



Town of Fletcher

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Town Council

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Town Phone Numbers

Town Manager: (828)687-3985
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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.
For additional Town information,
please visit our website at
www.fletchernc.org or visit our
Facebook page located at
<https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/>.

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News from the January Town Council Meeting

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

- Department Heads presented their preliminary plans for departmental budgets for the upcoming fiscal year 2021/2022 budget.
- By Consent Agenda, the Town Council approved Budget Amendment #2 for the fiscal year 20/21 Budget Ordinance for a 20% match of \$7,280.56 for the sidewalk extension improvements on Howard Gap Road to Highway 25.
- A Public Hearing was held to consider proposed Land Development Code amendments necessary because of the required Chapter 106D statute updates approved by the NC House and Senate. The Town Council approved the amendments as recommended by the Fletcher Planning Board.
- Ben Cathey of McGill & Associates provided an estimate for proposed 2021 Town of Fletcher street resurfacing projects. Town Staff has recommended resurfacing Golden Oaks Lane, Grove End Road, and Regent Drive during 2021. The preliminary cost estimate by McGill & Associates was \$171,541.50. The final cost will be dependent upon the actual project bids which will be determined in February.
- Mark Biberdorf provided an update on project submissions for the FY 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). He plans to present a recommended CIP at the February Town Council Meeting.
- Town Council entered a closed session regarding land negotiation.

Henderson County Changes COVID Vaccination Appointment Process

Henderson Co. Public Health Dept. has launched a COVID-19 vaccine waitlist for adults 65 and older and all health care workers. This will be the new method used to make appointments for the Health Dept.'s vaccine clinics and individuals can sign up at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/health/page/covid-19-vaccines>. The Health Dept. will no longer require individuals to contact the Call Center to make an appointment. The waitlist will follow the priority groups set by the NCDHHS which is those in Group 1 (health care workers, long-term care staff/residents) and Group 2 (adults 65 and older) at this time. Appointments will be made as vaccine becomes available. The waitlist will be organized on a first come, first served basis so the first to sign up will be the first called. Those who enter their e-mail address will receive a confirmation with their number in line. Calls will come from "COVID CC" with the phone number 828-585-4700. The Call Center will make 2 attempts to call individuals when it's their turn. If a person cannot be reached, staff will continue working through the waitlist to make appointments. Those who were unable to be reached will be called the next time appointments are available. Since demand is high, those on the waitlist may not be contacted immediately. Please do not sign up for the waitlist more than once or call the Health Department for a status update. Everyone on the waitlist will be contacted by the Call Center when it's their turn. **This waitlist is for 1st dose vaccinations ONLY.** Everyone who wants a vaccine will need to register separately.

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COVID-19 Vaccinations (continued)

Pardee UNC Health Care has opened a pre-registration system for its vaccination clinic at Blue Ridge Community College. Visit www.yourshot.org or call 828-694-8222. Advent Health is also accepting appointments for its vaccination clinic on Naples Road. Visit AdventHealthNC.com to schedule an appointment. As more vaccination sites begin to open, visit the NCDHHS website to "find your spot to take your shot" or to find what vaccine group you are in. Visit <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/findyourspot>.

NC Continues Modified Stay at Home Order

Governor Cooper issued Executive Order 189 on January 27th extending the "modified stay at home order" until February 28, 2021 at 5:00 pm. During the hours of 10:00 pm and 5:00 am, North Carolinians are still required to stay at home and travel only for work or to obtain essential goods or services. The mass gathering limit still remains at 10 people indoors and 50 people outdoors. Masks are also still required at all times inside public places, for those age 5 and older, and outdoors if 6 foot social distancing cannot be maintained.

Thanks to this Town of Fletcher Work Crew...

One of our Public Works' crews, while picking up sanitation on December 30, stopped to help a lady who was flagging them down. They found her husband unresponsive on the ground. Our amazing crew started CPR, assisted the lady in calling 911, and even tracked down the couple's dog that took off during the commotion. We are pleased to report this resident has made a recovery, in part due to our caring employees' quick actions. Way to go guys!



Town of Fletcher Public Work Employees
Bill Creasman, Tony Argona, & Danny Pena

Catalytic Converter thefts are still happening in the surrounding area. Try to avoid becoming a victim by parking your vehicle in your garage; park in a well lit parking lot; park in a lot where your vehicle can be seen by video surveillance cameras; park in a busy lot with a lot of pedestrian foot traffic or next to a busy road; or install a motion activated security device on your converter or a wire cage around it to make stealing it more difficult.

PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

2021 Recycling Schedules Available

If you would like a 2021 recycling schedule, stop by the Town Hall or send an e-mail request to info@fletchernc.org. Be sure to include your home address so we can send the correct schedule.

Snow Removal

With a little winter weather maybe yet to come, please remember to park your vehicles in your driveway during inclement weather so our trucks can navigate your road safely in order to scrape it.

From our recycling partner, Curbie...

"Out with the Bags"

Plastic bags and other film plastic are very difficult for Curbie to handle in our Material Recovery Facility. Please keep plastic bags out of recycling carts and drop-off bins. They clog up our equipment and can cause a lot of wasted time and even equipment damage. At least twice a day, we have to shut the entire sorting facility down and send in people with box cutters to cut the plastic bags out by hand.

