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Town of Fletcher

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Police Dispatch 828-697-4911
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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

To live stream or view previous
Town Council Meetings, please
visit [https://www.youtube.com/
@TownofFletcherNC/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@TownofFletcherNC/streams).

Planning Board Meeting

3rd Tuesday of month at 6:00 pm

Parks & Rec Advisory Board

3rd Tuesday of month at 5:30 pm

All meetings are held at
Fletcher Town Hall.

This newsletter is published for
Town residents and reports on
issues and events that affect our
community. Past issues of our
newsletter are found on our web-
site at [https://www.fletchernc.org/
about-us/newsletter/](https://www.fletchernc.org/about-us/newsletter/).

Contact us with your questions
and/or comments by emailing
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News from the December 8th Town Council Meeting

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
 - Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax Office.
 - Approved January 12, 2026, as a Public Hearing for a Conditional Zoning District application request to rezone 28 Cane Creek Road from R-2 Medium Density Residential District to Neighborhood Business District - Conditional Zoning District to allow for the development of a bakery/restaurant by Fletcher Village Bakery in the Heart of Fletcher Overlay District.
 - Approved Resolution R-25-11 to donate the Fletcher Police Department's surplus 2018 Harley Davidson motorcycle to the Henderson County Sheriff's Office.
 - Approved revisions to the Fletcher Stormwater Off-of-Right-of-Way Grant Program to include the following language in the Approval Process: "The onsite evaluation may include a requirement to hire an engineer to design any potential improvements."
- Multiple applications were received for consideration to fill the two at-large vacancies on the Fletcher Planning Board. Jacob Compher and Julia Fogel were appointed to fill the vacant seats.
- Representatives from the Fletcher Youth Baseball and Softball Program shared information regarding their organization as well as results from a fall survey of their league participants. There was a discussion of some of their growing pain challenges at Bill Moore Community Park such as parking, field lighting, concessions, scoreboards, and Saturday morning field maintenance. During the 2025 Spring season they had 387 players with 85 of those households located within the Fletcher town limits.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, shared a proposed timeline for preparation of the fiscal year 2026-2027 budget:
 - January 12th at 4:00 pm - During the Town Council Regular Meeting, department heads will make brief presentations of 2025-2026 accomplishments and provide a big picture of significant needs for the upcoming year.
 - March 24th at 8:30 am - Special Called Meeting for the presentation of 2026-2027 departmental budget requests to Town Council.
 - May 7th at 9:00 am - Budget workshop/retreat for the Town Manager's presentation of the recommended 2026-2027 budget to Town Council.
 - June 8th - Public hearing on the recommended budget and possible adoption of the 2026-2027 budget.
- Town Council then went into a Closed Session regarding personnel matters.

2025 Property Taxes Due January 5th

2025 property taxes are due on or before January 5, 2026, to avoid 2% interest which will be applied to all unpaid balances on January 6th. Mailed payments must display a USPS postmark prior to 1/6/26 to avoid interest. You may also pay your taxes online at www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/; in person at Fletcher Town Hall via cash, check or money order; or place your payment in our southside parking lot drop box 24 hours a day. Enforced collection action on any unpaid 2025 taxes may begin January 6th.

Personal Property Tax Listings Due 1/31/26

N.C. General Statute §105-308 provides that anyone who owns property on January 1st which is subject to taxation must list that property with their County Assessors Office no later than January 31st. Failure to do so will result in a 10% penalty by the County and the Town of Fletcher and back taxes if the property is ultimately discovered by the Henderson Co. Assessor.

Types of property that should be listed include:

Personal Property including mobile homes; unregistered (untagged) motor vehicles; motorcycles; RV's; campers; travel trailers; utility trailers; boats; personal watercraft; and aircraft.

Business personal property including property used in the production of income or in connection with any business enterprise including machinery & equipment, furniture & fixtures, computers, supplies and expensed items used in a Sole Proprietorship, Partnership or Corporation, regardless of whether the business has its own address or is a Home-Based business.

