# "From the Duck Blind..." Managers Memo

June is the wonderful time of year. It is Donald Duck's Birthday June 9<sup>th</sup>. Many with young kids or grandkids are planning graduation ceremonies and vacation events. We seem to be finally getting a reprieve from Covid as well. June is also a time many of us get to reflect on a few important dates in our history. It is National Flag Day on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Our Flag represents our independence and our unity as a nation...one nation, under God, indivisible.



Juneteenth- The formal end of Slavery was June 19, 1865 and was official by the passing of the 13<sup>th</sup> amendment of the Constitution. We cannot grow

into our proper future without recognizing the sins of our past. Be proud that we have grown as a nation. Many countries to this day have not figured it out. God has blessed us and will continue to do so if we cherish the freedoms and respect one another.

We also have the opportunity to honor our Fathers as June 20<sup>th</sup> is Father's Day. For all that still have your father, I hope you get to spend time together even if it is just by a phone call. Fathers have affected us by different means. I am so Thankful for the influences my father had on my life. I hope someday my sons will feel the same way.

"We must learn to live together as brothers, or perish as fools." - - Martin Luther King Jr.

Ron "Duck" Wyatt, Town Manager

# F.O.G.. Program—*Fats, Oils & Grease*

In efforts to maintain and provide a clean sustainable community the Town of Troutman Public Works Department works very hard to prevent sewer spills & backups. One of the biggest issues facing our sewer department is F.O.G.



What is F.O.G, and why does it matter? FOG is an industry term for Fats, Oils, and Grease. It includes animal fats, vegetable fats, and oils used to cook and prepare food. FOG is a solid or viscous substance that can create an obstruction in the sewer system if not properly disposed of. When grease is washed

down the drain, it sticks to the inside of sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets.) Over time, it builds up and can block an entire pipe. FOG can cause serious damage to the sewage system, your property, and that of your neighbors, as well as damage to streets and waterways from sewage overflows. Also, cleanup can be very costly.

#### How can I prevent F.O.G.

The best way to handle grease and fats is to scrape them off or pour them into containers and dispose of them through the trash disposal. Never put fats or grease down the sink drains or into the toilet.

As always, do not hesitate to contact us with any issues related to water, sewer, streets, & grounds. If you encounter a water or sewer emergency after hours, we are available 24/7 with our emergency call back program (704-682-3835).

# **Troutman Town Council Members**

#### Mayor:

- Teross W. Young, Jr.
- W. Paul Henkel- Mayor Pro Tem
- Felina L. Harris

Councilmembers:

• Edward R. Nau

- George W. Harris
- Sally P. Williams



#### Town Council meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at Town Hall. Town meetings are open to public.

# **Town Schedules**

#### June 2021

01: Tuesday Green Recycling Day 02: Wednesday Green Recycling Day 03: Design Review Committee 3:30 pm 07: Agenda Briefing Meeting: 4:00 pm 07-08: Limb Collection

08: Tuesday Blue Recycling Day 09: Wednesday Blue Recycling Day 10: Town Council Meeting: 7:00 pm **15: Tuesday Green Recycling Day** 16: Wednesday Green Recycling Day 17: Board of Adjustment 3:00 pm 21: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3pm 22: Tuesday Blue Recycling Day 23: Wednesday Blue Recycling Day 28: Planning & Zoning Board: 7:00 pm 29: Tuesday Green Recycling Day 30: Wednesday Green Recycling Day

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01: Design Review Committee 3:30 pm 05: Town Hall Closed for holiday 05-06: Limb Collection

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\*\*Please note the week of July 4<sup>th</sup> garbage and recycling will be a day behind your regular schedule.

All Town meetings are open to the public and held at Troutman Town -all.



# **Council Briefs**—*A Summary of Significant Council Actions*

#### Troutman Town Council approved the follow agenda items in May 2021:

- $\Rightarrow$  Approval of a Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for approval of a financing agreement for property acquisition.
- $\Rightarrow$  Approval of a Budget Amendment for Property Acquisition of 3 parcels located on North Eastway Drive
- $\Rightarrow$  Set Public Hearing Dates for June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 for the following Annexations:
  - 34.69 acres on Winecoff Street
  - 113.44 acres at 380 Westmoreland Road
  - 3.68 acres at 386 Murdock Road
- $\Rightarrow$  Set a Public Hearing Date of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (4:00 pm) for a Public Hearing regarding issuance of debt for acquisition of property
- ⇒ Adoption of Resolution Approving the Town of Troutman Local Water Supply Plan
- $\Rightarrow$  Adoption of Resolution supporting the continuation of Natural Gas as a Sustainable Energy Source
- $\Rightarrow$  Recognized Jimmy and Betty Jean Troutman as Town of Troutman Citizens of the Year
- ⇒ Recognized Troutman Fire and Rescue as Town of Troutman Organization of the Year
- $\Rightarrow$  ABC Store presented a Quarterly Report
- $\Rightarrow$  Approved UDO text amendment implementing NCGS 160D requirements
- ⇒ Approval of a Full-time SRO for Troutman Elementary School

## New Customer Service Representative

We welcome Ana Hernandez as our new Customer Service Representative. We look forward to her joining our staff and community!

