

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

Hello Neighbors,

The past few months we have been busy at Town Hall with multiple community meetings for various development project requests on the horizon. This has given us the opportunity to hear from many of you and the concerns that are on your mind that you are fearful of. We see and hear your concerns. Staff in the planning and zoning department is charged to procure facts and present those with as much scientific data as possible. The developer has to also gather and present data within guidelines that staff, as well as the NC Department of Transportation, require. Just because projects go to a public hearing, or a planning and zoning board, or lastly the Town Council does not mean they are or will be approved. All these meetings, provide opportunities for the developer to learn if a project will be well-received while facts are still being obtained. Sometimes projects are halted after a community meeting. Other times projects stop after a planning and zoning board recommendation. Ultimately, Town Council is charged to make a decision for the majority of the citizens of our Town with all the facts presented. If a council person states before all facts are presented, they will or will not vote a certain way on any topic, they are doing a major disservice to our citizens. I encourage everyone to trust the researchable facts and staff reports when presented, not opinions on social media that are unfounded and unverified.

Happy 246<sup>th</sup> Birthday to my fellow US Marines on November 10th. On Thanksgiving Day, I look forward to saying a special prayer for allowing me to live where I believe to be the best community I could. I am truly Blessed and Thankful to call Troutman home.



## Hwy 21/Main St. Traffic Concerns

### What’s Happening with the Widening of Main Street/US 21/NC115

In an attempt to alleviate traffic issues, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has plans to widen S. Main St through downtown Troutman. The original plan was for this widening project to begin in 2023; however due to budget deficits at the Department of Transportation, it has been pushed back and will not begin until 2029.

Main Street is a state owned and maintained road where all funding and planned improvements come from the State of North Carolina. We understand that traffic is a concern and improvements are needed on many of the state owned and maintained roads in our jurisdiction. The Town of Troutman is working with NCDOT to ensure that this project stays on track and continues to remain a priority.

It is our goal to continue to advocate for our roadways and keep our citizens informed about any planned improvements and their status. Any questions you have about road planning on state maintained roads can be directed to Planning Staff at Town Hall (704-528-7600) or to our local NCDOT engineers’ office in Mooresville (704-384-7972).

## Troutman Town Council Members

### Mayor:

Teross W. Young, Jr.

### Councilmembers:

- W. Paul Henkel- *Mayor Pro Tem*
- Felina L. Harris
- 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 Troutman Town Hall.

Town meetings are open to the public and also live-streamed on You-Tube.

## Town Schedules

### November 2021

- 11/1 & 11/2: Limb Collection
- 11/8-12 & 11/22-24: Leaf Collection
- 11/4: Design Review Committee: 3pm
- 11/8: Agenda Briefing: 4pm
- 11/10: Town Council Meeting: 7pm
- 11/15: Parks & Recreation: 3pm
- 11/18: Board of Adjustment: 3pm
- 11/29: Planning & Zoning: 7pm

### December 2021

- 12/6 & 12/7: Limb Collection
- 12/13-14 & 12/20-21: Leaf Collection
- 12/2: Design Review Committee: 3pm
- 12/6: Agenda Briefing: 4pm
- 12/9: Town Council Meeting: 7pm
- 12/16: Board of Adjustment: 3pm
- 12/20: Parks & Recreation: 3pm
- 12/20: Planning and Zoning: 7pm



Please visit [www.bsstrash.com](http://www.bsstrash.com) for info regarding trash & recycling, holiday schedules, etc. or call the Town of Troutman at 704-528-7600.



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## Honoring All Who Served



November 11, 2021 is Veterans Day and the day to thank and honor the brave men and women who have sacrificed and served our military in some capacity. We are thankful for your patriotism and willingness to serve for the common good. THANK YOU!

