



Town of Fletcher

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September 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

Eddie Henderson, Mayor Pro-Tem
District #4.....(828)231-4811

Town Phones

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

Town Fax.....(828)687-7133

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 in Fletcher.

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. Also, please visit our web site at www.fletchernc.org for additional Town information.

If you would prefer to receive an online version of our newsletter rather than a hard copy, please contact us at info@fletchernc.org.

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News from the August Town Council Meeting

- ▶ The Town Council took action on the following matters:
 - Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office.
 - Approved Resolution R-19-06 to close out the Parks & Recreation Maintenance Building project.
 - Approved a continuation of the Public Hearing to consider Rezoning # 2019-01, PIN# 9643-94-9427 from R-2 residential to C-2 commercial, to the September 9, 2019 meeting.
 - Approved the release of the bond for Phase I of Sycamore Cottages and approved a new reduced bond from Windsor Built Homes to cover the remaining improvement items.
- ▶ A public hearing was held on approving economic development appropriation and an application to the Local Government Commission for a financial agreement.
- ▶ Resolution # R-19-07 was approved to support an application to the Local Government Commission for approval of a financing agreement for economic development.
- ▶ Greg Walker, Parks & Recreation Director, presented the bid results for the purchase of replacement playground equipment at Bill Moore Community Park. Playground Packages was approved as the low bid and was under budget.
- ▶ The proposed schedule for the purchase and distribution of rolling recycling carts for Fletcher residents who have Town trash collection was approved as submitted by Jabbo Pressley, Public Works Director.
- ▶ Resolution # R-19-08 was approved to seek funding from the N.C. General Assembly to install a vehicle activated flashing light at the intersection of Wildbriar Road & Hoopers Creek Road.

Labor Day Holiday

Fletcher Town Hall offices will be closed Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day. Brush collection will begin on Tuesday, 9/3/19, rather than Monday.

Town Council Election Update

A Primary election for District 2 will be held October 8, 2019 at the Fletcher Town Hall. The District 2 candidates, presented here in alphabetical order, are: Preston Blakely, Hugh Clark (incumbent), and Julia Price-Fogel. The General election will be held November 5, 2019 for Districts 2 and 3. Bob Davy (incumbent) is running unopposed in District 3. To view more information about the upcoming elections, including registering to vote and verifying if you are registered to vote, you may visit the Henderson County Board of Elections website at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/elections>. All registered Town of Fletcher residents will be eligible to vote in both elections.

Now Accepting Tax Payments Online

- ▶ You may now pay your 2019 Town of Fletcher real estate and personal property taxes on our website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/>.
- ▶ When paying online, a convenience fee is assessed for using your credit or debit card. This fee is paid to PayPal, not to the Town of Fletcher. It is not part of your tax and the Town of Fletcher will not receive any portion of the fee associated with this service.
- ▶ The amount of the fee and the total amount to be charged to your card will be displayed prior to you providing your credit card information. You will have the option to cancel the transaction prior to any charge being processed.
- ▶ Payments made online may take up to 3 business days to update online records. However, your tax payment will reflect the date you actually paid your taxes online.
- ▶ To access your 2019 tax data and make your payment, you will need to enter your "Roll Number" as shown on your Property Tax Notice.
- ▶ At this time, only 2019 taxes may be paid online. Any prior year payments should be paid at or mailed to the Tax Collector's office at Town Hall.

From the Tax Collector...

- Real estate and personal property tax bills have been mailed. If you did not receive your tax bill, please call the Town of Fletcher Tax Collector's office at 828-687-3985. Bills are due 9/1/19 and are delinquent if not paid before January 7, 2020.
- The 2019 Town of Fletcher property tax rate of 34¢ per \$100 of property valuation remained unchanged from 2018. You may see a change in your tax bill however, due to the January 2019 Henderson County real property reappraisal.
- Taxes may be paid by cash or check at the Town Hall, by check via USPS mail, deposited into our after hours drop box in the south side parking lot of Town Hall, or paid on our website (see previous article).
- Remember...you may make monthly payments rather than having to pay the entire tax amount in one lump sum.

