Hurricane Sally. Sally grows to a near Category 3 storm causing tremendous damage to marine docks and rooftops throughout the city with 50 inches of rain falling on top of a strong storm surge creating tremendous flooding issues. The city immediately went to work alongside private pre-positioned contractors to secure, clean-up and rebuild the community in time for a successful spring season of the following year.

Ken Grimes, Jr., City Administrator

“I cannot thank the employees and the citizens of the City of Orange Beach who have proven time and time again their ability to fight through disaster, downturns in the economy and ultimately all things that impact our local community because they are truly a resilient people and know how to battle and recover. Each disaster and each crisis we become stronger as a city and it’s all due to the willpower and the dedication of our people.”

– Ken Grimes, Jr., City Administrator
COMMUNITY

2020 IN REVIEW

OBHS homecoming, Oct 22, 2020

Beach reopens after COVID-19 closure for 6 weeks, April 30, 2020

New Coastal Resources HQ

First responder awards, Nov. 2

Ribbon cutting for Orange Beach Middle/High School, August 10, 2020

Airport control tower groundbreaking

Festival of Art, March 14-15

Adult Fitness Center construction

John Davis recognized, Feb. 2

Fat Tuesday parade, Feb. 25

New Public Works facility

Canal Road widening

Seafood Festival, Feb. 29

Christmas tree lighting, Dec. 1

Chamber office opens at Wharf

Fitness Center groundbreaking

New Rec Center gym opens

Tennis Center reopens, Nov. 18

Sally Inflicts Misery Across a Stretch of the Gulf Coast

Fed Sets Higher Rates For Rate Increase

What's News

COVID-19 closures

6 feet

Personal Responsibility

The Wall Street Journal

Hurricane Sally recovery

Hurricane Sally aftermath, September 16, 2020

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Under the leadership of Finance Director Ford Handley, the Finance Department strives to provide the citizens, employees, and customers of the City of Orange Beach with quality financial management, financial reporting, and cost-effective acquisition of goods and services for the City consistent with local, state, and federal laws and governmental accounting and regulatory requirements.

In 2020, the Finance Department:

- Continued to use MyGovHub to allow for utility consumers to pay for their services online with no convenience fees.
- The City now uses ActiveNet to create portals to accept online registrations for most of our activities such as sail camp, recreational ball teams, and Expect Excellence.
- Hurricane Sally hit the Gulf Coast on September 16th, the cost to the City to date is $12,539,834. The City had strong reserves to cover most of the expenses and is currently working with FEMA on reimbursement.
- Foley Beach Express total vehicle count was 4,310,118 down 515,480 due to Hurricane Sally and COVID-19 in 2020.
- Despite COVID-19 and Hurricane Sally, the City still surpassed their budgeted revenue numbers.

### Revenue and Expenses - 2015-2020 - City of Orange Beach

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* (Note: Revenues and expenses from enterprise funds are not included, and 2016 revenue includes $10 million from BP oil spill settlement.)
### Sales, Lodgings & Ad Valorem Tax Revenue - 2011-2020 - City of Orange Beach

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**NOTE:**
- First full year 7% Lodging Tax (City Share in effect)
- Revenue down due to COVID-19 Closures and Hurricane Sally

### Business Licenses Issued - 2011-2020 - City of Orange Beach

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Under the management of Director Kit Alexander, the responsibility of the City of Orange Beach Department of Community Development is to assist and serve citizens and developers with the land development process in order to ensure quality development for the City of Orange Beach. The Community Development Department is comprised of the following divisions: Planning and Zoning, Building Department, and Code Enforcement.

### Plans Examination & Permitting

**Permitting**
- Number of new single-family residential dwellings—170
- Number of new commercial developments—10
- Number of new multi-family developments—2
- Number of commercial tenant build-outs—13
- Total number of permits—3,263
- Total amount of permit revenue—$3,202,895
- Total number of inspections—5,292

### Planning Commission
- Total # of Planning Commission cases—74
- Total Planning Commission revenue—$26,335

### Board of Adjustment
- Total # Board of Adjustment cases—3
- Total BOA revenue—$300

### Wireless Telecommunication
- Total # wireless telecom submittals—3
- Total amount of wireless telecommunication revenue—$1,000

### Code Enforcement
- Number of logged complaints—681
- Public nuisance notifications—322* (*86% brought into compliance by property owners; 4% by the city)

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*New: Beach Village Resort (front); Phoenix Gulf Towers (back)*

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Geographic Information Systems
In 2020, the GIS Division developed a new GIS public website entirely supported and managed by city staff.

Drone surveillance and aerial progression reports were provided for the following:
- Hurricane Sally damage assessment, response and recovery
- Orange Beach Middle and High School construction
- New Public Works Facility
- Rec Center Improvements
- Perdido Pass Dredging Operation
- Beach Activities
- Code Enforcement Public

Year 2020 was another record year for the number of permits issued. The City of Orange Beach continued to see growth in single-family residential development.

