



Town of Fletcher

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July 2017

PRIDE IN OUR PAST—FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

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Town Phones

Town Manager.....687-3985
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Emergency..... 911
Police Dispatch 697-4911
Police (Business#)....687-7922
Parks & Rec687-0751
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.
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At the June Town Council meeting:

Council members approved the appointment of Robert Hutchinson for a 3 year term on the ABC Board, to expire in June 2020. Council also recognized Jack Grafing for his service on this board.

A Public Hearing was held to approve the Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, presented highlights of the Budget: The Proposed budget represents a 4% increase from the prior year budget. This spending plan is occurring primarily through additional sales tax and property tax revenues. The property tax rate will remain at its current rate of \$.34 per \$100 valuation.

In terms of spending proposals, the budget includes two new full-time positions, bringing the total number of full-time positions to 37. A Police Lieutenant position will help with patrol coverage and implementation of animal control services because the County will no longer provide animal control services within municipalities. A Maintenance Specialist position in Public Works will help in keeping pace with the ever increasing volume of services that the Town provides to the public.

The Town will be undertaking a capital project with the Highway 25 Corridor Improvement Project that will include streetscapes and traffic calming improvements to that main highway. This project is funded through a grant with the balance coming from fund balance. Other Capital needs include a new Parks & Recreation Maintenance Building.

After discussion, council members approved the proposed 2017/2018 budget, which will become effective July 1, 2017.



With lawn mowing season underway, we would like to remind residents to mow, blow, and dispose of yard clippings in appropriate ways.

Clippings should not be swept into streets or drainage sewers where they can clog storm drains and produce rainwater backups. In addition, blowing grass clippings from a fertilized lawn into streets and drainage systems poses a potential risk to aquatic life, since the material can be carried into our creeks and ponds during a rain storm.

Fletcher Town Hall will be closed Tuesday, July 4th, for the Independence Day holiday.

Tuesday trash pickup will be handled on Monday, July 3rd. Recycling pickup will remain the same on Tuesday.

All other trash and recycling schedules for that week will remain the same.

Town Hall will reopen on Wednesday morning at 8 a.m.

**Have a safe and happy
4th!**





Do you love to sing informally in a group? Enjoy old favorites such as "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" and "This Land is Your Land"? Come sing with us at Side by Side Singing this summer!

Side by Side Singing is an opportunity to participate in community singing in a relaxed atmosphere. Those with short term memory loss, living with Parkinson's Disease, and/or are interested in exploring song as a way to promote healthy aging, are invited to participate. You need not read music nor be an experienced singer to participate fully. The repertoire will include well-known popular songs. Each session will end with 20 minutes of socialization with light refreshments.

These sessions, hosted by Calvary Episcopal Church in Fletcher, will be on Thursdays at 2pm starting on July 13 and running through August 3. Facilitators are Debbie Nordeen and Ruthie Rosauer. Sessions, held in the Parish Hall, are free. Location: 2840 Hendersonville Rd. Fletcher

For more information contact: Ruthie Rosauer at

ruthiesong@gmail.com or see our website:
www.SideBySideSinging.wordpress.com



FABA Coffee Club

Due to the July 4th Holiday on the first Tuesday, during July the meetings have shifted to the 2nd

and 4th Tuesdays. The FABA Coffee Club from 8 - 9 AM in Activity Room A at the YMCA at Mission Pardee Campus, 2775 Hendersonville Road.

At each meeting, every person present has the opportunity to make a 60 second presentation about their business.

Spotlight speakers have a 10-15 minute opportunity to explain their business in more detail.

July spotlight speakers are:

July 11th - Ben Kish, Blue Ridge Community College

July 25th - Ron McLean, Dream Roper

FABA Resource Recess

The FABA Resource Recess is a FREE educational monthly meeting. Each month FABA brings local business leaders to present and discuss topics relevant and helpful to small businesses today.

We meet the 4th Thursday of each month in the Conference Center upstairs at the YMCA at Mission Pardee Campus, 2775 Hendersonville Road. From 11:30 to 12 Noon is an opportunity for Networking, with the presentation, questions, and discussion to follow from 12 Noon to 1 PM.

July's meeting on the 27th features Stephen Lalla, speaking on Workplace Efficiency Made Simple.

Focus After 5

Focus After 5 is a monthly meeting on the second Thursday of each month from 5:30 - 7 PM. The location varies from month to month. This meeting is a great opportunity to network and establish or renew relationships. And you might even win a door prize!

The next meeting is July 13 at Pardee Hospital, 800 N Justice St, Hendersonville.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

654-9208

Jabbo Pressley - 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. Due to recent high winds, employees have been physically laying the trash cans down to keep the wind from blowing them into the road. We ask that you write your address on the lid of your trash cart with an indelible marker to help you identify your cart.



You may now request a brush pickup online! Go to the Town website—www.fletchernc.org—and you may access the link either from the "How do I" link at the top or through the Public Works department link. Brush pick up does start on Monday mornings (unless it is a holiday) and pick up requests must be in before Monday morning. Pick up will continue through the week until all work orders are complete.

We cannot chip lumber, railroad ties, building materials, telephone poles, or fence posts. Any brush piles containing these materials will be not be picked up. Please remember, brush pick-up is provided as a free service to our residents who are cleaning up the yard around their house. It is not to remove bushes, stumps, trees, and other debris resulting from plant removal, lot clearing, pool installation, construction, addition, new decks, etc. Removal of debris resulting from these activities should be arranged by the homeowner or the contractor at their expense.

