

# Town of Fletcher

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## November 2016

PRIDE IN OUR PAST—FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

### Town Council

Bill Moore, Mayor  
District #2 Ph. 684-7965

Sheila Franklin, Councilwoman  
District #1 Ph. 684-5676

Hugh Clark, Councilman  
District #2 Ph. 684-7093

Bob Davy, Councilman  
District #3 Ph. 687-0313

Eddie Henderson, Mayor Pro-  
Tem  
District #4 Ph 684-8005

### Town Phones

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

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### At the October Town Council meeting:

Grace Deal was reappointed to the Fletcher Planning Board for a new 3 year term which will be effective November 5, 2016.

Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, reported on a line upgrade for the video camera system at Fletcher Community Park.

Steve Morgan, Public Works Director, and Eric Rufa, Planning Director, led discussion on potential amendments to the Town's Solid Waste Ordinance.

Erik Summey, Police Chief, and Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, reported on the status of animal control services provided by Henderson County Sheriff's Department. The Henderson County Sheriff's Office says it no longer has the resources to continue transporting animals from within municipalities to the county animal shelter. Until about six months ago, animal enforcement deputies would take animals to the shelter on Stoney Mountain in Hendersonville to assist municipalities. In unincorporated areas of Henderson County, animal enforcement deputies will still fully enforce all animal laws and ordinance and transport animals. In the Town of Fletcher, most of the calls are handled by Town Police, but those officers don't have the equipment needed to transport animals. Discussions will continue between the Town and Henderson County Sheriff's Department to work on a solution to this problem.



Signed petitions in support of a new Fletcher Library branch need to be turned into the New Fletcher Library Partners! They may be dropped off at Fletcher Town Hall —300 Old Cane Creek Road.

### One Stop (In Person Early Voting) Absentee Voting continues at the Main Office of the Board of Elections at 75 E. Central St. Hendersonville and at the these locations in the county:

Etowah Branch of Henderson County Public Library  
Flat Rock Village Hall

Fletcher Branch of Henderson County Public Library  
Hours for these sites are:

Monday- Friday Oct 31st - Nov 4th 10:00 am – 6:00 PM

Saturday Nov 5th 8:30 am – 1:00 PM

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Voting will be held from 6:30—7:30 p.m. at all 35 County Precincts.

For more information concerning voting and for sample ballots, please go to <http://www.hendersoncountync.org/elections> or call Phone:(828) 697-4970.





**Nov. 10th**, Our **FABA Annual Membership Meeting** will be at Fletcher Town Hall 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

Activities at the meeting will be:

- voting for Board member positions
  - networking with FABA members and visitors
  - providing support for non-members who attend
  - a report on FABA activities for 2016 and the outlook for 2017
  - Refreshments provided by Michelle Tracz and Carolina Living Insurance
- Non-members are invited to attend to learn more about FABA and how it can help your business.

**Nov. 17th** at Trinity View, 2533 Hendersonville Road in Arden, for a **Joint Business after Hours meeting with FABA and the Henderson County Chamber**. This is a major area networking event to make contacts, learn about other businesses, and see what other local resources are available to help you.

**Nov. 19th Henderson County 2016 Toy Run** 10 AM - 1:30 PM -followed at 1:30 by motorcycle run to the Henderson County Courthouse

Where: Fletcher Community Park

Registration Cost: \$15.00 - or an unwrapped toy of same or greater value. Registration fee includes food and door prizes, attendance at raffle, and silent auction  
Food (included in registration): pulled pork sandwiches, chips, and drink - by the Ugly Pig BBQ .

Last year, the Toy Run raised over \$10,000 to assist more than 150 disadvantaged children at Christmas.

It's too late for Sponsorships, but donations of door prizes and auction items are still accepted!

### November Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed Friday, November 11th for the Veteran's Day holiday.

**Trash and scheduled recycling will be picked up that day.**

Town Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 24th and 25th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Thursday's trash and scheduled recycling will be picked up on Wednesday, November 23rd. Friday's trash and scheduled recycling will be picked up on Friday, November 25th.**

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

654-9208

Steve Morgan - Director

### TRASH TALK

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.** Public Works employees have encountered a continuing problem with residents leaving loose trash or additional bags or boxes of trash placed beside the rolling trash cans.



