"From the Duck Blind..." Manager's Memo

Hello friends and neighbors, I hope the new year has been great for you so far. I am disappointed that there is no snowfall yet, but I'm still hopeful that we get one soon. The Town Council, Staff and I appreciate the comments of thanks and appreciation for how well our Town looked for the holidays. It took a lot of work hours to get everything out and then put away again. I appreciate the staff that worked so hard to help our town look festive and beautiful. Just because it is winter does not mean that work stops. Parks and Rec are getting the Park ready for the outdoor season and use. Public Works are getting right of ways cleared and ensuring our equipment is ready for the spring and



summer. Please check our Town website for information on events and attend if you wish. If you have a student needing community service project hours reach out and let me know. We can use volunteers for events or projects. I hope you all take time to remind a loved one or friend they are in your heart on the 14th, Valentine's day. But one of my favorite days to enjoy is Friday, February 17th – Random Acts of Kindness Day. You do not have to spend money to do something kind for others. Just make the effort to do so. Quote of the month:

"How do we change the world? One random act of kindness at a time." ~ Morgan Freeman

Town of Troutman: Recycling Collection

Recycling collection is for in town residents. Benfield Sanitation collects recycling on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Recycling is collected bi-weekly. Your pick up day is based on your garbage pick up day.

- *Parkwood at Falls Cove, *Falls Park & *Twinn Coves pick up schedule is on the Green Week–Wednesday collection.
- If your garbage day is Monday or Wednesday, you are a <u>Blue Week-Wednesday</u> collection.
- If your garbage day is Tuesday, you are a <u>Green Week-Tuesday</u> collection.
- If your garbage day is Thursday, you are <u>Blue Week-Wednesday</u> collection.

Holidays: Benfield Sanitation will run a day behind schedule when a holiday falls Mon.—Thurs. Any changes to a pick-up date will be listed on our website at www.troutmannc.gov or in your newsletter. Each address is assigned one garbage and one recycling container; If an additional container is needed it can be added to your water/sewer bill for an additional monthly fee. Call Town Hall for details at 704-528-7600.

Town of Troutman: Code of Ordinance: Section 20-21 Pre-collection Practices

(C) Receptacles for garbage and recycling may be placed at the curb on the night before the scheduled pickup. Rollout containers and other receptacles must be removed from the curb by 8:00 am on the day after they are collected. It is the responsibility of the householder to pick up loose debris around the collection area.

Town of Troutman Governing Body

Mayor:

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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.

Town Schedules

February 2023

2/1: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, & Falls Cove at Lake Norman)

2/2: DRB Meeting: 3:30-4:30 pm

2/5: Community Valentine Photo Booth 2-5 pm

2/6: Agenda Briefing: 4-6 pm

2/6 & 2/7: Limb Collection

2/7: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

2/8: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

2/9: Town Board Meeting: 7-10 pm

2/13: Leaf Collection

2/14: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday; Weathers Creek & Sanders Ridge)

2/15: Blue Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman

2/16: Board of Adjustment: 3-5 pm

2/20: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3:30-4:30 pm

2/21: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

2/22: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman

2/27: Planning & Zoning Board: 7-9 pm

2/28: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday; Weathers Creek, Sanders Ridge

March 2023

3/1: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, & Falls Cove at Lake Norman)

3/4: Pickleball Program Starts: 9:00 am & 10:00 am

/6 & 3/7: Limb Collection

3/7: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

3/8: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

3/12: Sprint into Spring 5K/10K: 3 pm



Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

- ◆ Council's Annual Strategic Planning Retreat Set for February 28, 2023 8:00 am at Town Hall
- ♦ Approved Town of Troutman Parks & Recreation 2023 Event Schedule
- ♦ Approve Budget Amendments
 - a. Settlement with Digital Ally \$14,500
 - b. Increase in Revenue from New Development \$180,000
 - c. Increase in Auto Insurance Expenditures \$15,000
 - d. Lobbying Expenditures for FY23 \$60,000
 - e. Purchase of New Public Works Trucks \$68,000
 - **f.** Purchase of New Equipment-Capital Outlay (Sprayer/Spreader/Excavator) \$105,265
 - g. Purchase of New Town Hall Server and Equipment \$30,272
 - h. Increase in Revenue for Parks & Rec. Dept.-Donations Received \$30,000
 - i. Parks & Rec. House for Design Plans \$18,390
 - i. Planning House Renovations \$100,837
 - k. Security and Door Access at Town Hall \$64,910
- ♦ Approved Contract/Agreement between the Town of Troutman and Debtbook
- ◆ Deferred Annexation Request AX-22-08 and Rezoning Request CZ-RM-22-09 (Shinn Farms); Applicant: John Shinn; 149.17 (+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4760034830, 4750953208 and 4760131733 (Weathers Creek Road) and Applicant; Robert Shinn; 127.09 (+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4750924960 (773 Houston Road) Total acreage: 276.26 (+/-) until Council's February 9th meeting.
- ◆ Approved Annexation Request AX-22-13 and Rezoning Request RZ-22-07; Applicant: Mountain State Investments, LLC; 2.0 acres (+/-); PIN 4740877479 (138 Houston Road)
- Approved Re-appointment of Wesley Edmiston and Kim Cavin to the Town of Troutman ABC Board
- Approved Re-appointment of Mark Michel to the Town of Troutman Design Review Board
- ♦ Presentation of Town of Troutman 2021-2022 Budget Year Audit
- ♦ Recognition of the Rotary Club of Troutman for Sponsorship of Scoreboards in the Park

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Troutman Town Hall 400 North Eastway Dr. Troutman, NC 28166 (704) 528-7600 info@troutmannc.gov

Visit us on the web: www.troutmannc.gov

Utility Payments: (704) 946-5612



Town of Troutman: Social Media Pages

Be sure to follow the Town of Troutman on Facebook and Youtube.

