

Town of Fletcher

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# August 2016

PRIDE IN OUR PAST-FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

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#### **Town Phones**

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Town Manager	687-3985
Police/Fire	
Emergency	911
Police Dispatch	697-4911
Police (Business#)	.687-7922
Parks & Rec	687-0751
Public Works	. 654-9208

#### **Town Meetings**

**Town Council Agenda Meeting** 1st Monday of Month at 6:00 pm

### Town Council Meeting

2nd Monday of Month at 7 pm

**Planning Board Meeting** 3rd Tuesday of Month at 7 pm

All Meetings are held at Town Hall 300 Old Cane Creek Road

The Town of Fletcher Newsletter is published for residents of the Town and reports on issues and events that affect our community. You are encouraged to contact us with your questions and comments. Email: *info@fletchernc.org* Visit our web site at: *www.fletchernc.org* 

### At the July Town Council meeting:

Cynthia Broome, Tax Collector, presented the year-end Collector's report. Council members reappointed Cynthia Broome as Tax Collector and Janet Merrill as Deputy Tax Collector for the fiscal year 2016/2017 and charged them with the collection of the 2016 property taxes for the Town.

A public hearing was held to consider several amendments to the Land Development Code. Eric Rufa, Planning Director, presented recommendations from the Town Planning Board. These recommendations addressed campers and RV's, clarification on regulations of accessory structures on commercial properties, and temporary storage such as PODs. After discussion, council members approved these amendments.

Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, updated council members on the work of the New Fletcher Library Partners addressing the need for a new library facility to replace the current location. With tremendous growth in the northern area of Henderson County, this facility has outgrown its current location and has required frequent maintenance. This group will be starting a facilities study on the need of a new Henderson County Public Library facility using funds from a \$10,000 donation. A grant application will be submitted to the Community Foundation of Henderson County for additional funds to finance this study. Meetings have been held with an attorney seeking advise in forming a 501C3 organization for this group.

Council members heard updates from staff about the new website for the Town, making this site more "user-friendly" and providing residents with more information about Fletcher.

Town of Fletcher property tax bills will be in the mail soon. The Town receives its tax information from Henderson County Assessor's office and as soon as the data is received, our Tax office processes and mails the bills. The Tax lien attaches to the property legally on January 1 of the taxing year, but because the tax rate is determined by the Town Council at the end of June, bills can not be sent until late summer. The official due date is September 1, and taxes may be paid any time up to the delinquency date without penalty. The delinquency date for 2016 taxes will be January 6, 2017. At that time, all unpaid taxes will become delinquent and interest charges will begin to accrue and possible enforced collection procedures may begin.

Partial payments are accepted for taxes during the time of receipt of tax notices and the date of delinquency, but all taxes must be paid by the date of delinquency. Taxing governments in North Carolina are not legally obligated to furnish property owners a tax notice! It is the responsibility of the citizen to know that they owe taxes in that jurisdiction—just as you know that you are responsible for state and federal income taxes. Our information, such as mailing addresses and listed names, is received from Henderson County and we try to get notices to the correct place, but the tax obligation still exists even if the taxpayer does not receive a notice.



Fletcher Area Business Association invites you to join us at our upcoming August events:

August 2<sup>nd</sup> and August 16<sup>th</sup> is the **Coffee Club** meeting dates at Dickey's BBQ on St. John Road. Guests are welcome and invited; members are encouraged to attend. Coffee Club meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month and is a beneficial way to meet other business leaders from the area as well as tell others about your company or services.

August 11th, Mountain Credit Union will host the **FABA Focus After 5** networking event. Join us from 5:30pm until 7pm at the Credit Union— bring a friend and your business card for a chance to win one of many great door prizes and make new friends.

If you are a business owner in Fletcher or in any of the surrounding cities we encourage you to become a part of FABA if you are not already a member. Our members are business owners just like you who share enthusiasm and support for the growing business community in the area.

For more information about FABA please visit our website: <u>www.fletcherbusiness.org</u> or our Facebook page **Fletcher Ar**ea Business Association. Also ask about our Snack Pac program and how you can help the children of Fletcher.



### The Town has a new website!

We are excited to announce that the Town of Fletcher has a new website— *http://www.fletchernc.org* It went "live" on July 11th.

We are still working out a few "bugs" but we hope that the new site contains useful information for residents in the town. There are sites with answers to frequently asked questions, information for residents and business from the various departments of the Town, and links to area services and attractions.

As you navigate the site, please keep in mind that it will continue to evolve to support the present and future needs of our community!

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

654-9208

Steve Morgan - Director

### **TRASH TALK**

Mowing? The Town does not pick up grass clippings. We recommend that you use mulching blades and return the clippings to the yard or compost them. If you must dispose of the clippings, the Henderson County Transfer station located at 802 Stoney Mountain Road will accept these materials. There is a fee for the disposal.

Please follow the guidelines for trash disposal using the roll-out cans! All trash **must be bagged** within the roll-out trash receptacle! This is to prevent trash from blowing out when the can is lifted into the truck. If Public Works



employees discover the contents are not bagged, they will tag the can and not pick up the contents! Do not leave bags of trash outside of the rolling carts or leave the carts in the roadway.

