



# Town of Fletcher

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## October 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 September 13<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
  - Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office.
  - Approved Proclamation P-21-03 in support of the NC DOT Fall Litter Sweep from September 11 through September 25, 2021.
- Zach Horn, of Blue Ghost Brewing Company, presented Greg Walker, Parks and Recreation Director, a donation of \$845 for the Park Development Fund from 10% of the proceeds from the Summer Concert series held at Blue Ghost. Greg Walker also shared that Blue Ghost Brewing has agreed to host the Summer Concert Series again next year and Hunter Subaru will be the corporate sponsor again.
- Dan Terry, Fletcher Police Chief, reported on a feasibility study he did on a potential body-worn camera program for the Fletcher Police Department. Chief Terry noted that there were mixed results from the studies he examined which he thought was partially due to the fact that not all police departments are equal in their staffing, training, police-community relations, use of force rates, etc. Since the Fletcher Police Department has a high standard of service and a good relationship with its residents, he thought there would be minimal benefits as compared to the purchase cost. He noted that during the last 12 months, all Fletcher use of force incidents were recorded by in-car camera video. He did however, think that his department would welcome the opportunity to use body cameras as the current in-car video cameras need replacing. He would like to consider replacing them with a combined in-car and body-worn unit. After questions and comments by Town Council, no action was taken.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, provided an update on the agreements for the Fletcher Town Center Project. He noted that the Economic Development Agreement (EDA) and the Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) had been presented to the developer, who had some questions and issues, and the respective attorneys for both parties are currently working to suggest a recommendation for moving forward. Mr. Biberdorf stated he is still anticipating a final version of the agreements to be presented for action at the October Council meeting and if approved, a possible closing date in early 2022.
- Mark Biberdorf noted that he was continuing to get comments from Council regarding the font, color, etc. for a gateway replacement sign for the north entrance of town at the corner of Hendersonville Road and Old Airport Road.
- Mark Biberdorf also mentioned that the actuated flasher on Hoopers Creek Road near Wildbriar Road is approved and is on a future NC DOT installation list. He also shared that DOT did a nice job in repairing the sinkhole and drainage issue at Wildwood Circle and Fanning Bridge Road.

### Town Council Meeting Change:

There will be a combined Agenda Review meeting and Regular Council meeting on October 11, 2021 at 6:00 pm, rather than holding two separate meetings in October.

## Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Town of Fletcher will be collecting canned food items, for a local food pantry, to be distributed to those in need in our community. Starting October 25<sup>th</sup>, a large blue collection bin will be located on the ground level of Town Hall and also in the Town Hall lobby for donations. Our food drive will conclude on November 13<sup>th</sup> with a drive-thru drop-off event in the Town Hall south side parking lot from 10:30 am - 12:00 noon. Thank you for sharing and caring for your neighbors.



### Fletcher Town Council Election Information

- An October Primary runoff will not be necessary for the Fletcher municipal election.
- The Municipal General Election for Fletcher Mayor, District 1 Councilmember (east side of Fletcher), and District 4 Councilmember (northwest area of Fletcher) will be held November 2, 2021 with polls open from 6:30 am - 7:30 pm.
- All registered voters within the Town of Fletcher are eligible to vote. Each voter will be able to vote for all 3 seats that are up for election.
- Fletcher polling sites on November 2<sup>nd</sup> will be Fletcher Town Hall at 300 Old Cane Creek Road and Fletcher Seventh Day Adventist Church at 1141 Howard Gap Road in Hendersonville, NC 28792. **You must vote in your assigned precinct.**
- If you live in the Hoopers Creek voting precinct, for this election you will vote at Fletcher Town Hall. In mid-August you should have received a postcard from the Henderson County Board of Elections informing you of this voting location change.
- One-stop early voting for the General Election will be held October 14<sup>th</sup> - October 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday, and on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm at Henderson County Board of Elections at 75 E. Central Street in Hendersonville, NC 28792. This is the only early voting location for our election.
- Per the Henderson County Board of Elections website, the candidates for the Fletcher November election are:  
**Mayor:** Preston Blakely  
Phillip Luther  
**Council District 1:** Sheila Franklin  
John Brandon Olsen  
**Council District 4:** Trevor C. Lance  
Erik Weber
- Any questions regarding absentee voting, the upcoming election, or your voting precinct should be addressed to the Henderson County Board of Elections at 828-697-4970 or by visiting their website at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/elections>.

## PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

### Bagged Leaf Pickup

Public Works will begin picking up bagged leaves on Monday's starting October 4<sup>th</sup>. Please do not include grass clippings, pampas grass, mulch, dirt, rocks, or sticks with the leaves since the leaves will be recycled. Call 828-654-9208, 24-hours/7-days a week, to leave a voice message or go online to <https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/>. Requests received before Monday at 7am will be worked that week. You may also call Town Hall at 828-687-3985 to make a leaf pickup request.

