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

I hope you and your families had a merry Christmas, and I would like to wish everyone in Troutman a Happy and Healthy New Year. The quote for the month - "We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and it's first chapter is New Year's Day." - Edith Lovejoy Pierce



# Leaf & Limb Pick-Up Schedule

LEAF PICK-UP: LIMB PICK-UP:

January: 4 January: 10 & 11

February: 14 February: 7 & 8

March: no collection March: 7 & 8

April: no collection April: 4 & 5



## Job Posting: Public Works Technician

- ♦ Posted: 12/14/21; open until filled
- ♦ Salary Grade 12: \$31,028 \$48,093
- ♦ Visit www.troutmannc.gov for a full job description

Performs a variety of unskilled and semi-skilled tasks in the operation, maintenance, and repair of buildings, grounds, streets and sidewalks, street signs, vehicles, equipment, water distribution system, wastewater collection system, and other public facilities and areas. Work also involves collecting yard waste and leaves, landscape maintenance, and related work. Work involves operating light and medium construction equipment and a variety of power and hand tools. Employees are subject to working in both inside and outside environments, in extreme hot and cold weather, and exposure to various hazards such as loud noises, vibration, moving mechanical parts, electrical current, chemicals, fumes, odors, dusts, mists, gases, poor ventilation, and oils. Work is also subject to the final standards of OSHA on blood borne pathogens. Employees are also subject to on-call and call-back work.

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### Town of Troutman Governing Body

#### 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.

### **Town Schedules**

#### January 2022

04: Leaf Collection

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

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

0: Agenda Briefing Meeting: 4:00 pm

#### lO & 11: Limb Collection

- 11: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 12: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 13: Town Council Meeting: 7:00 pm
- 18: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3pm
- 18: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday; Weathers Creek & Sanders Ridge)
- 19: Blue Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman
- 20: Board of Adjustment: 3:00 pm
- 24: Planning & Zoning Board: 7:00 pm
- 25: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 26: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman

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Christmas Trees will be picked up with January's LIMB collection on January 10th & 11th, 2022.



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### **The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter**

### January 2022

# Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

#### **New Business:**

- ◆ Annexation Request AX-21-04 (Non-Contiguous) Applicant Timothy Douglas et. al.; 159.134(+/-) acres; Project Name: Troutman Logistics
- ◆ Rezoning Request CZ-HI-21-04: Applicant Timothy Douglas et. al.; 159.134(+/-) acres; Project Name: Troutman Logistics
- ◆ Annexation Request AX-21-09 (Non-Contiguous) Applicant: Michael Nelin-NREM NC, LLC; 6.38 (+/-) acres
- ◆ Rezoning Request RZ-21-04: Applicant: Michael Nelin/NREM NC, LLC; 6.38 (+/)
- ♦ Rezoning Request CZ-CB-21-09: Applicant: Ronald Scott Parmiter; Project Lytton Street Townhomes Phase 2; 1.87 (+/-) acres
- Rezoning Request (CZ-RM-21-01), Project Name: Winecoff Village; Applicant: Peggy Jolly; 40.721 (+/-) acres
- Annexation Request AX-21-01 (Contiguous) Project Name: Winecoff Village; Applicant: Peggy Jolly; 40.721 (+/-) acres
- ◆ Annexation Request AX-21-08 (Non-Contiguous) Project Name: Rocky Creek; Applicant: Adelaide Horton & et.al; 53.0(+/-) acres
- ♦ Rezoning Request CZ-RM-21-05; Applicant: BBC Troutman, LLC; Project Name: Rocky Creek; 54.66 (+/-) acres
- ♦ Approved W. Paul Henkel as Mayor Pro Tempore
- Recognizing the Distinguished Service of Sally P. Williams
- Administration of Oaths of Office for Town Council Administered by the Honorable Rob Young, NC District Court Judge
  - a. W. Paul Henkel, Councilmember
  - b. Felina L. Harris, Councilmember
  - c. Jerry R. Oxsher, Councilmember



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### Welcome!

Welcome to the following new local businesses! We are glad you chose Troutman!

- ◆ Revelation Spinal Care: 427 S. Main St.
- ◆ Your Coffee Place:403 N. Main St.