Robert G. Parrish, Sr. Memorial Golf Tournament

Our 19th annual golf tournament will be held October 4th at Broadmoor Golf Links in Fletcher. Cost is \$400 per team with check-in at 11:00 am. Register your team by 9/30/19 at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com>. All proceeds benefit the Fletcher Park Development Fund.

Looking for a Practice Ball Field?

Our largest ballfield (field #5) at Bill Moore Community Park is now available to rent for fall league baseball or softball practice. Please contact Greg Walker at 828-687-0751 to secure your field rental.

PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

Recycling Update

As you may have heard, the Town of Fletcher is implementing the 95-gallon rolling recycling carts throughout the remainder of the Town this year for residents who receive Town trash collection service. We will be ordering the carts in September with expected delivery to the Town in mid-October. Public Works will then distribute the carts to residents along with a flyer explaining our recycling program in more detail.

Collection of White Goods

Fletcher Public Works collects white goods and a few miscellaneous other items. Our list of white goods includes: washing machines, dryers, refrigerators, freezers (doors removed), stoves, microwaves, dishwashers, water heaters, air conditioners, and dehumidifiers. TV's, computer monitors, and furniture are not accepted.

Public Work Communique

Our Public Works department will be sharing some information about our trash pickup process to help residents help us meet their expectations for trash removal. Look for this information attached to your trash cart.

Leaf Pickup Is Just Around the Corner

The Town of Fletcher provides Fall leaf pickup from the first Monday in October until the last Monday in December. Please remember that all leaves must be bagged. Start collecting now to be ready for our first pickup on 10/7/19. Contact us later in September at 828-654-9208 to schedule a pickup or fill out our [online request form](https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/) at <https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/>.

New Fletcher Library Partners News

We are still working to raise funds to build a new, bigger library to serve the greater Fletcher area. We have a wonderful library staff who work diligently to stretch the space we have and to create a warm inviting place for all.

The NFLP has been busy since the group started in 2015. We are now a 501(c)(3) non-profit and have raised about \$28,000 since 2015 by donations alone. We have joined the Fletcher Area Business Association, made presentations to a few of the area businesses, and made many efforts to raise public awareness of the need for a new Fletcher library. The Fletcher Town Council also just approved a \$50,000 fund balance designation for the library project, which is a major step forward. NFLP's next meeting will be September 18th at 4pm in the Fletcher Town Hall. We'd love to have more people join us.

Fall Art Show to Benefit NFLP

On November 18th - December 24th at *The Garage on 25* in Fletcher, Elizabeth Eubanks, area artist, will have a showing of her watercolor paintings with part of the proceeds going to the new library construction fund. Several other artists will also be displaying their work. Anyone who would like to join in this art show may contact Sue Agor at susagor47@yahoo.net before September 30th.

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

www.hendersoncountync.gov/library



Looking for a new home for one of your flower pots? We can use decorative ones which are 6-12 inches in diameter. No plastic ones, please.

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 audiobook? 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 is required. For adults only. Due to the Labor Day holiday, the group will meet on the first Tuesday of the month in September. (Typically) **First + Third Mondays, 10:30am-12pm (Tuesday, September 3 and Monday, September 16)**

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, 3-4pm (September 3, 10, 17, and 24)**

Family Story Time Join us for family story time! We will share stories, rhymes, and songs geared to enhance a lifelong love of reading. All ages welcome. **Wednesdays, 10:30-11am (September 4, 11, 18, and 25)**

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 (September 5, 12, 19 and 26)**

First Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm (September 5) 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.

SEPTEMBER FLETCHER LIBRARY EVENTS (continued)



Chess Club For all ages. Meets 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*. **(Most) Saturdays, 1-3:30pm (September 7, 14, 21, and 28)**

Fletcher Book Club Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion. **Second Thursdays (September 12) 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 (September 12) 1:30-2:30pm**

Knitting for a Cause We make hats and scarves for children and adults to give to the Interfaith Assistance Ministry of Hendersonville. Bring your 4, 5, 6, 7 and/or 8 circular or straight knitting needles. **Third Saturdays (September 21) 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 (September 21) 10:30am-12:30pm**

Fletcher Family Festival The Fletcher Library will provide a fun craft during the festival so be sure to stop by and see us. **Saturday, September 21 (4pm...)**

