

Town of Fletcher

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November 2021

Town Council

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Preston Blakely, Councilman District #2(828)230-2838
Bob Davy, Mayor Pro-Tem District #3(828)687-0313
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Town Phone Numbers

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Police/Fire Emergency911
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@fletchemc.org. For additional Town information, please visit our website at www.fletchemc.org or visit our Facebook page located at https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/.

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News from the October 11th Town Council Meeting

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
- Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office.
- Approved the bond for Phase III infrastructure in Sycamore Cottages which included sidewalks and street trees.
- Police Chief Dan Terry presented a proposal for the implementation of a Career Development Plan (CDP) within the Fletcher Police Department. The proposed plan, for entry level positions through the position of sergeant, would link increased pay with the successful completion of specific training and years of work experience in the Fletcher Police Department. Town Council approved the implementation of the proposed CDP.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, presented for consideration Resolution R-21-08 opposing a NC DOT potential plan to install a roundabout at the intersection of Fanning Bridge Road and Hendersonville Road. The installation of the roundabout would require the use of DOT residual right-of-way along Hendersonville Road. Mr. Biberdorf explained that the future acquisition of this same land is included in current Town negotiations with a developer to build a mixed-use project as part of the Fletcher Town Center which the Town has been planning and designing for over 20 years. In addition, the construction of a roundabout at this location could compromise some streetscape improvements recently accomplished along Hendersonville Road. The resolution was passed by Town Council.
- Mark Biberdorf shared a conceptual idea to build a future EMS Station and a library facility on Town owned property. EMS is temporarily housed at the Fletcher Fire & Rescue Station and is looking to move to a permanent location in the future. Inquiries have been made about the possibility of relocating to Town owned property, but the ideal location is master planned for a future library facility. Consequently, the concept of co-locating these two County entities on Town property has surfaced but would require joint County and Town effort to make such a project happen. In this scenario, the Town would donate land located to the north of Town Hall and would make the site ready for building which would include clearing, grading, and paving. The County would provide the capital funds necessary to construct a combined two-level facility or two separate single-level facilities on the property. The Town Council asked Mr. Biberdorf to share his conceptual idea with County officials.
- Mark Biberdorf shared a proposed updated Legislative Priorities List for 2021 2022 to be used for meeting with members of our legislative delegation. Council added an additional item to the list and then approved it as our upcoming legislative priorities.

Town Council Meeting Change:

Due to the upcoming Municipal General Election and the Town providing voting space, there will be a combined Agenda Review meeting and Regular Council meeting on November 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm, rather than holding two separate meetings in November.

November Holiday Observances & Schedule Changes



Fletcher Town Hall will be closed November 11, 2021 in observance of Veteran's Day. Trash and recycling scheduled for pick up on Thursday, November 11th, will 🚩 be picked up Friday, November 12th.

The Town Hall will also be closed November 25th - 26th in observance of Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving. Trash and recycling scheduled for pick up on Thursday, 11/25 will be picked up Wednesday, 11/24. Trash and recycling scheduled for pick up on Friday, 11/26 will be picked up Monday 11/29.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Town of Fletcher is still collecting canned food items for distribution to those in need in our community. Collection bins, at the Town Hall, are located on the ground level and also in the lobby. Our food drive will



conclude on November 13th with a drive-thru dropoff event in the Town Hall parking lot from 10:30am -

12:00pm. Thank you for your contributions.

Fletcher Municipal General Election - Nov 2nd

- The Municipal General Election for Fletcher Mayor, District 1 Councilmember, and District 4 Councilmember 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 regardless of the district you live in.
- November 2nd Fletcher polling sites will be Fletcher Town Hall at 300 Old Cane Creek Road and Fletcher Seventh Day Adventist Church at 1141 Howard Gap Road in Hendersonville 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.
- Early voting continues Monday Friday, from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, until October 29th and on Saturday, October 30th, from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, **ONLY at Henderson County Board of Elections** at 75 E. Central Street in Hendersonville, 28792.
- If you have any questions about absentee voting, the upcoming election, or your voting precinct contact the Henderson County Board of Elections at 828-697-4970 or visit their website https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/elections.
- A Town of Fletcher Sample Ballot is shown on the insert in this newsletter.

Brush and Bagged Leaf Pickup Continues...

Leaves to be picked up must be bagged and should not contain grass clippings, pampas grass, mulch, dirt, rocks, or sticks since the leaves will be recycled. Also, please remember that any brush trimmed by a professional should be removed from your property by that company rather than it being picked up by Public Works.

Please call 828-654-9208, 24-hours/7-days a week, to leave a voice message for leaf/brush pickup or visit 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 or brush pickup request.

From the Office of the Chief:

In last month's newsletter we began a short series on fraudulent scams, starting with scam emails. This month I would like to address those suspicious phone calls we often get. Why do we continue to get these scam calls? The answer is simple: scam calls work. Unfortunately, good people are scammed every day.

When called by a phone solicitor requesting a donation, independently verify the company and company address before sending any money. You may be promised free prizes, vacations, and great deals, but "only if you act now." If you really think the offer is legitimate, write down the information, think it over, research the organization, and discuss the offer with friends and family you trust. Never allow yourself to be pressured into an immediate decision.