If you use bags to collect recycling, we encourage you to please empty the items into the cart, but do not include the bag. Better yet, use a tub, box or bucket to collect recycling and reuse it each week.

Ask these "plastics questions" to discover what plastics can be recycled:

- 1) Is it a container?
- 2) Does it have a number?
- 3) Does it (vaguely) come from a grocery store?

If "yes" to all three questions, then **YES it is recyclable.**

Remember, **ONLY PLASTIC CONTAINERS**, such as jugs, tubs, bottles, and jars are recyclable.

- No plastic shopping bags
- No plastic garbage bags
- No plastic film
- No Ziplock or sandwich bags
- No dry cleaning bags
- No shrink wrap or plastic bubble wrap
- No cereal liner bags or chip bags
- No plastic 6-pack beverage rings



(copied from www.curbie.com)



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

828-687-0751 www.facebook.com/FletcherParksandRecreation/

Daddy-Daughter Dash Tickets on Sale!

The Town of Fletcher will host its annual Father and Daughter event on February 13th, but with a different format this year due to COVID. The Daddy-Daughter Dash is a 1-mile run or walk at Bill Moore Community Park. Participants will receive a race medal, a flower, and other goodies. This event will have a staggered start with a maximum group size of 50 per start. Tickets are \$5.00 for Dads & \$5.00 per Daughter. This event is limited to 100 persons. Tickets can be purchased at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/> starting 1/29/21 for Fletcher residents and 2/1/21 for non-residents.



Event Rescheduling: Our Food Truck Rodeo, initially scheduled for January 23rd, has been rescheduled for March 20th due to the increased COVID outbreak. \$5 tickets for a 30-minute tasting time slot will go on sale online starting March 5th at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/> (all dates are subject to change). Applications for Food Trucks can be obtained by contacting Hunter Jones at h.jones@fletchernc.org.

Daddy *Daughter* Dash

Saturday, February 13th

1 Mile Run/Walk

Start Times

12:00 pm & 12:45 pm

\$5 for Dads

\$5 per Daughter

Tickets Limited

Register Online: [FletcherParks.RecDesk.com](https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com)



Bill Moore Community Park

85 Howard Gap Rd Fletcher, NC 28732

Youth Sports at the Park (subject to change due to COVID and NCDHHS guidelines for youth spring sports)

Fletcher Youth Baseball/Softball will start practicing the week of March 8th at Bill Moore Community Park. Player registration is open and can be accessed via <https://www.facebook.com/Flechteryouthbaseball>. The plan is for games to begin April 12th and run through June 19th. They offer t-ball for ages 4 & 5 and baseball/softball for ages 6+.

Empire Lacrosse hopes to start its practices the week of March 8th at Bill Moore Community Park. Please visit their website at <https://ashevilleempire.com/contact/> for more information.

**** CONTACT THESE ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTLY FOR MORE INFO. ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. ****

Save the Date

Saturday, Feb 13	Daddy Daughter Dash 1	12:00 pm
Saturday, Feb 13	Daddy Daughter Dash 2	12:45 pm
Monday, Mar 1	Summer Camp Registration - Fletcher Residents -	8:00 am
Tuesday, Mar 2	Summer Camp Registration - Open to Non-Residents -	8:00 am
Saturday, Mar 20	Food Truck Rodeo	12:00 pm
Saturday, Mar 27	Easter Egg Hunt	12:00 pm

Fletcher Connects: A Comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

The Fletcher Town Council recently approved the "Fletcher Connects" plan. The plan establishes a number of concepts and goals for possible bike and pedestrian connections throughout the Town. While no specific timetable exists for implementation of the plan, this document is important as it will better position the Town to seek grants and other funding as opportunities arise. It will also be a helpful tool as the Town considers future capital improvement spending in future budget cycles. To view the plan, visit <https://www.fletchernc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Fletcher-Connects-FINAL-Plan-November-2020.pdf>.

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New Business Spotlight



Asheville Vehicle Outfitters

Offering full service 4x4 retail sales and
adventure vehicle outfitting

844-667-3687

5 Rutledge Circle
Fletcher, NC 28732

Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-5pm & Saturday 10am-2pm

<https://ashevillevehicleoutfitters.com>

 [ashevillevehicleoutfitters](#)

Where's My Second Stimulus Payment?

By January 15th, the federal government was supposed to have sent out the 2nd stimulus payment. If you have not received a direct deposit, a physical check, or a debit card visit <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments> and utilize the "Get My Payment" tool to find out the status. There are also several "question & answer" links on that same website if you have experienced a problem.

Fletcher Library is accepting donations of yarn for its Knitting for a Cause program. This group makes hats, scarves, gloves/mittens, and blankets for the Interfaith Assistance Ministry in Hendersonville to give to children and adults. If you have donations of yarn, knitting needles, or knitted or crocheted items, please call the Library at 828-687-1218. Many thanks to those who have donated items so far.

The Fletcher Library is now open Monday 12pm-7pm, Wednesday 12pm-7pm, Thursday 9am-4pm, and Saturday 9am-4pm. The Fletcher Library is currently closed on Tuesdays and Fridays. For more information, please visit www.hendersoncountync.gov/library.



If you leave home, know your Ws!



WEAR
a cloth face
covering.



WAIT
6 feet apart. Avoid
close contact.



WASH
your hands often or
use hand sanitizer.

@NCDHHS

#StayStrongNC