Real property, if buildings or other Improvements with a value over \$100 were acquired, built, erected, damaged or destroyed since January 1, 2025.

Property Listing forms may be obtained on the County website at <https://hendersoncountync.gov/tax> by selecting "Forms and Applications" along the left side of the page. Business property tax listings may also be submitted online at <https://bpp.taxscribe.app/nc> and individual personal property listings may be submitted online at <https://ipp.taxscribe.app/nc>.

Property Tax Relief Assistance

Several taxpayers have asked about the availability of property tax relief programs for elderly or disabled residents. The applications for 2026 taxes must be filed with the Henderson County Tax Assessor's Office by June 1, 2026. For additional information and/or forms, visit <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/tax/page/exemptions-exclusions-deferment> or contact the Assessor's Office at (828) 698-3005.

Bagged Leaf Pickup Ending

Bagged leaf pickup will end December 31st. The next leaf pickup will be the first two weeks in April.

Live Christmas Tree Pickup Available

Public Works will pickup and dispose of your live Christmas trees after the holiday and through the month of January. All decorations must be removed from the trees. We do not accept artificial trees. To make a pickup request, please visit our website found at <https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/>; call Public Works at 828-654-9208 and leave your name, address, and phone # on their answering machine; or call Town Hall at 828-687-3985.

2026 Town Recycling Calendar Available

Contact us by email at info@fletchernc.org with your street address to receive your 2026 recycling calendar by return email. You may also stop by Town Hall to pick up a recycling calendar.

From the Office of Chief Terry:



The Fletcher Police Department was able to donate \$6,785 to Spokes of Hope as part of our "Annual No Shave November" fundraiser. This money will go back into the community as part of the ongoing recovery efforts in response to Hurricane Helene. Spokes of Hope continues to be present in Western North Carolina more than a year after the storm to provide many services to those still in need. This donation was made possible by officers willing to donate their own money and grow those beards as well as several community partners making donations, including:

A-American Electric
Hunter Automotive Group
Ingles of Fletcher
Marthaler's Jewelers
Rinehart Racing
The Salty Landing
Veritas Christian Academy

You can find more information and a video of the check presentation to Spokes of Hope on our departmental Facebook page found at <https://www.facebook.com/100068907187357/videos/pcb.1146589297647966/1190095266548504>.

We wish our community a Happy New Year and look forward to next year's fundraiser and finding another great cause to support.



FABA January Events

COFFEE CLUB

Mountain View Cremation & Funeral Care
January 6th at 8:00 am
Mountain View Cremation & Funeral Care
336 Rockwood Road, Unit 101 Arden, NC 28704

FOCUS AFTER FIVE

Catholic Charities
January 15th at 5:30 pm
50 Orange Street Asheville, NC 28801

COFFEE CLUB

Palermo Law
January 20th at 8:00 am
Mountain View Cremation & Funeral Care
336 Rockwood Road, Unit 101 Arden, NC 28704

NEW MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION

January 27th at 11:30 am
Fletcher Town Hall
3rd Floor Multi-Purpose Room
300 Old Cane Creek Rd Fletcher, NC 28732

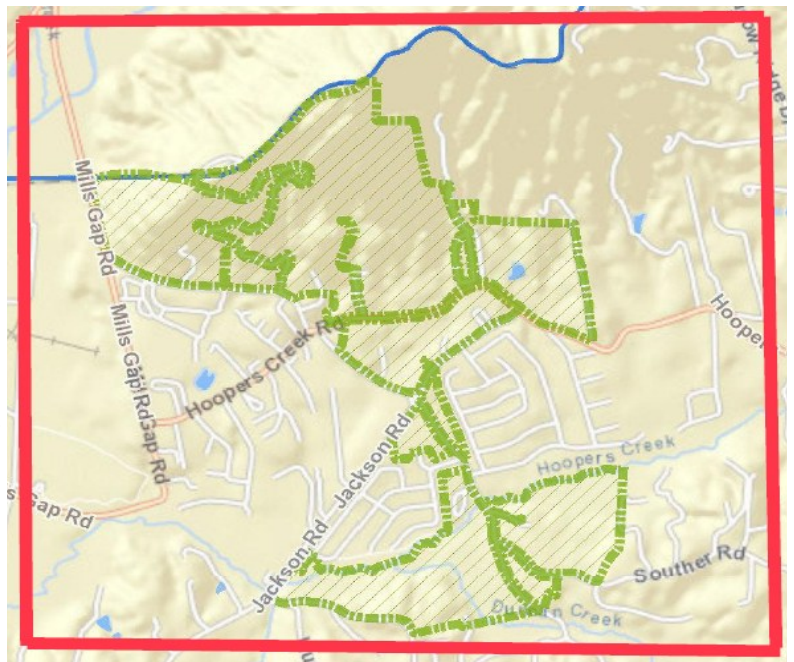
Find us at <https://fletcherbusiness.com/>

