

“From the Duck Blind...” Manager’s Memo

Hello Friends and Neighbors,

Spring time has finally arrived. As April showers arrive with spring temperatures that will also soon bring the May flowers, I encourage you all to enjoy the beauty of our downtown areas. Please come by and take pictures at the park entrance with the Easter props or along the Town’s greenways. It is certainly a wonderful place to be out in the evenings or weekends. The ballfields in Troutman ESC Park are in use almost constantly as are the soccer fields with youth sports starting back up. Contact Chip Smith our Parks/Rec & Community Engagement Director to reserve the pavilion or one of the fields. We will be coordinating some community cleanup projects in April, May and June on various projects to improve our Town— Ex: pick up trash, paint, plant flowers or spread mulch, etc. in various areas around town. More information will be provided. We wish you and your families a Happy Easter holiday. “We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.” - Winston Churchill



Community Event: Book Signing

Mark your calendars for a book signing and afternoon visit with North Carolina TV icon, Barbara McKay. Her new book, *Coming Home*, is getting enormous attention. Join us in the Council Chambers at Troutman Town Hall on Sunday, April 24, 2022 from 2pm-6pm (floating). Barbara's long-time friend, Curtis Fortner, is hosting this event and invites you and all friends and family to attend. This festive event will begin with lively conversation, a question and answer session, and the book signing will follow. Register as you arrive as Curtis will be gifting 4 copies of *Coming Home* to be signed by the author. There are plenty of books for purchase to have Barbara sign. Please plan to attend. Barbara is looking forward to her time in Troutman. Please contact Curtis Fortner at (704) 562-3000 with any questions .



Town of Troutman Governing Body

Mayor:

Teross W. Young, Jr.

Councilmembers:

- W. Paul Henkel- Mayor Pro Tem
- Felina L. Harris
- Edward R. Nau
- George W. Harris
- Jerry R. Oxsher



Troutman is governed by a Mayor and a five member Town Council. All elected positions are non-partisan. The Town Council has regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of each month at Town Hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Town Schedules

April 2022

4 & 5: Limb Collection

5: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

6: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

7: Design Review Board: 3:00 pm

11: Agenda Briefing Meeting: 4:00 pm

12: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday; Weathers Creek, Sanders Ridge)

13: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, & Falls Cove at Lake Norman)

14: Town Council Meeting: 7:00 pm

15: Town Hall closed in observance of Easter Holiday

No April collection : Leaf Collection

18: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3pm

19: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

20: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman

21: Board of Adjustment: 3:00 pm

25: Planning & Zoning Board: 7:00 pm

26: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday; Weathers Creek & Sanders Ridge)

27: Blue Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman

All town meetings are open to the public and are held at Troutman Town Hall, 400 N. Eastway Dr. Troutman, NC 28166. Call 704-528-7600 with questions

HAPPY EASTER !



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The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter

April 2022

Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

- Approval of Town of Troutman Schedule of Fees Amendment (adding a \$5 fee for payments over the phone)
- Approval of Multifamily Building Façades - Design Review Board Case No. DRB-22-02; Project: DeWitt -US Hwy 21
- Annexation Request AX-21-05 (Contiguous) Applicant: Andrew & Christy Phillips; 1.0 acres; PIN(s) 4750022170; (Charlotte Hwy (Set Public Hearing Date of April 14, 2021)
- Recognition of Cathy Emory - Suicide Prevention Awareness, 50 Mile Walk
- Recognition of Dylan Donaldson - South Iredell High School Wrestling Achievement
- Approval of Rezoning Request CZ-RM-22-02: Applicant: BBC Troutman, LLC; Project: Rocky Creek Phase 2; to rezone 19.5 acres; located on the east side of Byers Road from Residential Suburban (RS) and Heavy Industrial (HI) to Conditional Zoning-Mixed Residential (CZ-RM)
- Approval of Economic Incentive Request by Iredell County Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) for TPA Group “Project Kat”
- Approval to appoint Council Member as a Voting Delegate for the 2022-2023 North Carolina League of Municipalities Board of Directors



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Stay in Touch

- Follow us on Facebook!
- Visit our website: www.troutmannnc.gov
- Read our newsletter
- Attend town meetings
- Tune into our weekly radio show: WAME 92.9 on Wed.at 9:15am
- Check out our digital sign downtown
- Join our Sunshine List: contact Town Hall or kdavis@troutmannnc.gov to receive info on boards/committees.

Troutman Planning Dept: Grass Cutting Reminder

Spring is here, and with that brings new growth which includes your lawn! Lets all do our part to keep our Town beautiful by keeping lawns mowed. Just a friendly reminder of the Town of Troutman's Code on grass/weed cutting:

Per the Town Code Chapter 10-142 – Unlawful Conditions prohibit on any property, the uncontrolled growth of noxious weeds or uncontrolled growth of grass, undergrowth or other vegetation that exceeds a maximum height of 12 inches. For purposes of this section, noxious weed is defined as any weed appearing in the most recent list of noxious weeds as designated by either the United States Department of Agriculture or the North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

Also please pile all yard waste unbagged at the curb for collection. Blowing grass clippings into the street is prohibited in the Town limits. Grass clippings in the street contribute to the clogging of storm drains and flooding during heavy rain events.

