




Volume 12—Issue 12 The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter December 2023

Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

- ◆ Set Public Hearing Date of December 14, 2023 for Annexation Request AX-23-11 (Non-Contiguous), Applicant: Sondra Tilton for Sunbeam Property, LLC, 38.8 (+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4741-50-5002, 140 Royal Oaks Drive
- ◆ Set Public Hearing Date of December 14, 2023 for Annexation Request AX-23-12 (Contiguous), Applicant: Martin Ray Holdings, LLC, 1.19 (+/-) total acres; PIN(s) 4741-32-7938 located at Maple Street, .44 acres; and PIN 4741-32-7896. located at 681 S. Eastway Drive, .75 acres
- ◆ Approved Rezoning Request RZ-23-07, Applicant Peter & Chunbei Schenone; .53 (+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4731-77-7861; 427 N. Main Street from Town of Troutman Office Institution (OI) to Town of Troutman Central Business (CB)
- ◆ Approved Text Amendment request TA 23-10 – Variances & Special Use Permits to be extended from one to two years.
- ◆ Approved Troutman Mobility Plan
- ◆ Recognition of Lou Borek as “Town of Troutman Employee of the Month”
- ◆ Proclamation Declaring November 18, 2023 as “Survivor of Suicide Loss Day”

Town Council

Mayor:
Teross W. Young, Jr.



Councilmembers:
W. Paul Henkel - Mayor Pro Tem
Felina L. Harris
George W. Harris
Edward R. Nau
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.

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

December has arrived, and we finally get winter temperatures. Merry Christmas to you all. Most of our community celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. That is the reason for Christmas. I hope you will also use this as a time to make memories with family or cherished friends or neighbors. It took the various town staff almost 3 weeks to place all our holiday decorations. They make our Town special. A huge “Thanks” to all who put extra effort into our Town decorations. You are welcome to take pictures with family and pets if you wish at the various favorite spots you select (Town Christmas Tree, Reindeer on the Green Way, in front of the garland and bows, under the lights, etc.). I encourage you to take many of your pictures and let everyone know how special you, your loved ones, and the Town of Troutman are.

We will have our Annual Christmas Parade on December 2nd. at 11:00 am on Main Street. I hope you can come out and enjoy it. Several churches come together and perform a live nativity at the Iredell County Fairgrounds. Weather permitting, it will be the Dec. 7th, 8th, and 9th from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. So beautiful what they put on free of charge. It is simply to tell the story of the birth of Jesus.

My favorite quote for Christmas is, “It’s not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.” ~ Mother Teresa ~

DECEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						2 Town Christmas Parade 11:00 am Along Eastway Dr.
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Limb Collection	Limb Collection	Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thur. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Enclave at Falls Cove & Redwood Apartments)	DRB Meeting 3:30 - 4:30 pm	Jingle Run Packet Pickup 12:00 - 7:00 pm	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Jingle Run 5K 3:00 pm Troutman Town Hall	Leaf Collection	Leaf Collection Green Recycling Day for Sutter's Mill, Brookside, Westmoreland Estates & if your trash is picked up on Tuesday	Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Calvin Creek & Enclave at Falls Cove	Town Board Meeting 7:00 - 10:00 pm Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Leaf Collection	Leaf Collection	Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thur. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Enclave at Falls Cove & Redwood Apartments)	Board of Adjustment 3:00 - 5:00 pm		Refuge Church of Christ Food Pantry 11:30 am - 1:00 pm 133 Elder Ln, Troutman
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	P&Z Board - CANCELLED Town Hall Closed for Christmas Holiday	Town Hall Closed for Christmas Holiday	Green Recycling Day for Sutter's Mill, Brookside, Westmoreland Estates & if your trash is picked up on Tuesday	Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Calvin Creek & Enclave at Falls Cove	Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk	

Troutman Parks & Rec. Upcoming Events



**Troutman Christmas Parade – Saturday, December 2, 2023
11:00am – Along Eastway Dr. in Troutman**

- The parade begins at the Career Academy School (350 Old Murdock Rd), travels Old Murdock Rd., turns left onto Eastway Dr., and ends at Troutman Baptist Church.

- Free to participate, we just ask that you consider donating a new, unwrapped toy to the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program. You may bring the toy with you on parade day or drop it off at Town Hall between now and then.



Jingle Run 5K – Sunday, December 10, 2023

Time: 3:00pm

Troutman Town Hall – 400 N. Eastway Dr.

- Registration fee is \$20. Register at www.runsignup.com or in person at Town Hall. Includes T-shirt and medal.

- All levels and abilities are welcome to join.

- Dogs are permitted but must be on a leash.

- Contact ewatson@troutmannnc.gov with questions.



MLK Celebration & Day of Service – Friday, January 12, 2024

8:00am – CATS Community Room – 350 Old Murdock Rd.

Guest Speaker: Eugene Robinson, NFL player for 16 seasons

- Come join us as we honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King with a free community breakfast and an inspirational moment with our guest speaker.

- Following breakfast, town staff will move out to embark on a community service project. The public is welcome to join.

- Please RSVP to Amber Ward - award@troutmannnc.gov

Town of Troutman: Local Upcoming Events



Pancake Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 2, 2023 – 7:30am - 10:30am

South Iredell High School – 299 Old Mountain Rd.

