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

May is a wonderful time of year for our community. It offers us two very significant dates to be mindful of and to cherish. The first is Mother's Day. Mother's Day in the 19th century used to be a day that groups of women would gather to teach others how to be better mothers to their children. Later, it became a day that women acknowledged as a day to promote world peace. Now, most of us look at it as an opportunity to be thankful for our mothers and their contributions and sacrifices in our lives. I sure wish my mother was still here for me to do just that. For those of you with



your mother (or a significant female figure) still around make sure she knows you appreciate her.

The other date that is most important- Memorial Day. Without question, we are the greatest country of all. We, of course, have our faults and our issues. But the last Monday in May, take a moment to realize we live in a free world and society because so many paid the ultimate sacrifice. This is the day we get to honor so many men and women that died fighting and defending our freedoms, celebrate our freedoms such as our abilities to come and go as we choose; leave the country if we want; worship how and where we want; vote for who we choose; eat various types of food, and choose the educational path and types of jobs we want to pursue. The United States of America is the land of the free and the home of the brave. I am thankful to every veteran I served with; I say a special prayer for all families that have lost a loved one so we can remain The United States of America. "Never was so much owed by so many few" Winston Churchill. Ron "Duck" Wyatt– Town Manager

# Public Works— Annual Water Quality Report



We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. The full report is available at www.troutmannc.gov/annualCCR This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. Included are details about your source(s) of water, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Our constant goal is to provide you

with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water and to providing you with this information because informed customers are our best allies.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Adam Lippard at 704-528-7616. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you want to learn more, please inquire with Adam, stop by Town Hall, or attend a monthly Town Council meeting to ask questions (second Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm at Town Hall). www.TroutmanNC.gov/annualCCR

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**

• Teross W. Young, Jr.

• George W. Harris

• W. Paul Henkel- Mayor Pro Tem

#### Mayor:

- Councilmembers:
- Felina L. Harris
- Edward R. Nau
  - 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**

#### May 2021

03-04: Limb Collection

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

05: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN 10: Agenda Briefing Meeting: 4:00 pm 11: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge) 12: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves) 13: Town Council Meeting: 7:00 pm

17: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3pm 18: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

19: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN 24: Planning & Zoning Board: 7:00 pm 25: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

26: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN June 2021

07-08: Limb Collection

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

05: Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN 07: Agenda Briefing Meeting: 4:00 pm 08: Blue Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge) 09: Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves) 10: Town Council Meeting: 7:00 pm 21: Parks & Rec. Committee: 3pm 15: Green Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)

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



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

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

- ⇒ Approval of Resolution 04-21 Approving Financing Term for Property Acquisition
- $\Rightarrow$  Approval of three (3) Budget Amendments:
  - Troutman ESC Park Fund for Construction of Concrete Walking Path Around Multi-Purpose Field
- Loan Payment for Mill Village Sewer Project
  - Property Acquisition and Loan Proceeds
- Quarterly Reports were presented by Troutman Library and Troutman Fire  $\Rightarrow$ Department
- Selection of Jimmy and Betty Jean Troutman as Citizen(s) of the Year  $\Rightarrow$
- Selection of Troutman Fire and Rescue as Organization of the Year ⇒
- Re-appointments of Karen VanVliet and Kenneth Reid to the Planning and Zon- $\Rightarrow$ ing Board
- Appointment of Lori Eberly from Planning and Zoning Board Alternate Member  $\rightarrow$ to Voting Member filling the unexpired term of Ray Welsh Appointment of Frank Burgess as Town Alternate to the Planning and Zoning  $\Rightarrow$
- Board
- Approved to Nominated Mark Taylor for Consideration of Re-appointment by  $\Rightarrow$ the Iredell County Commissioners as ETJ member to the Planning and Zoning Board
- Set Date of May 11<sup>th</sup> for a Budget Workshop and date of May 25<sup>th</sup> as a second ⇒ workshop date if needed.

## Splash Pad Opening—Memorial Day Weekend



2021 season on Memorial Day Weekend. The 2021 season runs from Memo-

rial Day through Labor Dav weekend.

routman ESC Park is located at 338 North Ave Park Hours: Dawn to dusk.

Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN picked up on Tuesday)

The Splash Pad at Troutman ESC Park will open for the



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## Troutman Ordinances—Garbage & Recycling

Town of Troutman: Code of Ordinance: Section 20-21 (c) Precollection Practices

Receptacles for garbage and recycling may be placed at the curb on the night before the scheduled pickup. Rollout containers and other receptacles must be removed from the curb by 8:00 am on **the day after they are collected.** *It is the responsibility of the* householder to pick up loose debris around the collection area.

Each address is assigned one garbage and one recycling container; If an additional container is needed it can be added to your water/sewer bill for an additional monthly fee. Call Town Hall for details at 704-528-7600.

Holidays: Benfield Sanitation will run a day behind schedule when a holiday falls Monday—Thursday.

