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 Development & Planning 850-248-0708  
 Economic Development 850-248-0701  
 Facility Maintenance 850-248-0636  
 Fire Department 850-265-7335  
 Human Resources 850-248-0507  
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Police (non-emergency) 850-265-4111  
 • Code Enforcement 850-265-4111  
 Public Works 850-265-5989  
 • Garbage Pickup 850-265-2121  
 Ext. 2507  
 • Cemeteries 850-265-5989  
 Utilities Department 850-265-0087

## Upcoming Bid Openings

- Please visit [CityofLynnHaven.com/Bids.aspx](http://CityofLynnHaven.com/Bids.aspx) for more information.

# OUR CITY COMMISSIONERS



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**PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR WATERWAYS CLEAN, MAKE SURE ONLY RAIN GOES DOWN THE STREET DRAINS.**

## Sponsorship Opportunities



Is your business interested in investing in the local community and maximizing exposure this year? The City of Lynn Haven offers numerous opportunities for those who want to highlight their value to the community. Visit [www.cityoflynnhaven.com](http://www.cityoflynnhaven.com) today to find out how you can partner with the City of Lynn

Haven and sponsor a special event, sports league, and more! For any questions or inquiries, contact our Marketing & Communications department at [communications@cityoflynnhaven.com](mailto:communications@cityoflynnhaven.com).



Progressively enriching our community's quality of life by providing consistent and transparent customer service to our residents.

# LYNN HAVEN LIVING



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## Honoring Our Hometown Heroes



Hometown Heroes Banners on display include the military members name, rank, and brand.

and active-duty military members who have lived or currently live in Lynn Haven. These banners prominently feature a photograph, name, rank, and branch of service of each honored individual. Eligibility for inclusion in the program is reserved for those who have served or currently serve in the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, National Guard, or Space Force.



Banners will be on display from Memorial Day until Veterans Day.



Banners are made available to active duty military members who have lived or currently live in Lynn Haven.



Banners are displayed on poles located in Sheffield Park and throughout City Hall grounds.

The anticipated display period will vary but is expected to be during a portion of the year between Memorial Day and Veterans Day, on poles located in Sheffield Park and throughout City Hall grounds. Given the limited availability of poles, the Hometown Heroes Banners Program can accommodate a maximum of 120 banners.

The City of Lynn Haven takes immense pride in offering this program, a heartfelt tribute to the courageous individuals from Lynn Haven who have served or continue to serve in our nation's armed forces.

Did you know that since its establishment in 1911, Lynn Haven has held a strong pro-military stance? It stands as the third Union Veterans Colony in the South, a testament to its enduring commitment to those who have dedicated themselves to safeguarding our nation's freedom.

Lynn Haven proudly pays tribute to our Hometown Heroes through a special banner program, a tradition initiated last year and aims at celebrating both veterans

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### MEETING SCHEDULE

- Planning Commission Meeting  
July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 @ 5:30 PM
- City Commission Meeting  
July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 9:00 AM
- CRA Board Meeting  
July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 @ 5:00 PM
- City Commission Meeting  
July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 @ 5:30 PM

All meetings are open and available to the public to attend at the Lynn Haven City Hall Meeting Chambers located at 825 Ohio Avenue, Lynn Haven, FL 32444. Times, locations, & dates are subject to change. Visit the city website for the most current information, meeting locations, and agendas.

- 7/4 Independence Day (City Offices Closed)
- 7/4 Fourth of July Celebration
- 7/5 (City Offices Closed)
- 8/9 Music By the Bay - 12Eleven
- 9/2 Labor Day (City Offices Closed)
- 9/11 Ceremony



**“We are greater, together.”**

## Mayor Nelson’s Message

During my youth, my family attended Saint Peter Missionary Baptist Church in Abbeville, Alabama. Our small, traditional church celebrated America’s independence with a patriotic Sunday on the first Sunday in July. We sang hymns like “God Bless America” and “Battle Hymn of the Republic” each year. For this month’s newsletter, I will include the lyrics to these songs to remind us to praise God for our independence.

### God Bless America by Irvin Berlin

While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,  
Let us swear allegiance to a land that’s free,  
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair,  
As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer.  
God bless America,  
Land that I love,  
Stand beside her, and guide her  
Through the night with a light from above.  
From the mountains, to the prairies,

To the oceans, white with foam  
God bless America, My home sweet home  
God bless America, My home sweet home.

### Battle Hymn of the Republic by Julia Ward Howe

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:  
His truth is marching on.  
I have seen him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps;  
They have builded him an altar in the evening dews and damps;  
I can read the righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps;  
His day is marching on. [Refrain]  
He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;

He is sifting out the hearts of all before his judgment seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on. [Refrain]  
In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me;  
As he died to make us holy, let us die that all be free!  
While God is marching on. [Refrain]

Refrain:  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
His truth is marching on.  
  