- All you can eat breakfast with pancakes, eggs, bacon & sausage

- \$10 per person. \$5 age 6-12. Under age 6 eat free

- Proceeds benefit South Yadkin Baptist Assoc. "Toy Store for Jesus" and other children within our community.

Boxes will be available for donations of nonperishable food & toys

HOLIDAY BAZAAR



Holiday Bazaar – Saturday, December 2, 2023

Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm

South Iredell High School – 299 Old Mountain Rd.

- Over 75 craft vendors, food trucks and fun for the family

- Benefits the South Iredell High School FFA

- If you are interested in being a vendor contact Mr. Holland ethan_holland@iss.k12.nc.us

Trash Ordinance

Under Chapter 20 - SOLID WASTE, Article II - GARBAGE AND TRASH DISPOSAL, Sec. 20-21. Precollection practices in the Town's Code of Ordinances it states that receptacles for garbage and trash may be placed at the curb on the night before the schedules pickup.



Rollout containers and other receptacles must be removed from the curb by 8:00 a.m. the day after they are collected. It is the responsibility of the householder to pick up loose debris around the collection area.

Employee Recognition

Human Resources Director, Lou Borek was recognized as the Town of Troutman's Employee of the Month for October. In addition to his work on personnel matters, Borek has also shared his technology expertise to meet staff tech needs. Though he has moved to the passport office location, Borek remains accommodating and helpful to all staff and volunteers wherever necessary to keep town operations running smoothly. We are glad to have him on our team and staff.



Frozen Pipes

Winter is here again! And with winter comes the threat of damage to your home from snow, ice and frozen pipes. In an effort to inform the citizens of Troutman we in the Troutman Public Works Department want to offer a few tips that may help you protect your water pipes and in turn your home and property.

1) Turn on the taps: Let the water drip in extreme cold. Even if the water does freeze, this will relieve some of the water pressure and keep the pipe from bursting.

2) Open cabinets: Leave the cabinets open under your kitchen and bathroom sinks. This keeps warm air circulating around your pipes.

3) Wrap the pipes: If your pipes are in areas that don't get warm air, consider insulating them with insulation sleeves or wrapping. You can get foam rubber or fiberglass sleeves at your local hardware store, or call a plumber to help you with this.

4) Seal the gaps: Cracks in your home's outside walls or foundation should be caulked to keep cold air away from your pipes.

Please stay warm, and do not hesitate to contact the Town of Troutman for more information.

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**Austin Waugh
Public Works Director
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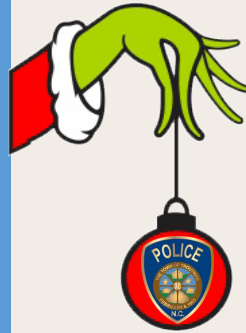


Important Notice to all Citizens of Troutman



Troutman Town Hall will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Monday, December 25th, 2023 and December 26th, 2023. We will resume regular business hours on Wednesday, December 27th, 2023. We will also be closed for New Years Day on Monday, January 1st, 2023 and will resume regular business hours on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2023

Troutman PD: Check your Holiday List



During the holiday season we like to think that everyone is in a joyful and giving mood, however for some that is not always the case. There are always a few who know they are on Santa's naughty list and will not be getting any presents so they decide to go take others'. To help stop these people trying to be the Grinch there are a few simple things you can do without elaborate traps like Kevin in the movie Home Alone. Here are a few tips the men and women of the Troutman Police Department would like you to check off your list to ensure you have a safe and fun holiday season.

✓ Lock Your Home's Entry Doors

✓ If Possible Ask To Have Packages Left Out Of Sight When Delivered

✓ Ensure Your Home Has Lighting Outside When You Are Away

✓ If You Are Going Out of Town Ask A Neighbor To Check on Your Home and Report Suspicious People or Activity to the Police

✓ Do Not Advertise On Social Media Dates You Will Be Away

✓ When Shopping Be Sure to Lock Your Vehicle and Do Not Leave Items of Value Visible

The Troutman Police Department wishes you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!!!!



Planning & Zoning: Erosion Control

With wetter winter months approaching you may begin to experience the effects of erosion control. What is Erosion Control? The easy answer is that it is the action of water flow or wind, removing soil, rock and other debris from property and depositing it into streams, on adjacent properties, as well as onto streets and sidewalks. Erosion also takes place as a result of construction projects. Development sites remove vegetation from land and create situations during the construction phase of a project where rainfall and wind can create negative impacts to neighboring properties if erosions control measures are not put into place.

To mitigate these impacts, Iredell County requires all construction projects over 1-acre in size (1/2-acre in water supply watershed areas) to acquire an erosion control permit. This permit requires developers maintain all run off on-site, and it is the responsibility of Iredell County Erosion Control to ensure all requirements of an issued permit are being adhered to.

While the responsibility of erosion control falls to the County, in an effort to ensure safe streets, the Town of Troutman has adopted an ordinance requiring developers' clean mud and debris from roadways and sidewalks, and to apply civil penalties when this does not occur within an established timeframe.

If you are experiencing the effects of soil erosion you can contact Iredell Erosion Control at 704-878-3118 ext.3144. If you see mud and debris on the streets near a construction site you can contact the Troutman Planning Department at 704-528-7600.