### Reminders:

- **Daylight Savings Time ends** on Sunday, November 7th at 2:00 am. This is a reminder to turn your clocks back one (1) hour. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier than the day before, and there will be more light in the morning. Don't forget to "fall back"!
- Town administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11th in observance of **Veterans Day** and will reopen again on Friday, November 12th. If you have a water, sewer, or street emergency please contact the after-hours emergency number (704)682-3835. There will be no adjustments to trash or recycling schedule this week due to the holiday.
- Town administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26 in observance of the **Thanksgiving holiday**. There will be no adjustments to the trash or recycling schedule due to the holiday. We are grateful to our residents, business owners, and community as a whole for making 2021 a great year in Troutman. Wishing you and yours a safe and healthy holiday together.

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## Contact Us:

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Troutman, NC 28166  
(704) 528-7600  
[info@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:info@troutmannnc.gov)

Visit us on the web:  
[www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov)

After Hours Water/Sewer  
Emergency:  
704-682-3835



## Upcoming Town Events: Christmas Parade & Jingle Run

**TOWN OF TROUTMAN**  
**Christmas PARADE**  
 11:00 am  
**EASTWAY DR.**  
 PARTICIPANT APPLICATIONS: ON TOWN WEBSITE OR PICK UP AT TOWN HALL  
 ENTRY FEE: A NEW TOY TO DONATE TO TOYS FOR TOTS  
 www.troutmannnc.gov ; 704-528-7600

### SAVE THE DATE!

**Sunday, December 5th at 3pm!**

Register now for our annual Jingle Run 5K! You can register online at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com) or in person at Troutman Town Hall.

Participant fee: \$10.00, which includes a participant medal.

We are also collecting items for My Sister's House at this race. Some items they are in need of are: pajamas of all sizes for women and children, scarves, mittens, toboggans, blankets, throws, new unwrapped toys for all ages, cleaning supplies, OTC cold & flu medication, shampoo & conditioner sets, bottled water, dark colored towels, washcloths, dish towels.

Email [csmith@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:csmith@troutmannnc.gov) for additional information.

**TOWN OF TROUTMAN PRESENTS**  
**JINGLE RUN 5K**  
 festive walk or run for the whole family!  
**DECEMBER 5, 2021**  
**3:00 PM**  
**400 N. EASTWAY DR.**  
**\$10.00**  
 Register: [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com) or in person at Troutman Town Hall

### SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday, December 4th at 11am!**

Applications are being accepted to participate in our 5th annual Christmas Parade. The route will be the same as previous years— starting at the Career Academy and Technical School (350 Old Murdock Rd) and traveling to Troutman Baptist Church (305 Perry Rd).

Visit [www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov) for a participant application or email [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) for additional information.

Entry Fee: a new, unwrapped toy for the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program. You are welcome to bring the toy by Town Hall (400 N. Eastway Dr.) prior to the parade or bring it with you on the morning of the parade.

## Tune In! 92.9 FM

Every Wednesday morning at 9:30am, join folks from Troutman on WAME 92.9 FM Radio Station to discuss hot topics, upcoming events, issues we are currently facing, and generally all things Troutman.

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- Town of Troutman Public Works

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[www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov)

## Happy Thanksgiving from TPD



### Happy Thanksgiving!

Troutman Police Department would like to wish you and your loved ones a safe, happy, and healthy Thanksgiving holiday.

We'd also like to say thank you to all of those working this holiday to keep our communities running smoothly and safely.

## Monthly Police Beat: Travel Prep

### Prep the Car in Advance

Avoid potential car problems that might involve unintended contact with others along the way by having your car fully serviced before your trip— at minimum check oil, fluids, breaks, tires, and antifreeze.

For any road trip, pandemic or not, the Federal Emergency Management Agency recommends prepping a car emergency kit that includes jumper cables, flares or reflective triangle, an ice scraper, blankets, maps, and cat litter or sand in case you need something for better tire traction.

Pack several back-up phone chargers, and just in case you lose cell service in some remote area, download your main maps to your phone or GPS.



## Payment Options:

Did you know we offer multiple payment methods to pay your water bill? Automatic bank draft, pay online ([www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov)), mail a check in, or call and pay by phone (704-528-7600, option 1). Contact Town Hall for more information. Our Customer Service and Utility Department are happy to help you. 704-528-7600