

# Town of Fletcher

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## September 2017

PRIDE IN OUR PAST—FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

### Town Council

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District #2 Ph. 684-7093

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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**

The Town of Fletcher Newsletter  
is published for residents of the  
Town and reports on issues and  
events that affect our communi-  
ty. You are encouraged to  
contact us with your questions  
and comments.  
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### At the August Town Council meeting:

A plaque in memory of Jack Grafig for his years of service on the ABC Board was presented to Larry Waldrop, ABC Board Chairman.

Council members approved an ordinance in favor of the "Brunch Bill" for selling/serving alcohol on Sunday at 10 a.m. Members felt that our community has a diverse and growing population with different religious beliefs, each of which have various times and days of worship. The approval of this ordinance would allow the hospitality and retail merchants in our community to meet the needs of their customers and benefit our business community.

A Public Hearing was held to consider several amendments to the Land Development Code involving permitted uses and improvement guarantees. Eric Rufa, Planning Director, led discussion of these recommendations from the Town Planning Board.

Ben Cathey representing McGill & Associates, presented plans for improvements to the main drive at Fletcher Community Park.

Council members heard updates on the final design options for the Parks & Recreation Maintenance building.



Town Hall  
will be closed  
Monday, September 4th  
for the Labor Day holiday.  
Brush pickup  
that starts on  
Mondays of each week  
will begin on  
Tuesday, September 5th.

The North Carolina Mountain  
State Fair is taking place at the  
Western North Carolina Agri-  
cultural Center Sept. 8th—  
17th.

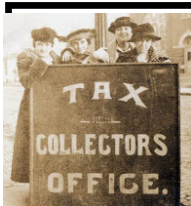


Traffic along Fanning Bridge road and Hwy.  
280—Airport Road will be heavier than normal.

Please pay particular attention to traffic condi-  
tions on these roads and reduce your driving  
speed while you are in that area.

For more information about the Mountain State  
Fair, go to the website:

<http://www.wncagcenter.org/events/2017/north-carolina-mountain-state-fair>



### From the Tax Collector

Town of Fletcher property tax bills have been mailed. The official due date is September 1st, and taxes may be paid any time up to the delinquency date without penalty. The last day to pay 2017 taxes without penalties and interest is January 5,

2018. Interest will be posted on January 8, 2018. At that time, all unpaid taxes 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.

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.

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

The property towner is responsible for ensuring full payment of the obligation. If funds are held in escrow to pay the notice, forward the tax bill to the appropriate mortgage holder.

Town taxpayers may pay their bills on line at [www.fletchernc.org](http://www.fletchernc.org) using their checking account information. Click on the link at the top of the website "How do I?", and follow the instructions to make the payment. Payments may also be made via mail, in person at Town Hall at 300 Old Cane Creek Rd., or using the convenient drop-box located in the parking lot on the south side of Town Hall. It is monitored by surveillance cameras 24 hours a day.

Curbside Management has asked that residents keep plastic bags out of the recycling material! *The bags clog up their equipment and can cause a lot of wasted time and even equipment damage.* At least twice a day, they have had to shut the entire sorting facility down and send in people with boxcutters to cut the plastic bags out by hand.

If the customers use bags to collect recycling, please empty the items into the bins, but do not include the bag!! Better yet, use the bins to collect recycling.

- No Plastic Shopping Bags
- No plastic Garbage Bags
- No Plastic Film
- No Cereal Liner Bags
- No Ziplock or Sandwich Bags
- No Dry Cleaning Bags
- No Shrink Wrap
- No Plastic Bubble Wrap
- No Chip Bags
- No Plastic Six-Pack Beverage Rings

### 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](http://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.**

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.**

The Town does not pick up grass clippings or yard waste such as pampas grass. These materials can not be put into a wood chipper and are not allowed in the landfills with household waste. If you must dispose of materials such as this, you may take them to the Henderson County Convenience Center. There is a charge for disposal of these materials.

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!

**SEPTEMBER  
FLETCHER LIBRARY EVENTS**



**828-687-1218  
120 Library Road  
Fletcher, NC 28732**

**MON 10-7, TUES 10-5, WED 10-7, THURS 10-5, FRI 10-4, SAT 10-4**

**Do you like to work puzzles?** We now have a puzzle table for adults. Come help put together our latest puzzle. Got an extra puzzle that has all the pieces? We accept donated puzzles in good condition.

**Forget your readers?** We have a small selection of readers which you may use while visiting Fletcher Library. Got a pair you no longer need? We accept donated readers in good condition.