May God Bless America and Lynn Haven,  
Mayor Jesse L. Nelson  
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The city commission participates in the annual July 4th parade.



Mayor Nelson signs proclamation for Public Works Week.

## BUSINESS COLUMN

Our local dentist offices are here to keep your smiles bright and healthy! From routine check-ups to advanced dental procedures, you can count on experienced professionals to provide personalized care for you and your family. Here are six dentistry’s to explore around Lynn Haven!

### 1 Lynn Haven Family Dentistry

(850) 265-3696  
801 Ohio Avenue

### 2 Ideal Dentistry

(850) 265-9593  
801 Ohio Avenue

### 3 Bay Smile Docs

(850) 271-2341  
530 Florida Avenue

### 4 Gerleczy Dentistry

(850) 387-3011  
1138 W. 26th Street

### 5 William H Hargroves, DDS

(850) 265-8983  
620 Ohio Avenue

### 6 Bay Implant and Perio

(850) 832-8179  
514 Florida Avenue



## LYNN HAVEN RECREATION

Congratulations to our spring ball league champions for the 2024 season! Our young athletes gave their all on the fields this spring, and we are incredibly proud of their dedication!



Congratulations to the Red Braves: The 2024 10U Spring Ball Champions!

- 6U Baseball: Storm
- 8U Baseball: Dingers
- 10U Baseball: Red Braves
- 12U Baseball: Royals
- 8U Softball: Blue Diamonds
- 10U Softball: Lady Braves
- 12U Softball: Skittles

Once again, congratulations to all our athletes!

We hope you enjoyed being back on the field. Registration is now open for the fall ball season. Sign up today on Community Pass at LynnHavenSports.com. Be sure to come out and support your favorite team this summer! The adult kickball season will continue through July 26th. Playoffs will be held the week of July 29th. All matches will be held at Cain Griffin Park, featuring doubleheaders every Thursday from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. Also, the adult softball season runs through July 26th. Men’s league fixtures are scheduled for each Monday, whereas co-ed league matches are slated for every Tuesday, from 6:00 to 8:15 p.m. All games will be held on the ballfields at the Lynn Haven Sports Complex.

The cities of Lynn Haven and Panama City Beach have partnered to bring the first-ever Battle of the Bridge (East vs. West) Rivalry Game against their all-star baseball teams. The teams competed the week of June 3rd with games held at the Lynn Haven Sports Complex and Frank Brown Park. Lynn Haven’s 8U and 12U teams came out on top, and the 10U and 14U teams fell short. We hope to continue this new tradition with our athletes!

Don’t forget that tentative schedules for each league are available to view on www.LeagueLobster.com. Stay tuned for updates, schedules, and announcements as we transition into the summer season of sports and recreational activities throughout the City of Lynn Haven. Stay up to date with the latest information for all leagues through our Facebook page or www.LynnHavenSports.com. For any questions, comments, or concerns regarding current or upcoming sports leagues, contact Sports@cityoflynnhaven.com or 850-788-2357.

## Music By The Bay

The City of Lynn Haven is pleased to announce that the annual Music By the Bay event will feature an exciting performance by 12Eleven!

The concert will be on Friday, August 9th, from 7-9 p.m. at Leslie Porter Park, 200 Michigan Avenue in Lynn Haven, FL.

This summer concert is next to scenic Bailey Bridge and

is a free, family-oriented event. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets to listen from the beach or pull their boat in from the North Bay.

This will be an evening of dancing, community, and fun! In addition, there will be various food vendors on site, so be sure to bring an appetite while enjoying the evening listening to 12Eleven.

For more information or updates on Music By the Bay, visit our Facebook page or the city website at www.cityoflynnhaven.com.



12Eleven performing in the 2023 Spring Concert Series.

## CITY UPDATES

### Paperless Billing Enrollment

Sign up for paperless billing statements today! Email CSR@cityoflynnhaven.com to request paperless billing statements. Please include your name, address, phone number, account number, and customer number in your email. Switching to paperless billing will not impact your automatic bill payments.



### Introducing New Fire Chief

Congratulations to Joe Bayba who was recently promoted as the new Chief of Lynn Haven Fire Department! Bayba has been a member of the Lynn Haven Fire Department since 2000. He was promoted from Captain to Fire Chief in May and we wish him well and continued success in his new role.



### Ordinance Reminder: House Numbers

Every person who owns or occupies a house or building facing a street must have their house number clearly displayed. This applies to both existing and future buildings. The number should be attached, stenciled, or painted in contrasting colors on the front of the house, near the main entrance. For new construction, the number must be put up before the building is occupied. Owners or occupants must ensure the number is visible from the street. The number must be at least five inches tall and must be in Arabic numerals (no script or Roman numerals allowed). Buildings under construction must display temporary street numbers.



## SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK

Have feedback on this issue of Lynn Haven Living? We would love to hear from you, email communications@cityoflynnhaven.com.