10-YEAR PERMIT REVENUE GROWTH

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New Public Works facility
New Orange Beach Middle / High School opened in August 2020.
In 2020, under the leadership of Chief Mike Kimmerling and Deputy Chief Jeff Smith, the Orange Beach Fire Department accomplished the following:

**Operations**
- Responded to 43 working fires
  - 19 structure fires
  - 9 vehicle fires
  - 8 mutual aid fires
- Responded to 1,268 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Calls
  - 801 - treated and transported
  - 304 - care was transferred (helicopter)
  - 379 - refused transport
  - 58 - cancelled prior to arrival

**Top runs by primary impression**
- Trauma - 23%
- Chest Pain - 10%
- Respiratory Distress - 10%
- Altered Mental Status - 7%

**EMS Transport Destinations**
- South Baldwin Regional in Foley - 88%
- Sacred Heart in Pensacola - 7%
- Thomas Hospital in Fairhope - 3%
- Baptist Hospital in Pensacola - 2%

**OBFD minimum daily staffing is 17 personnel. This staffing is distributed as follows:**
- **Station 1:** Engine 1- 3 personnel, Rescue 1 - 2 personnel, Battalion 1- 1 personnel
- **Station 2:** Engine 2- 3 personnel, Rescue 2 - 2 personnel
- **Station 4:** Engine 4- 3 personnel
- **Station 5:** Truck 5 - 3 personnel

**Department Notes**
- 2020 was a challenging year as the COVID-19 pandemic began early in the year.
- Hurricane Sally made landfall here on September 16th leading to widespread damage from rain, flooding and wind. During the storm and in the aftermath, firefighters responded to multiple rescues and fires as well as hazardous conditions from powerlines, trees and fuel leaks. The heroic actions of OBFD staff are to be commended.
- Firefighter Daniel Epperson was named Firefighter of the Year.
FIRE

Training (16,878 hours in 2020)

2020 was a challenging year for the training division. COVID-19 saw early suspension of multi-company training and the ability to both send staff to outside training and the ability to bring in outside instructors. The Recruit School faced modifications to its schedule and required an additional week due to Hurricane Sally.

Classes conducted in 2020:
- Emergency Care Provider
- Emergency Vehicle Driver
- Fire Apparatus Operator - Aerial and Pumper
- Fire Instructor I
- Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations
- Hazardous Materials Technician
- Rapid Intervention Crewmember
- Rescue Technician Rope I
- Fire Inspector II
- Fire Inspector III
- Fire Officer III
- Fire Recruit School—21 graduated this year’s school, attendees from Orange Beach, Gulf Shores, Bay Minette, Daphne, Spanish Fort, Atmore, Prichard and Chickasaw

Division Notes
- Fire Marshal Craig Stephenson retired and Nelson Bauer was named to this role. Fire Marshal Bauer and Deputy Fire Marshal Taylor Bryant continued the excellent work of the division.
- The elevator key box initiative was instituted this year, providing emergency access keys for responders at each facility elevator lobby. This ensures accurate access keys are readily available when needed.
- The Fire Marshal’s office has been working diligently to assist properties in recovery post hurricane.
- Bauer and Bryant continue to provide training and education teaching inspector certification courses for the Alabama Fire College.

Surf Rescue
(Staffing: 2 full-time supervisors, 2 part-time supervisors, 20 seasonal lifeguards)

2020 Statistics
- Rescued or assisted 96 distressed swimmers from the Gulf of Mexico.
- 10,218 preventative actions performed by lifeguards. Including actions like rip current education, severe weather warnings, and dangerous marine life notifications.
- 62 missing children were reunited with their families.
- Beaches are covered with 5 Lifeguard Towers, 2 Portable Towers, 5 UTV’s, 2 Beach Trucks, and 2 PWC.
- Lifeguard coverage on the beach has improved to cover an eight month span from March 1st to November 1st, including later shifts that extend until sunset.
- Installed new beach flag warning signs at all public beach access points and disturbed signage to over 75 privately owned beach entries including hotels, resorts, and condominiums.
- Lifeguards participated in Post Hurricane Sally relief efforts by going door to door on flooded streets and helping tarp homes with roof damage.
- Second year Lifeguard Robbie Bishop was voted Lifeguard of the Year by his peers.
In 2020, under the leadership of Chief Steve Brown and Assistant Chief Rob Howard, the Orange Beach Police Department accomplished the following:

- Hired four new officers to the Patrol Division.
- Added four new jailers. This provides three jailers per shift and allows for greater safety to our jailers and inmates.
- Welcomed one new dispatcher.
- Answered 17,124 calls for service in the city and police jurisdiction.
- Purchased an MUV for beach patrol.
- Along with the Fire Department, OBPD worked through Hurricane Sally’s landfall rescuing citizens from their flooding houses. This was made possible by utilizing the MRAP Vehicle acquired through the LESO program. The rescues were recognized by ADECA, which manages the LESO program.
- The department manned checkpoints and patrolled the city after Hurricane Sally.
- Cpl. Carter Lowery earned the 2020 Police Officer of the Year award, and Animal Control Officer Tiffany Long was named the police department’s 2020 Civilian Employee of the Year during the Orange Beach Community Center Association’s annual award ceremony.

COVID-19 made 2020 a very challenging year. The department’s staff rose to the challenge covering shifts when some of employees became sick or were exposed to people who did have it.

Because of COVID-19, the department was unable to sponsor many of its usual civic programs that we love to have. Those that were cancelled included Kids’ Night Out, Citizens Police Academy, Coffee with a Cop and the Kids’ Christmas Party.

The department was able to hold a modified Shop with a Cop, making Christmas special for 21 children. In February, the department also hosted “Conversation over Queso” at YoHo Rum & Tacos.
Under the guidance of Court Director Renee Gardner, Orange Beach Municipal Court has jurisdiction over misdemeanor traffic cases, misdemeanor criminal cases and violations of municipal ordinances that occur in the city limits or the police jurisdiction of the City of Orange Beach.

In 2020, the Orange Beach Municipal Court collected a total of $1,238,288.56 in fines, court costs, and restitution.