**Bagged leaves will be picked up starting on Mondays of every week until the end of December.**

Leaves must be bagged and at curbside by 7 a.m. Request for leaf pickup must be scheduled through Public Works or Town Hall **before** Monday. These calls can be made any day, at any time, by calling and leaving a message for pick up and an address. Leaves will be composted by a facility and no grass clippings, pampas grass, mulch, dirt, sticks or rocks are allowed. The entire load can be refused if these items are found within the load!

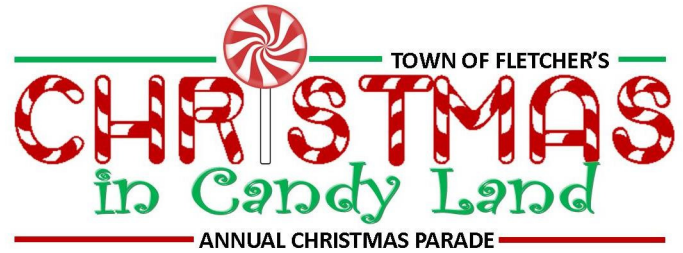
The Town **does not** pickup televisions, computer components, grills, or furniture. These items are not allowed in landfills in North Carolina and must be disposed of at the Henderson County Convenience Center on Stoney Mountain Road.

Brush pickup starts on Mondays of every week and will continue through the week until work orders for that week are completed. You do need to call in a work order **before** Mondays to 687-3985 or 654-9208. You can leave your request for brush pickup and your address on the voicemail 24 hours a day.

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.

**ATTENTION!**

HWY 25 will be closed December 10th, between 10 am - 1 p.m.  
 Old Airport Rd will become one way beginning at 9 a.m. and close at 10 a.m.



**Saturday, December 10, 10:30 a.m.**

**HWY 25 closes at 10 a.m.**



Celebrate the holidays with Town residents and local businesses at Fletcher's Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 10th. The parade includes musical groups, decorated floats, antique cars and the arrival of Santa! This year's theme is "Christmas in Candy Land". For more information on participating in this event please visit [www.FletcherParks.org](http://www.FletcherParks.org) or contact Nicole Sweat at [n.sweat@fletchernc.org](mailto:n.sweat@fletchernc.org).

**Save the Date**

Saturday, Nov. 5	<b>Veterans' Day Breakfast</b>	10 am
Thursday, Dec. 1	<b>Christmas Tree Lighting</b>	6 pm
Saturday, Dec. 10	<b>Fletcher Christmas Parade</b>	10:30 am
Saturday, Jan. 28	<b>Chili Cook-off</b>	10 a.m.

**VETERANS' DAY  
 SALUTE & BREAKFAST**

★★★★ At Fletcher Town Hall

**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.**

**Keynote speaker: Heather Mallory, Buncombe County Veteran Service Officer**

The Town of Fletcher will honor its Veterans on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. with its Annual Veterans' Day Salute and Breakfast. This event will be held at Fletcher Town Hall, located at 300 Old Cane Creek Rd. This year's Salute will feature a flag ceremony by Cub Scout Pack 602 and keynote speaker Heather Mallory, Buncombe County Veterans Service Officer and former United States Marine.

This event is free and open to the public. Attendees are invited for breakfast at the conclusion of the Annual Veterans' Day Program. For more information please visit [www.FletcherParks.org](http://www.FletcherParks.org) or call 828.687.0751. Thank you United Federal Credit Union for sponsoring this event!



**Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m.**

*Canned good donations will be collected for those in need!*

**Christmas Tree Lighting**

Town of Fletcher will kick off the holiday season with its Annual Tree Lighting at Fletcher Community Park on Thursday, December 1 at 6 p.m. This event includes musical performances by Fletcher Elementary, Veritas Christian Academy and Southside Dance, the lighting of the Town Christmas Tree, visits with Santa and plenty of delicious hot chocolate and cookies to help keep warm. This is a perfect opportunity for children to give Santa their Christmas lists and to get a photo with Saint Nick. This event is free and open to the public.

## FLETCHER LIBRARY EVENTS

828-687-1218

120 Library Road

Fletcher, NC 28732

**Tuesdays, 11am-1pm** *Blue Ridge Literacy Council Office Hours* Come to the library to meet the staff from Blue Ridge Literacy Council, enroll as a student or tutor, or just learn about their program services.

**Tuesdays, 3pm-4pm** *Conversational Spanish*: 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. Please contact the Fletcher Branch Library for more information.

