



300 Old Cane Creek Road  
Fletcher, NC 28732

# Town of Fletcher

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## April 2023

### Town Council

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District #1.....(828)684-5676

Keith Reed, Council Member  
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### Town Phone Numbers

Town Manager.....(828)687-3985

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Police Dispatch.....(828)697-4911

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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/>.

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Facebook page found at  
<https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/>.

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### **News from the March 13th Fletcher Town Council Meeting**

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
  - Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office.
  - Approved Budget Amendment # 4 to the fiscal year 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance for repairs to the stream bank at Bill Moore Community Park.
  - Approved Budget Amendment # 5 to the fiscal year 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance for a \$76,340 additional payment to Fletcher Fire & Rescue per a recent audit.
  - Approved Budget Amendment # 1 to the Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Grant Project Ordinance shifting American Rescue Plan funds to reimburse paid salaries/benefits and free up equivalent monies for unrestricted use.
  - Approved Resolution R-23-02 in support of a 20% match requirement (projected at \$14,000) for a Metropolitan Planning Organization grant related to the Cane Creek/Meritor Greenway trail extension.
- A Public Hearing was held to consider Conditional Zoning Application # 2023-01 requesting the conditional rezoning of a portion of 49 Overton Place from C-1 to R-2. This would allow a change of use from a four lot mobile home park to a four lot campground. Council approved the request.
- Steve Stay, representing JustServe.org shared information regarding a free website and/or downloadable app designed to connect volunteers with service opportunities in Western North Carolina. See page 3 of this newsletter for more information.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, shared that the bids for the multi-use courts at Bill Moore Community Park were opened on March 9th with Patton Construction Group being the lowest responsible bidder at \$427,850. Since our approved 2022-2023 budget only contained a portion of this funding, it is estimated that an additional \$225,000 will be needed to fund this project but the Town does have adequate fund balance reserves to cover this. Town Council approved the bid and a budget amendment will be presented next month to cover the unbudgeted cost.
- Mark Biberdorf presented Resolution R-23-03, in support of the Fletcher Town Center project, which commits the Town to designate a portion of its property as a right-of-way for a future extension of Old Cane Creek Road to Howard Gap Road. This property designation would occur prior to the full build out of the Town Center development. Town Council approved the resolution.
- Mark Biberdorf and Jabbo Pressley, Public Works Director, shared information and possible suggestions regarding traffic concerns which had been raised by some Windsor Forest subdivision residents. Council agreed to implement the following actions: (1) reduce the posted speed limit to 20 mph in Windsor Forest; (2) develop and present another resolution to NC DOT regarding 18 wheeler truck traffic on Fanning Bridge Road; (3) purchase a roadside radar speed detection sign; and (4) ask staff to research potential traffic calming policies for this area for review at a future Council meeting.
- Mark Biberdorf recommended the following projects for our State Legislative delegation's support in the upcoming NC budget: (1) \$500,000 for infrastructure funding for the Town Center project; (2) \$235,000 for body cameras and integrated in-car camera systems for Police vehicles; (3) \$500,000 for the extension of the Cane Creek Greenway to connect with the larger regional trail system. Council approved the suggested list.

## Holiday Closing & Schedule Change

Town Hall will be closed April 7<sup>th</sup> in observance of Easter. The trash and recycling scheduled for pickup on Friday April 7<sup>th</sup> will be picked up on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.



### Noise in the Wildwood Area

If you live in or around Wildwood Circle, South Wildwood Lane or Wildwood Gardens subdivision, the Town of Fletcher would like your opinion regarding I-26 noise. We are attempting to gauge the effectiveness of the noise reducing berm that has been added by NC DOT along I-26. We have been told that the noise level in Wildwood does not meet Federal Highway Administration and DOT agreed-upon standards for the installation of sound walls.



Please send your name, address, and your observations and comments about the noise level to [info@fletchernc.org](mailto:info@fletchernc.org). You may call 828-687-3985 to provide your input if you do not have email.

### Free Mulch Available, Temporarily

Fletcher Public Works is temporarily mulching the brush they pick up from Fletcher residents due to an equipment issue with our vendor. Consequently, we have **FREE** mulch available to Town residents on a "first come, first serve basis". Bring a shovel and a container, truck, or trailer and come to Parrish Municipal Drive. After turning off Howard Gap Road, the mulch pile is on the left beside the metal building.

### Construction on Hendersonville Road

Several residents have asked about the land clearing activity occurring on Hendersonville Road across from Foam & Fabrics Outlet. The front of this property is zoned for commercial development such as office and retail space. On the rear of the property, additional apartments, associated with the Four Seasons Apartments, are being built.

