# serve on a board or committee >>>

A great way to be part of our community is to serve on a Town advisory board or committee. Applications are accepted year round and may be down-



loaded from the Town's website or picked up at Town Hall. No experience is necessary for most positions – just a willingness to learn about municipal services and an interest in serving the residents of Troutman.

Currently the following boards and committees have openings: Board of Adjustment; Design Review Board and Parks & Recreation.

**Board of Adjustment:** Hears and decides cases that range from granting specific variances from adopted rules to approving unique, special uses.

**Design Review Board:** The Design Review Board (DRB) reviews and approves the appearance of all multi-family and non-residential buildings. The DRB also approves alternative landscape designs. Priority appointments are given to applicants with special training or experience in a field of design such as architecture, landscape design, horticulture, city planning, urban design, building design and construction.

<u>Parks & Recreation Committee:</u> Recommends and develops parks, greenway systems, and recreational programs to benefit the citizens of Troutman. This committee helps with community events that might include activities that support Troutman- ESC Park, land planning, citizen surveys, downtown promotions, etc.

Planning and Zoning Board: The Planning and Zoning Board is a seven member citizen body comprised of four members who live inside the Town limits and three members who reside in the Town's Extraterritorial Zoning Jurisdiction (ETJ). In addition, two alternates serve (one inside member, one ETJ member). The purpose of P&Z is to make recommendations to the Town Board related to site plans, subdivisions, text amendments, map amendments (rezoning), and other development matters.

# nominations open>>>

ppreciated.

Town Of Troutman's Citizen of the Year and Organization of the Year Awards honor those who make a difference in our community. The awards recognize ongoing efforts of residents and organizations that improve the quality of life in Troutman and that are respected for their commitment, support, services, and activities that promote a positive influence on the community.

Do you know a family member, friend, neighbor, business person, or organization who deserves recognition; someone or a group of people who has performed a good deed or provided a service that has had a positive impact on you or others? You can honor them with a nomination for the "Citizen of the Year" or "Organization of the Year" Award. The Troutman Town Council will select the winners from the pool of candidates. Nomination forms are available on the Town's website-www.troutmannc.gov and at Troutman Town Hall- 400 N. Eastway Dr. Troutman NC. 28166. The deadline for nomination forms is March 20. Your assistance in honoring these residents and organizations is greatly

# town meetings / schedules>>>

### February 2020

3-4: Limb Collection

05: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves)

# 10: Agenda Briefing Meeting—4:00 pm\*

- 10: Leaf Collection
- 11: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 12: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 13: Town Council Meeting—7:00 pm\*
- 17: Parks & Rec Committee- 3:00 pm
- 19: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves)
- 20: Design Review Board—7pm\*
- 24: Planning & Zoning Board. 7pm\*
- 25: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 26: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

# **March 2020**

2-3: Limb Collection

04: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves)

### 09: Agenda Briefing Meeting 4:00 pm\*

- 09: Leaf Collection
- 10: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 11: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 12: Town Council Meeting—7:00 pm\*
- 16: Parks & Rec Committee- 3:00 pm
- 18: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves)
- 19: Design Review Board—7pm\*
- 23: Planning & Zoning Board. 7pm\*
- 24: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 25: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

\*Town Meetings are open to the public





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# The Whistle Stop



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# governing body >>>

# **Troutman Town Council**

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

Teross W. Young, Jr. Mayor

W. Paul Henkel Mayor Pro Tem
Paul R. Bryant Councilmember
George W. Harris Councilmember
Edward R. Nau Councilmember
Sally P. Williams Councilmember

For more information go to www.TroutmanNC.gov





# **TROUTMAN PARKS & RECREATION**

SPRINT INTO SPRING 5K/10K

+ 1 MILE FUN RUN

# MARCH 7, 2020 @ 9AM, ESC PARK www.raceroster.com

Since 2013, over 1200 individuals have participated in Sprint into Spring and we have raised more than \$19,000 for Troutman ESC Park. All proceeds from the 8th Annual Sprint into Spring will go towards further development of Troutman ESC Park.

Cost: **5K:** \$20

**10K:** \$30

**Fun Run:** \$10

Register by Feb 21st to be guaranteed a t-shirt.

# notes from the planning department >>>

Late last fall the Public Works Department installed a new pedestrian safety improvement in our downtown; and users think they're a big help. These pedestrian flags at the intersection of Wagner Street and West Avenue are a way to help provide more visibility for students, parents and other walkers who live in the neighborhoods along West Avenue as they walk to Troutman Elementary and Troutman Middle schools, the Post Office, church, and other destinations around downtown.

