

TOWN OF FORT WHITE
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THE INFORMER

FORT WHITE SECURES \$5.3 MILLION GRANT FOR SEWER

The Town of Fort White was recently awarded a grant for \$5.3 million to construct a sewer system for the Town. Governor Ron DeSantis approved the grant in November as part of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection State Revolving Fund Program initiative. The proposed sewer system is a gravity-fed system consisting of nine (9) phases over a twenty (20) year period with a total projected cost of \$67,243,998.

The first phase will consist of construction of the actual waste water treatment plant at a proposed cost of \$5.5 million. The Town has entered into an Interlocal Agreement with Columbia County for a joint venture to improve the probability of receiving future grants.

This addition to the town's infrastructure will promote growth for Fort White which will provide additional services for the citizens.

A Request for Proposal of Engineering Services has been solicited with proposals due to the Clerk's Office on or before December 29, 2021.

The Town of Fort White's website will post notice of future meetings wherein the public will be kept informed of the project progress. ***www.fortwhitefl.com***.

WATER NEWS



The Fort White Town Council recently voted to join forces with Columbia County through an inter-local agreement to extend the County owned water lines located in Ellisville to Fort White. The town will invest the recently received \$1,000,000 grant in this project and the County will cover the remaining \$5 million in costs. This course of action will enable water to be

available for growth along the main corridors leading into the town. In addition, the Ellisville water will be piped into the Town's existing water plant which will eliminate the need for a new well to improve water quality. The first meeting of the Joint Utility Committee will be held on January 11, 2022 to determine a time frame for the scope of work.



The community yard sale held in October was a huge success. Please watch the Town of Fort White website for the announcement of the next yard sale sometime in the Spring. Some have requested signs be made and put up, however that is cost prohibitive. Therefore, we will be distributing flyers in advance.

SAVE YOUR TREASURES!



FORT WHITE WELCOMES PAUL'S KITCHEN

The Town of Fort White is pleased to welcome a new business to town, Paul's Kitchen located at 7629 SW Hwy. 27. Paul's Kitchen is owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Werner, residents of Fort White. Paul's Kitchen is currently undergoing renovations and once complete will be serving authentic German food. You don't need to be German to eat and enjoy German food!!

In observance
of the holi-
days, Town
Hall will be
closed De-
cember 24th,
27th and 31st

**PLEASE
DON'T
DRINK
AND
DRIVE**



FORT WHITE COMMUNITY CENTER

Reservations to rent the community center are made on a first-come, first-served basis to include the payment of a deposit of \$125.00. Rental is \$200.00 per day. If left clean, your deposit will be refunded.

The facility has the ability to seat 175 and has (8) 32" round tables and (7) 60" rectangle tables.

There is a fully equipped kitchen, and commercial ice maker.

No alcoholic beverages or smoking allowed.

To reserve please call (386) 497-2321 or visit the town website where you will find an application.



COLUMBIA COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR

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HELPFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Sheriff's Office: Fort White 386-497-3797/Lake City 386-758-2005

Waste Pro 386-758-7800 Collection day is Tuesday

Columbia County Building and Zoning 386-758-1008

Fort White Library 386-497-1108

Fort White High School 386-497-5952

Fort White Middle School 386-319-7282

Fort White Elementary School 386-497-2301

Windstream Phone and Internet 386-347-1991

Columbia County Environmental Health 386-758-1057

Fort White Senior Center 386-497-1504