

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

March is an awesome month for most. The temperatures rise and the days get longer. Many will enjoy our nationally recognized “Plant a Flower” Day on Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>. It will be a perfect time for us to transplant an existing plant or flower or add new ones. Our spring time change is on March 13<sup>th</sup> as, we lose a precious hour of sleep because we “spring forward” our clocks one hour. Spring officially arrives on March 20<sup>th</sup>. A lot of us get restless and excited for seasonal change. Many of our staff are working diligently to get the Parks and Greenways ready for the increased traffic and visitors. Town Council and staff take pride in our amenities paid for with ad valorem taxes of those inside our Town limits. We share them happily and appreciate the compliments. In addition to taking care of the amenities we own; staff continues with spring cleaning in areas like exit 42 area that are not specifically in our Town limits. We appreciate all the volunteers that make Troutman a better place to live, work and play. “Spring: a lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be” ~ Unknown Author.



## Leaf & Limb Pick-Up Schedule

### LEAF PICK-UP:

March: no collection  
April: no collection  
May: no collection

### LIMB PICK-UP:

March: 7 & 8  
April: 4 & 5  
May: 2 & 3



## Citizen & Organization of the Year Awards

Nomination forms are available at Town Hall– 400 N. Eastway Dr- and on our website [www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov) under Forms and Documents. Deadline for nominations for Citizen or Organization of the Year is March 31,2022 at 5:00 pm.

**Citizen of the Year:** This award honors those who make a difference in our community through ongoing efforts to improve the quality of life in Troutman. Do you know a friend, family member, neighbor, or business person who deserves recognition for performing a good deed or providing a service that has positively impacted you or others? You can honor them with this award, as it is the Town’s way of recognizing residents of the Troutman community who are committed to preserving, maintaining, and improving the quality of life in their neighborhood or community. Troutman Town Council will select the winner from the pool of candidates. Your assistance in honoring these residents is greatly appreciated.

**Organization of the Year:** This recognition should be presented to an organization that is respected for their commitment, support, services, and activities that promote a positive influence on the community.

## Town of Troutman Governing Body

### Mayor:

Teross W. Young, Jr.

### Councilmembers:

- W. Paul Henkel- Mayor Pro Tem
- Felina L. Harris
- Edward R. Nau
- George W. Harris
- 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

### March 2022

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

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

3: Design Review Board: 3:00 pm

7: Agenda Briefing Meeting: 4:00 pm

7: Annual Planning Retreat: 11:30-3:30 pm

7 & 8: Limb Collection

8: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

9: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

10: Town Council Meeting: 7:00 pm

No March collection : Leaf Collection

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

16: Blue Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman

17: Board of Adjustment: 3:00 pm

21: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3pm

22: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

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

28: Planning & Zoning Board: 7:00 pm

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

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



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## Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

### Consent Agenda Items Approved:

- Approval of NC Department Records Retention and Disposition Schedule for Local Government Agencies
- Approval of Agreement with Miracle Homes for Timed Reduction of Housing Units
- Approval of Calvin Creek Amenity Center Façade
- Approval of Surplus and Sale of Unused Tasers
- Approval of Revised Town Policy #16 Titled: “Town of Troutman Take Home Vehicle Policy”
- Approval of Town Policy #62 Titled: “Town of Troutman Social Media Comment Policy”
- Approval of Resolution 06-22 Titled: “Resolution in Recognition of Daniel Hemric NASCAR’s 2021 Xfinity Series Champion”

### Introductions/Recognitions/Presentations:

- Recognition In Memory of Former Town Council Members Jennie Clontz and James (Jimmy) Troutman
- Recognition of Daniel Hemric, NASCAR’s 2021 Xfinity Series Champion
- Business Spotlight: Meredith Marie Photography

### New Business:

- Adoption of Ordinance 01-22 Titled: “An Ordinance Amending the Town of Troutman Unified Development Ordinance” (De-criminalizing the UDO - Article 12.3)
- Adoption of Ordinance 02-22 Titled: “An Ordinance Amending the Town of Troutman Unified Development Ordinance” (Adding language to the UDO regulating commercial accessory structures-Article 3.4)
- Held Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5) to Discuss Acquisition of Property

Action taken: Approved purchase of property located at 344 Eastway Drive and authorized staff to pursue a loan in the amount of \$350,000 plus any additional fees during closing.

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## New Service

Troutman Police Department is now offering fingerprinting services. Please call 704-528-7610 and select option 2 to make an appointment. \$10.00



## Troutman Planning Dept: Who Maintains My Street?

Who Maintains My Street?

The state (NC Dept of Transportation) owns and maintains many of the roads in Troutman; others are maintained by the Town, and some are privately owned and maintained. So how can you tell the difference?

Any road that is numbered with an 'SR' or contains a federal or State of North Carolina shield is not maintained by the Town. This information will be displayed on the street or highway sign for any given roadway. Another good rule of thumb to tell the difference is usually roads that are striped down the center are maintained by NCDOT and carry most of our traffic. A few examples of state-maintained streets are Main Street (Highway 21), Flower House Loop, Old Murdock Rd, Murdock Rd, Wagner St, Perth Rd, Autumn Leaf Rd, Oswalt Amity Rd, and Houston Rd to name a few.