There were:
- 879 traffic cases filed.
- 831 non-traffic cases filed.
- 86 ordinance violation cases filed.
- 107 parking tickets filed.
- 616 warrants issued.
- 449 felony warrants issued.
Under the management of Director Tim Tucker, the City of Orange Beach Public Works Department is comprised of the Street, Landscaping and Refuse Divisions. The Street Division maintains the streets, rights-of-ways, drainage and beaches within the City of Orange Beach. The Landscaping Division maintains all city property grounds including the sportsplex, golf course, recreational parks and welcome areas. The Refuse Division keeps all of the rights-of-ways clear of trash and debris. Refuse also assists property owners in disposing of vegetative yard debris, household debris including appliances and furniture. Residential garbage and recycling is collected by a private contractor. The Public Works Department plays an integral role in emergency management and disaster recovery.

2020 Public Works Accomplishments:

City Shop
- Shop completed 1,427 repair orders with total of $454,967.70 in parts and supplies.

Street
- Completed many paving and drainage projects and ongoing maintenance of ditches. Projects included: Gulf Bay Road, 360 feet of 24-inch drain pipe was installed, 240 feet of 18-inch pipe on Park Drive, 200 feet of 18-inch pipe on Pine Road, among others.

Maintenance
- Ongoing maintenance at city facilities.

Refuse
- Crews picked up more than 200 loads of debris following Hurricane Sally and delivered trash cans that washed away during the storm.
- The ROW buggies continue to run 7 days a week keeping shoulders clean.

Landscaping
- The Landscaping Division was particularly busy in 2020 with many projects including the entirely landscaping the new Orange Beach Middle/High School and the renovated Tennis Center while continuing to do the daily maintenance around the city.
- Crews also cleaned up after Hurricane Sally, which required extensive work such as tree removal and trimming, stump grinding, etc.

Custodial
- Continued excellent work at facilities, events and beaches.

Sportsplex
- Maintained and prepped field for hundreds of games, ranging from USSSA baseball to Orange Beach high school and middle school games. Crews also expanded the future Mako baseball field.

Golf Course
- Maintained grounds that saw over 11,000 rounds of play.

Special Projects
- At the new Public Works facility on Roscoe Road, crews site work, formwork for concrete, irrigation and landscaping, ceiling grid and tile installation, millwork installation (includes cabinetry) and interior painting, saving the city $1 million.
- Public Works crews had to completely repair the boardwalk at the Coastal Arts Center on Wolf Bay.
Under the management of Director Jeff Hartley, the City of Orange Beach Utilities (Sewer) Department’s wastewater treatment facility operates with 25 lift stations that transfer all domestic and commercial waste to a 10 million gallon-a-day treatment plant. The collection system is comprised of low pressure and gravity lines, mostly in the corporate city limits of Orange Beach. Other areas supplied by the treatment facility are low-pressure lines to Ono Island and the Mullet Creek region.

In 2020, the City of Orange Beach Utilities Department:

- Refurbished one lift station.
- Completed electrical upgrades on one lift station.
- Constructed new field office building at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Installed 318 sewer taps.
- Completed line relocations necessary for ALDOT widening of Canal Road.
- Began design for the installation of a new sewer main from Canal Road to County Road 12 along Roscoe Road & the Beach Express.

### CITY OF ORANGE BEACH SEWER FLOW, 2015-2020

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![New field office image]

![Generators for new field office and sewer plant image]

![Wastewater Treatment Plant image]
Under the management of Director Desiree Blackwell, the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach campus overlooks scenic Wolf Bay and offers many artistic experiences with a breathtaking view.

The Coastal Arts Center essentially contains four small businesses in one: a glass blowing facility; a pottery studio; a fine arts gallery with an education center; and wedding/corporate event rental space. During a worldwide pandemic, our artists and staff creatively came together to safely foster the arts in our community. We even met our budget goal for fine art sales, which is a direct reflection of both the quality of the featured artists as well as the market desire for art. While our visitor traffic was down considerably for the year, and our in-person class lessons had to be modified or canceled, we remained positive and grew our social media presence to stay connected to our patrons. The Arts Center ended the year with 6,426 followers on Facebook.

2020 Coastal Arts Center Highlights:

- Expanded student classes to four classes to accommodate more children being schooled at home and needing an art outlet.
- Successfully ran our summer kids camp program, with slightly reduced numbers and activities spread out in order to meet pandemic safety guidelines.
- Hosted a total of 26 weddings, and 2 corporate events.
- Maintained a ranking at 4.8 on Google ratings and 5.0 on TripAdvisor ratings. (Continued on next page.)
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- The Coastal Arts Center was selected, for the second year in a row, as presenting the “Best Art Festival” in the State of Alabama by the readers of the luxury magazine ALABAMA, for the Orange Beach Festival of Art.
- Was voted as “Best Art Gallery” and “Best Fine Art Store” in the Best of Baldwin annual contest.
- Completed final phase of the gallery chandelier expansion to include a new frame and over 350 hand blown glass pieces.
- Hosted three “Acoustic Arts” concerts prior to the pandemic shutdown, including the Mobile Symphony piano and violin duo, Sugarcane Jane Americana folk duo, and The Voices of Mobile college performance choir.
- Hosted a free outdoor concert for the community in June. The featured group was “Four A Change,” a much-loved local quartet.
- Combined the “Locals Art Day” event (originally held in August) with the “Arts Afire” October event, in order to still feature local artists in a safe outdoor environment.
- Participated in the Frank Brown International Songwriter’s Festival by hosting an outdoor concert on the lawn featuring Sugarcane Jane and Hits & Grins.
- Expanded the Coastal Art Center’s social media presence with more engagement on Facebook, and new engagement on Instagram.
- Met goal of art sales revenue of $175,000 even during the pandemic. This is attributed in large part to social media promotions, and the reputation the center is building for offering original fine art.
- Juried in 10 new local artists to exhibit in the Gallery.
- Was pleased to announce that one of the center’s staff, Brandy Thomley, received the Island Spirit award given out by the Chamber of Commerce.

