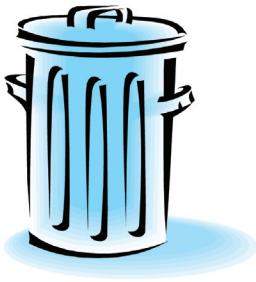


JULY 2009

Message from the Mayor

Dear Citizens and Friends:

The Public Works Department receives many calls regarding household waste, yard waste, bulky items and recyclable collections. These calls result from either the Town's new policy regarding yard waste and bulky items or improperly placed or unacceptable curbside waste. While Town employees are always glad to help with any questions you may have, time on the phone means time lost on routes. Thank you for bearing with us while we implement our new, and most importantly, fuel efficient system. Read on for collection schedules, PinPoint system information and proper procedures for disposal.




The Schedule – First, remember that household waste and recyclables are collected once per week. Watch the newspaper, quarterly newsletter and Town website @ www.townofwaynesville.org for holiday schedules. Make sure household waste or recyclables have been contained properly and that the contents are acceptable for collection before calling the Public Works Department.

Second, keeping in mind your household waste collection day; note the collection schedule for both yard waste and bulky items.

Yard Waste is picked up during the first and third full week of the month. If your household waste is collected on Tuesdays, for instance, your yard waste will not be collected September 1st. It will be picked up the following week, which is a full week.

Bulky Items are picked up during the second and fourth full week of the month.

It is important to make sure that you place all waste (household, yard, bulky items and recyclables) at curbside on your scheduled day for household waste collection in order for the PinPoint System to work.



The System – The Town has implemented the PinPoint system for use by the Sanitation Department. When the Town garbage truck comes by your residence or place of business on your waste collection day, the driver of the truck can pinpoint electronically through a tracking device, yard waste, bulky items or recyclables that need to be collected. A list is then printed for the driver of

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Bulky Items						

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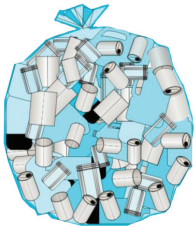
the appropriate truck so that an employee can go directly to the locations identified, rather than waste fuel and manpower driving on every street in town, many of which have no items to be picked up. In order for this system to work, yard waste and bulky items must be at curbside no later than 7 am on your household waste pickup day. Failure to do so will result in your items being left at curbside.

The Procedures -

Household Waste: Place bagged household waste inside containers with tight-fitting lids, with forty-five (45) gallon maximum. Please use lids on cans to prevent access by animals and birds. They spill trash and it becomes litter. DO NOT put animal or human waste, ashes, oil, flammables, toxic materials, or building materials in your garbage containers.



Blue Bag Recyclables: Place recyclables in blue bags only. Acceptable items include newspapers, magazines, bulk mail and other paper, small amounts of cardboard, aluminum beverage cans, tin cans, and glass and plastic food and beverage containers. Items for recycling must be empty and rinsed. Caps and lids must be removed and placed with regular garbage. It is not necessary to remove labels from cans, bottles and jars. Create extra space in your blue bags by crushing bottles and cans. DO NOT put aerosol cans, aluminum foil or scrap metal, motor oil containers, mirrors or ceramics in your blue bags. Blue bags can be purchased at most grocery and retail stores.



Beginning October 1, North Carolina becomes one of the first states to ban the disposal of plastic bottle waste in traditional trash bins. Rigid plastic containers such as soda and water bottles, milk jugs and laundry detergent can no longer be discarded in nonrecycling waste bins. Recycling these items protects the environment and extends the life of the Haywood County Landfill.

Cardboard: Small amounts of residential cardboard will be picked up by the blue bag truck if the cardboard is broken down and free of food residue. Large amounts of cardboard should be taken directly to the county convenience centers. **NO COMMERCIAL CARDBOARD WILL BE PICKED UP.**



Bulky Items: Appliances, furniture and bulky household items may be placed curbside for collection. Items cannot be heavier than two men can lift. DO NOT place carpet, tires, building materials, shingles, commercial trash or heavy auto parts at curbside. You may call Haywood County Recovery Facility (627-8042) for disposal information.

