

BEACH SERVICES UNIT

OVERVIEW & OBJECTIVES



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PURPOSE: The Beach Services Unit (BSU) was created to preserve and maintain the public beach areas within the Town of Oak Island limits.

SERVICE: The Unit will serve residents and visitors through the monitoring of public beach areas, public Beach Access Locations, and parking areas along the streets within the beach vicinity.



BSU OBJECTIVES

1. Patrol the 10-miles of public beach areas.
2. Prevent damage to the dune system through staff / officer presence and ordinance enforcement.
3. Patrol Beach Access Locations and area streets for parking violations.
4. Utilize a drone (UAS) to spot violators and address safety concerns.
5. Ensure fair and consistent enforcement of Town Ordinances.
6. Provides information and assistance to the public.



BSU PERSONNEL

- Thirteen (13) civilian staff members (recent hires)
 - UTV Beach Patrol
 - Parking Enforcement
- 1 Drone Pilot
 - current Town employee (UAS Services)
- Police Officers

BSU SERVICE AREAS

*On the
BEACH*



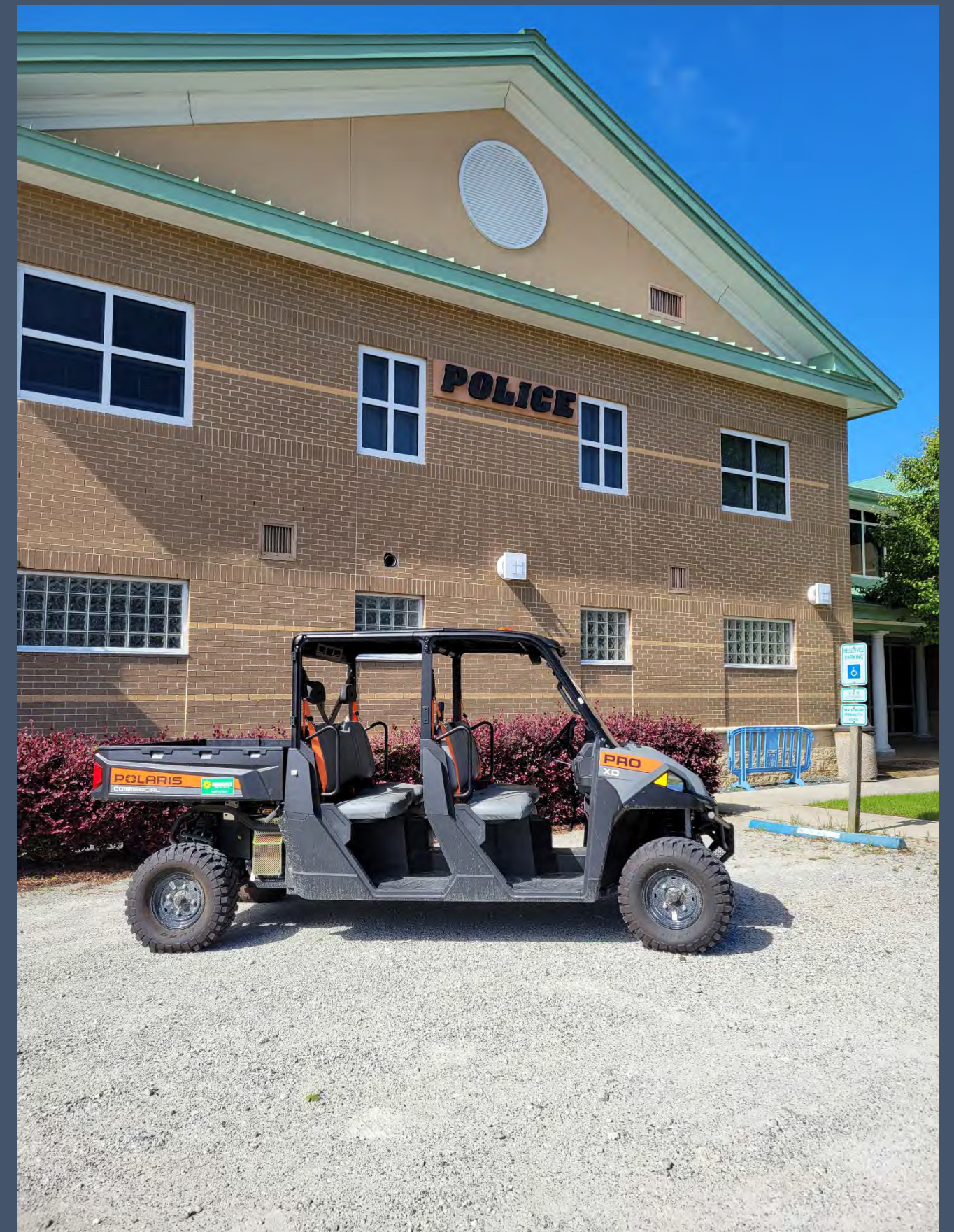
*On the
STREET*



*In the
AIR*



PATROL UTILITY VEHICLES (2)



BSU TIMELINE

Training: May 10 - 11

Start: May 13 • **End:** September 5 (115 days total)

Hours: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM (daily)

UTV Patrol: Two BSU staff • seven (7) days per week (East / West)

Parking Enforcement: Thursday - Sunday (1 BSU staff assigned)
Holidays (Two BSU staff assigned)

Aerial (Drone): Friday – Sunday & all holidays (plus as needed)

Patrol Officers: As staffing allows during non-holiday times
Two officers assigned during holiday seasons.



KEY POINTS

- BSU do not carry firearms or conduct police tasks
- BSU Specific Uniforms
- Communications
- Daily Activity Logs: Weekly Statistics
- Supervision of Unit
- Police and parking enforcement
- Two-week assessments to address any concerns