"The Coastal Arts Center is the crown jewel of the Orange Beach/Gulf Shores Gulf Coast area, showcasing 100 Gulf Coast artists in a stunning Bayfront gallery and offering hands-on experiences in hot glass and cool clay. 2020 brought unexpected challenges but with a staff known for their Southern hospitality and positive energy, we rose to the occasion and worked to present artistic opportunities in safe ways for our community. Going into 2021 we will continue to create and provide unique memory-making encounters for our local residents, our seasonal visitors and our rental guests."

- Desi Blackwell, Director
The Orange Beach Public Library - led by then Director Jonathan Darby and followed by Acting Director Meagan Bing - serves the citizens of Orange Beach (census population 6,114) and the surrounding area. It is a member of the Baldwin County Library Cooperative and serves a seasonal population of “snowbirds” who are heavy users of library resources.

**Website:** www.orangebeachlibrary.org (includes full 2020 Annual Report)
**Facebook:** https://www.facebook.com/OrangeBeachPublicLibrary

- There were over 2,780 Orange Beach Public Library cards used between October 1, 2019 and the end of September 2020 (state fiscal year). This is a decrease from previous years due to COVID-19. The author encourages the reader to consider that e-resource check-outs do not count toward card activity and therefore are not reflected in that number. With a full-time resident population of around 6,100, this activity level indicates the value our visitors place on the library.

- These numbers include some county residents and people who work in but do not live within the Orange Beach city limits. We treat our greater area as "locals," as the library deems our workforce and regular visitors from nearby locations in Baldwin County to be part of our primary service community. Over 781 new cards were created in our 2020 Fiscal year. Some of these are replacements for long-lost cards due to deleted accounts, but most of these are patrons joining the library for the very first time.

- The rapid change in technology, local events, and world events demands that the library constantly evaluates the infrastructure we provide. We must position ourselves to respond quickly to changes in order to meet our community’s increasing needs. When COVID-19 became prevalent, we adapted by offering almost all of our programs virtually and invested in providing more content in our electronic resources so that patrons could access information and entertainment from the safety of their homes. As a result of these efforts we saw an increase in circulation of almost 9% in e-resources!

- In 2020 the library added $30,196 in new print materials, $19,458 in electronic materials, $12,200 in audio books, $6,824 in DVDs, and $16,827 on our hotspot program. That’s over $84,000.

- The Orange Beach Public Library was the first library in the state to be recognized for the achievement of library standards by the Public Library Division of the Alabama Library Association at the Blue Ribbon level (1996). We are again proud to be the recipient of the highest standards award, now called "the Gold Standard," for our 2018 service year.

- The Orange Beach Public Library is committed to innovative planning and creative action in our organization, profession, and community.

**LIBRARY BOARD:** Karen Clark, Treasurer; Sharon Ramirez, Vice-Chair; Sherry Brandler, Secretary; Joni Blalock, Council Liaison; Fred Gatch, Chair
Originally established as a division in 2004 under Community Development with two staff members, Orange Beach Coastal Resources became a standalone department in 2018. Under the management of Director Phillip West, full-time, part-time and seasonal staff are committed to preserving and maintaining the local beaches, shorelines, trails and wildlife, which so greatly enhance our quality of life and sustain the local tourism-based economy.

**ADMINISTRATION**

As a newly formed independent city department in 2018, Coastal Resources worked throughout 2019 to select a location and design a new permanent building for the administrative offices. Construction began in winter of 2019 and was nearly complete by the end of 2020. This new location has a marina and will also house the Waterways and Shoreline Enhancement Program vessels.

In 2020, Coastal Resources faced many challenges from the beach closures in the spring due to COVID-19 and then Hurricane Sally clean up in the fall. The department managed the massive debris cleanup response among its normal duties.

Among its responsibilities, the department managed the following grants:

- **GOMESA:** Waterways and Shoreline Enhancement Program—$1,314,500
- **RESTORE:** Hydrodynamic Modeling and Sediment Budget Study—$475,000
- **NRDA:** Sea Turtle Initial Treatment and Triage Facility—$622,915.00
- **TNC:** Restoration Alternatives Analysis—$446,822
- **FEMA:** Port Security Fire Boat—$998,535
- **RESTORE:** Orange Beach Wildlife Center Feasibility Study—$472,255
- **RESTORE:** AL Point Seawall—$2,562,640
- **AL Audubon:** Alabama Coastal Bird Stewardship Program—$21,200
- **RESTORE:** Canal Road Improvements E. of SR-161—$1,813,065
- **RESTORE:** Orange Beach North Sewer Force Main Upgrade—$5,195,000
- **FEMA:** Covid-19 PA—$30,021.79
- **FEMA:** Hurricane Sally—$10,000,000+

Submitted the following grants:

- **ACAMP:** Waterfront Park Shoreline Restoration and Beach Enhancement Project—$72,506
- **Homeland Security:** Interoperable Communications—$49,174.40
- **IMLS:** National Leadership Grant for Museums & Libraries: Baldwin County Library—$93,277
- **Consortium Virtual Resource Expansion
- **FEMA:** Port Security- Police Boat (awarded)—$690,199
COASTAL RESOURCES

