



# Town of Fletcher

PRIDE IN OUR PAST ~ FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

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## April 2019

### Town Council

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District #1.....(828)684-5676

Hugh Clark, Councilman  
District #2.....(828)684-7093

Bob Davy, Councilman  
District #3.....(828)687-0313

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### Town Phones

Town Manager.....(828)687-3985

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Police/Fire Emergency.....911

Police Dispatch.....(828)697-4911

Police Non-emerg..(828)687-7922

Parks & Rec.....(828)687-0751

Public Works.....(828)654-9208

### Town Meetings

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

**Town Council Regular Meeting**  
2nd Monday of month at 7:00 pm

**Planning Board Meeting**  
3rd Tuesday of month at 6:00 pm

All Meetings are held at the  
Town Hall located at 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  
by e-mailing [info@fletchernc.org](mailto:info@fletchernc.org).  
Also, please visit our web site at  
[www.fletchernc.org](http://www.fletchernc.org).

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### News from the March Town Council Meeting:

The Town Council took action on the following:

- Approved Resolution R-19-01 in support of the municipal agreement and match for the Town of Fletcher Bicycle/Pedestrian plan
- Approved Proclamation P-19-01 in support of Spring Litter Sweep from 4/13/19 - 4/27/19
- Approved Budget Amendments #4 and #5 to the 2018/2019 FY Budget Ordinance
- Set a Public Hearing for April 8, 2019 to consider potential amendments to the Fletcher Land Development Code
- Approved Jan Linville to join the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board for a 3-year term to expire in March 2021
- Appointed Councilman Bob Davy as a representative to the French Broad River MPO and to the Henderson County Transportation Advisory Committee
- Approved select property tax releases as provided by the Henderson County Tax Office
- Approved JLS as the lowest responsible bidder for street resurfacing projects (\$198,857) and resurfacing paved trails and drainage at Bill Moore Community Park (\$131,692). \$20,000 was approved to be used for the park work from existing Park Development Funds. Budget amendments will be prepared in April to cover the unbudgeted cost of both projects.

Public Works Director, Jabbo Pressley, reported encouraging environmental and fiscal benefits from the recycling cart program implemented in fall of 2018. From Nov 2017 - Feb 2018 as compared to the same 2018/2019 timeframe, we experienced a 27% increase in recycling volume and a 2.7% decrease in municipal solid waste tonnage.

Town Manager, Mark Biberdorf, provided an update on the Town Center project, reported the Henderson County property tax revaluation resulted in an initial 21% increase in property values with an actual 18.7% increase, reminded the Council of the March 20th Budget Workshop, and shared that the SmartTrac Economic Incentive Agreement had been sent to the company.

During the Public Comment section, citizen Stan Moore spoke in favor of a new Fletcher Library and encouraged Town fiscal support in the upcoming budget.

### Operation Pill Drop & Document Shred

This **FREE** event offers Fletcher residents a safe way to dispose of old medications, help reduce their chances of becoming a victim of identity theft, and help the environment.



**Saturday April 13, 2019 from 9:00 am - Noon**  
**Fletcher Town Hall South Side Parking Lot**



- > Safely disposing of old medications through Operation Pill Drop instead of flushing them down the drain prevents chemicals from ending up in our water supply.
- > The National Crime Prevention Council recommends shredding all financial documents, billing statements, pre-approved credit card offers and any other papers containing personal information and identification numbers before discarding them. *2 box limit, please.*

For additional Information call 828-687-7922 or e-mail [policeinfo@fletchernc.org](mailto:policeinfo@fletchernc.org).  
Sponsored by the Local Government Federal Credit Union and the Town of Fletcher

## Spring arrived March 20th...

The trees are budding, the time has changed, outdoor sports are in full swing so now is the perfect time to start enjoying our Town parks once again. Did you know Bill Moore Community Park offers...

- ◆ 5 walking and jogging trails ranging from .15 miles to 1.27 miles
- ◆ An ENERGI Fitness Circuit and a 9-hole disc golf course
- ◆ A children's playground along with baseball and softball fields and soccer/lacrosse fields
- ◆ Morris Broadband Dog Park - an area for large dogs and one for smaller dogs with posted rules to ensure the safety of our citizens and pets
- ◆ A botanical garden and community garden plots
- ◆ The Steelcase Shelter which is available for rent. Go to <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com> for more info.

## Spring Safety Tips for walkers, runners, bikers

Assume that drivers cannot see you so wear reflective clothing. Never run or walk more than 2-abreast, walk facing traffic, and keep as close as possible to the shoulder of the road.

Bicyclists should ride single file, travel with traffic, obey the same traffic rules and signs as vehicles, and use proper hand signals. Always wear a helmet and don't wear headphones so you can hear approaching traffic.