Ana grew up in Iredell County and has one daughter. She is bilingual, speaking English and Spanish. Ana says she is looking forward to getting to know the community and assisting them.





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## Contact Us:

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Visit us on the web at: www.troutmannc.gov

Follow us on Facebook!

# **Community Events**



#### Troutman First UMC is turning Church Inside Out

Outdoor food, fun and conversation. We want to listen and connect with you! June 9<sup>th</sup>, July 14<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm Troutman UMC Playground & Parking Lot 204 Mills Ave, Troutman, NC 28166 No Charge Event Food Pantry & Clothes Closet will be open! All are Welcome!

#### **Annual Chicken Fundraiser for Youth Missions**



July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, 10:30 am—3:00 pm Troutman Baptist Church 305 Perry Road, Troutman, NC 28166 704-528-5193

There will be a limited number of tickets—please contact our office or stop by to purchase tickets. Mon.-Thurs., 8:30am-4pm. Deadline to purchase tickets is June 30.

\$9—1/2 Chicken, beans, slaw, roll and dessert.

# Independence day Parade and Fireworks



#### Parade

Join us as, together, we celebrate pride in our freedoms, community, and country with our  $16^{\frac{th}{t}}$  Annual Troutman Independence Day Parade on Saturday, July  $3^{\frac{rd}{t}}$ , 2021 at 11 am.

Applications are currently being accepted for the Troutman Independence Day Parade!

Please contact Emily at Town Hall or <u>ewatson@troutmannc.gov</u> for an application. Applications are also on <u>www.troutmannc.gov.</u>

Please call Town Hall at 704-528-7600 or email <u>ewatson@troutmannc.gov</u> with questions.

#### <u>Fireworks</u>

Troutman Independence Day Fireworks will be on July 3rd, at full dark (9:30 pm) at the Iredell County Fairgrounds (630 North Main Street, Troutman). Fairgrounds will open at 7:30 pm for fireworks parking.

# Farmers Market

2021 Market Season has begun, please come out and join us Tuesdays from 4:00 —7:00 pm at the Troutman ESC Park (338 North Ave.)

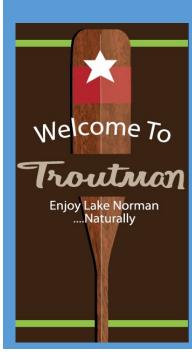
If you are interested in becoming a vendor, please visit our website <u>www.troutmannc.gov</u> for ar application.



### **Upcoming Events**

To see information on upcoming events follow us on Facebook at

- •Town of Troutman
- •Troutman Parks & Recreation
- •Troutman Police Department



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**Permitted Signs** 

**Prohibited Signs** 

# Splash Pad—Now Open

Troutman ESC Park is open to the public daily from dawn to dusk. Please do not leave children unattended and be considerate of others enjoying the splash pad too.



# Troutman Ordinances— Signs

6.2.2 F. Sandwich board signs (also known as A Frame signs) may be placed on the sidewalks in the Central Business (CB), Mixed Residential (RM), and Neighborhood Center (NC) Districts. The sign shall be placed directly in front of the associated establishment and is limited to one sign per tenant. The sign is limited to 8 sq. ft. in size and must maintain clear pedestrian access a minimum of 5 feet in width. The sign must be removed each day after the business is closed.

All signs not expressly permitted or exempt from the regulations of this ordinance are prohibited. As an example the following signs are expressly prohibited. 6.5 F. Portable signs, signs on metal or wood stakes which are not affixed to a permanent foundation, vehicular signs attached to a trailer, windblown propellers, streamers, balloons or other inflated signs. A-frames, pennants, banners or other temporary signs unless otherwise expressly permitted by the ordinance.

# Monthly Police Beat—National Night Out

Troutman Police Department would like to invite you and your family to our Annual National Night Out on Tuesday, August 3. This is a free, family event.