BEACH AND INLAND WATERWAYS
- The data from 2020 shows an increase in trash collection over previous years, even with the beach being closed for six weeks due to COVID and two weeks due to Hurricane Sally. Beach grooming by tractor and the vendor trash pickup were assigned to Coastal Resources in 2020.
- Beach ambassadors worked two weeks following Hurricane Sally hand picking debris from the beach and dunes.
- Shoreline added a new custom aluminum work skiff.
- Beach ambassadors continued education and outreach to beach visitors on the Leave Only Footprints program via 36,803 public interactions.
- Relocated 3,437 tents, filled 1,250 unsafe holes, and made 1,235 stops for glass on the beach.
- Operation Clean Sweep (nighttime beach cleaning) crew removed 6,805 chairs, 2,141 umbrellas, 698 tents, 2,556 boogie boards, and 2,382 floats that were abandoned on our beaches.
- **Totals in 2020**: 40,304 lbs. of trash, 71,580 lbs. of metal, 37,369 lbs. of other recyclables, and 320,000 lbs. of bagged vendor trash were removed by staff from our beaches.
- Waterways and Shoreline Enhancement Program picked up 85,781 lbs of trash and marine debris from the local waterways.
- Hosted two volunteer cleanup efforts in various beachfront locations and the Islands of Perdido.

WILDLIFE
- The Orange Beach Wildlife Center had over 900 animals processed through the facility with 230 animals released. The center received over 1,500 calls. (Instagram page grew to 315 followers and Facebook from 4,975 to 6,557 likes.)
- Fundraiser with Real Estate agents in January resulted in a $2,500 donation and over $500 in T-shirt sales. Garden Club donation for incubator and oxygen kennel; other donated money used to purchase anesthesia machine; 57 Wildlife Calendars sold—$1,140
- The successful internship program continued in 2020 and led to young professionals taking the following positions: one employed by Wildlife Center, one hired at WildCare as an intern, one going to grad school, one hired at Animal Rehabilitation Keep at University of Texas, and one intern returned to college.
- **Public Outreach**
  - March adult/senior field trip with animal show at butterfly pavilion on Backcountry Trail
  - Camp Sunshine field trip for all grades over the course of a week—full department participation—Nature bingo, capture the flag, fishing, trail rides
  - Animal programs for Expect Excellence throughout the summer—two to three programs a week for all ages (averaged 20-30 per class)
  - Wildlife Wednesdays—June 8th, June 17th, June 29th, July 22nd (averaged 15-20 guests)
  - Made videos for virtual learning for Sea, Sand & Stars
- Sea turtles: two young hawksbills (first Gulfarium C.A.R.E. has ever had) transported—one was released by Wildlife Center, the other died. A Green sea turtle was also transported to the Gulfarium for rehabilitation. They made a fundraising T-shirt based on this turtle.
COASTAL RESOURCES

COASTAL BIRD STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM
- The Alabama Coastal Bird Stewardship Program started in 2018 and is thriving due to our partnership with Alabama Audubon, which provided funding for a conservation position to promote public outreach, education, and communal support as well as ordinance enforcement.
  ◦ Outreach Events: Brett Robinson Snowbird Fish Fry, Orange Beach Festival of Art, Children’s Activities (Dec. 1—pine cone feeders and Dec. 18—snowy owl Christmas ornaments)
  ◦ 14 total nesting sites in Orange Beach including rooftop colonies with overall counts of 39 Least Tern nests (11 chicks fledged observed with an additional 6 chicks estimated), and one black skimmer nest with two fledglings.

WIND AND WATER LEARNING CENTER
- Hosted 9 weeks of successful Sail Camps for 167 local youth.
- Selected Brady Keesee of the Auburn University Sailing Team as Head Sail Camp Instructor.

BACKCOUNTRY TRAIL
- 2020 began with completion of a prescribed burn of approximately 80 acres on Twin Bridges Trail.
- The trail crew has been lucky enough to have been given new equipment including, an L-47 Kubota tractor, an E-Terra sickle bar attachment, rotary brush attachment, and vehicles and trailers. These greatly improved efficiency and personnel safety.
- With COVID-19, new precautions were implemented on the trail including spraying down commonly used trail amenities. There was a significant increase in trail usage during the pandemic. Many people were happy to see the trail open throughout closures and lockdowns. The trail system was an unsung hero during an unusual year.
- Two great interns help the crew over the summer.
- Hurricane Sally ravaged the trails. We lost an estimated 20% of our total canopy. 20,000 cubic yards or debris was removed by the trail and Crowder Gulf’s staff. We were able to fully reopen our full trail system in a month and a half.

PROJECTS
- Rosemary Dunes Bathroom: Tasked with taking over and building the previously abandoned Rosemary Dunes Trail Head Bathroom project. We started with a previous slab constructed slab and we built to new bathroom from the ground up. Because of COVID-19 it was a long haul to get it built with staff from other divisions helping. We also had help from our summer youth program and we were able to complete it.
- William Silvers Memorial Pavilion: With the help of Tim Tabb, we were able to construct the William Silvers Memorial Pavilion at Hidden Lakes on the Backcountry Trail.
Under the direction of Ken Grimes, the City of Orange Beach’s Parks and Recreation facilities are made up of the Sportsplex, Recreation Center, Aquatics Center, Tennis Center, Adult/Senior Activity Center, Golf Center, Indian & Sea Museum, Camp Sunshine, Expect Excellence and concessions/vending.

SPORTSPLEX & ATHLETICS

The 45-acre Orange Beach Sportsplex includes five baseball fields, 4 softball fields, 3 soccer fields, two sand volleyball courts and two trailheads.

In 2020:

- The Sportsplex staff faced challenges with COVID-19 but hosted many tournaments with proper precautions. Recreation sports such as baseball, softball and sand volleyball had to be cancelled due to the pandemic.
- The expansion of the baseball field (Field 2) and softball field (Field 3) began for Orange Beach High School. Completion is expected in July 2021. The baseball field will be upgraded to seat 500 fans and the softball field upgraded to seat 400 fans. Davis Architects / McCollough Architecture designed the upgrades, which is a $2.4 million investment.