Be attentive to lighting conditions. It's harder for drivers to see during dusk and dawn. Remember that sun glare is a factor in many accidents.

Keep a cell phone with your Emergency Contact info as a cell phone contact. It will assist emergency personnel in case you are involved in an accident.

When driving, remember that runners, walkers, and bicyclists are using the roads too. Pay attention to your surroundings and help keep our Town streets safe!

## FABA Resource Recess



Panel: Mark Neville, David Weiner, and Aaron Saft

Wednesday, April 24, 2019  
12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Mission Pardee Health Campus  
2775 Hendersonville Road  
Fletcher, NC 28732  
Networking & BYO Lunch from  
11:30 am - Noon

## PUBLIC WORKS AT WORK

### Last leaf pickup until fall...

We will pick up **bagged** leaves, free of sticks and other debris, on Monday April 1st and Monday April 8th. Please call (828) 654-9208 to request a leaf pickup or visit our website at [www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/](http://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/).

### Help us help you...with your garbage

Each household has been assigned a 92-gallon trash receptacle for **household waste**. Trash must be **bagged** inside the can and the **bag secured** to prevent spillage. Unfortunately, we cannot pick up loose items such as TV's, furniture, remodeling materials, grass clippings, carpet scraps, etc. Items such as these should be taken to the Henderson County Convenience Center or the Henderson County Transfer Station. Determine where to take your items by calling (828) 697-4505 or by visiting [www.hendersoncountync.gov/engineering/page/convenience-center-recycling](http://www.hendersoncountync.gov/engineering/page/convenience-center-recycling).

### Working in the yard and need a brush pick up?

Public Works will pick up brush and tree/hedge trimmings no longer than 6' and 6" in diameter stacked neatly in a pile along the curbside. Due to our new brush grappler truck, **the placement of your brush is critical**. It should be stacked at least 20' from overhead lines and cannot be placed in a ditch, against other trees or shrubs, near phone pedestals, on top of water meters, near cars, or in any place that prevents the grappler arm from safely operating. Grass clippings, stumps, items with dirt on them, or brush cleared by a hired professional will not be picked up. If you need a brush pickup, call (828) 654-9208 or visit [www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/](http://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/).



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## APRIL 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

[www.hendersoncountync.gov/library](http://www.hendersoncountync.gov/library)

**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.

**Skilled pianists** are welcome to play soothing music in our meeting room. Call us at 828-687-1218 and speak to a member of our staff for more information.

**Work a Puzzle** We almost always have a puzzle in the works. Come help put our current puzzle together. For adults.

**Sit & Create** Make our monthly craft which is easy enough for young children though all ages are welcome to participate.

**Tech Help @ Fletcher Library** want to learn how to download an e-book or digital audio-book? Watch a movie for free using Hoopla or from NC Digital Library? Learn a new language using Mango? Baffled by your new tablet or smartphone? One-on-one tech time, by appointment, is offered for free at Fletcher Library. Call the library or stop by to learn more.

**Mandala Coloring** Color, chat, reflect, and relax. Registration Required. For adults only. **First + Third Mondays, 10:30am-12pm (Monday, April 1 and 15)**

**The Avid Reader Book Club** We will discuss *Dear Bob and Sue* by Matt and Karen Smith. Please read this book before the meeting. **Usually the First Monday, 1-2pm (April 1)**

**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. **For ages 17+ Tuesdays, 3pm-4pm (April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30)**

**Family Story Time** Join us. All ages are welcome to come enjoy stories, songs, and a craft. **Wednesdays, 10:30-11am (April 3, 10, 17, and 24)**

**Mahjong** Join our mahjong group for an afternoon of fun with this exciting Chinese tile game. Experienced players are welcome. Beginners may observe and will be coached *if possible*. Registration is *required*. **Thursdays, 12:30-3:30pm (April 4, 11, 18, and 25)**

**Lego Club** All ages are welcome. We 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! All children under 9 *must* have an adult stay with them in the room. Do you have Legos to spare? We accept *donated* Legos in all shapes and sizes in good condition. **First Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm (April 4)**

**Chess Club** Chess Club for all ages will meet at the Fletcher Library each Saturday. Beginners are welcome. Limited to 20 players. Children under 14 *must* be accompanied by an adult. Registration is *required*. **Attention:** Chess Club will no longer be meeting on the second Saturday of each month as they will be attending a monthly tournament at the Hendersonville Community Co-op. **(Most) Saturdays, 1-3:30pm (April 6, 20, and 27)**

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

**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. **Second Thursdays (April 11) 1:30-2:30pm**

**Build a Great Horned Owl** You don't have to stay up past dark to catch the reading ranger's owl program. A park ranger from Chimney Rock State Park will read a children's book about owls. Volunteers can dress up in costume as we learn together the incredible characters that give owls the nickname "Tigers of the Air." For all ages. Registration required - contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register. **Monday, April 15 (11am-12pm)**