Yard Waste: Brush, hedge trimmings, grass and vines are acceptable for collection by Town crews. Tree limbs should be no more than 3 inches in diameter or 6 feet in length and be free of dirt, wire or anything hindering the chipping equipment. Place butt ends toward the curb. Yard trimmings should be free of trash and placed for handling with a pitchfork. Grass clippings or loose materials that cannot be handled easily with a pitchfork must be bagged (30 pound maximum limit per bag). Please keep yard waste off the streets and sidewalks and out of drainage ditches. DO NOT put logs, stumps, root balls, land cleared, machine piled or contract tree trimming materials at the curb.

Leaves are collected by vacuum machine from mid-October until mid-January. Leaves must be free of sticks and other debris and raked to the curb but not in the drainage areas or the street. The balance of the year, leaves must be placed in plastic bags for collection. Burning leaves inside Town limits is prohibited.

Remember, it is highly unlikely that you will see a Town truck “miss” your curbside items. Trucks are designated to carry particular items - if one truck passes your house and does not pick up an item, another truck may be needed to pick it up. If you have followed the procedures outlined above, you can be certain Town employees are working according to schedule, utilizing the PinPoint system, and making every effort to collect your curbside items in the most efficient manner possible. We need your help to make it work for your town!

If you need additional information or have questions please call 456-3706.

*Gavin A. Brown,
Mayor*

- COMING SOON - 2010 CENSUS



Watershed Hike Coming in October

Avoid Sewer Back-ups and Overflows - Keep Grease From Going Down The Drain

Most sewer back-ups occur between the house and the Town's sewer main and the property owner is responsible for correcting the problem. When the blockage occurs in the Town's sewer main, the Town corrects the problem. Some suggestions to avoid sewer backups and overflows include:

DO NOT

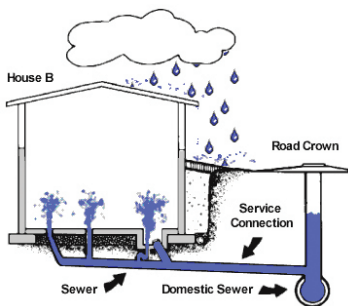
- Pour grease, fats and oils from cooking down the drain;
- Use the toilet as a wastebasket; or,
- Use the sewer as a means to dispose of food scraps.



DO

- Collect grease in a container and dispose of it in the garbage;
- Place a wastebasket in each bathroom for the disposal of solid waste. Disposable diapers, condoms and personal hygiene products do not belong in the sewer system; and
- Place food scraps in waste containers or the garbage for disposal with solid waste, or better yet, start a compost pile.

Please report back-ups or overflows immediately! Call 456-3706 Monday - Friday, 7 am until 4 pm or call 456-5363 on weekends, after normal business hours or holidays.



The Town of Waynesville's Sewer Use Ordinance requires that restaurants install and maintain grease traps and/or interceptors to prevent grease from entering the sewer system. Please remember: sanitary sewer systems are

designed to handle three things: used water, human body waste and toilet paper. These suggestions can save more than the environment. They can save you money as well by avoiding plumbing bills!



INTRODUCES THE ADOPT-A-STREAM PROGRAM

Haywood Waterways Association is starting an Adopt-A-Stream program to help clean up Haywood County rivers and streams. Trash gets into waterways by way of stormwater runoff, from careless individuals tossing it out car windows, or even directly dumping it into streams. Trash can obstruct drains and cause flooding, clog water intake pipes used for industry, and affect recreational uses, such as fishing, swimming and paddling. Much of the trash found in the streams can take hundreds of years to decompose and some will never disappear. Unless removed, the trash can eventually find its way to the ocean.

Haywood Waterways is looking for individuals and groups that enjoy working outdoors, helping the environment, and want to make a difference locally to adopt a section of stream for the purpose of removing litter. We invite local businesses, civic organizations, nonprofit groups, academic institutions and individuals to join. The basic requirements are: the adopting group must clean their adopted stream section at least once a year and commit to the adopted stream section for at least two years.



To join or for more information e-mail Christine at Christine.haywoodwaterways@gmail.com or call (Home/Office) 627-9589 or (Cell) 226-8565

Article submitted by Christine O'Brien, Haywood Waterways Assoc., PO Box 389, Waynesville, NC 28786 www.haywoodwaterways.org

No Signs on Utility Poles!!!!

Please do not place signs on utility poles, including yard sale signs. This is not only unsightly, but is in violation of the Town's Ordinances. If you have questions regarding the sign ordinance contact Land Use Manager Byron Hickox at 452-0401.