Also be sure to follow the town's other Facebook Pages to stay current on all the events, news and information from all the different departments.



- Town of Troutman Planning
- Troutman Parks and Recreation
- Troutman Public Works
- Troutman Farmers Market
- Troutman Police Department



Parks and Recreation Department: Upcoming Events

- 2023 Troutman Parks & Rec Spring Pickleball Program: March 4 May 6, 2023 Saturday Mornings at 9am & 10am, Troutman Town Hall.
 - Calling all adult beginners and intermediates, bring your paddle, water bottle, athletic attire, and sun protection and get ready for some pickleball!
 - Registration is \$100 and covers all 9 weeks
 - Register online using the QR code or for more info please contact Parks and Recreation Director Emily Watson at 704-528-7600 or email info@tennisbloc.com.



- Sprint into Spring 5K/10K: March 12, 2023–3pm, Troutman Town Hall.
 - Mark your calendars and plan to join us, whether walking or running, as the Troutman Parks and Recreation Department presents the annual Sprint into Spring Event.
 - Register at www.runsignup.com or in person at Town Hall. 400 North Eastway Dr. Troutman, NC 28166
 - T-Shirt and medal included for participant
 - Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities available
 - If interested or have questions please contact Emily Watson at 704-528-7600 or ewatson@troutmannc.gov
- Spring Craft Expo: April 1, 2023– 9am 3pm, South Iredell High School.
 - Crafts, jewelry, housewares, local art, and baked goods. Accepting Vendors \$50.00 Vendor Fee
 - Application on the town website under Annual Town Events or contact Emily Watson at ewatson@troutmannc.gov



Local Library

Here are some events and programs happening this month at our local Troutman branch library.

Children & Families:

Fridays at 11:00am

 Preschool storytime Tuesdays at 11:00

• Toddler storytime

February 7th at 3:00pm

Discovery club: Snap Circuits

February 21st at 3:00pm

• Discovery club: **Lego Challenges**

February 21st at 5:00pm

• Family Book Club

Teen Programs:

February 9th at 4:00pm

Valentine's Day

Adult Programs:

February 8th at 2:00pm

Book Club

February 15th at 2:00pm

NC Reads Book Club Carolina Built by **Kianna Alexander**

February 22nd at 2:00pm

Adult Coloring

February 25th at 10:00am

Adult Pinterest Wooden Wall Hangings

Contact Us:

J. Hoyt Hayes **Memorial Library**

215 West Church Street Troutman, NC 28166 704-528-2682

www.iredell.lib.nc.us

Planning Dept: Urban Archery Season

The Town of Troutman is a participating town in the NC Wildlife Urban Archery Deer Season. The season is open from January 14, 2023 – February 19, 2023

The intention of the Urban Archery Season is to enable cities, towns, and villages to reduce urban deer populations through an extended bow hunting season. Hunting during the Urban Archery Season is allowed ONLY in participating municipalities.

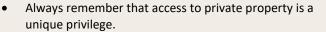
Hunters wishing to hunt in the Urban Archery Season are legally required to obtain written permission to hunt on posted property. Permission forms can be obtained from the Troutman Town Hall anytime Monday-Friday from 8:00 am-5:00 pm. Contact Shane Harris at 704-677-0256 or sharris@troutmannc.gov for more info.

Bow hunting is the only legal form of hunting within town limits and can be used for the entire hunting season. Firearms are not allowed within town limits for hunting.

Deer of either sex may be harvested during the Urban Archery Season.

Longbows, recurved bows, compound bows and crossbows are all legal for hunting during the Urban Archery Season.

Here are some tips for hunting on private land.





- If you are denied access by the landowner, remain polite, say thank you for your time, and do not expect an explanation. A negative reaction by you could have future repercussions for both you and others.
- Never assume that permission to hunt is good for a lifetime. Be sure to ask permission every season.
- Always be a responsible hunter in the field and be an example for all by hunting safely and ethically.
- Do not litter and pick up any litter you notice while hunting on private property. It will go a long way toward showing the landowner that you care and respect their property and the privilege to hunt.
- Do not erect any permanent tree stands or prune trees without permission from the landowner.

Troutman PD: Community Partnership

As we start 2023 the Troutman Police Department would like to continue our commitment to effective policing using a community-partnership approach. While we continue to grow you can expect to see new faces in our uniform and we hope that you're able to meet and get to know our new officers. Our department will be hosting community events such as our Red and Blue 5k with Troutman Fire-Rescue, more Sandlot Baseball events, and National Night Out. We encourage you to come out and participate to meet your neighbors and the officers who patrol your streets.



If you have any concerns about crime or quality of life issues please do not hesitate to contact the Police Department at by phone at 704-528-7610, in person at the Police Department located at 400 N. Eastway Drive, or email Chief Watson at

jwatson@troutmannc.gov.