The town typically maintains less traveled side streets and newly created streets associated with the development of residential subdivisions such as, but not limited to, Crosstie Lane, Downing Street, Georgie Street, and Patterson Street.

Improvements (and decisions to make improvements) to state-maintained roads are done by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, leaving the town at the mercy of the state when improvements are needed.

If you have questions about who maintains a particular street you can start by visiting NCDOT's website at [ncdot.com](http://ncdot.com). A mapping application has been provided that allows you to navigate to locate a specific street, or search by street name. You can also reach out to the Troutman Planning Department for information at 704-528-7600.

## Parks and Recreation News: Upcoming Events

### J.D. HAGLAN QUARTERBACK CAMP

SATURDAY APRIL 30TH @ TROUTMAN ESC PARK  
REVIEW TESTIMONIALS@JDHAGLAN.COM



**Current Grade AND TIMES**  
4th - 6th - 8 AM - 11 AM  
7th - 8th - 12 PM - 3 PM  
9th - 11th - 4 PM - 7 PM

**QB CAMP WILL ADDRESS:**

- \* ACCURACY
- \* FOOTWORK
- \* THROWING MECHANICS
- \* BALL HANDLING MECHANICS
- \* DROPBACK PASSING
- \* SPRINT OUT PASSING
- \* RELEASE
- \* TIMING
- \* CONFIDENCE
- \* LEADERSHIP
- \* KNOWLEDGE OF THE GAME

TO REGISTER EMAIL CHIP SMITH AT [CSMITH@TROUTMANNC.GOV](mailto:CSMITH@TROUTMANNC.GOV) OR CALL 704 528 - 7600  
LIMITED 12 PER SESSION - EACH PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT - COST OF CAMP \$ 75.00 dollars

For information regarding Downtown Depot, ESC Park Pavilion, or ESC Park field rentals, please contact Chip Smith at [csmith@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:csmith@troutmannnc.gov) or 704-528-7600.



If interested, please contact :

[carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com](mailto:carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com) to reserve a vendor space for this event. \$25.00/ vendor ; 4/24/22



**CAROLINA DOGWOOD FESTIVAL'S  
FESTIVAL IN THE PARK**

**TROUTMAN ESC PARK  
APRIL 24, 2022 2-6PM**

COME OUT & JOIN THE CAROLINA DOGWOOD FESTIVAL AS WE CELEBRATE OUR 53RD YEAR! ONLY \$25 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT! YOU PROVIDE THE TABLE AND WE PROVIDE THE SPACE! DON'T MISS OUT! EMAIL US AT [CAROLINADOGWOODFESTIVAL@YAHOO.COM](mailto:CAROLINADOGWOODFESTIVAL@YAHOO.COM) TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY! WE ARE SO EXCITED TO SEE ALL OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES! SEE YOU THERE!

## Save the Date!

Our 9th annual Sprint Into Spring 5K is scheduled for Sunday March, 20 at 3pm. Mark your calendars and plan to join us, whether walking or running. We are holding this event a few weeks later this year and not so early in the morning in hopes that the temps might not be as cold. Register in person at Troutman Town Hall or online at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com). Call- 704-528-7600 or email [csmith@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:csmith@troutmannnc.gov) with questions. See you in March!



## Farmer's Market



**TROUTMAN  
Farmer's  
Market**

TUESDAYS 4PM - 7PM  
Troutman ESC Park Pavilion  
May 3rd - Sept 27th

EMAIL: [CSMITH@TROUTMANNC.GOV](mailto:CSMITH@TROUTMANNC.GOV)

Now accepting applications for our 2022 Farmer's Market season! Email [csmith@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:csmith@troutmannnc.gov) for more information or stop by Town Hall.

## Troutman PD: Monthly Police Beat



**TROUTMAN POLICE  
DEPARTMENT**

**COMMUNITY  
MEETING**

**March  
29th  
7 pm**

For More Information  
Call:  
(704)528-7610

Troutman Town Hall  
400 N. Eastway Drive  
Troutman, NC

Meet with officers to voice concerns and speak about issues that affect you where you live, work, and play.

Discover more about the Police Department at [www.troutmannnc.gov/police](http://www.troutmannnc.gov/police)

In the February edition of the Whistle Stop, we spoke about community policing and how being in a partnership with the community is a top priority. To continue our renewed focus on community-based policing, we will be hosting a Community Meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Council Chambers located at Troutman Town Hall, and we invite you to attend.

The purpose of this meeting is to allow residents the opportunity to meet with members of the department and voice their concerns about issues related to crime and quality of life and how these affect them in their neighborhoods and businesses. We also encourage residents to ask questions about the department and how we conduct operations. We would like to use this meeting as a starting point to develop specific community-based projects to address issues that are of concern to our residents and share ideas we have to develop our partnership with the community. We encourage all to come out and take part in this event. Contact Chief Watson at [jwatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:jwatson@troutmannnc.gov) with questions.