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

- ◆ Approved High-Density Permit for Tractor Supply – Property located at 726 S. Main Street; PIN(s) 4740-69-0651
- ◆ Approved High-Density Permit for Troutman Storage – Property located on the northwestern corner of the US 21/Barkdale Road Intersection; PIN(s) 4740-68-7772
- ◆ Approved Resolution 30-23 In Support for the Town of Troutman Application for CRTPO Discretionary Funding for Improvements to the North Main Street/Murdock Road/Old Mountain Road Intersection
- ◆ Approved Development Agreement between Wakefield, LLC, Barium Springs Home for Children, and the Town of Troutman
- ◆ Reappointment of Tonya Bartlett as an Inside Alternate Member of the Planning and Zoning Board for a 3-year Term
- ◆ Recognition of Jonathan Cruz as “Town of Troutman Employee of the Month”
- ◆ Recognition of Good Samaritan Action by Town Employees Mack Sutton & David Kenworthy

**Town Council**

**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.*

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

The colder temperatures are here. The tree leaves have passed their vibrant peak, but there is still plenty of beauty in our community and reasons to enjoy the outdoors besides yard work. I hope you enjoy the beginning of the upcoming Holiday season. Consider helping a stranger, a loved one, or our community by donating time and effort just because you can make a difference.

We are looking for a larger than normal Christmas Parade this year. I hope to see you there. We will have a trailer at the end of the parade to collect new, unopened toys to share with those in need.

Happy 248th Birthday to my fellow US Marines on November 10th. On Veterans’ Day, November 11th, I hope you join me in giving thanks to all those that have served our country through the military, so that we are a “free” nation. On Thanksgiving Day, I will continue my tradition of saying a special prayer of thanks to God for allowing me to live here another year and to call the Town of Troutman home. I could not choose a better place. I will also be thankful for all God has blessed us with.

“Being thankful and appreciative are behaviors derived from you choosing the difference of gratitude or attitude.” ~ Author Unknown



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# NOVEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	5 6 Limb Collection Agenda Briefing 4:00 - 6:00 pm	7 Limb Collection Blue Recycling Day only for Weathers Creek, Sanders Ridge, Colonial Crossing & Smith Village	8 1 Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thur. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Enclave at Falls Cove & Redwood Apartments)	2 2 DRB Meeting 3:30 - 4:30 pm Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk	3 10 Leaf Collection	4 11
	12 13 Leaf Collection	14 14 Green Recycling Day for Sutter's Mill, Brookside & if your trash is picked up on Tuesday	15 15 Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Calvin Creek & Enclave at Falls Cove	16 16 Board of Adjustment 3:00 - 5:00 pm Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk	17 17 Leaf Collection	18
19	20	21 21 Blue Recycling Day only for Weathers Creek, Sanders Ridge, Colonial Crossing & Smith Village	22 22 Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thur. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Enclave at Falls Cove & Redwood Apartments)	23 23 Town Hall Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday	24 24 Town Hall Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday	25 25 Refuge Church of Christ Food Pantry 11:30 am - 1:00 pm 133 Elder Ln, Troutman
26	27 27 Leaf Collection P & Z Board 6:00 - 8:00 pm	28 28 Leaf Collection Green Recycling Day for Sutter's Mill, Brookside & if your trash is picked up on Tuesday	29 29 Leaf Collection Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, and Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Calvin Creek & Enclave at Falls Cove	30 30 Community Tree Lighting 6:00 pm Troutman ESC Park Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk		

## Important Notice to all Citizens of Troutman



Troutman Town Hall will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 and Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We will resume regular business hours on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## Troutman Parks & Rec. Upcoming Events



**Child Safety Seat Check – Tuesday, November 7, 2023**  
**Time: 4:00pm - 7:00pm**  
**Troutman Town Hall – 400 N. Eastway Dr.**

- More than half of all car seats are not installed correctly. A correctly used child safety seat can reduce the risk of death by as much as 71%.

- For more information, contact Caroline Hager at [caroline.hager@co.iredell.nc.us](mailto:caroline.hager@co.iredell.nc.us) or call 704-761-2491.



**Community Christmas Tree Lighting**  
**Thursday, November 30, 2023**  
**Time: 6:00pm**  
**Troutman ESC Park – 338 North Ave.**

- FREE event with parking available at Troutman ESC Park.  
 - Complete with cookies, hot chocolate, and local school ensembles singing festive tunes, and of course Santa.  
 - Contact [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) with questions.



**Troutman Christmas Parade – Saturday, December 2, 2023**  
**11:00am – Along Eastway Dr. in Troutman**

- The parade begins at the Career Academy School (350 Old Murdock Rd), travels Old Murdock Rd., turns left onto Eastway Dr., and ends at Troutman Baptist Church.  
 - Free to participate, we just ask that you consider donating a new, unwrapped toy to the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program. You may bring the toy with you on parade day or drop it off at Town Hall between now and then.  
 - If interested in participating as an entry or with any questions, contact [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) or find the registration form on the town website.