## Troutman Planning Department: Permits

### What's the Difference Between a Zoning Permit and a Building Permit?

Most construction is regulated under two different codes: the Zoning Code and the Building Code. Receiving a Zoning Permit is generally the first step in the development process, followed by applying for and receiving a Building Permit. In the Town of Troutman, zoning clearance is a separate application and granted by the Town. Building Permits are reviewed and approved by Iredell County

- Zoning Code is oriented toward how a project fits into a community: it regulates setbacks, types of uses, height, parking requirements, design (for some types of projects) and similar concerns. The Town is divided into zoning districts and each zoning district will have its own set of regulations. For example, the regulations that would apply in a single-family residential district (RT, RS, RM, RP) will be different than those for a commercial district (OI, NC, CB, HB, LI, HI). When a separate Zoning Permit is required for a new development, the Town will require that an application be accompanied by site and building plans that will be reviewed by Town planning and engineering staff.
- Building Code is oriented toward ensuring that structures are constructed to State of North Carolina Building
  Code and are safe for the uses intended. Application for Building Permits must be accompanied by detailed construction drawings that are reviewed and approved by Iredell County Building Standards staff.

In addition to these codes, subdivision of land is regulated under the Subdivision Ordinance, and other codes may apply to particular types of projects, including Fire Code.

If you are looking to build a new home or business, add on to an existing structure, or undertake an interior upfit project, please reach out to the Troutman Planning Department for assistance on what type of permits you may need. 704-578-7600.

# Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Event: January 15, 2022



Join the Town of Troutman Town Council and Town Staff, SIHS JROTC, and the SIHS Crosby Scholars on Saturday, January 15th at 8am for a service project in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr Day.

We will meet at the Performing Arts Center at SIHS for breakfast at 8am, enjoy inspiring words from guest speaker Dr. Kenston J. Griffin, then head out to begin work on a service project in our community. Additional information regarding the service project will be provided.

If interested in participating, please RSVP to Parks and Recreation Director, Chip Smith at 704-528-7600 or csmith@troutmannc.gov.

## Welcome!

Welcome Jerry Oxsher, Troutman Town Council Member.
Mr. Oxsher was sworn in at the December 2021 meeting and will serve a 4 year term.
We thank him for his willingness to serve our community!
He can be reached at:

joxsher@troutmannc.gov or 615-579-7645.



### **Enroll** in Auto Pay

Contact the Customer Service
Department of Town Hall to
enroll in automatic bank draft
and conveniently have your
water bill payment recurrently
debited from your checking
account on a pre-set date every
month without you having to
do a thing. Call or stop by for a
form to get the process started.
704-528-7600.



## Troutman PD: Monthly Police Beat

#### **AVOID GIFT CARD SCAMS!**

A popular scam that criminals often use is to call or email a victim and claim to be from the Internal Revenue Service, a law enforcement agency, or other governmental body. The scammer will tell you that you owe money for taxes or fines and that the only way to avoid being arrested is to go purchase gift cards in certain dol-



lar amounts, then call them back and give them the numbers and PIN number on the back of the gift card. Every day in America, people are scammed out of their hard earned money by this tactic, many of them being the elderly for whom this can create terrible financial issues. Make sure you and your family members and/or neighbors understand and follow these tips:

- Federal, State, and Local agencies NEVER ask for payments in gift cards.
- If someone tells you that you have to pay a fine or back taxes with a gift card it is a scam
- Scammers will make threats that you are going to be arrested or that you have a warrant. This is not how law enforcement handles these issues.
- If your family member is buying large amounts of gift cards, stop them before they call and provide the numbers over the phone to anyone.
- If you work at a business that sells gift cards and see someone buy large amounts of iTunes, Amazon or Visa/Mastercard gift cards try to inquire as to why they are buying so many. If they say they are buying them to pay a bill or taxes, try to persuade them not to or call Troutman Police Department (or your local agency) to send an officer to talk with them.
- If you have elderly family members, friends, or neighbors make them aware of this scam. Often, this is the group that falls victim most frequently.

Working together to make others aware of this scam, we can help prevent our neighbors and family from losing their hard earned money. Always contact Troutman Police Department with any questions or concerns. 704-528-7610.



HOA Presidents, please contact Chief Watson with information regarding your HOA President's name, contact information, meeting times and dates. Troutman Police Department would like to attend your meetings to answer questions and hear concerns of your residents in order to build a partnership and better working relationship. He can be reached at jwatson@toutmannc.gov or 704-775-3207.