



Town of Fletcher

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August 2020

Town Council

Rod Whiteside, Mayor
Phone: (828)545-8913

Sheila Franklin, Councilwoman
District #1 (828)684-5676

Preston Blakely, Councilman
District #2 (828)230-2838

Bob Davy, Mayor Pro-Tem
District #3 (828)687-0313

Eddie Henderson, Councilman
District #4 (828)231-4811

Town Phone Numbers

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 6:00 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. Past issues of our newsletter can be found on our website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/about-us/newsletter/>.

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 July Town Council Meeting

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers with social distancing guidelines and mass gathering recommendations being followed.

- The Town Council took action on the following matters from the Consent Agenda:
 - Cynthia Broome, Tax Collector, was reappointed and charged with collecting 2020-2021 property taxes for the Town of Fletcher.
 - The bond from Windsor Built Homes, for the remaining sidewalks and street trees in Phase 1 of Sycamore Cottages, was released.
 - Property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office were approved.
 - The year-end Tax Collector's report for fiscal year 2019-2020 was approved.
- A public hearing was held to consider CD application #2020-02 from Graycliff Capital for a 198 unit multifamily residential development proposed for Rutledge Road. The request sought to conditionally zone the property R-3, from R-2, which would allow a multi-family development of 7.5 units per acre. Following a presentation by the developers, and after receiving considerable public input, the Town Council voted unanimously to deny the application and leave the current zoning in place.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, provided an update on discussions with Carolina Truffieres regarding provisions of a potential lease agreement on a portion of Town property across from Meritor. He indicated that Carolina Truffieres was comfortable with all provisions of the agreement with the exception of not having the option to purchase the property at the end of the ten year lease period. They indicated that due to the investment they would have to make in the property over this period of time, it would be problematic for them to potentially lose the property at the end of the lease period. Council indicated they would be interested in entertaining a potential extension of the lease, at the end of that period, but not an option to purchase the property. Mr. Biberdorf will share this with Carolina Truffieres, but noted that the non-purchase option may be a sticking point for further lease discussions.
- Mark Biberdorf provided an update on the following matters:
 - Town Center Project - The first part of our RFP process closed on 6/15/20. We received 2 letters of interest and have communicated with other interested parties since then. Full proposal submissions are due by 9/30/20. Also, the deed issue with the Kevin Walker property has now been satisfied so we should close on that property soon.
 - Shred Event - Our shred and pill drop event has been rescheduled for 9/12/20.
 - COVID-19 - A face covering policy is now in effect for Town staff. If unable to maintain social distancing in the normal course of their duties, including while in vehicles, employees must wear a face covering. Also, our summer concerts have been rescheduled and will we have a drive-in movie in the Park on 8/22.
 - Legislative Priorities - A meeting was held recently with representatives from Senator Burr and Senator Tillis' office to review our legislative priorities list with them. We will meet again in the fall to update our priorities list.
 - The next LGCCA meeting will be held 7/21/20 at 3:00 pm at the Henderson County Courthouse.

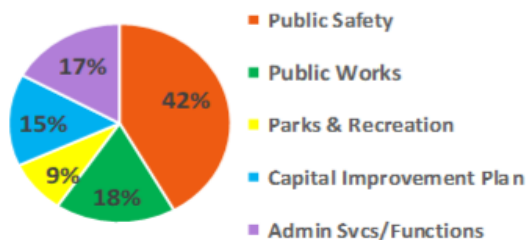
2020 Property Tax Bills Are in the Mail

Town of Fletcher 2020 property tax bills have been mailed. The tax rate remained at \$0.34 per \$100 of property valuation. If you do not receive your tax bill within the next few weeks, please contact us at 828-687-3985. NC General Statute states that failure to receive a tax bill does not negate your obligation to pay your taxes. They are due September 1, 2020, but interest does not begin accruing until January 6, 2021. You may pay your taxes in payments, from August to December, rather than having to pay the entire amount in one lump sum in January. Payments may be made by cash or check only in the Town Hall. Contactless payments may be placed in our drop box by driving around behind the building (on the right side when facing it) and following the parking lot around the circle. The drop box is on the left side of the drive across from the covered entrance to Town Hall. You may also pay your taxes by credit or debit card online at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/> or also online using your bank's bill pay option which is normally free.