### Henderson Co. Wants to Hear from Fletcher Residents



Henderson County is currently working on its 2045 County Comprehensive Plan (CCP), which is a tool used for guiding the growth, redevelopment, and overall improvement of the County. The CCP will serve as the official statement by Henderson County of its vision, intentions, goals, objectives, and strategies for future land use, economic development, environmental preservation, housing, parks and recreation, transportation improvements, water/sewer, and more for the next 25 years. Please share your input with the County by participating in an online survey which can be found at <https://www.hendersoncounty2045.com/>.

### From the Office of the Chief:



I recently talked with residents who had been victims of scams, and thought I'd address the topic in the next few newsletters. It's easy to think this won't or can't happen to you, yet people are conned every day. Why do you get those repeated phone calls and emails that you know are scams? Because it works. These predators are good at what they do. Even if they only succeed 1 out of 10 or 20 times, the money they steal makes it worth their effort.

Do not respond to emails or other messages that ask for personal information even it appears to come from someone you know and trust. Hang up and call that person directly by means known to you to verify they did make the request. Often times scam artists will pretend to be a friend or relative.

An email scam will usually relay a sense of urgency to influence you to respond immediately. This usually involves you opening a link and providing personal information that will be used to take advantage of you. Some common themes are: you will lose a great opportunity or money if you don't act now. Others may state your account, such as Amazon or PayPal, has expired and needs updating to continue service. Others appear to come from your bank and says someone is trying to use your account. The purpose of these urgent messages is to get you to panic, open their link, and provide information.

Never allow yourself to be pressured into an immediate decision. Think it through, look up the number and contact the person or business yourself. And remember, IF IT SEEMS TO GOOD TO BE TRUE IT PROBABLY IS!

**NOTE:** The Henderson Co. League of Women Voters will host a free public meet and greet for all Henderson Co. municipal election candidates on 10/9/21 from 2 - 4 pm, at the large picnic pavilion in Patton Park at 114 E. Clairmont Drive in Hendersonville.



## Tips for Proper Leaf Disposal

As the temperature drops and leaves begin to fall, please keep these tips in mind as you dispose of your leaves:

Tips provided by Tata & Howard at <https://tataandhoward.com/proper-leaf-disposal/>.

### MULCH

Finely chopped leaves make for an excellent lawn fertilizer. Mulch leaves by running over them with your mower during the next cutting, and leave the remains on the lawn. You can also spread the mulch across flower and vegetable beds.



Leaf mulch being used in a flower bed

### COMPOST

Composting leaves is a great way to create nutrient-rich soil. In a mixed pile, create a 2-to-1 ratio of dead leaves to grass clippings. Spreading leaves over food scraps will soak up moisture and help contain odors as well.



### PROTECT OUR WATERWAYS

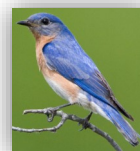
Avoid raking leaves into or nearby storm drains, ditches, creeks, or rivers. In addition to clogging the drains, decaying leaves use up the water's oxygen, harming aquatic inhabitants.



**Reminder:** Fletcher Public Works department will begin picking up bagged leaves for Fletcher residents starting October 4<sup>th</sup>. See page 2 of this newsletter for more information.

### New Homes for Bluebirds in Livingston Farms

Livingston Farms Community recently completed the installation of ten bluebird houses in their neighborhood green space, which had previously been recognized as a bird sanctuary. Ed Perregaux, Livingston Farms HOA Board Member, built the birdhouses from donated materials along with preparing the necessary posts and anchors. On August 21<sup>st</sup>, he and a group of residents installed the birdhouses in the southernmost walking trails in Livingston Farms and in the common area just off of Planters Creek Road.



Now that the birdhouses are in place and bluebirds are visiting, Livingston Farms is looking for interested parties to "adopt" each of the birdhouses for maintenance and upkeep. For more information or if you are interested in adopting a birdhouse, please call Ed Perregaux at 602-531-5635.



## **Fletcher Library Opportunities in October**

828-687-1218

120 Library Road Fletcher, NC 28732

**HOURS:** Monday 9-6, Tuesday 9-5, Wednesday 9-5, Thursday 9-5, Friday 9-3, Saturday 9-3

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



***Holiday Note:*** We will be closed all day on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 for a Staff Development Day.

***Tech Time Appointments*** - 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 Transparent Language? 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 schedule an appointment.

***Knitting for a Cause Donations*** - 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.

***Family Story Time*** - Will begin again September 8<sup>th</sup> through December 1<sup>st</sup>. Story time starts at 10:30am. For all ages. Visit Fletcher Library for details or visit <https://hendersonpl.libcal.com/> to register.

### ***Lego Club - Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup> (3:30-4:30pm)***

All ages are welcome to come out to the Fletcher Library on the 1st Thursday of the month for Lego Club. We will 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! *Please be aware that all children under 11 must have an adult stay with them.*

### ***French Club - 4 Thursdays, October, 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> (3:30-4:30pm)***

Come learn French with Elizabeth through games, songs, and activities. Beginners level for ages 8 to 13. Registration is required. Please call or come by the branch to reserve your spot.

### ***Knitting for a Cause Group - Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> (10am-12pm)***

Yarn and patterns are provided. Please bring your size 4, 5, 6, 7, and/or 8 circular or straight knitting needles if you have them. Have fun knitting or crocheting to help others!