### Fletcher ABC Board Opening

The Town of Fletcher is seeking to fill an upcoming vacancy on the Fletcher A.B.C. Board. This board is appointed by the Town Council and is responsible for running the A.B.C. Store and hiring the employees who work in the store. This board is separate from the other boards in the Town since it handles its own affairs and also has an independent audit. Interested persons must be residents of Fletcher and be willing to serve a three-year term. The application can be found at <https://www.fletchernc.org/town-government/town-committees/board-openings/> or obtained by contacting the Fletcher Town Clerk at 828-687-3985. Applications will be accepted through May 31, 2023. Applicants will need to be available to attend the June 5th Town Council meeting as part of the application process, if requested.

## PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

### Spring Leaf Pickup Is Here

Our Public Works staff will pick up bagged leaves during the weeks of April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. We will begin accepting requests for leaf pickup in late March at 828-654-9208 (24 hours a day), via our website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/public-works/brush-and-leaves-pick-up/>, or you may call 828-687-3985 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

### Slight Recycling Change

Our recycling contractor, Curbside Management (a.k.a. Curbie), has slightly changed one of its operating practices as you may have already noticed. They have recently started closing the cart lids after emptying the recycling container. Leaving the cart lids open was a hardship to some residents because of having to empty rainwater from the cart.

Residents are now asked to ensure you periodically clean out your recycling cart to prevent items from sticking to the walls and floor, to reduce insects, and to eliminate odors. Thank you for helping in this effort.

### From the Office of the Chief:



The third week in March was National Poison Prevention Week. The purpose of this week is to raise awareness of poison prevention and safety.

There is one type of poisoning people of all ages can suffer harm from, that being the inappropriate use or consumption of prescription medications. We can prevent the illicit use of medications and thereby improve the safety of our community, by disposing of our unused or unneeded medications.

The Drug Enforcement Agency's (DEA) National Pill Take Back Day is scheduled for April 22, 2023. The Town of Fletcher will be hosting its own Operation Pill Drop at the south parking lot of Fletcher Town Hall on Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am to noon.

There will also be a shredding event at this same time and location for residents who would like to ensure documents containing personal and sensitive information gets shredded and kept out of the wrong hands.

The police department looks forward to seeing many of you there. Thanks for helping to keep our community safe.





[JustServe.org](https://www.justserve.org) is a free website designed to facilitate community service. Individuals and not-for-profit organizations may use the site both to find local volunteering opportunities and to seek volunteers for service projects. The Town of Fletcher encourages all residents to volunteer regularly.

To find opportunities for service, visit our website at <https://www.justserve.org>. To add your service opportunity to the listings in order to seek volunteers, please send an email to Fletcher resident [steven.thomas.stay@gmail.com](mailto:steven.thomas.stay@gmail.com).

To learn more about volunteering in Fletcher, please visit the Town website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/for-businesses/links-to-outside-organizations/>. On the "Links to Outside Organizations" page, go to "Volunteer Opportunities" and click on "Just Serve".

**Henderson County Solid Waste**

**TUESDAYS**

March 14th  
April 11th  
May 9th

**SPRING 2023  
HOUSEHOLD  
HAZARDOUS  
WASTE & PAINT  
COLLECTION  
EVENTS  
8AM-12PM**

**\*\*Must be a Henderson County Resident to participate, Proof of residency required\*\***

 **Liquid Paint & similar items**  
Cost: \$2 per 1 gallon, \$10 per 5 gallon  
30 gallon limit per person  
Drop off: Transfer Station (side gate)- 800 Stoney Mountain Rd.

**Chemicals, Cleaners, & Pesticides**  
Cost: Free  
Drop off: Convenience Center- 265 Convenience Center Dr.



For more information  
[www.hcrecycycles.org](http://www.hcrecycycles.org)  
828-694-6524

   



**Spring  
Litter Sweep**

**April 15-29, 2023**

**N.C. Department of Transportation  
Biannual Cleanup Drive  
Volunteer Locally!**

Share your clean-up images at: #LitterSweepNC

Forms, posters, and telephone listings are available on our website  
   [ncdot.gov/littersweep](https://www.ncdot.gov/littersweep)

## Fletcher Library Opportunities in March

20 Library Road, Fletcher NC 28732 828-687-1218

**HOURS:** Monday 9am - 6pm; Tuesday - Thursday 9am - 5pm; Friday & Saturday 9am - 3pm

**OPENING CHANGES:** We will be closed on April 7<sup>th</sup> in observance of Good Friday.  
We will open at 10:00 am on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> due to a staff meeting.

**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:** If you have donations of yarn, knitting needles, or knitted or crocheted items, please call the library at 828-687-1218, we are always looking for donations. Our group makes hats, scarves, gloves/mittens, and blankets for the Interfaith Assistance Ministry in Hendersonville to give to children and adults. Thank you to all those that have donated.

**Check 'Em Out Book Club:** Call the branch to sign up for next month's selection.

**Family Story Time:** Every Wednesday at 10:30 am.

**Lego Club Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> (3:30pm-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.

