



Volume 13—Issue 7 The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter July 2024

Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

- Recognized:** Retirement of Town Attorney, Gary Thomas
- Approved:**
- ◆ Façade Approval for Smith Village Commercial Development
 - ◆ Request to Waive Fines for UDO Violation at 152 Pine State Road
 - ◆ Budget Amendments
 - ◆ Adopting A Water And Sewer System Development Fee Analysis
 - ◆ Annexation and Rezoning Request for William and Samantha Deal; 2.02 (+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4740-68-8959; 774 South Main Street
 - ◆ Annexation and Rezoning Request for Gerardo Cruz; 1.227 (+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4721-95-7529 & 4721-95-7792; 466 and 470 E. Monbo Road
 - ◆ UDO Text Amendment - Article 6.2.2 Multi-Tenant Signs
 - ◆ FY 2024-25 Budget Ordinance

Continued to Council’s July meeting- Rezoning Request CZ-RM-24-01, Applicant: Atlas Principals, LLC; 13.55(+/-) acres; PIN(s) 4741428488, 4741427067, 4741425114 located at 129 & 131 Shermill Lane

Trash Announcement & Update

We have started a new trash/recycle service with Waste Pro. Each in-town resident should have received their new Town of Troutman bins already. Attached to the bins was a flyer with your scheduled day of pick up. Please make sure to pay attention to this as some residents’ schedules may have changed. Waste Pro will start picking up on July 1st. The first town recycle pickup will begin Monday July 8th. Please be advised going forward with Waste Pro that your recycling pickup will be on the same day as your trash pickup. Recycling will be every other week.

The current price for garbage and recycling is \$18.52. If any additional bins are needed the following fees will apply: trash is \$11.77 and recycling is \$6.75.

The website <https://www.wasteprousa.com/troutman/> will contain information and calendars regarding your pickup. This is provided on the flyers that were attached to the bin as well.

Important Notice to all Citizens of Troutman

Troutman Town Hall will be closed for Independence Day on Thursday, July 4th, 2024 and will resume regular business hours on Friday, July 5th, 2024. Thursdays trash day will be delayed till Friday.

Town Council

- Mayor:**
Teross W. Young, Jr.
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- Councilmembers:**
Jerry R. Oxsher - *Mayor Pro Tem*
Felina L. Harris
Nicholas D. Jaroszynski
Edward R. Nau
W. Paul Henkel

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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JULY 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	15	16	17	18	19	20
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28	29	30	31	<p>All meetings conducted at Town Hall— Public encouraged to attend in order to stay informed and engaged with Town matters.</p>		

Troutman Parks & Rec: Upcoming Events



Party in the Park: July 19th, 6-9pm, Troutman ESC Park

Come enjoy a night of music by Southern Style Band, food trucks, children's activities, LED balloons by Margenia Little, face painting by Susie and more! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and invite your friends to join you!

Food trucks: LKN Mobile Eats, Skinner's Hot & Tasty, Eggroll Company, The Truk, LegenDairy Ice Cream, Sno Biz, Old Time Concessions



School Supply Drive: Now-August 2nd

To support Troutman Schools, we will be collecting... Crayons, Glue Sticks, Pencils, Erasers, Expo Markers, Two-pocket Folders, Paper, Kleenex, Highlighters, Thumb Drives, Single Subject Notebooks & Scissors.

Please drop supplies off to Troutman Town Hall or Troutman Parks & Rec Office at 334 North Ave, Troutman.

Troutman Parks & Rec: Youth Sport Camps



Basketball Summer Camp with DG Basketball Academy, July 8-11th, 9am-12pm, Troutman Middle School Gym, 7-12 years old, \$75/athlete, t-shirt included

- Learn basketball skills and techniques with Danny Gathings
- Registration link found at: www.troutmannnc.gov



Baseball Camp with SIHS: July 29th-31st, 9am-12pm, SIHS Baseball Field, 1st-8th grade, \$70/person, t-shirt included

- Led by SIHS Baseball Coaching Staff
- Please bring your equipment and water bottle
- Registration link found at: www.troutmannnc.gov

Upcoming Community Events

Viking Community Pep Rally- Wednesday, August 14th, 6:30-8pm at the Troutman ESC Park- 338 North Ave.

Everyone is invited to come meet members of the marching band, cheerleaders, coaches, and players from all fall sports teams. Come ready to cheer and sing fight songs to get ready to kick off our fall sports season at South Iredell High School!



Finance/Utility Billing Office Announcement

With the Town of Troutman growing, we are transitioning to new accounting software that will allow us to better serve our customers. In this process, there will be a learning curve for all the staff, so please be patient with us.

The water and sewer bills will look a little different than they have in the past.

We appreciate your patience during this transition time.

Troutman Police Department



Briana Wilson is one of the department's newest employees and works in the Support Services Unit as a Records Technician. Briana is a graduate of NC A&T University and has a background in local government and was previously a middle school teacher. We are excited to introduce her to our community and have her as part of our team.

National Night Out– Tues, August 6th, 6-8pm, Troutman ESC Park

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police and community partnership and camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer and more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. This is a free event for everyone to attend.



Employee Recognition– May 2024



Jason Edwards has been employed since October of 2022. He was hired as a Public Works Technician and quickly learned all about our wastewater pump stations watching educational videos and studying our pump station books on his own time to learn more. Since he has been employed here he has created multiple wastewater inspection spreadsheets. He is always trying to find better ways to improve the town. He recently got a promotion to Wastewater/Streets Supervisor. He is now over our 17 pump stations, all our wastewater inspection documentation for the state, our ever growing miles of sewer ROWs, as well as the streets. He recently passed his water distribution exam (as did 4 other guys). He recently came up with the idea to put the Town of Troutman logo on our street signs to distinguish our signs from NCDOT and private street signs. He is currently working with a few vendors on this project. Jason is an asset to the town and we are fortunate to have him.

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

The United States of America was founded by those wanting a different quality of life. As we celebrate our birth on July 4th, I hope you will think about our community, our state, and, of course, our country. We have evolved from our elementary and humble beginnings. That does not mean we are perfect. It also means things in Troutman are different from wherever people came from, even those native to our town. That is the beauty of living in America. You, as a community member, have the power to shape the future of Troutman. You can always choose to be proactive and make things better. You can contribute your time and energy to helping. You can even be one of the decision-makers as an elected official or employed as a Town staff member. Look at the mindset of our founding fathers. Be responsible for your actions. Life here is about freedom of choice. How do you live, work, and play? If you sit back, spread unnecessary gossip, and are miserable with what is happening, you have the best freedom. You have the choice to be proactive or the choice to move.

Just think where we would be if our founding fathers had done nothing to help improve our choices of living, working, playing, and, more importantly, worship. But even after our country was formed, there were and remain differing opinions on principles. After Thomas Jefferson penned our Declaration of Independence, how many representatives did not sign it? 56 did, but 13 did not sign. And when the news of the declaration arrived in New York City, it started a riot. I ask you to read the poem “Freedom isn’t Free” by Kelly Strong. I hope you all will attend the Independence Day Parade. It will begin at Iredell County Fairgrounds and go south on Main Street. The fireworks will be on the night of July 3rd at the Iredell County Fairgrounds. Monthly Quote~ “Weak People revenge, Strong people forgive, Intelligent people ignore.” – Albert Einstein

