



# Town of Fletcher

PRIDE IN OUR PAST ~ FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

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## January 2021

### 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](mailto:info@fletchernc.org). For additional Town information, please visit our website at [www.fletchernc.org](http://www.fletchernc.org) or visit our Facebook page located at <https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/>.

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### News from the December Town Council Meeting

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

- The Town Council took action on the following matters by Consent Agenda:
  - Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office.
  - Set January 11, 2021 as a Public Hearing to consider Land Development Code amendments involving required Chapter 106D statute updates.
  - Approved Christy Thompson to represent the Town of Fletcher on the Historic Resources Commission Board.
  - Approved Budget Amendment #1 to the FY 20/21 Budget Ordinance for COVID Hazard pay.
- Carol Avery of Lowdermilk & Church CPA presented audit results for FY 2019 - 2020. She reported an unqualified opinion and found no internal control issues. As of 6/30/2020, we had a 53.23% fund balance of \$4.1 million (the amount of funds available at the end of a fiscal year to be appropriated in the next fiscal year).
- Will Buie of WGLA Engineering shared a presentation from Lewis Real Estate Group presenting their concept for development of the Highway 25 portion of the Town Center project. He shared an architectural rendering of the project with proposed uses for the buildings. There was no discussion about the sale of the property or other public investment options. It was decided to continue discussions on their concept.
- Jabbo Pressley, Public Works Director, recommended that Golden Oaks Lane, Grove End Road, and Regent Drive be included in our annual Powell Bill resurfacing projects for 2021.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, discussed the proposed new lease agreement for Kate's Park, effective January 1, 2021, with the Community Foundation of Henderson County. Town Council approved the agreement with one modification related to taxes and assessments.
- Mark Biberdorf shared the proposed budget schedule for FY 2021-2022. Highlights of the schedule include: brief departmental presentations at the January Town Council meeting, Special Called Meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup> for a detailed discussion of departmental requests, Town Council Budget Retreat on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and a Public Hearing on a recommended budget for possible adoption on June 14, 2021.
- Mark Biberdorf provided an update on our search for a new Police Chief and a potential road closure of Baldwin Circle due to possible development.

### Holiday Closings

Fletcher Town Hall will be closed on Friday, January 1st for New Year's Day and Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



# TAX FACTS

How to save some money...

## Avoid Tax Interest & Penalties

**Two important tax deadlines always occur in January:** property tax payments are due by January 5<sup>th</sup> **and** personal property tax listing forms are due by January 31<sup>st</sup> (extended to February 1st this year).



**To avoid 2% interest** as imposed by NC General Statute, your 2020 tax payment must be received in our office by January 5<sup>th</sup>. If you mail your payment, it must have a **USPS postmark** date on or before January 5, 2021. There are several ways to pay your Fletcher taxes:

- 1) Mail it to the Town of Fletcher or bring your cash or check payment to the Fletcher Town Hall (we DO NOT accept credit/debit cards in our office).
- 2) Pay online using your credit or debit card at [www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/](https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/). To access your account, enter your "Roll Number" from your Property Tax Notice or call our office at 828-687-3985 to obtain it.
- 3) Place your check or money order in our secure drop box, located in the Town Hall south side parking lot available 24 hours/day and 7 days/week.

**To avoid the 10% late listing penalty** as imposed by NC General Statute, anyone owning property subject to taxation must list individual personal property (ex: boats, mobile homes, unlicensed vehicles, etc.) and business personal property (ex: machinery, furniture, computers, etc.). If you filed a personal property listing form in 2020, you should receive a pre-populated listing form for 2021 by mail. Make any changes to your property listing and return it to the Henderson County Assessor by February 1, 2021. If you did not file a personal property listing form last year and you acquired property that must be listed, you may download a listing form from the County Tax Department website at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/tax> or call 828-697-4870. Business personal property owners may file their property tax listing by mail or also online at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/tax/page/business-personal-property>.

For Real property, a listing form is not required unless you made improvements to your property valued at more than \$100. You will not be mailed a listing form for real property but if you need one due to property improvements you can obtain a listing form as explained above.

Because Henderson County is the tax assessing agent in our County, if you have to pay interest and penalties on your Town of Fletcher taxes that means you are also paying interest and penalties on your Henderson County taxes. So save yourself 20% in penalties (10% for the County and 10% for Fletcher) by completing your 2021 Personal Property Tax Listing form and return it to the Henderson County Tax Office by February 1, 2021.

## PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

### Holiday Schedule Changes

New Year's Day - Trash and recycling pickup scheduled for Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup> will be picked up Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No trash or recycling routes will be impacted.

### Leaf Pickup Ending:

The week of December 28th is the last week for leaf pickup. The next leaf collection will be in April.

### Christmas Tree Pickup

The Town will pick up and dispose of live Christmas trees after the holiday and through the month of January. All decorations must be removed from the tree since the tree will be placed in a chipper. We do not accept artificial trees. Please call 828-654-9208 to schedule a pickup or visit <https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/>.