The next phase will be to repaint the existing crosswalks along West Avenue sidewalk between Wagner and Talley streets; and town staff are starting the process with NCDOT to obtain a permit to install a permanent safety facility—a set of person-



activated, solar-powered LED flashing beacons that will provide even more visibility when walkers want to cross the street.

A user commented recently: "...my family uses

this intersection to walk to and from school every day; thanks for making Troutman safer for walkers!"

TREET SAFELY

Please take the time to check out this project—but still remember that the flags don't mean motor vehicles have to stop for walkers; always wait until it's safe to cross.

# troutman police dept >>>



# Troutman PD Employee Spotlight

# **Police Department Hires New K-9 Officer**

Officer James "Rico" Scott joined the Troutman Police Department in November 2019. A native of Statesville, Officer Scott is a graduate of North Iredell High School. He worked in the industrial field prior to pursuing his law enforcement career. After graduating from the Basic Law Enforcement Training program at Mitchell Community College, Officer Scott worked as a patrol deputy with the Iredell County Sheriff's Office.

Officer Scott has recently completed his field training with Troutman PD and has assumed the responsibilities of K-9 handler. Along with K-9 Jack Pot (JP), Officer Scott is working on certification as a K-9 handler.

Officer Scott stated while working with the Sheriff's Department, he always enjoyed working in the area of Troutman. Now that he is working for Troutman PD, he advised that he is excited to be able to interact with the citizens and visitors of Troutman on a regular basis.

Officer Scott and his family reside in the Statesville area

The Police Department is pleased to have him on staff.



# registration open>>>



# **After School Program**

Now accepting registration for NEW afterschool program at the Iredell County Recreation Center.

Sessions are weekly, Monday—Friday until May 22

(school days) from 2:30 pm—6:00 pm. \$50. per week and spaces are limited. Contact: Iredell County Recreation Center 704-878-3103 122 Grannis Lane—Statesville. NC 28677

# **Troutman Baseball & Softball Sign-ups (TYAA)**

Open until March 6<sup>th</sup> Visit tyaasports.com to register online. For questions, Contact Jimmy Mattingly (TYAA President) at 704-763-1402 or Will Pennell (baseball/t-ball) at 704-880-8071, Christina Cox (softball) at 425-273-7529

# J. Hoyt Hayes Memorial Troutman Library

For information on all library events, call 704-528-2682 or stop by 215 W. Church St.

# Maker Monday: Crochet for Kids.

February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Learn the basics of how to crochet. If you're interested in being a part of a monthly crochet group, this is the perfect opportunity to learn the concepts you need to get started.

# <u>T(w)eens: Anti-Valentine's Day.</u>

February 6th, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Join us in making black roses out of duct tape and also creating your very own break-up playlist. For ages 11-17.

# Adult Pinterest Club: Rustic Banners (Registration Required).

February 11th, at 5:30 p.m.

Create rustic banners using burlap, canvas fabric, hearts, and more. Make one that is as unique as you are. Registration required. Sign-ups start the first of the month.

### <u>Themes & Treats Book Club: Historical Mystery.</u>

February 12th, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Spice up your history with a little mystery! Step back in time and solve crimes with amateur detectives. Any eras welcome! Enjoy discussion, snacks, and coffee.

# Census 2020: A History and Why It Matters.

February 25th, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

The 2020 Census is important to all our communities. Learn about why we have the census, how it affects you, and what to expect when you receive the invitation in the mail.



# prescription drug drop box>>>

Troutman Police Department has a permanently installed prescription drug disposal drop box located in the lobby area of Troutman Town Hall (8am-5pm).

Project Lazarus of
Wilkes County provided the free drop box
(one of four so far in Iredell County) in order to help reduce drug addiction in



North Carolina. This box allows individuals to safely dispose of unused medication without fear of it falling into the wrong hands or being stolen. The area is under video surveillance, but no records are kept and all deposits are anonymous.

# 2020 Primary Election >>>

Be sure to head to the polls on March 3 to cast your vote! Let your voice be heard! There are no Troutman elections for 2020.

•Absentee Voting by Mail Began: Jan. 13

•Voter Registration Deadline: Feb. 7

Early Voting Begins: Feb. 13Last Day for Absentee: Feb. 25

•Early Voting Ends: Feb. 29

•ELECTION DAY: March 3

You can check your voter registration and find local election information on the Iredell County Board of Elections website (http://www.co.iredell.nc.us/162/Elections)

For further information, contact the Iredell County
Board of Elections at 704-878-3140



From the desk of Chief Tina S. Fleming