The Town **does not** pickup televisions, computer components, grills, or other items. These items are not allowed in landfills in North Carolina and must be disposed of at the Henderson County Convenience Center on Stoney Mountain Road. Some electronics retailers offer in-store drop-off programs for electronics of all kinds, from computers to fax machines. Some offer recycling kiosks for items such as ink and toner cartridges, rechargeable batteries, cords, and cables, and will accept most electronic gear at the customer service counters.

If you have any questions about the services offered by Public Works, please call 654-9208 and leave a message along with your telephone number. Someone will return your call.

#### Did you know?

This department picked up 173.20 tons of trash during the month of June —at a cost of \$8,606.27. We also completed 389 brush pickup work orders and chipped 196 cubic yards of mulch.

Forever caring. Forever giving.	$\sim$
Community 7	oundation
	of Henderson County

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUND DONATIONS The New Fletcher Library Construction Fund

There are multiple ways people can support the efforts of The New Fletcher Library Construction Fund

Electronic Donations (Secure Online accepts all major credit cards and debit cards): Go the Community Foundation of Henderson County website <u>www.CFHCforever.org</u> Click on the **GIVE NOW** button at the top of the page Under **Donations to Specific CFHC Funds**-click on **Search CFHC's funds**. **Fund ID** Box enter **FLBF** and click **SEARCH** button Open Link to: <u>The New Fletcher Library Construction Fund</u> Follow instructions to complete donation

#### Mail (Check or Money Order) Donations to:

Community Foundation of Henderson County PO Box 1108 Hendersonville, NC 28793 Write for The New Fletcher Library Construction Fund on the document

#### Deliver Cash, Check or Money Order to:

Community Foundation of Henderson County 401 N Main St, Ste 300 Hendersonville, NC 28792 Conveniently located in Historic Downtown Hendersonville at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue West and Main Street.

Thank you for your interest in supporting The New Fletcher Library Construction Fund. Please contact, Lee Henderson-Hill, Senior Program Officer at (828) 697-6224 or email <u>Lhenderson-hill@CFHCforever.org</u> if you have difficulty or need further assistance.



### PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

687-0751

### Save the Date

	Saturday, August 6th	Outdoor Movie Night - Star Wars - The Force Awakens	8:45 p.m.
	Saturday, September 24	Fletcher Family Festival	5:00 p.m.
	Saturday, October 29	Halloween Carnival	2:30 p.m.

## **Gentle Yoga with Jenni Sheppard**

### Thursdays, September 8 - October 13

Fletcher Town Hall 6:15-7:15 p.m.

\$42 for Fletcher Residents \$48 for Non-Residents



Known for her playful but gentle demeanor, Jenni encourages others to embrace the yogic path, and to open themselves up to positive and useful changes in their own lives. Her body-centered instruction focuses the attention on what's being felt internally when moving into poses, to allow for the connection between breathing and sensation, rather than avoiding or resisting it, thereby facilitating profound relaxation, healing, and mind-body communion. Register at Fletcher Town Hall beginning August 1st. Cash or check only.



On Saturday, August 6, bring your blankets and chairs out to Fletcher Community Park for our Family Movie Night! Stars Wars – The Force Awakens will be shown on the outdoor movie screen. This film is rated PG-13.The Fletcher Parks and Recreation Department concession stand will be open selling popcorn, snacks, drinks, hot dogs, nachos and more!

We're encouraging children ages 12 and under to dress as their favorite Star Wars character. Any children in costume are eligible to be entered to win a \$50 First Bank gift card. To be entered, please register at the First Bank tent no later than 8 p.m.

This event is FREE thanks to sponsorship from First Bank.

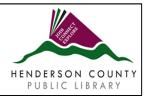


### www.FletcherParks.org

### TOWN OF FLETCHER 300 OLD CANE CREEK ROAD FLETCHER , NC 28732

Fletcher Branch

828) 687-1218 120 Library Rd (Just off Hwy 25 N) Mon. & Wed 10-7 Tues-Thurs 10-5



Fri.-Sat. 10-4 Closed on Sunday

#### Conversational Spanish

Tuesdays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:00 PM -: This is an interest group held by the public: medium to advanced levels of Spanish are spoken. Come by and test out your Spanish comprehension.

### Read to Molly, one of our library dogs

Fridays, August 5, 12, 19, 26 10:30-11:30am **Read to Virgil, one of our library dogs** Mondays, August 8, 15, 22 4:30 PM -5:30pm **NO FAMILY STORYTIME** Wednesdays, August 10, 17, 24, 31 **Book Club** Thursday, August 11, 10:30 AM **Writers' Guild** Thursday, August 11, 1:30 PM **Stories with Solange** Wednesday, August 3, 10:30 AM A family story time with one of our library dogs. This is the ONLY family story time in August.

### Gary Ballard and Cabin Creek Revue

Saturday, August 6, 2:00 PM Join us at the Fletcher Library for a fun afternoon of bluegrass music!

#### **Needle Felting**

Saturday, August 13, 10:30 – 1:30 PM This class will be an introduction to Needle Felting and its history. Basic techniques will be taught and then participants will create a lovely dogwood flower pin. Space is limited. Registration is required.

#### Angelina Ballerina Storytime & Dance

Monday, August 15, 10:30 AM Join us for ballet and a story. This story time will be led by a real ballerina!