Please be considerate of our employees and do not place any poison ivy or oak vines or briars in the brush piles. Severe allergic reactions are possible!



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!

FLETCHER LIBRARY EVENTS

828-687-1218

120 Library Road



Do you like to work puzzles? We now have a puzzle table for adults. Come help put together our latest puzzle.

First Mondays, 1-2pm (July 3) *The Avid Reader Book Club*: July's book title: *The Walk* by Richard Paul Evans. Please read the book and come prepared to discuss. Note: This group meets the first *Monday* of the month most months.

First Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm (July 6) *Lego Club* All ages are welcome to come out to the Fletcher Library on the 1st Thursday of the month for Lego Club. We will provide Legos to use while you are here- please do not bring your own. We have Duplo blocks for younger children as well. We can't wait to see what you will create! Please be aware that all children under 9 must have an adult stay with them.

Monday, July 10 (10:45am-12:15pm): *Let's Be Social* Easter Seals sponsor these meetings for special needs adults to socialize and have fun with each other and people in our community. Meetings could include puzzles, a craft project, or board games.

Monday, July 10 (10:30-11:30am) *Worm Ranching: Composition and Decomposition* Diane Rhoades will share the deep down and science fiction truth about worms! For children in grades K-5, no registration required

Tuesdays, July 11, 18, and 25 (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 (July 11, 18, and 25) *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.

Wednesdays, 10:30am (July 5, 12, 19, and 26) *Family Story Time* Join us for family story time. All ages are welcome to come enjoy stories, songs, and a craft.

Second Thursdays (July 13) 10:30-11:30am, *Fletcher Book Club* Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion. This group meets the *second Thursday* of each month.

Second Thursdays (July 13) 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. This group meets the *second Thursday* of each month.

Saturday, July 15, (10:15-12:45pm) *Apple Country Lacers* 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.*

Tuesday, July 18 (2-4pm) *Teen Crafternoon* Teens grades 6-12, drop in between 2 and 4pm to get crafty! Materials will be provided (while supplies last) to make a craft you can take home.

Wednesday, July 19 (4pm) *Attic Salt Presents Trickster Tales* Attic Salt explores Native American, Indian, Peruvian and African folklore with these hilarious adaptations of traditional Trickster Tales. Lively, fast-moving and funny, kids of all ages will cheer as joke-telling Monkey tries to save himself from some crocodiles. They will laugh as Anansi the greedy spider gets his comeuppance and will watch in wonder as Fox discovers fire.

Wednesday, July 26 (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.

Wednesday, July 26 (2pm) *Building Fun Foods, for a Healthy You* Let's learn how to build some fun foods that are healthy and nutritious that are easy to make, like smoothies, salads, and on the go snacks. These are foods that can involve the entire family! This program is for children in grades K - 5. Registration required; please contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218.

Fourth Wednesdays (July 26) 4:30-6:30pm: *Asheville Open Mic* Local acoustic musicians play for and get to know each other, teaching and learning from each other, and enjoying their art. Open to the public. Players and listeners welcome. This group meets on the *fourth Wednesday* of each month.

Monday, July 31 (11am-12pm) *Hands On! Invent a Better World* In this action packed one hour class, participants will learn that engineering is a process for developing solutions to real world problems. They will also learn that inventing is a process for creating things that didn't exist before. As both inventors and engineers, students will look for ways to improve the world around them. This program is for children in grades K-5; registration is required. Please call the branch at 687-1218.

Save the Date

Saturday, Jul. 8	Summer Concert - Super 60's Band	6:45 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 5	Family Movie Night - Beauty and the Beast	Begins at Dark
Saturday, Sep. 23	Fletcher Family Festival	4:00 p.m.



**Summer Concert Series
Super 60's Band**

Saturday, July 8, 6:45—8:45 p.m.

Join us for a free concert at Fletcher Community Park!

The Super 60s.... A musical retrospective of one of Americas most turbulent periods. The joy and celebration of Woodstock, the enigma of Vietnam, the tragic loss of the Kennedys, and man landing on the moon. A period of time in which so much was happening, so fast, that those of us who lived through it sometimes wonder how we made it. But we did-- and here's proof.... music that will bring back the feeling and memories of those days.

So turn on your Lava Lamp, Light some Incense, Throw on your Bell Bottoms, Slip on your Tie-Dye shirt and take a trip with The Super 60s.

Thank you First Bank for sponsoring this event!



**Fletcher Family
Movie Night
@ Fletcher Community Park**



Saturday, August 5th

Movie begins at dark! (Approx. 8:30 p.m.)

On Saturday, August 5, bring your blankets and chairs out to Fletcher Community Park for our Family Movie Night! Disney's Beauty and the Beast will be shown on the outdoor movie screen. This film is rated PG. The Fletcher Parks & Recreation concession stand will be open selling popcorn, snacks, drinks, hot dogs, nachos and more!



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Fee Schedule Changes

At the May 2017 Town Council meeting, Council members approved a revised fee schedule for use of the facilities at the Fletcher Community Park.

These rates will be effective July 1, 2017.

Field Rentals:

Residents—Town Taxpayers:	\$10/hour
Non—residents:	\$20/hour

Steelcase Shelter rentals:

Residents—Town Taxpayers	\$75.00	4 hour rental period
Non—residents:	\$150.00	4 hour rental period

Events at the Park

Events with 200 participants or less	\$300.00
Events with 201 participants or more	\$600.00