**Learning to Knit: Part Two** This is a 4-part series on learning how to knit for adults; all supplies will be included. **Class 2: Learning How to Decrease** Classes build on each other. If you're brand new to knitting you must attend the first class in order to attend subsequent classes. If you have some experience knitting but would like to review, you can sign up for any of the 4 classes. Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library for more information or to register. **Saturday, April 13 (10:30am-12:30pm)**

**Yarn Therapy** A gathering of people who knit, crochet, embroider, weave, spin, or do other creative things with yarn. Enjoy a relaxing morning working on your projects. Bring your own supplies. All skill levels welcome! Registration is required. **Third Saturdays (April 20) 10:30am-12:30pm**

**Learning to Knit: Part Three** This is a 4-part series on learning how to knit for adults; all supplies will be included. **Class 3: Learning How to Increase** Classes build on each other. If you're brand new to knitting you must attend the first class in order to attend subsequent classes. If you have some experience knitting but would like to review, you can sign up for any of the 4 classes. Registration required. Contact the Fletcher Library for more information or to register. **Saturday, April 27 (10:30am-12:30pm)**

**DIY (Do It Yourself) Spring Makerspace** Join us to make a gift for Mother's Day or a spring craft for yourself. We'll provide the supplies and you supply the creativity! Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent. Registration is required. For more information or to register contact the Fletcher Library. **Saturday, April 27 (12:30pm-2:30pm)**

## **CLOSINGS**

**Thursday, April 18:** Please note that in observance of Good Friday, all Henderson County Public Library locations will close at 5pm.

**Friday, April 19:** Please note that in observance of Good Friday, all Henderson County Public Library locations will be closed.



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
(828) 687-0751



**Fletcher’s Easter Egg-Stravaganza Scheduled for April 13th!**

Join the Fletcher Parks & Recreation Department at Bill Moore Community Park on Saturday, April 13th, for the Town of Fletcher’s Easter Egg-Stravaganza! All activities will run from 12 pm - 2 pm and will feature inflatables for children, face painting, crafts, photos with the bunny, and more! Our annual egg hunt, for **children 11 & under**, will feature over 10,000 eggs! To participate, all children must be able to walk on their own. **This year we will have an assigned hunt time** for each different age group. All egg hunts will take place on the soccer field with an Egg Hunting schedule of:

-  Ages 2 & under @ 12:15 pm
-  Ages 3-4 @ 12:30 pm      Ages 5-6 @ 12:45 pm
-  Ages 7-8 @ 1:00 pm      Ages 9-11 @ 1:15 pm

**Baabals Ice Cream and Cane Creek Dogs hot dogs will be available for purchase!**

This event is sponsored by State Farm Agent, Tabatha Hamlin, United Federal Credit Union, Pepsi, and Fletcher Library.

**WE'RE HIRING**  
Summer Day Camp Staff!



**We only have a few spaces available. Reserve your child's place today.**

**Blue Ghost Park Night!**

Thank you to everyone who donated prizes and attended our Park Night at Blue Ghost Brewing Company! We raised **\$1800** during the event!! These monies were allocated for necessary park repairs due to the flooding in late December.



| Save the Date                      |  |                   |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Ongoing until full                 | Summer Camp Registration               |                   |
| Saturday, Apr 13                   | <b>Fletcher Easter Egg-Stravaganza</b> | 12 - 2 pm         |
| Thursday, Apr 4 - Thursday, May 23 | <b>Spring Yoga</b>                     | 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm |
| Friday, Apr 5                      | <b>Kates Park Re-Opening</b>           | TBA               |

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### **Stormwater Runoff...a concern for all of us**

Stormwater runoff is water from rain or melting snow that “runs off” across the land instead of seeping into the ground. Runoff is also created from watering trees or vegetation, washing vehicles, cleaning decks or pavement, or any activity that puts a lot of water onto the ground or pavement quickly. This runoff usually flows into the nearest stream, creek, river, or lake. On its way, runoff can pick up and carry many substances that pollute water such as pesticides, fertilizers, oil, pet waste, leaves, and grass clippings. Another common stormwater pollutant is sediment from construction sites, bare soil, dirt roads, or agricultural lands.

In addition to picking up pollutants from the land, stormwater runoff is also polluted by dumping into storm drains and from illegal (illicit) hook-ups to the pipes that carry rainwater to the streams. The Town of Fletcher has an ordinance to prevent these “illicit discharges”.

To learn more about ways you can help prevent stormwater pollution and/or our Town ordinance, please visit [www.fletchernc.org](http://www.fletchernc.org) and click on *Departments, Planning and Zoning*, and then click *Storm Water Management*.

