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The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter

March 2025

Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

Set Date and Time for Council's Strategic Planning Retreat – Thursday, March 20, 2025 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, and Friday, March 21, 2025 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm as a 2nd meeting day if needed.

Set Date and Time for Council's Annual Budget Retreat - Friday, April 22, 2025 at 8:30

Set Public Hearing Date of March 13, 2025 for:

- Annexation Request AX-25-01 (Contiguous) Applicant: Sterling Properties of Mooresville LLC; 49.62 acres; PIN 4741014288; Autumn Leaf Road
- Annexation Request AX-25-02 (Non-Contiguous) Applicant: John Lambert; 0.3902 acres; PIN 4730591086; 142 Scotch Irish Lane

Approved:

- To amend the Town of Troutman Schedule of Fees
- Text Amendment TA-25-01 Regarding Addition of Language Establishing a Local Commercial (LC) Zoning Category to ARTICLE 2, 2.3.13, and Amend Use Matrix
- Ordinance 02-25 Titled: "Ordinance Amending The Town Of Troutman Code Of Ordinances Chapter 90.15 And 90.16-Livestock-Adding Language That Provides For Goat Grazing And Allowing Hens In The Town Limits"

Tabled until next month's meeting:

 Reguest from Barium Seasons Homeowner Association (HOA) for the Council's Approval of 4 stop signs to be placed within the Subdivision

Citizen & Organization of the Year Awards

We are now collecting nominations for Citizen & Organization of the Year in the Town of Troutman. Nomination forms are available at Town Hall- 400 N. Eastway Drive and on our website at www.troutmannc.gov under Forms and Documents.

Deadline for nominations for Citizen and Organization of the Year is March 28th, 2025 at 5:00pm. Please make sure these are dropped off at Town Hall, mailed in or sent by email by the deadline. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Davis @ 704-528-7600 or kdavis@troutmannc.gov.

Town Council

Mayor: Teross W. Young, Jr.



Councilmembers: Jerry R. Oxsher - Mayor Pro Tem Felina L. Harris Nicholas D. Jaroszynski **Edward R. Nau** W. Paul Henkel

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.

Contact Us:

Troutman Town Hall 400 North Eastway Dr. **Troutman, NC 28166** (704) 528-7600 info@troutmannc.gov

Visit us on the web: www.troutmannc.gov

> **Utility Payments:** (704) 946-5612



Troutman Parks & Rec: Upcoming Events



13th Annual Sprint Into Spring 5K/10K, brought to you by House Doctors of Mooresville – Sunday, March 9 @ 3:00pm, Town Hall - 400 N. Eastway Dr.

- This event is for runners or walkers all fitness levels are welcome.
- \$30 for 5K or \$35 for 10K. All participants will receive a finishers' medal and t-shirt (not guaranteed after 2/24 registrations). Register at www.runsignup.com
- Awards for the top 3 in each age group.



Flashlight Adult Easter Scramble– Friday, April 11 @ 8pm, Troutman ESC Park—338 North Ave.

- Grab your friends and come out for a night of fun–just for adults! \$5 each
- Bring your own flashlight/head lamp and bag. We're hunting in the DARK!
- Eggs filled with candy and prizes
- Pre-registration is requiredwww.troutmannc.gov
- If you have any questions please reach out to award@troutmannc.gov



Local Library

Here are some events and programs happening this month at our local Troutman branch library. Registration Required.

Children & Families:

Tuesdays @ 11am

• Toddler Storytime

Fridays @ 11am

• Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays @ 4pm

Discovery Club

March 15, 11am

Saturday Storytime

March 17, 2pm

• Bright Star Theatre Presentation

March 20, 4:30pm

Escape Room

Teen Programs:

March 13, 4pm

Family Feud

March 19, 4pm

Chess Club

J. Hoyt Hayes Memorial Library

215 W Church St, Troutman 704-528-2682

Additional Info & Register at: www.iredell.lib.nc.us

Troutman Parks & Rec: Athletics







Run/Walk Club- Starting March 16th

- Get fit— 5k Training— Community Relationship Building
- Pre-registration is required, no cost
- Led by the Troutman Ruritan Club
- Questions—smccoy@troutmannc.gov



Adult Line Dancing— March 22nd & April 5th @ 10am @ Troutman Depot

- Open to beginners or experienced dancers
- Registration is required, \$5/class
- Questions—smccoy@troutmannc.gov



Troutman PD: Fingerprinting

Did you know that the Troutman Police Department provides fingerprinting services to the public? If you need to be fingerprinted for employment or other purposes you can complete this by coming to the Police Department, located at 400 N. Eastway Drive, Troutman. There is no need to make an appointment for this service which is



provided Monday – Friday from 8 am until 5 pm.