### ORANGE BEACH ATHLETICS - YOUTH SPORTS PARTICIPANTS - 2016-2020

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![Future softball field]

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![Orange Beach Sportsplex]
ADULT/SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER
Amenities include arts and crafts, game room, multi-purpose room, and a screened porch overlooking Wolf Bay. Programs are offered throughout the year by professional staff. Due to COVID-19 in 2020, the Senior Center was only open from January to March 17.

2020 participants, total: 4,520 (down 57% from 2019)
Fitness Classes: 1,080 (down 55%)
Cards/Games: 2,607 (down 57%)
Trips/Lectures, Arts & Crafts: 573 (down 65%)
Blood Pressure Checks: 120 (down 63%)
AARP Tax Service: 140 (down 41%)
Facility Rentals – 18 (down 65%)

GOLF CENTER
- 11,504 rounds of golf played in 2020 (up 6% from 2019)
- Paid rounds - 6,963 (down 8%)
- Member rounds - 4,541 (up 39%)

AQUATICS CENTER
The Orange Beach Aquatics Center is dedicated to serving the community needs with a facility that includes a 25-yard outdoor heated pool, an 11 ½ foot diving well with a 1 meter board, tube slide, and a wading children’s pool with spray features and a slide. COVID-19 restrictions reduced usage of the pool and reduced or stopped programs. Closed: March 28th-May 8th.

2020 FACILITY USAGE
- Member: 4,294 (down 33% from 2019)
- Daily Passes: 267 (down 90%)
- Total: 4,561 (down 50%)

2020 PROGRAMS
- Swimming lessons: 9 total (down 94%), made up of 9 private, 0 group, 0 Kid’s Plus, 0 Infant Swimming Resource
- Dive-In Theater: 0
- SCUBA: 4 total (down 95%), all with Down Under Dive Shop.
- Summer Camps: 289 total enrollment (up 12%), made up of 151 from Camp Sunshine, 130 from Expect Excellence, 8 from OBHS Swim Team
- Classes: Water Aerobics: 868 participants (down 62%), Lifeguard: 4; CPR & First Aid: 2; Water Safety Today: 3
- Rentals: 0 birthday parties and 118 locker rentals.

2020 FACILITY REPAIRS
- Diving board replacement, power washing full deck, sanitizing all swim and water exercise equipment, re-painting inside of facility. Hurricane Sally cleanup.

INDIAN & SEA MUSEUM
The museum on John Snook Drive houses local artifacts and items from the city’s early days. Families of early fishermen donated supplies and collectibles that makes all visitors mindful of early challenges & achievements.

2020 visitors: 1,145 people (down 46% from 2019—museum closed March 19 to May 26 due to state-mandated COVID-19 closures; also closed briefly after Hurricane Sally.) Museum had visitors from various states, including Hawaii and Rhode Island and also 17 different countries, including Hungary and the Czech Republic.
RECREATION CENTER / FITNESS CENTER

The City of Orange Beach Recreation Center has two gymnasiums, a fitness room, multipurpose rooms, an academic classroom and an art room, along with four portable classrooms.

- 2020 was a year of downward trends in Recreation/Fitness Center usage due to COVID-19 restriction, but increased Expect Excellence programming as the City sought to provide opportunities for childcare during virtual learning and summer camp. The Orange Beach Recreation Center underwent a major addition in 2019 and early 2020 with the building of a second gymnasium.
- COVID-19 restriction drastically affected the operations of the Recreation Center and The Fitness Center. Beginning on March 19, Governor Kay Ivey’s mandates closed access to the Fitness Center for six weeks. At the end of that period, the fitness center reopened with several limitations including 50 percent capacity. To meet that mandate, the Recreation Center remained open to resident members and ceased offering nonresident memberships, day passes and guest passes.
- Decrease of 55,964 annual entrances for a total 58,680.
- Decrease of 936 memberships for a total of 1,887.

CAMPUS RENOVATIONS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION

- Construction of the new gymnasium was completed, which helped to alleviate much of the facility constraints to meet the continued growth of Expect Excellence and recreation basketball.
- Construction began on the new 24/7 Adult Fitness Facility in late summer 2020 and is expected to be completed by mid summer 2021.

TEEN CENTER

- On June 1, 2021, the Tennis Center began a complete demolition and renovation of all eight tennis courts. A ribbon cutting was held with the Mayor and City Council present on November 18th, with the Orange Beach Ladies Tennis League being the first to play on the new courts. The Tennis Center began using an online scheduling platform to allow residents to reserve courts.
EXPECT EXCELLENCE

In 2018, Mayor Tony Kennon and the City Council began “Expect Excellence,” a program geared at after-school training in academics, arts and athletics. The program is going strong and continues to grow, becoming its own department in 2020. Due to the onset of COVID-19 and the public schools moving to virtual learning, Expect Excellence and Camp Sunshine began providing 11-hour-a-day childcare and tutoring assistance in March. Under the continued direction of Jonathan Langston, Expect Excellence now serves students in Kindergarten through 12th grade. The Camp Sunshine program began transitioning into the Expect Excellence Department in April. K-6th grade students in Camp Sunshine moved to the Recreation Center facility during summer camp and became part of Expect Excellence at the start of the fall semester after-school program. Also, we are happy to achieve a long-awaited goal as we added foreign language to this year’s schedule with Spanish language classes during summer camp, fall 2020 and spring 2021, along with French and Portuguese beginning in January 2021. This early exposure to enrichment activities will build future opportunities for students.

