



Town of Fletcher

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Town Council

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

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

Eddie Henderson, Councilman
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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.
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 August 9th Town Council Meeting

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
 - Reappointed Keith Reed to a three-year term on the Planning Board effective August 13, 2021.
 - Approved a reduced bond for improvement guarantees in Phase 2 of Sycamore Cottages.
 - Approved Resolution # R-21-07 to sell surplus property on www.govdeals.com.
 - Approved Erik Weber for a three-year term, to expire August 9, 2024, on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.
 - Approved Budget Ordinance Amendment #1 for fiscal year 2021/2022 for the purchase of a garbage truck.
 - Approved Grant Project Ordinance # 0-21-09 for the Town of Fletcher Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.
 - Approved the extension of Baabal's concession operation lease at Bill Moore Community Park for two weekends in September at a cost of \$200.
- Fletcher Police Chief Dan Terry presented a Unit Citation to five members of the Fletcher Police Department who were involved in a complex investigation beginning in February 2021. Their efforts exhibited successful coordination and teamwork and ultimately resulted in the identification and arrest of offenders involved in a local service station break-in plus crimes in Shelby, NC and in two Georgia communities.
- Ashlynn McCoy, Director of Housing Assistance Corporation, shared a presentation on the mission and services offered by this non-profit organization whose goal is to provide safe and affordable housing for persons of limited income living in Henderson County.
- Councilman Preston Blakely presented Resolution # R-21-08 in support of North Carolina election redistricting reform. Town Council approved the resolution.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, provided an update on two types of public-private partnership agreements being considered for the Fletcher Town Center Project. One option is an economic development agreement (EDA) which spells out the type of development expected and the Town's responsibilities in the deal. An EDA has been presented to the developer and we are anticipating a meeting to work out additional details or revisions. The second type is a purchase and sale agreement (PSA) which spells out specific steps and a timeline toward the sale of the property. Our Town attorney is still completing the draft of the PSA for Council's approval. We hope to have both the EDA and PSA for Council's formal approval in September.
- Mark Biberdorf shared that a recent meeting of the Local Government Committee for Cooperative Action (LGCCA) it was suggested that there be some level of discussion between the municipalities and Henderson County on the joint use of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds. It was recommended to form a committee with one elected representative from each respective jurisdiction. Mayor Rod Whiteside agreed to serve as the ARP Committee representative from the Town of Fletcher.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CHANGES

Fletcher Town Hall will be closed Monday, September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day. No trash or recycling routes will be impacted by this closure. Brush will be picked up that week beginning on Tuesday, September 7th.

Our September Town Council Agenda Review Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 7th at 6:00 p.m. rather than Monday September 6th.



2021 Tax Bill Information

2021 Town of Fletcher property tax bills were mailed on August 11th. If you own real estate or personal property in the Town of Fletcher and you have not received a 2021 tax bill, please contact us at 828-687-3985. Per NC General Statute, your taxes are still due and payable even if you do not receive a bill. If you know your roll number, you may obtain a copy of your bill from our website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/>. If you do not know your roll number, please contact us.

REMINDER: If you sold property this year, please do not automatically assume that you do not owe 2021 taxes. If the sale occurred **after January 1, 2021**, you were the owner of record as of January 1st so, per NC tax laws, you are responsible for the 2021 taxes.

- For real estate you sold or bought in 2021, check your closing statement or with your closing attorney to ensure your portion of the 2021 taxes were included in your real estate closing since property taxes are generally prorated between the buyer and seller. Remember... if you received a 2021 tax bill, your 2021 taxes were not paid as of the date we mailed the bill.
- For personal property, such as a boat, trailer, unlicensed vehicle, etc., you sold **after 1/1/21**, you are still responsible for the 2021 taxes because you were the owner as of January 1st. Also please realize that for any boat, trailer, etc. which you sold in a previous year but the title was not transferred to the buyer, you will receive the 2021 tax bill since the property is still in your name -- so don't forget to transfer any titles.

If you have questions about your bill or the property being taxed, please contact us at 828-687-3985. Although we are happy to answer your tax related questions at any time, there is a 30-day window granted by NC General Statute in which tax bills can be adjusted due to specific documentation you provide. After that timeframe, the approval of any tax adjustments becomes more complicated.

PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

Storm Cleanup Assistance

** If you need brush picked up after a storm, we accept branches up to 6 foot long and 6 inches in diameter. You may make your request online via our website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/>, leave a voice message 24 hours/day with your name, address and pick up request at 828-654-9208, or call 828-687-3985 to talk with someone.

** When Bill Moore Community Park floods due to Cane Creek overflowing its banks, our Public Works and Parks & Recreation Departments work as quickly as possible to clean up the debris and make repairs in order to open the Park back up for your enjoyment. In order to expedite the cleaning and repair and keep everyone safe, please observe all barricades and caution tape being utilized to block off areas in which we are working. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.



From the Office of the Chief:

This month the police department would like to introduce you to our updated website, which can be located at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/police/>. Several additions have been made, to include more tips on how to prevent crime and keep you and your property safe. There are additional links to other law enforcement agencies and community resources that may prove beneficial.

Residents can now make requests on-line to have house checks conducted when they are away from home for any extended period of time. Once you complete this on-line form on the **House Check Request** page, it is forwarded to the Patrol Lieutenant for attention and assignment.

The Fletcher Police Department also desires your help and input in responding to crime and community concerns. Residents now have the opportunity to anonymously report issues and criminal behavior taking place inside Fletcher through the new **Report a Crime Tip** page of the website. We hope you will find the recent updates beneficial and convenient and look forward to hearing from you.



Fletcher Family Festival



Free Fun for Everyone!

Saturday, September 25

5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Event Schedule

- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Touch-A-Truck
Inflatables
- 5:00-7:30 p.m. Craft Vendors
Food Trucks
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Bobby Cool &
The Nashville
Players

-Covid-19 protocols will be in place for this event-

Games & Inflatables



Live Music



Vendor Village



Advent Health

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DENTAL**

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FletcherParks.org
828.687.0751

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



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The Town of Fletcher will be
hosting our annual

FLETCHER FAMILY FESTIVAL

on Saturday, September 25th!

This event will include inflatables, touch a truck area, musical performance by "Bobby Cool and The Nashville Players", food trucks, and more!

All activities begin at 5 p.m. and the music will wrap up the night at 8 p.m.

**We will be following all
COVID-19 guidelines at this event.**

Thank You to Our Sponsor!

We would like to thank

**Hunter
Subaru**

for being our
2021 Summer Concert Sponsor!

Summer Camp

Fletcher Summer Day Camp had another successful year of camp! This year we served over 120 children during nine weeks of camp.



Upcoming Community Events at Bill Moore Community Park

**Saturday,
Sept 11, 8:00am**

**16th Annual WNC
Run/Walk for Autism**

**Saturday,
Sept 25, 5:00pm**

**Fletcher Family
Festival**

**Saturday,
Oct 9, 9:00am**

**Parrish Memorial
Golf Tournament at
Cummings Cove, Etowah**

**Tuesday,
Oct 19, 6:30am**

**Mainly Marathons Race -
Appalachian Series**

**Saturday,
Oct 23rd**

Trick or Treat Trail

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Fletcher Library Opportunities 828-687-1218

HOURS: Mon: 9am-6pm; Tues: Closed; Wed & Thurs: 9am-5pm; Fri & Sat: 9am-3pm

NOTE: Closed for Labor Day, September 6th. Starting September 7th, we will be open Monday through Saturday.

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 8th through December 1st. 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, September 2nd (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.*

Book Review Book Club: Thursday, September 9th (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, September 9th (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.

Wilderness First Aid: Thursday, September 9th (3:15-4:15pm) To help prepare for the surprises that can happen while exploring outdoors, a Ranger will introduce you to simple steps that may help with the most common outdoor injuries. What is the most frequent medical call in our local parks? Broken legs, snake bites, bear attacks... the answer will surprise you and the solution is simple - Prepare and Be Aware. This program is best suited for adults and teens (middle school age and up). Registration is required. Please visit <https://hendersonpl.libcal.com/> to register.

Knitting for a Cause Group: Saturday, September 11th, 2021 (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!