**Recycling:** Please do not bag recyclables unless it is shredded paper. Bags clog up the recycling system and can cause damage. Also, Styrofoam is not a recyclable item, please place Styrofoam in the garbage. If you are unsure if an item can be recycled keep this in mind—"When in doubt, throw it out."

Large items: Items that can be picked up for an additional charge by contacting and contracting with Benfield Sanitation. To make arrangements for the pick up of these items, contact Benfield Sanitation at 704-872-2668.

## **Ballfield Sponsorship Opportunities**

The Town of Troutman is a diverse and thriving community that values the opportunity to celebrate and gather; recreational amenities and special events help us do that. In addition to bringing people together, recreational experiences strengthen community image, develop a sense of place, and create lasting and impactful memories.



With this in mind, we are seeking sponsorships to help support the many special events that are offered in our town throughout the year- as well as newly constructed amenities in our park. Through the support of our sponsors, we are able to develop a well-planned recreation system, diverse and relevant programming, and quality facilities while your organization gains exposure and visibility to our residents and people from around our region.

We appreciate your willingness to support our community and look forward to working together in the future. Thank you for joining us in making Troutman a great place to live, work, and play.

Contact ewatson@troutmannc.gov with questions.

- Scoreboard/Outfield Signs
- Concession Stand
- ٠ Park Trees Park Benches
- Event Sponsorships

Picnic Tables

Soccer/Baseball Fields

In-kind Sponsorships

# 5k Walk/Run **Training Group**

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The 5k Walk /Run Training Group will meet at the Troutman ESC Park Pavilion each Saturday at 8:30 am. It is free to participate, and all abilities are invited to attend. Course will run until May 22, 2021. Please contact Emily Watson with questions at ewatson@troutmannc.gov.



## <u>Community</u> **Bluegrass** Jam

The Community Bluegrass Jam sponsored by *Troutman Chair* Company will be at the Troutman ESC Park Pavilion from 6:00 –8:00 pm the following dates: May 10 & 17.

Bring an instrument and hop in and play or come just to enjoy the music.

Weekly food trucks to be announced on Troutman Parks & Recreation Facebook page.



## **Farmers Market**

2021 season will open Tuesday, May  $4^{th}$  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 www.troutmannc.gov for ar application.



## 2021 Independence Day Parade

Join us as, together, we celebrate pride in our freedoms, community,

Town of Troutman INDEPENDENCE ★ DAY ★ PARADE Celebration SATURDAY, JULY 3RD @ 11A NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

and country with our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Troutman Independence Day Parade on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 11 am.

Applications are currently being accepted for the Troutman Inde pendence Day Parade! Please contact Emily at Town Hall or ewatson@troutmannc.gov for an application. Forms are also on www.troutmannc.gov.

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

## Citizen of the Year—Organization of the Year

At the April Town Council meeting the councilmembers selected Betty Jean and James "Jim" Troutman as the 2021 Citizens of the Year and Troutman Fire and Rescue as the 2021 Organization of the Year. We would like to invite you to the May Town

Troutman Fire and Rescue for being Organization of the Year. man Town Hall.

- $\Rightarrow$  Limit your alcohol. If you have ANY alcohol to drink, avoid driving.

- $\Rightarrow$  Make sure you have a full tank of gas. You never know when you might get caught in traffic.
- $\Rightarrow$  Plan for delays. As mentioned, people will be out enjoying the holiday increasing traffic and chances for accidents and delay. Plan to leave early, so you will not be in a rush and be part of the problem.

# Public Hearing—*May 13*

At their April 26 meeting the Troutman Planning & Zoning Board voted to recommend a set of changes to the Town's Unified Development Ordinance that governs new development in town. The changes relate to State Statute 160D, which gives cities and towns the authority to regulate zoning and land use. The new statute was enacted by the NC General Assembly in 2019 and 2020 and requires local ordinances to be adjusted to align with the new state statutes. The changes would not change any of the planning and zoning procedures currently in place. The Town Board, which has the final authority to enact these changes, will hold a public hearing on the matter at their May 13 meeting to be held at 7:00 PM in Town Hall. The Board will be asked to vote on the matter following the public hearing.

- Council meeting, where we will honor
- Betty Jean and Jim Troutman and the selected as the Citizens of the Year and
- May's Town Council meeting will be on May 13, 2021 at 7:00 pm at the Trout-

## Monthly Police Beat—*Memorial Day*

- As you prepare for the upcoming Memorial Day holiday, it is important to stay safe while enjoying this time with friends and family. Here are some safety tips for the long weekend.
- $\Rightarrow$  Use caution when traveling. With extra drivers on the roads and
  - the possibility of more drunk drivers, be more vigilant of your surroundings.
- $\Rightarrow$  Avoid traveling during peak hours. Memorial Day is a popular holiday for trav
  - eling. So steer clear of driving between 11 am and 4 pm when possible.

### Be safe, and enjoy your long weekend holiday!