Programs that are offered throughout the week include:

- Academics: homework lab, remedial and advanced studies, strategy games, morning and evening athlete tutoring, and robotics & coding.
- Arts and Enrichment: culinary arts, baking, tangible arts, visual arts I & II, etiquette and life skills, brain games, technology design, Spanish language, Portuguese language, French language, STEM, Google suite, world cultures, strategy board games, ballet/jazz dance & contortion stretch.
- Theatre arts include: introductory theater, acting I & II, costume & makeup design, improvisation and set & tech design, musical theatre performance & dance.
- Music arts include: voice, guitar, piano, drums, percussion, songwriting & recording, music theory, and rock ensemble.
- Athletics include: speed, strength and agility, baseball softball, soccer, volleyball, basketball, flag football, tennis, martial arts, fitness games, and track & field.
- Early elementary classes include: guided reading, music games, life skills, arts & crafts, behavior & etiquette, STEM, fitness games, world cultures, storytime, Spanish language, musical theatre, tai chi, strategy board games.

SUMMER CAMP

- Expect Excellence Summer Camp was offered free and only to Orange Beach residents due to COVID-19. We had 157 third- through seventh-grade students in our program offered 7 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Recreation Campus.
- Classes included: Morning Fitness, Strategy Board Games, Yoga & Youth Mindfulness, Martial Arts, Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Recreation Games, Visual Arts, Group Games, Theatre Improv, Brain Games, Swim, Spanish Language, MadLibs, Etiquette, Escape Room, Woodworking, STEM, World Cultures, Academic Games, and Life Skills. Coastal Resources also brought their animals to visit the students each week.
COMMUNITY THEATRE
• A full-time Theatre Director was hired to teach Expect Excellence classes and direct shows. We also hired part-time instructors for choreography and costume design/construction. The Steering Committee chose “Beauty and the Beast” to be performed in May. We had many members of the community audition, along with some from the Eastern Shore. COVID-19 caused the performance to be delayed several times, but most members of the cast of 33 stayed committed to the end. The show finally came to fruition in January 2021.

CAMP SUNSHINE
• In early April, Jessica Langston, Creative Director, took on the transition of the Camp Sunshine program into Expect Excellence. COVID-19 all-day childcare had begun a few weeks prior; the City offered childcare and virtual school assistance from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Camp Sunshine building. Daily class offerings included: Arts and Crafts, Brain Games, STEM, Music Games, Virtual School, Gardening, Outdoor Games, Life Skills, Yoga and Mind Binders.

• Summer Camp transitioned to the Recreation Center, while still maintaining two, separate programs. We had 137 registrants for Camp Sunshine Summer Camp. Students continued to receive T-shirts and camp bags. The City opted to make all Summer Camps free and limited to City of Orange Beach residents and employees.

• Fall semester brought about the full inclusion of Kindergarten through 2nd grade in the Expect Excellence after-school program. Sara Carroll was hired as the Expect Excellence Early Elementary Coordinator. The program took on all-day childcare during school holidays, offering student programs from 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

CONTINUING EXCELLENCE
• Continuing Excellence classes for adults started in January, but ended prematurely in April due to COVID-19. Spring semester adult classes included: Ballroom Dance and Salsa Dance, iNaturalist and Bio Blitz flora and fauna cataloguing, Creative Writing and Memoir workshops, Intro to Genealogy, Macro-Photography and Photo Boot Camp.

• Classes began in September and ended in December. Fall semester adult classes included: iNaturalist and Bio Blitz flora and fauna cataloguing, Theatre Dance and Ballet, Jazz and Tap, Beginner Sewing, Creative Writing, Beginner Spanish Language, Latin Dances: Bachata, Merengue, Salsa and Teen classes: Orange Beach Jesters: Improvisation and Sketch Comedy, and Self Defense.

HURRICANE SALLY
• When Hurricane Sally came ashore on September 16, the Recreation Center and Expect Excellence staff and facilities immediately began relief efforts. The Recreation Center building became a 24-hour shelter for displaced residents and offered showers and comforts for all residents in need for 10 days. During this time, the Recreation Center housed 47 people and multiple first responder groups. Staff worked to assimilate displaced residents with no permanent housing while also going into the community and helping extract residents from their damaged homes.

• The Recreation Center Campus became the Point of Distribution for all commodities and distribution of meals throughout the community.
RENTAL FACILITIES: EVENT CENTER / COMMUNITY CENTER

Under the guidance of Angela Bateman, the Orange Beach Event Center features 18,000 square feet of rentable space and can be configured in a variety of ways to serve various sized meetings, exhibits and receptions. The Event Center can accommodate from 25 to 2500 people. The Community Center is a 5,000-square-foot facility that can accommodate approximately 300 people and is available for meetings, events and parties.

In 2020:
- **Event Center**: hosted 64 events, was in use 136 days with 22,350 attendees.
  - Hosted a variety of functions at the Event Center, 22 meeting/conference/expo; 14 social/balls/weddings; 2 miscellaneous entertainment; 5 sports; 3 religious, 2 Gulf Shores and Orange Beach school events; and 9 City of Orange Beach functions.
  - Upgraded sound system.
  - Over 30 percent of event attendees were from out of town.
- **Community Center**: hosted 108 events and was in use 236 days.
  - Home to a variety of community functions, mostly meetings and social events, including civic and school meetings and events as well as the 2020 Municipal Elections.
  - The Community Center was the site for hot meals provided to the community following Hurricane Sally.
- **Special Events**: Produced 5 large community events: Orange Beach Mardi Gras Parade, Orange Beach Seafood Festival, Orange Beach Christmas Tree Lighting. Attendance ranged from 400 (tree lighting) to 12,000 (Seafood Fest) to 40,000 estimated (Mardi Gras).
  - Permitted more than 25 Special Events that occurred in Orange Beach, the vast majority were outdoor sporting events such as 5K runs and fishing tournaments.