**Jingle Run 5K – Sunday, December 10, 2023**  
**Time: 3:00pm**  
**Troutman Town Hall – 400 N. Eastway Dr.**

- Registration fee is \$20. Register at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com) or in person at Town Hall. Includes T-shirt and medal.  
 - All levels and abilities are welcome to join.  
 - Dogs are permitted but must be on a leash.  
 - Contact [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) with questions.

## Troutman Police

The men and women of the Troutman Police Department wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. We are grateful for our community and the support we receive from our citizens.

We encourage you this Thanksgiving to be a blessing in some way to those less fortunate. As we enjoy the freedom to fellowship with our family and friends, let us not forget the men and women in our Armed Forces that are away from their families allowing us to celebrate in peace.

Also, remember those who will be working around the clock, the men and women of Law Enforcement, Firefighters, Dispatchers and Emergency Medical Personnel that courageously protect and serve our community.



## Holiday Safety

As the Christmas shopping season kicks off, we want to give you tips to help you avoid becoming a crime victim during this time:

- Lock your vehicle
- Hide purchased items in the trunk
- Be aware of your surroundings
- Do not leave items in plain sight
- Park in well lit areas
- Report suspicious activity to law enforcement

## Employee Recognition

Town Mechanic, Jonathan Cruz, was recognized as Troutman's Employee of the Month. He is responsible for 43 vehicles, 15 pieces of large equipment and 17 generators. He consistently exceeds expectations by reducing vehicle down time and saving the town money all with a smile and a great attitude. We are proud to have him on our team.



## Special Recognition

Special recognition was given to David Kenworthy (top) and Mack Sutton (bottom) for their Good Samaritan action of saving the life of a child who had wandered from home on September 21. They observed the child darting through traffic on Highway 21, stopped and rescued the child, and contacted the police department to help get him back to his parents. We are thankful to have caring and attentive employees.



## Town of Troutman: Code of Ordinances

On September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in its regular meeting the below Ordinance was adopted by the Troutman Town Council.

**ORDINANCE 24-23 - ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF TROUTMAN CODE OF ORDINANCES PROHIBITING PARKING OF VEHICLES IN FRONT YARDS ON RESIDENTIALLY ZONED LOTS.**



### Part III. Code of Ordinances

Article 1. Sec. 26-38 (5): The parking of automobiles, buses, motorcycles, trailers, and other vehicles in the front yard of lots within residentially zoned districts at all times. The front yard is defined as the open unoccupied space on the same lot within a building situated between the nearest roofed portion of the building and the street line of the lot and extending from the side lot line to the side lot line. It is not intended to include all or any part of a paved or gravel driveway or parking pad leading to a legal parking area at the side or rear of the lot or to an attached or detached garage.

## Town of Troutman Boards & Committees

A great way to be part of our community is to serve on a Town advisory board or committee. No experience is necessary for most positions – just a willingness to learn about municipal services and an interest in serving the residents of Troutman.



Participating on a volunteer board also provides an opportunity to learn more about our Town government and responsibilities as to its statutory obligations. These boards offer citizens the opportunity to serve the Town utilizing their education, experience, skills, abilities, and interest.

### Currently the following boards and committees have openings:

**Board of Adjustment:** Alternate ETJ position (3 year term)  
**Design Review Board:** Alternate member needed that lives inside town limits (2 yr. term)

### The following boards and committees will have opportunities opening soon:

**Planning & Zoning Board:** ETJ position (3 year term) Exp. 6/30/2024  
 Member that lives inside town limits, x2, (3 yr. term) Exp. 5/14/2024  
**Board of Adjustment:** Member that lives inside town limits (3 year term) Exp. 4/17/2024  
 ETJ position (3 year term) Exp. 6/16/2024  
**Design Review Board:** Can live inside town limits or ETJ, x2, (3 year term) Exp. 11/13/2024  
 Can live inside town limits or ETJ (3 year term) Exp. 11/12/2023

Applications are accepted year-round and may be downloaded from the Town's website (under the documents tab) or picked up at Town Hall.

## Troutman Friends of the Library

Troutman Friends of the Library is an organization of interested contributors wanting to be involved with encouraging the development of readers and lifelong library users.

- Meet quarterly to plan and implement opportunities for the support of the library
- Raise funds for Adult and Youth Programming, the Summer Reading Program, and 1000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Provide volunteer services to the library for special programs
- Manage the ongoing sale of gently used, donated, or discarded books to raise funds and promote reading recycling

### How Can You Help?

- Become a member of the Troutman Friends of the Library
- Support the Troutman Friends of the Library's used book sale
- Make a financial donation
- Buy a brick paver in honor or memory of a loved one
- Supply specific programming materials