We Need Your Help Filling a Planning Board/Zoning Board Fletcher ETJ Vacancy

The Town of Fletcher is seeking to fill a vacancy on the Planning Board & Zoning Board of Adjustment for the Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) of Fletcher. Applications/applicants will first be reviewed by Town Council, and a recommendation will be made to the County Commissioners, who will appoint the recommended individual. Anyone living in the ETJ of Fletcher and is interested in applying for this vacancy may access the application at <https://www.fletchernc.org/town-government/town-committees/board-openings/> or by contacting the Town Clerk, Christine Thompson, or the Planning Director, Tyler Morrow, at 828-687-3985. You may also contact Tyler, if you are unsure if you live in the ETJ, or are unable to tell from the map shown here. The green hatched area shows the approximate extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ).

Functions of the Planning Board include recommendations to the Town Council on applications related to Rezoning, Conditional Rezoning, Special Use Permits, and text amendments to the Town's Land Development Code. The Board also reviews preliminary plats for major subdivisions and design review for projects in the "Heart of Fletcher" overlay. Functions of the ZBA include quasi-judicial hearings regarding applications for variances and appeals on zoning matters.

The Board typically meets once per month, on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 pm. The application period will remain open until the vacancy is filled.



Fletcher Library Opportunities in January 2026

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

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

NOTE: The library will be closed on January 1st for the New Year holiday and on January 19th for Martin Luther King Jr. 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.

Family Story Time Every Wednesday (10:00am-10:30am)



Goodwill Career Connections Every Thursday (1:00pm-4:00pm)

Do you need interview practice or help creating a resume, filling out an online job application, or getting started with your job search? Drop in to get help from a Career Connections Coordinator.

PAWS for Reading Every Saturday (10:30am-12:00pm)

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.

Writers Guild (Adults) Thursday, January 8th (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.

Lego Club (Children) Thursday, January 8th (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.

Tunisian Crochet Workshop (All ages) Saturday, January 10th (10:00am-12:00pm)

Learn the art of Tunisian crochet with Robert Dow! This special technique combines elements of knitting and crochet.

Please bring a size J Afghan hook and a skein of size 4 yarn to the program. **Registration Required:** Register online or call 828-687-1218 for assistance.

Check 'Em Out Book Club (Adults) Monday, January 12th (11:00am-12:00pm)

Join the Fletcher Library Book Club for good books and good conversation! We will discuss *How to Solve Your Own Murder* by Kristen Perrin.

Zaniac: Design Studio- Where STEM Meets Creativity! Monday, January 12th (4:00pm-5:00pm)

Step into a world where innovation meets style! In this hands-on STEM program, kids will explore the exciting fusion of science and fashion by designing and testing wearable creations inspired by technology and nature. Young designers will use recycled materials like newspapers, magazines, and cardboard to craft unique pieces of clothing or jewelry, showcasing creativity and sustainability. From concept to creation, participants will develop problem-solving and design skills in a fun, collaborative environment. Perfect for fashion-forward innovators ready to combine creativity, science, and eco-friendly practices! **Registration Required:** Register online or call 828-687-1218 for assistance. *This free program is funded by the Friends of the Library.*

Craft Day (All ages) Tuesday, January 13th (10:00am-4:00pm)

Drop by the Fletcher Library for fun crafts for all ages. Everyone is welcome!