**Knitting for a Cause Group (All Ages) Saturday, April 8<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 OR your crochet hook! Have fun knitting or crocheting to help others

**Check 'Em Out Book Club (Adults) Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> (11:00am-12:00pm)**

Come and discuss our April selection, Maggie Murders by Anthony Horowitz. Registration required - Call the Fletcher Library at 828-687-1218. Spaces are limited.

**Craft Day (All ages) Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> (10:00am - 4:00pm)**

Come and do a fun craft with us!

**Book Review Book Club (Adults) Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> (10:30am-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 (Adults) Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> (1:30pm-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.

**Paws for Reading (Children) Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> (10:00am-11:30am)**

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog! Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

**Model Railroading Presentation (Adults) Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> (9:00am-12:00pm)**

Local model railroaders will share tools and techniques of the hobby. There will also be a clinic on how to weather rolling stock and structures. Presented by Carolina Mountain Division, Southeastern Region of National Model Railroad Assoc.

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## Fletcher Area Business Association (FABA)

invites you to network and learn with ...

### Coffee Club

Meet local leaders and join us for a cup of coffee

April 4<sup>th</sup> & April 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Lutheridge Conference Center



### Resource Recess

You're invited to a free professional development workshop on marketing and growing your business:

"Securing Clients of Value"

April 26<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm - 1 pm

at the Lutheridge Conference Center

For more information on coffee club, other events and to get connected visit us online at <https://fletcherbusiness.com/>.



  
 Town of Fletcher  
 PARKS AND RECREATION

Inflatables Facepainting

# EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA

**DATE: APRIL 1ST, 2023**  
**TIME: 12:00-2:00PM**

**LOCATION: BILL MOORE COMMUNITY PARK**  
**85 HOWARD GAP RD, FLETCHER, NC**

Egg Hunt Schedule  
 Ages 3 & under Field 5 - 12:00 p.m.  
 Ages 4-5 Field 4 - 12:15 p.m.  
 Ages 6-7 Field 3 - 12:30 p.m.  
 Ages 8-9 Field 2 - 12:45 p.m.  
 Ages 10-11 Field 1 - 1:00 p.m.









Save the Date	
4/1/23 12:00 pm	Easter Egg-Stravaganza
5/19/23 12:00 pm	Robert G. Parrish Golf Tournament Cummings Cove Country Club
6/12/23 7:30 am	Summer Day Camp Begins
6/24/23 6:00 pm	Summer Concert in the Park "Gotcha Groove Band"
7/9/23 6:00 pm	Summer Concert in the Park "Flashback Band"
8/19/23 TBD	Family Movie Night Bill Moore Community Park

### **Concessions at Bill Moore Community Park**

Baabals Ice Cream will be operating the concession stand on April 1st for the Easter Egg-Stravaganza and will officially open the concession stand for the season on April 10th.



They will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday's from 5:00pm - 8:00pm and open Saturday and Sunday from 12:00pm to 5:00pm. They are closed on Wednesday's.

Fletcher Parks & Recreation  
 21ST ANNUAL ROBERT G. PARRISH, SR.  
**MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
 MAY 19TH, 2023  
 CUMMINGS COVE GOLF CLUB  
 ETOWAH, NC

**Cost:**  
 \$80 per player  
 Captain's Choice:  
 4 person team  
 Lunch Included



**Time:**  
 Players Cleave-In  
 11 a.m.  
**SHOT GUN START:**  
 12 noon

REGISTER ONLINE  
**March 15th-May 12th**  
 FLETCHERPARKS.RECDESK.COM



**SUMMER  
Camp  
COUNSELOR**

**Starting Pay  
\$15/hr**

**Now Hiring!**  
 Camp Counselors will make  
 positive impact on campers  
 lives, while having fun!  
**FletcherNC.org**

**June 12 -  
AUG 4**  
 Monday-Friday  
 7:30-5:30  
 (No Nights or Weekends)

### **Park Reminders**

>> If you are wanting to rent a shelter for a special event, please remember that both of our parks, Bill Moore Community Park and Kate's & Pete's Park (beside the Fletcher Library), have shelters for rent. You may make your reservation and your payment online at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/parks-and-recreation/online-registration/>.

>> Please remember that neither motorized scooters or motorized bicycles are allowed on our park trails or sidewalks.

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Mark your calendar...



and  
**Document  
Shredding Event**

**Two box  
limit per  
household**

The Town of Fletcher and the Fletcher Police Department are hosting a pill take-back and a document shredding

**Saturday, April 15, 2023 9:00 to Noon**  
**South Parking Lot at Fletcher Town Hall**

Bring your unused or outdated prescription medicine to be safely and legally disposed. Safely disposing of old medications through pill drop events instead of flushing them down the drain prevents chemicals from ending up in the water supply.

Bring your unwanted documents and protect your personal information as well as the environment. The National Crime Prevention Council recommends shredding all financial documents, billing statements, pre-approved credit card offers and any other papers containing personal information and identification numbers before discarding them.

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