Town of Fletcher 2020-2021 Approved Budget

The Town of Fletcher's budget is supported by four main revenue sources: real estate and personal property taxes (61%), local sales tax (20%), State shared taxes such as utilities, beer/wine, and cable (10%), and Town miscellaneous revenues (4%). More than 84% of residents' tax dollars and other revenue funds are spent on direct services for Town of Fletcher residents:



Be careful out there...

Our Police officers have noticed an increase in the volume of traffic lately in Fletcher and unfortunately an increase in the number of traffic accidents. Also with the NC DOT contractors attempting to finish the construction on Old Airport Road by sometime in September, traffic has been narrowed down to one lane at times on Hendersonville Road and on Old Airport Road. So be prepared to stop for merging traffic and please watch out for the construction workers.



Town of Fletcher Facebook

Our Town of Fletcher general Facebook page is now active and accessible at <https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/>. Please check it out! We are providing up-to-date information on events and activities within our Town. Public comments or questions should continue to be e-mailed to info@fletchernc.org or sent via our website at <https://www.fletchernc.org>.

Document Shred & Pill Drop Event

The Town of Fletcher, in conjunction with the Local Government Federal Credit Union, will hold a free document shredding event on Saturday, September 12th from 9 am to 12 pm in the southside parking lot at Fletcher Town Hall. We anticipate there will be a limit on the number of boxes each resident can bring for shredding. The Police Department will also host a Pill Drop event to allow for the safe disposal of unused medications. Please leave your old prescriptions in their original bottles. The containers will be emptied by our Officers and then the containers will be given back to you for proper disposal.



Water & sewer billing reminder from Henderson County...

You will no longer receive a separate sewer bill from Henderson County since the Metropolitan Sewerage District (MSD) began providing your sewer service on 7/1/20. Sewer charges will be included with your water bill from either the City of Hendersonville or the City of Asheville, depending upon your service location. If you have questions, call Jody Germaine at 828-225-8234.

Have you been contacted by Service Line Warranties?

SLWA may have contacted you regarding a protection plan for your water and sewer lines. It is not a scam, this is a legitimate business. The coverage is **voluntary** and operates similar to an insurance policy. The Town is not involved in the administration of this program. For questions about this service, talk with SLWA directly.

The Fletcher Library is currently closed to the public. Please visit www.hendersoncountync.gov/library or call 687-1218 for service updates.



COVID Reminder

NC is still paused in Phase 2 until August 7th at 5pm. Face coverings are required if you cannot social distance and now more businesses are requiring them. Fletcher has had 52 confirmed cases as of July 28th.



Drive In
MOVIE NIGHT

Featured Film:
Disney
THE LION KING

FIRST BANK

August 22nd 8:45 pm
Bill Moore Community Park
Register Online:
FletcherParks.RecDesk.com

\$10

DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT

Our annual Movie in the Park event is changing to a Drive-in Movie featuring Disney's "The Lion King".

THIS WILL BE A TICKETED EVENT and tickets will be limited due to COVID restrictions.

Tickets will go on sale August 10th online at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.

Cost is \$10 per vehicle.

Robert G. Parrish, Sr. Memorial Golf Tournament 20th Annual - October 3, 2020

- * Being held at Cummings Cove Golf Club in Etowah
- * 9:00 am player check-in and Chick-fil-A breakfast with 10:00 am shot gun start
- * 2 person teams, \$80 per player
- * Register by 9/25/2020. Contact Greg Walker at 828-687-0751 or g.walker@fletchernc.org
- * All proceeds benefit the Fletcher Park Development Fund



Save the Date

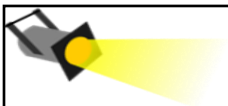
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| Friday, Aug 7th | Summer Day Camp Ends | 5:30 pm |
| Saturday, Aug 22nd | Drive in Movie in the Park "The Lion King" | 8:45 pm |
| Friday, Aug 28th | Concert in the Park | TBD |
| Friday, Sept 11th | Concert in the Park | TBD |
| Saturday, Oct 3rd | Memorial Golf Tournament | 9:00 am |

COVID Updates as of June 27th

- ▶ Our Concert in the Park Series is expected to begin August 28th, depending upon the phase NC is in at that time and the group size limitation.
- ▶ Kate's park and shelter still remain closed.
- ▶ Bill Moore Community Park playground and fitness pad are still closed.

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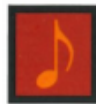
New Business Spotlight

Please welcome these new businesses to Fletcher!

Green
Paws
Resort

Natural Pet Boarding
21 Redmond Drive
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828-681-5044

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close contact.



WASH
your hands often or
use hand sanitizer.

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