UPCOMING EVENTS

July 2, 3 & 4 - Sidewalk Sales on Main Street

July 4 - Stars & Stripes Celebration

July 10 & 24 & Aug 7 (Friday nights) -

Mountain Street Dances

July 17 - Folkmoot USA Parade

July 25 - International Festival Day

Sept 5 - Block Party Street Dance

Sept 4, 5 & 7 - Sidewalk Sales on Main Street

Thru Nov - First Friday each month - Art After Dark

Oct 10 - 26th Annual Church Street Art & Craft Show

SENIORS: GET A FREE LUNCH ON OCTOBER 7TH

The Waynesville Senior Resource Team (WSRT) is coordinating a Senior Safety Day, October 7 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) at the new Waynesville Fire Station. Local professionals and municipal agencies will present valuable safety tips for everyday living. Mark your calendar for this free event - lunch, smoke detectors, night-lights, and door prizes. Watch for details in the October newsletter. Remember, the WSRT can help connect you with a network of community resources.

(Article submitted by Bud Dirscherl)

Waynesville Contacts: Sandra McIntosh 734-5393; Hazel Kolsrud 452-1726; Evelyn Cooper 456-9348; Nancy Burleson 627-1883; Bud Dirscherl 454-9246, www.haywoodconnections.org.

FIRE HYDRANT TESTING IN PROGRESS

The Waynesville Fire Department will be testing and repainting fire hydrants in the coming months. This is a requirement from the Office of the Fire Marshal for the State of North Carolina. This helps the fire department maintain their current insurance rating and identify any existing problems with the fire hydrant. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. If your water turns brown it should clear after running for a few minutes.

If you need further assistance please contact the Fire Department at 456-6151.



Emergency Room Visits Due to Grills

In 2007, 18,600 patients went to emergency rooms because of injuries involving grills. Roughly half (9,600) of the injuries were thermal burns.



- > Children under five accounted for roughly one-quarter of the thermal burns. These were typically contact burns rather than flame burns.
- > Roughly one-third of the gas grill injuries were burns incurred while lighting the grill.
- > Gasoline or lighter fluid was a factor in roughly one-quarter of the charcoal or wood burning grill burns.

Source: Home Structure and Outdoor Fires Involving Grills Marty Ahrens, NFPA Fire Analysis and Research, Quincy, MA May 2009

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CORNER

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES?

The National Register of Historic Places is the nation's official list of buildings, structures, objects, sites, and districts worthy of preservation for their significance in American history, architecture, archaeology, and culture. The National Register was established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. The purpose of the Act is to ensure that as a matter of public policy, properties significant in national, state, and local history are considered in the planning of federal undertakings, and to encourage historic preservation initiatives by state and local governments and the private sector.

Here in Waynesville there are two historic districts listed on the National Register of Historic Places: Downtown Waynesville and Frog Level. The Historic Preservation Commission is pleased to announce that Federal grant funds have been awarded to the Town of Waynesville to place a third historic district on the National Register: the Spread Out District located between Walnut Street and North Main Street. Spread Out will become the Town's first residential district to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Eagle Nest Water Line Project

In late June, work will begin at the top of Eagle Nest Mountain to consolidate the currently private water system of the Eagle Nest Homeowners Association with that of the Town of Waynesville. The project includes the installation of approximately 2½ miles of water line and the construction of two pump stations and two storage tanks.

Town staff and the Homeowners Association have worked closely with the State of North Carolina to reach this point. The \$1.3 million project is being funded entirely through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, including a loan to be repaid by the property owners who will be served from the new system. Work should be complete by early December.



FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 BUDGET

Highlights

- Tax Rate will remain at \$.40 per \$100 valuation.
- Garbage collection rates will increase from \$5.00 to \$5.50 per month.
- Commercial garbage fees will increase 5%.
- Cemetery fees will increase \$100 per lot or columbarium niche.
- Water - 5% increase for both inside and outside customers and 5% increase on pump fees.
- Sewer - no increase.
- Electric - increase of 5.5% due to the new contract with Progress Energy. Adjustments will continue to be made on the fuel adjustment charge. Increase in security lights.
- Parks and Recreation - increase in membership fees.
- Employee Benefits - no cost of living or merit increases. Elimination of four currently vacant positions.