**Disposal of Appliances** - If you received appliances for Christmas and need to get rid of your old ones, remember Public Works will dispose of white goods for you (washers, dryers, refrigerators, microwaves, dishwashers, freezers, stoves, water heaters). Call 828-654-9208 to schedule a pickup or visit <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/public-works/white-goods-pick/>. Other large items such as TV's, furniture, grills, etc. should be taken to the Henderson County Convenience Center.

### 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](mailto:info@fletchernc.org).

### NC Under Modified Stay at Home Order

Governor Cooper issued Executive Order 181, effective December 11<sup>th</sup> through January 8, 2021 at 5:00pm, which modifies the stay at home order and requires nighttime closure of certain businesses. North Carolinians are required to stay at home and travel only for work or to obtain essential goods or services during the hours of 10:00 pm and 5:00 am. The mass gathering limit remains at 10 people indoors and 50 people outdoors. Masks are still required at all times inside public places, for those age 5 and older, and outdoors if 6' social distancing cannot be maintained. This order also requires businesses to be more diligent in requiring face masks and provides for enforcement of such. To view the order go to <https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/EO181-Modified-Stay-at-Home-Early-Closure-Order.pdf>. As of 12/21/20, the 28732 zip code has reported 411 cases.

The 12/22/2020 COVID-19 County Alert System update, which categorizes counties into 1 of 3 tiers (Yellow: Significant community spread; Orange: Substantial community spread; or Red: Critical community spread), can be viewed at <https://files.nc.gov/covid/documents/dashboard/COVID-19-County-Alert-System-Report.pdf>.



## PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

828-687-0751 [www.facebook.com/FletcherParksandRecreation/](https://www.facebook.com/FletcherParksandRecreation/)

# Town of Fletcher FOOD TRUCK Rodeo



**23**  
January

Tickets on sale January 8th 2021

## FOOD TRUCKS

PIZZA • BURGERS • DESSERTS • HOTDOGS  
FRIED CHICKEN & MORE!

**12PM-2PM**

**Bill Moore Community Park**  
85 Howard Gap Rd. Fletcher, NC, 28732

## Food Trucks Needed!

Please email Hunter Jones at [h.jones@fletchernc.org](mailto:h.jones@fletchernc.org) for an application!

## Virtual 2021 Yoga

Classes will begin on January 7<sup>th</sup> and run for  
12 weeks through March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Classes can be viewed multiple times and at anytime.

Participants can view classes until April 1st.

## Save the Date

Thursday, Jan 7	Virtual 2021 Yoga Begins	6:15 pm
Saturday, Jan 23	Food Truck Rodeo Bill Moore Community Park	12 pm
Saturday, Feb 13	Father Daughter Dash Bill Moore Community Park	12 pm

## Food Truck Rodeo - January 23<sup>rd</sup>

With limitations on outdoor mass group size this year, we will be changing our Chili Cook Off to a Food Truck Rodeo on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

\$5 tickets for a 30-minute tasting time slot will go on sale starting January 8<sup>th</sup> on our website at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.

Applications for Food Trucks can be found online at [www.fletchernc.org](http://www.fletchernc.org).

# YOGA ONLINE CLASSES

New Class Every  
Thursday!

Watch Anytime!  
Watch Anywhere!

Twelve  
Different  
Classes!



Two  
Great  
Instructors!



**All you need is enough space  
for your yoga mat!**

## Virtual Yoga Fee

Residents: \$65

Non-Residents: \$90

## For more information:

**828-687-0751**

[FletcherParks.RecDesk.com](http://FletcherParks.RecDesk.com)

**Thank You!**

**Advent Health**

We would like to thank our sponsor  
for making Christmas Light Nights  
a success!



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## New Business Spotlight



Vanessa Goldberg, Owner  
Fletcher, NC  
828-450-6038  
[esuperheroescc@gmail.com](mailto:esuperheroescc@gmail.com)

"A place for imagination, learning, and  
where dreams take to the air."

Now accepting enrollment for ages 1 - 12



<https://www.facebook.com/EverydaySuperheroesChildCare>

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Scott Bailey

**Associate Representative**

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**Fletcher Library** is accepting donations of yarn for its Knitting for a Cause program. This group makes hats and scarves for children and adults to give to the Interfaith Assistance Ministry in Hendersonville. If you have donations of yarn or knitting needles, please call the library at 828-687-1218.

The Fletcher Library is now open  
Monday 12 pm - 7 pm, Wednesday 12  
pm - 7 pm, Thursday 9 am - 4 pm, and  
Saturday 9 am - 4 pm. The Fletcher

Library is currently closed on Tuesdays and Fridays  
and will also be closed Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> for Martin  
Luther King, Jr's birthday. Please visit their website at  
[www.hendersoncountync.gov/library](http://www.hendersoncountync.gov/library) or call 828-687-  
1218 for more information.



**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

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