Though the pandemic and Hurricane Sally led to the cancellation of many events, the department was fortunate to be able to allow smaller meetings use of the Event Center and Community Center. The size of the facilities allowed for attendees to social distance.

(Staff: 4 full-time, 2 part-time employees.)
The Logistics Division is under the Administration Department and provides support, assistance and technical services to citywide events produced by all departments. Under the direction of Chris Litton, Logistics provides audio/visual, tents, barricades, labor, video production and general repairs citywide. The Logistics Division began as two men and a truck and has grown into a unique team.

In 2020, Logistics assisted with set up and ran all audio/video for many of the following events and either completed as a whole or assisted with many of the events:

- Coastal Arts “Acoustic Arts” performances
- Provided support to the Orange Beach High/Middle Schools Football games
- Annual Seafood Festival and Car Show.
- Festival Of Art
- Mardi Gras Parades
- Christmas Tree Lighting at The Wharf
- Relay For Life Full moon Paddle
- National Day of Prayer
- Video PSAs with City Administrator Ken Grimes Jr.
- Ribbon Cuttings for various City facilities
- John Davis Flag Pole Dedication
- Moved City Council Meetings to the Community Center and started streaming them to accommodate social distancing
- Procured COVID supplies to be used throughout the City
- Provided A/V support for the OBFD Recruit Graduation
- Provided A/V support for the OBPD Polygraph Conference
- Provided drone support/footage for various City projects
- Acquired 100 digital video panels that can be made into a 12’X20’ jumbo screen
- Maintain City whole building generators.
- Coordinated and executed Hurricane Sally POD operations and supported residents in their recovery efforts.
- Managed all city flags: lowered and replaced when necessary
DIRECTORY

- **ADMINISTRATION | CITY HALL | MAYOR’S OFFICE**
  4099 ORANGE BEACH BLVD. (MAIL: P.O. BOX 458)
  251-981-6979 | INFO LINE at 251-980-INFO (4636)
- **ART CENTER | 26389 Canal Road**
  251-981-ARTS (2787)
- **AQUATIC CENTER | 4853 Wilson Blvd.**
  251-974-SWIM (7946)
- **CAMP SUNSHINE (After School Program) | 4951 Walker Lane**
  251-974-2336
- **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT | 4101 Orange Beach Blvd.**
  251-981-2610
- **COASTAL RESOURCES | 4101 Orange Beach Blvd.**
  251-981-1063
- **COMMUNITY CENTER | 27235 Canal Road**
- **COURT / JUSTICE CENTER | 4480 Orange Beach Blvd.**
  251-981-2444
- **DOG PARK | 27920 Canal Road**
- **EVENT CENTER | 4671 Wharf Parkway**
  251-981-6629
- **FINANCE DEPT. | 4151 Orange Beach Blvd. | P.O. Box 1159**
  251-981-6096
- **FIRE DEPARTMENT | 25853 John Snook Drive**
  251-981-6166
  Surf Rescue Daily Beach Report, 251-981-SURF (7873)
  Fire Station No. 1 | 25855 John Snook Drive | 251-981-2636
  Fire Station No. 2 | 27280 Canal Road | 251-981-2635
  Fire Station No. 4 | Ono Island | 251-980-5147
  Fire Station No. 5 | 4550 Main Street at The Wharf
- **GOLF CENTER | 24401 Canal Road**
  251-981-4653
- **LIBRARY | 26267 Canal Road**
  251-981-2923
- **MARINE POLICE**
  251-981-8540
- **MUSEUM | 25850 John Snook Drive**
  251-981-8545
- **POLICE DEPARTMENT | 4480 Orange Beach Blvd.**
  251-981-9777
- **RECREATION CENTER | 4849 Wilson Blvd.**
  251-981-6028
- **SENIOR CENTER | 26251 Canal Road**
  251-981-3440
- **SEWER PLANT | 23908 Canal Road**
  251-974-5216
- **SPORTSPLEX | 4389 William Silvers Pkwy.**
  251-981-6626
- **STREET DEPT. / PUBLIC WORKS | 4400 William Silvers Pkwy.**
  251-923-5858
- **TENNIS COURTS | 4851 Wilson Blvd.**
- **WILDLIFE CENTER**
  Wildlife calls dispatched by Orange Beach Police, 251-981-9777
- **WIND & WATER LEARNING CENTER | 26233 Canal Road**
  251-974-7245

**MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS**

- Baldwin EMC | 251-968–7585
- Beach Express | 251-968–3415
- Chamber of Commerce | 251-968–6904
- Clark Mobile Gas | 251-974–5432
- Tourism Bureau | 251-968–7511 or 1-800-745-7263
- Gulf State Park | 251-948–7275
- Orange Beach Water Authority | 251-981–4233
- Post Office | 251-981–5510
- Welcome Center | 251-974–1510 or 1-800-982–8562
- Island Fiber | 251-981–1717
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- Athletics (@CityofOrangeBeachAthletics)
- Coastal Resources (@OBCoastalResources)
- Event Center (@OrangeBeachEventCenter)
- Wildlife Center (@OBWildlife)
- Golf Center (@OBGolfCenter)
- Aquatics Center (@OrangeBeachAquaticsCenter)
- Indian & Sea Museum (@OrangeBeachMuseum)
- Orange Beach Festival of Art (@OBFestivalofArt)
- The Clay Studio (@ClayStudioOrangeBeach)
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- Middle School (@OrangeBeachMS)
- Elementary School (@OrangeBeachElementary)
- School Athletics (@OBMakoAthletics)

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