Stampin' Up Come join a Cardmaking Class and learn how to make beautiful cards you'll be proud to give away! You will **explore** fun and easy ways to create three cards: Birthday, Fall, and Holiday. Registration is **required**. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register. **Friday, September 27 (10:30am-12:30pm)**

Needle Felting. This **class** is an introduction to Needle Felting and its history. We will start with some basic techniques and then create a felted pumpkin. No prior experience necessary. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register. **Registration will begin on September 3, 2019 NOTE: Priority is given to patrons who have not participated in a similar class within the last 12 months. Saturday, September 28 (10:30am-12:30pm)**

CLOSING: Monday, September 2: All Henderson County Public Library locations will be closed for the Labor Day holiday.



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

828-687-0751

Fletcher Family Festival



Free Fun for Everyone!

Saturday, September 21

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Event Schedule

- 4:00-6:00 p.m. DJ Brandon Washington
- 4:00-7:00 p.m. Touch - A-Truck Vendor Village
- 4:00-7:30 p.m. Kids Zone
BINGO
Food Court
- 5:30 p.m. 30th Anniversary Cake
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Flashback Band
- 8:00 p.m. Fireworks!

Games & Inflatables



Vendor Village

Fireworks & More!



Fletcher Family Festival Fletcher 30th Anniversary!

The Town of Fletcher will be hosting its 6th Annual Fletcher Family Festival on Saturday, September 21st! This event will include inflatables, a touch a truck area, musical performances by The Flashback Band, food trucks and more! To cap off the evening, there will be a spectacular fireworks show! All activities begin at 4 pm. The fireworks will be launched at 8 pm.

This year we will also celebrate the Town of Fletcher turning 30! Come celebrate by enjoying a piece of our large anniversary cake.

Yoga Anyone?

Fletcher Parks and Recreation is offering a Tuesday and a Thursday Yoga class starting in September. Both classes are from 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm. Registration is now open online at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com>.

Foot Rx 5K September 4th Partner Run

All proceeds from this month's race go to Habitat for Humanity! You and your favorite running partner will each run the race and your times will be combined. Registration starts at 5:30 p.m. and the race starts at 6:30 p.m. at Bill Moore Community Park.

FletcherParks.org

828.687.0751

Bill Moore

Community Park

85 Howard Gap Rd.
Fletcher, NC 28732



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Thank You to Our Sponsors!

We would like to thank Borg Warner and Morris Broadband for being our 2019 Movie in the Park Sponsors



Save the Date

Starts Tuesday, Sept 3rd	Tuesday Night Yoga	6:15 pm
Starts Thursday, Sept 5th	Thursday Night Yoga	6:15 pm
Saturday, Sept 21st	Fletcher Family Festival	4:00 pm
Friday, Oct 4th	Robert G. Parrish Memorial Golf Tournament	11:00 am
Starts Monday, Oct 7th	A Matter of Balance Workshop for Senior Adults	10:00 am

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New Business Spotlight



Local businesses support our community and the tax base in the Town of Fletcher. Please welcome these new businesses to Fletcher along with continuing to support our existing businesses.

OSEGA Dream Academy

After-school physically active programs for kids

16A National Avenue
828-665-0004

www.osegagym.com

Blooming Beauty Boutique

Online chic and comfortable clothing boutique

Lauren Wardell, owner
bloomingbeautyboutique.com
bbboutiquela@gmail.com

The Training Post

Strength and conditioning gym offering group fitness classes

242 Old Airport Road.
828-407-0443
<http://thetrainingpostfitness.com>

Coffee Table Taxes

In-home tax preparation services

Scott Bailey, E.A., owner
828-371-9823

www.coffeetabletaxes.net

Middle Earth Woodworks

Custom woodworking

Danny Brown, owner
864-534-6499
middleearthwood-works@yahoo.com

Asheville Furniture Mattress Outlet

Furniture and mattress retailer

2712 Hendersonville Rd
828-376-0162
<http://ashevillefurnitureoutlet.com/>

Independent Construction Services

Exterior home improvements

4006 Hendersonville Road
828-808-8482

www.independentroofs.com

Live Crafters

Trade show exhibit manufacturer

127 Fletcher Commercial Drive
818-431-1853

<https://www.livecrafters.com/>