NEVER give your credit card checking number. account number, or Social Security number to unknown callers and/or companies.

If the caller says they are calling from a charity, ask that

written information be sent to you so that you can make an informed decision. Legitimate charities will have no problems in filling your request.

And remember, IF IT SEEMS TO GOOD TO BE TRUE, IT PROBABLY IS!

SAMPLE BALLOT SAMPLE BALLOT SAMPLE BALLOT SAMPLE BALLOT PCT FL FLETCHER FL SAMPLE BALLOT Sample Ballot N0006 Henderson County, North Carolina November 2, 2021 BALLOT SAMPLE **BALLOT MARKING INSTRUCTIONS:** A. With the marking device provided or a black ball point pen, completely fill in the oval to the left of each candidate or selection of your choice as shown. B. Where authorized, you may write in a candidate by filling in the oval and writing the name on the Write-in line. C. If you tear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to request a replacement. SAMPLE **TOWN OF FLETCHER** BALLOT Mayor (You may vote for ONE) BALLOT SAMPLE Preston Blakely Phillip Luther 0 Write-in SAMPLE **Town Council** District 1 (You may vote for ONE) BALLOT SAMPLE Sheila Franklin John Brandon Olsen SAMPLE BALLOT **Town Council** District 4 (You may vote for ONE) BALLOT SAMPLE Trevor C. Lance Erik Weber 0 Write-in **End of Ballot** SAMPLE SAMPLE BALLOT BALLOT SAMPLE SAMPLE BALLOT BALLOT North Carolina Ballot Style N0006

Fletcher Library Opportunities in October

828-687-1218

120 Library Road Fletcher, NC 28732



Holiday Note: We will be closed on November 11, 2021 for Veteran's Day and closed Thursday and Friday, November 25th & 26th for Thanksgiving.

Tech Time Appointments - Want to learn how to download an e-book or digital audio-book? 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, November 4th (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.

Writers Guild - Wednesday, November 10th (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.

Knitting for a Cause Group - Saturday, November 13th (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!

Spectacular Spiders with Chimney Rock - Thursday, November 18th (3:15-4:15pm)

Ever wondered what raccoons do all the time? Join us as we learn about the secret lives of these mysterious creatures. Registration is required. Please visit <a href="https://https:



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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

VETERANS' SALUTE & Breakfast











Saturday, November 6, 2021 9:00 am Fletcher Town Hall

Event Sponsored By:
Mills River Family Dental
3340 Boylston Hwy

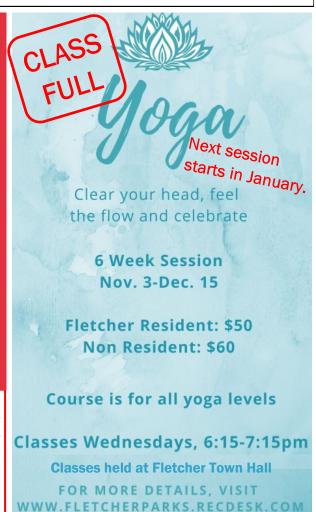
Unit # 30 Mills River, NC 28759 828-891-7999



Join us in the Fletcher Town Hall Council Chambers as we salute our Veterans. Retired Army Major Stacie Litsenberger and Retired Sergeant First Class Tommy Cannon will be our guest speakers. Members of the West Henderson High School Band and JROTC will also be present. A "to go" breakfast will be provided.

In addition Veterans....visit our sponsor on November 11th, starting at 7:00 am, for a day of free dental care on a first come first serve basis.

Fletcher Parks & Recreation			
Important Dates			
Wednesday, November 3 rd	Holiday Yoga Classes Begin Fletcher Town Hall	6:15 pm- 7:15 pm	
Saturday, November 6 th	Veterans Salute Fletcher Town Hall Council Chambers	9:00 am	
Sunday, November 7 th	Daylight Savings Time Ends	Park hours changing	
Saturday, December 4 th	Christmas In The Park Bill Moore Park	1:00 pm	
Monday, December 6 th	Letters to Santa Mailbox Fletcher Town Hall	8:00 am	



Our Trick or Treat Trail was a sold out event.
Thank you so much to all our vendors and sponsors!







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Please welcome
Blue Ridge Welding Services
to Fletcher!



Henderson County Waste Collection Event

Final Collection Event for Fall 2021

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 8:00 am - Noon

Liquid Paint Recycling - Bring your liquid paint to the Henderson County Transfer Station at 800 Stoney Mountain Road, Hendersonville, NC 28791. There is a slight fee for disposal. For more information, please visit https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/solid-waste/page/liquid-paint-recycling. ** NOTE: If disposing of paint, please enter through the side gate off Stoney Mountain Road to avoid having to wait in line at the scales.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection - Please bring your household chemicals and pesticides, in their original containers, to the Henderson County Convenience Center at 265 Convenience Center Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28791. If bringing containers without labels, you must complete a "Materials Collection Form" prior to your arrival. For more information, visit https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/solid-waste/page/household-hazardous-waste-collection.

** **NOTE**: This facility cannot handle biohazard, reactive, or explosive materials. No business waste will be accepted at this event.