### ***Book Review Book Club - Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup> (10:30-11:30am)***

Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion. This group meets on the second Thursday of each month.

### ***Writers Guild - Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup> (1:30-3:30pm)***

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. This group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

### ***Spectacular Spiders with Chimney Rock - Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> (3:15-4:15pm)***

Lots of folks think spiders are for smushing, but our Naturalists are going to change their mind! You will learn all about these eight-legged creatures and why they're so important to us. You'll never look at a spider the same again. Registration is required. Please visit <https://hendersonpl.libcal.com/> to register.



**Hunter Subaru**  
PRESENTS:  
**TRICK OR TREAT TRAIL**

OCTOBER 23, 2021 12-3PM  
ONLINE REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
[FLETCHERPARKS.RECDESK.COM](https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com)  
REGISTRATION IS LIMITED  
\$1 PER CHILD

BLUE RIDGE ORTHODONTICS  
State Farm  
Tabatha W. Hamlin

BILL MOORE COMMUNITY PARK  
85 HOWARD GAP RD. FLETCHER NC

## Trick or Treat Trail

### Bill Moore Community Park

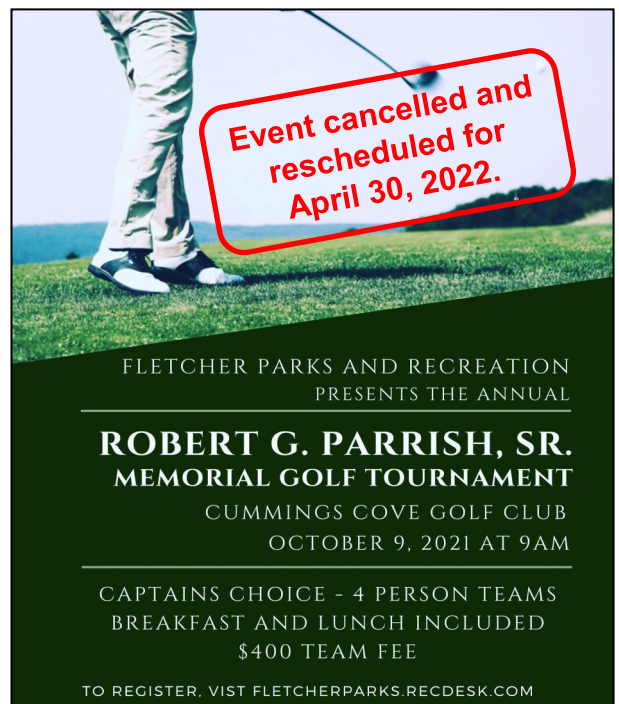
Saturday October 23rd 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Families with children, up to age 12, can enjoy trick or treating while walking our paved inner loop & stopping for vendor treats along the way.

- Pre-registration is required for this event and tickets are \$1 per Trick or Treater. Parents do not need tickets.
- 50 tickets will be available per 30 minute time slot with the first group starting at 12:00 pm and the last group starting at 2:30. 300 tickets will be available for this event.
- Tickets for Fletcher residents will go on sale October 1<sup>st</sup>. Tickets for non-Fletcher residents will go on sale October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- For more information about this event and to purchase your tickets, while they last, for any of the 6 time slots please visit our web-site at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.
- A Virtual Costume Contest will also be held.
- No pets allowed at this event.

### Upcoming Community Events at Bill Moore Community Park

Tuesday, Oct 5 <sup>th</sup>	Veritas Middle School Cross County Meet	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, Oct 19 <sup>th</sup>	Mainly Marathons Race - Appalachian Series	6:30 am - 12:00 pm
Saturday, Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Trick or Treat Trail	12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Saturday, Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>	Veterans Salute	9:00 am



**Event cancelled and rescheduled for April 30, 2022.**

FLETCHER PARKS AND RECREATION  
PRESENTS THE ANNUAL  
**ROBERT G. PARRISH, SR.  
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
CUMMINGS COVE GOLF CLUB  
OCTOBER 9, 2021 AT 9AM

CAPTAINS CHOICE - 4 PERSON TEAMS  
BREAKFAST AND LUNCH INCLUDED  
\$400 TEAM FEE

TO REGISTER, VISIT [FLETCHERPARKS.RECDESK.COM](https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com)

TOWN OF FLETCHER  
300 OLD CANE CREEK ROAD  
FLETCHER, NC 28732



## New Business Spotlight

Please welcome these three  
businesses to Fletcher!

### Hours:

Monday - Friday  
9am - 7pm  
Saturday  
9am - 5pm

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### Henderson County Waste Collection Event

October 12, 2021 from 8:00 am - Noon

**Liquid Paint Recycling** - Henderson Co. Transfer Station  
at 800 Stoney Mountain Road, Hendersonville, NC 28791.

For more info, visit <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/solid-waste/page/liquid-paint-recycling>.

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection** - Henderson  
County Convenience Center at 265 Convenience Center  
Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28791. For more information,  
visit <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/solid-waste/page/household-hazardous-waste-collection>.