If you have questions you can email bwilson@troutmannc.gov or call (704)528-7610.

TOT Employee Recognition

The Town of Troutman recognized Public Works Employees, Casey Beasley (left) and Cameron Morris (right) as Employees of the Month for January. Both employees are part of the line maintenance crew. Casey Beasley has

worked for the Town of
Troutman for 6 months, while
Cameron Morris has been here for
over 2 1/2 years. They were
praised for their hard work and
dedication to repairing 2 water
main breaks with below freezing
temps, in 2 days. We appreciate
their dedication to our town and
its citizens.



Planning Department: Chickens Now Permitted in Town

Over the years the Planning Department has often received inquiries regarding the legality of keeping Chickens in the Town Limits. At its February 13th meeting, Council passed an ordinance to allow chickens in the Town Limit. The following regulations were adopted:

- Only hens are permitted, roosters are strictly prohibited
- Hens are permitted at a ratio or one/0.25-acre with a maximum of 4-hens per property



- Hens shall be kept at a minimum of 150-feet from any public street, residential structure, or business structure
- All stables or places where kept shall always be maintained in a clean, healthy, and humane condition
- Properties where kept shall be fenced and fully enclosed in such a manner that prevents the hens from leaving the property.
- The slaughter of hens in not permitted anywhere in the town

For more information please reference the Troutman Code of Ordinances or contact the Planning Department.

"From the Duck Blind ..." Manager's Memo

Spring is almost here! March 9th, 2025, at 2:00 am will be the 1st event telling us to "spring forward" as we lose a precious hour of sleep by forwarding our clocks an hour ahead. Then we get busy two days later with the nationally recognized "Plant a Flower Day" on March 12th. This gives us a starting day to plant new flowers to add to the vibrant colors of spring around our homes and businesses. Then, on March 20th, the official first day of spring arrives. Town staff

have already begun getting our parks, greenways, and other areas ready for the increased traffic that spring always brings. Last year, we had more than 110,000 people visit Troutman ESC Park. That is more than 301 people daily on average just in the park. Our town residents' taxes are spent wisely to ensure our existing facilities are properly maintained and a few new amenities are incrementally added. I appreciate the compliments that some residents and many visitors share about the aesthetics of our parks, greenways, and other facilities. We enjoy seeing pictures of people enjoying the facilities and activities the Town hosts.

Monthly Quote~ "Spring: a lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be." ~author unknown



MARCH 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Public e	All meetings conducted at Town Hall— Public encouraged to attend in order to stay informed and engaged with Town matters.	All meetings conducted at Town Hall— couraged to attend in order to stay info engaged with Town matters.	— formed and			1 Youth Softball Clinic, 9am-12pm, ESC Park
2	3 Monday Recycling Leaf & Limb Collection	4 Tuesday Recycling Leaf & Limb Collection	5 Wednesday Recycling Limb Collection	6 Thursday Recycling Design Review Board Meeting 3:30pm	7 Sprint into Spring 5k/10k Packet Pickup, 12-6pm, at Parks & Rec Office, 334 North Ave.	∞
9 Daylight Savings Time Begins Sprint into Spring 5k/10k, 3pm, Troutman Town Hall, 400 N Eastway Drive	1 () Agenda Briefing 4:00 - 6:00 pm	11	12	13 Town Board Meeting 7:00 - 10:00 pm	14 Youth Tennis Clinic, 9am-12pm, SIHS Tennis Courts	15 Spring Craft Expo-9a-3p, South Iredell High School New Gym
16 Run/Walk Club– 4pm, Troutman ESC Park– 338 North Ave	17 St. PAIRIGES Monday Recycling Registration closes for Adult Softball, Soccer & Volleyball	18 Tuesday Recycling	19 Wednesday Recycling	20 Thursday Recycling Board of Adjustment 3:00-5:00pm Run/Walk Club- 6pm, Troutman ESC Park- 338 North Ave	21	Adult Line Dancing— 10am, 137 S Main St Refuge Church of Christ Food Pantry, 11:30am— 1pm, 133 Elder Ln
23 Run/Walk Club– 4pm, Troutman ESC Park– 338 North Ave	24 Planning & Zoning Board 6:00-8:00 pm	25	26	27 Run/Walk Club– 6pm, Troutman ESC Park– 338 North Ave	28	29
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