General Fund	\$13,034,800
Water Fund	\$ 2,468,170
Sewer Fund	\$ 2,017,480
Electric Fund	\$ 9,042,900
 Total Budget	 \$26,563,350



E-NEWSLETTER

Stay informed! Learn more about town services, programs, activities and opportunities for participation by subscribing to the monthly e-newsletter from the Town of Waynesville.

Subscribe online at www.townofwaynesville.org.

Call Before You Dig

State law requires excavators to call the North Carolina One Call Center, (NC One Call) at 811 at least two working days (excluding weekends and holidays) before beginning any excavation work.



Wait. When an excavator's locate request is received by NC One Call, Utilities have two working days from 12:01 am of the next business day to mark their underground facilities. For example, if you want to dig on Thursday, you should submit your locate request to NC One Call on Monday. Locate markings are valid for 15 business days starting on the day you call in the locate request. If you accidentally hit a natural gas pipeline call PSNC Energy immediately at 1-877-776-2427 or call 911.

Work Zones

Please observe construction work zones. Drive carefully and reduce your speed for the safety of construction workers and yourself.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The Police Station and Development Office on South Main Street is still on schedule for completion in July, and it is likely that the building will be occupied and open for business in early August. As we move closer to occupying the building, a date for an open house will be selected. There is however, a lot of moving that has to be done before the building is open.

The Waynesville Police Department will move back downtown from their temporary building on North Main Street into a greatly expanded and efficient space. Planning and Building Inspections will move from the Hazelwood Office on Georgia Avenue to the first floor of this new building. Joining them, Public Works Director Fred Baker will move from Town Hall to the new building to create the Development Office. And all town meetings that are currently held in the Board Room in Town Hall will be moved to the new Board Room on the second floor of this facility. Also, the Downtown Waynesville Association will occupy an office in the building.

H.E.A.T.

In January 2006, the Town of Waynesville began the H.E.A.T. (Heat and Energy Assistance Team) program which allows utility customers to donate funds when paying their utility bill. These funds are given to the Haywood Christian Ministry or Salvation Army to be used to assist people with their fuel or energy bills. The Town keeps a record of all donations made and provides a letter acknowledging the tax deductible donation at the end of the calendar year.

In 2008, Haywood Christian Ministry helped 1,119 families with utilities/heat. The Town of Waynesville is proud to be part of this effort. Since the H.E.A.T. program began in 2006, Waynesville residents have contributed \$1,301 for this purpose. Thank you for your contributions to this program and for helping your neighbors.

If you are interested in helping others in your community by donating to this program or if you have questions, please call 452-2491. You can always donate directly to these or other agencies for use in their programs to help others.

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Independence Day - Offices closed July 3. (Garbage will be picked up one day early, Thursday, July 2.)

Labor Day - Offices closed September 7. (Garbage will be picked up Tuesday, September 8.)

TELEPHONE REFERENCE

Police Administration	456-5363
Fire Administration	456-6151
Building Inspections	456-8647
Code Enforcement	456-2010
Utilities	456-3515
Tax Collections	452-3588
Town Manager	452-2491
Asst. Town Manager	456-2002
Town Clerk	452-2491
Human Resources	456-2028
Planning	456-2004
Zoning	452-0401
Public Works Director	456-4410
Streets/Sanitation	456-3706
Water/Sewer/Electric	456-3706
After Hours/Emergency	456-5363
Water Treatment Plant	456-8497
Waste Treatment Plant	452-4685
Parks and Recreation	456-2030
Armory	456-9207

DOWNTOWN WAYNESVILLE

ASSOCIATION 456-3517

www.downtownwaynesville.com

MEETING SCHEDULES

Board of Aldermen

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7 pm - Town Hall

ABC Board

3rd Tuesday at 10 am - 373 Walnut St.

Board of Adjustment

1st Tuesdays at 5:30 pm - 280 Georgia Ave.

Community Appearance Commission

1st Wednesdays at 9 am - Town Hall

Firemen's Relief Fund Board

On Call

Historic Preservation Commission

1st Wednesdays at 2 pm - Town Hall

Planning Board

3rd Mondays at 5:30 pm - Town Hall

Public Art Commission

2nd Thursdays at 5:30 pm - Town Hall

Recreation & Parks Advisory Comm

2nd Tuesdays 5:30 pm - 550 Vance St.

Waynesville Housing Authority

1st Wednesdays 5:30 pm - 65 Church St.

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