Book Review Book Club (Adults) Wednesday, January 14th (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.

Paws for Reading (Children) Tuesday, January 20th (10:30am-12:00pm)

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.

Paws for Reading (Children) Monday, January 26th (10:30am-12:00pm)

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.



Thanks!

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the amazing sponsors who helped make this year's events possible. Your support means the world to us!



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FLETCHER PARKS AND REC

23 JAN 2026

5:30 - 7:30PM

300 OLD CANE CREEK RD, FLETCHER, NC 28732

Unleash your creativity at Painted With Love—a fun, relaxing guided painting class where everyone can be an artist!

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
[HTTPS://FLETCHERPARKS.RECDESK.COM/COMMUNITY/HOME](https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/community/home)



Town of Fletcher Presents

FATHER DAUGHTER Dance

2.07.2026

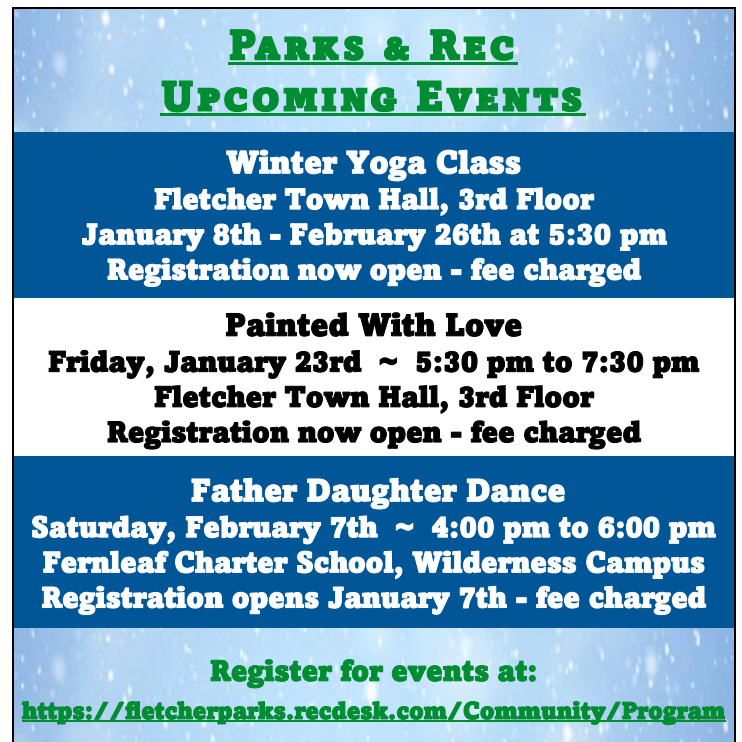
Starts at 4:00pm

TICKETS

\$20 for Residents
\$25 for Nonresidents
\$10 for Daughters

Fernleaf's Wilderness Campus
249 Old Hendersonville Rd,
Fletcher, NC 28732

<https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Program>



PARKS & REC

UPCOMING EVENTS

Winter Yoga Class
Fletcher Town Hall, 3rd Floor
January 8th - February 26th at 5:30 pm
Registration now open - fee charged

Painted With Love
Friday, January 23rd ~ 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Fletcher Town Hall, 3rd Floor
Registration now open - fee charged

Father Daughter Dance
Saturday, February 7th ~ 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Fernleaf Charter School, Wilderness Campus
Registration opens January 7th - fee charged

Register for events at:
<https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Program>

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300 OLD CANE CREEK ROAD
FLETCHER, NC 28732

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January 1, 2026
for New Year's Day.

Trash and recycling normally picked up
on Thursday, January 1st will be
picked up Friday, January 2nd.



Fletcher Town Hall will be closed
January 19, 2026 in observance of
Martin Luther King, Jr Day.

Trash and recycling normally picked up
on Monday, January 19th will be
picked up Tuesday, January 20th.