**Tuesdays, September 5, 12, 19, and 26 (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 (September 5, 12, 19, and 26) *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, 10:30-11am (September 6, 13, 20, and 27) *Family Story Time*** Join us for family storytime Wednesdays at the Fletcher Library. All ages are welcome to come enjoy stories, songs, and a craft.

**Wednesdays, September 6 and 20 (4-5pm) *Read to Diamond the Library Dog*** Sign up at the circulation desk or call 828-687-1218.

**Thursdays, 12:30-2:30pm (September 7, 14, 21, and 28) *Mahjong*** Experienced players are welcome. Beginners may observe and will be coached if possible. Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 or stop by to register.

**First Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm (September 7) *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. Do you have Legos to spare? We accept donated Legos in all shapes and sizes in good condition.

**Fridays, September 8, 15, 22, and 29 (10:30 am-12:30 pm) *Chess Club*** For adults ages 18+. Please call to sign up. Registration is required as space is limited. Bring your own chess set if possible. Beginners are welcome.

**First Mondays, 1-2pm (September 11) *The Avid Reader Book Club***: September's book title: *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova. Please read the book and come prepared to discuss. Note: This group meets

the first *Monday* of the month most months, however, given the library is closed the first Monday of September for Labor Day, the book club will meet September 11.

**Second Thursdays (September 14) 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 (September 14) 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, September 16 (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.*

**Thursday, September 21 (3:30pm) *Bear Basics*** What do bears eat? Where do they live? Do they hibernate during North Carolina winters? And will they attack? Let's answer these and other common questions about the largest land mammals in our woods. A Park Ranger from Chimney Rock State Park will teach us all about black bears! This program is for all ages.

**Monday, September 25 (3:30 pm) *Engineering with the Three Little Pigs*** Meet the three most famous engineers in storybook history! Have a blast acting out the classic tale, *The Three Little Pigs*. Work in teams to enhance your building skills as you build a house strong enough to withstand the huff and puff of the Big Bad Wolf. Registration required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.

**Wednesday, September 27 (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.

**Fourth Wednesdays (September 27) 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.

## **CLOSING**

All branches within the Henderson County Public Library will be closed Monday, September 4 in honor of Labor Day.



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

687-0751

# Fletcher Family Movie Night @ Fletcher Community Park

This event is FREE but we will be collecting canned goods and boxed food for Cavalry Episcopal Church Food Pantry, so please consider bringing a few items to donate!



**Saturday, September 9th**  
Movie begins at dark! (Approx. 8:00 p.m.)

Bring your blankets and chairs out to Fletcher Community Park for our last Movie in the Park of the season! Marvel's Captain America - Civil War will be shown on the outdoor movie screen. The Fletcher Parks & Recreation concession stand will be open selling popcorn, snacks, drinks, hot dogs, nachos and more! This film is rated PG-13.



**Saturday, September 23**

**4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

**Fletcher Community Park**

The Town of Fletcher will be hosting its 4th Annual Fletcher Family Festival on Saturday, September 23! This event will include children's games and inflatables, touch-a-truck, the FAB Business Expo, and musical performances by Caribbean Cowboys and Carolina Rex! To cap off the evening we will be shooting off a spectacular fireworks show!

For more information about this event and a full list of activities, visit [www.FletcherParks.org](http://www.FletcherParks.org) or call the Parks and Recreation Department at 828-687-0751.



Thank you United Federal  
Credit Union for sponsoring  
our Movies in the Park!

**Save the Date**

Saturday, September 9	Family Movie Night - Captain America - Civil War	Begins at Dark
Saturday, Sep. 23	Fletcher Family Festival	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 28	Halloween Carnival	2:00 p.m.

**Sponsored by**



[www.FletcherParks.org](http://www.FletcherParks.org)



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**Both Fletcher Community Park and Kate's Park are  
"No Drone Zones"!**

An unmanned aircraft system (UAS), sometimes called a **drone**, is an aircraft without a human pilot onboard – instead, the UAS is controlled from an operator on the ground.

When you fly a drone in the United States, it is your responsibility to understand and abide by the rules.

For the safety of our visitors in our parks and to comply with FAA regulations, both Fletcher Community Park and Kate's Park are **NO DRONE ZONES!**

Some of the regulations from the FAA include:

**Location Requirements:**      **No flying within 5 miles of airports without prior notification to Airport and air traffic control.**

**Operating Rules:**              **Must follow community-based safety guidelines.**

For detailed information on FAA Drone regulations, visit [www.faa.gov/uas](http://www.faa.gov/uas).