Failure to comply with this code will result in the Town issuing civil penalties for the violation, and/or undertaking the cutting and/or clean up, and presenting you as the owner with a bill for services to cut said grass, brush, and weeds/clean up.

If you have any questions, you are welcome to call the office and speak to our Code Enforcement Officer, John Ganus at 704-528-7600

Our Planning Department can be found at Troutman Planning on Facebook and under the Planning tab on our website. The Planning and Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 7pm in the Town Hall Council Chambers.

Parks and Recreation News: Upcoming Events



EARTH DAY
IN TROUTMAN

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST
5PM-7PM COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN IN A COMMUNITY EFFORT TO MAKE OUR NECK OF THE WOODS A LITTLE CLEANER AND HEALTHIER. MEET AT TROUTMAN TOWN HALL ON 4/21 AT 5PM TO DIVIDE & CONQUER TOGETHER.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: (704) 528-7600 OR
CSMITH@TROUTMANN.COV



TROUTMAN PARKS AND RECREATION

EASTER EGG HUNT

SAT 16TH APRIL
TROUTMAN ESC PARK
10AM

BRING YOUR BASKETS & COME HUNT EASTER EGGS BY AGE GROUP. ALSO ENJOY FOOD TRUCKS, THE EASTER BUNNY, AND BOUNCE HOUSES!

Phone Payments

Due to the increased volume of accounts, staff time, and security liability, Town Council has approved a \$5.00 convenience fee for utility payments made by phone -effective 5/1/22. Options to make payments are: pay online (www.troutmann.cov), Town Hall drive-thru, mail in, and/or automatic draft. Call Town Hall for additional information. 704-528-7600

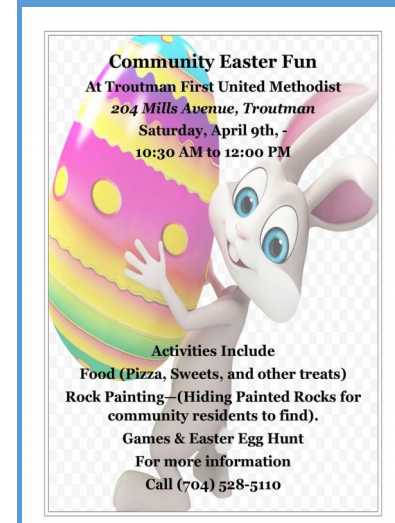
Easter Events



Please join us for an **Easter Egg-stravaganza**
April 9th: 12-2pm
Fallstown Baptist Church
242 STATE PARK RD. TROUTMAN
please pre-register @ www.fallstownbaptist.org
Please bring non-perishable food items to support the Fredrick Coast Food Bank

Event Schedule:
Free Hotdog Lunch 12-12:45pm
Easter Story @ 12:50pm

Hunt Times:
Ages birth-4 yrs @ 1:15pm
Ages 5 yrs-7 yrs @ 1:30pm
Ages 8 yrs-12 yrs @ 1:45pm



Community Easter Fun
At Troutman First United Methodist
204 Mills Avenue, Troutman
Saturday, April 9th, -
10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Activities Include
Food (Pizza, Sweets, and other treats)
Rock Painting - (Hiding Painted Rocks for community residents to find).
Games & Easter Egg Hunt

For more information
Call (704) 528-5110

Troutman PD: Monthly Police Beat

SLOW DOWN; THE LIFE YOU SAVE MAY BE YOUR OWN

According to the latest crash statistics from the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, fatal crashes in the state have reached their highest numbers since 1973. One of the factors found in many crashes resulting in fatalities is excessive speed. The Troutman Police Department wants to remind you of ways you can help reduce the chances of being involved in a crash.



- Obey the speed limit. The faster a vehicle is traveling increases the likelihood of serious injuries or death if the vehicle is involved in a crash.
- Maintain a safe following distance when traveling behind other vehicles.
- Do not use cell phones or be distracted by other technology devices. Distracted driving-related crashes have continued to increase.
- Do not drink and drive. If you choose to drink and have to ask yourself if you are ok to drive, the answer is always no.

The Troutman Police Department, along with other local law enforcement agencies and the North State Highway Patrol, will be partnering together to use enforcement, education, and prevention to reduce the increase in this tragic statistic.



MEDICINE DROP BOX

The Police Department would like to remind citizens of the medicine drop box located in the lobby of Town Hall at 400 N. Eastway Drive. We encourage you to use this service to dispose of various medications so that they do not fall into the wrong hands or pollute our waterways and streams. Please do not place any needles in the drop box as this creates a risk when the box is emptied; Place them in the sharps box on the ride side of the box. If you have any questions about disposing medications, please call the Troutman Police Department at (704) 528-7610