**Second Thursdays (November 10) 10:30-11:30am** *Fletcher Book Club* Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion.

**Second Thursdays (November 10) 1:30-2:30pm** *Writers Guild* All writers are invited to join a lively discussion about the guild's current projects related to publishing and the marketing of your work. Learn tricks and techniques from published authors and aspiring writers and reveal your own convictions.

**Read to a Library Dog – Virgil, Solange, Molly, and Romeo** Call the library, stop by or check the online calendar for dates and times. Sign up for a 15-minute session. This program is for both children and adults, If a child is the reader, the parent or guardian must be present. Bring a book or two!

**Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23 -- Family Storytime: 10:30-11am** Join us for family storytime Wednesdays at the Fletcher library. All ages are welcome to come enjoy stories, songs, and a craft.

**Saturday, November 5, 1-3pm** *Geocaching Film Festival --* Geocaching is a fun, free, family-oriented activity that encourages people to get outside, spend time together, and go for walks.

**Monday, November 7** *The Avid Reader Book Club* 1-2pm November's book title: *One Plus One* by Jojo Moyes. Please read the book "and come prepared to discuss.

**Monday, November 14, 10:30am-1pm: Learn to use your Sewing Machine & Make a Pillow Case** - Bring in your sewing machine and learn to use it. Sewing machines must be clean, in working order (with needles and bobbins), and have a manual. Please bring fabric scissors as well. Space is limited, Registration is required. This FREE program is for ages 18+.

**Monday, November 14, 3:30-4:30pm – Build A Great Horned Owl** - A Park Ranger from Chimney Rock State Park will read the little Golden book *Woodsy Owl and the Trail Bikers*, then together we will try to solve the mystery to see what kind of raptor bird Woodsy really is. Volunteers can dress up in costume as we learn together the incredible characteristics that give these owls the nickname "Tigers of the Air."

**Friday, November 18, 1:00 – 2:30 pm - Photography 101: Get to Know Your Camera Settings and How to Use them** - Learn practical ways to take better holiday portraits with your camera and your cell phone! Registration is required. When registering, patrons will need to specify the brand and model of the camera they will be bringing to the class.

**Saturday, November 19, 10:15-12:45pm -- Highland Lace Makers** - To make bobbin lace and to foster interest in this traditional weaving art form. To provide instruction with occasional classes and guest teachers. Meets monthly.

**Wednesday, November 23 1:30-3:30pm -- Goodwill Career Connections** – Drop in and meet one on one with an advisor who can connect you to great opportunities for work, training and education.

**Saturday, November 26, 10:30-1:30: Needle Felting** - We will be needle felting an ornament for the holidays. Registration is required.

**Wednesday, November 30** *Ballerina Stories & Dance. 10:30-11am* Join us for ballet and a story. This program will be led by a real ballerina!

**CLOSINGS:** Friday, November 11 – CLOSED for Veteran's Day. Wednesday, November 23rd – CLOSE at 5:00 for Thanksgiving Holiday. CLOSED— Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24th and 25th for Thanksgiving.

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300 OLD CANE CREEK ROAD  
FLETCHER , NC 28732**

**From the Tax Collector:**

Taxes are due upon receipt and delinquent if not paid by January 5, 2017. For your convenience, partial payments may be made, but must be paid in full by January 5, 2017.

Delinquent taxes are subject to garnishment of wages, attachment of bank accounts or rents received, and levy on personal property and foreclosure procedures after January 5, 2017.

If funds are held in escrow to pay taxes, please forward your notice to your mortgage holder. The property owner is responsible for the payment of the taxes.

If you have sold the real property assessed to you, please forward the tax notice to the new owner.

All residents have the ability to view and/or pay their Town taxes online, using their checking account. You will need your bank routing and checking account numbers. The Town of Fletcher does not accept credit or debit cards.

Tax payments may be mailed to 300 Old Cane Creek Road, or paid in person at Town Hall, Monday—Friday, 8 a.m.—5 p.m. A drop box is locked for “after hours” payments in the south side parking lot of Town Hall. It is monitored by surveillance cameras 24 hours a day.

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. The information that the Town of Fletcher has, such as mailing addresses and listed names, is received from Henderson County Assessor’s Office. We make every effort to get notices to the correct place, but the tax obligation still exists even if the taxpayer does not receive a bill.