

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



While the many projects previously reported are moving along nicely, I am quite enthused about a new project advancing on the drawing board for Waynesville. This project, known as Waynesville

Overlook, will be a mountainside residential community located adjoining the Waynesville By-Pass and having entrances above and to the southwest of the Day's Inn Motel. It borders the By-Pass for some 1500 feet beyond and climbing the mountain from there.

According to developers Dodie and Ricky Beauchamp of Torchlight Properties located in Charlotte, "this property will be comprised of two charming villages hosting a collection of one hundred craftsman style single family cottages as well as an estate section touting forty eight home sites with elevations ranging from 2900 to 3900 feet. Great care will be taken in selection of exterior building materials and colors, positioning of roads and home sites to ensure that the integrity of the pristine views of this gorgeous mountain property as seen from downtown Waynesville are not compromised". The Beauchamps also are taking steps for residents to take full advantage of the amenities our town has to offer including our Recreation Center and its programs.

I have looked over preliminary plans with the Beauchamps, and the limited space in this letter will not allow me to fully describe the professionalism and attention to site detail they are giving this property. They seem to love every large tree and rock outcropping on the property and are determined to incorporate such features into the development. Of significance too, they are working very closely with our Planning Department to ensure adherence to our Hillside Development Ordinance. Their schedule is to complete their work in about three and a half years.

This major development represents an expensive industry and a very positive addition for a resort community such as Waynesville. It is a real pleasure to report the addition of such a large and well-designed residential community to our

citizens and to be doing business with people who are excited about our town and its potential.

WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

Although Waynesville may not be experiencing quite as severe a situation with water shortages as some of our neighbors to the west and in other parts of North Carolina, we encourage residents to use water efficiently at all times. Small conservation efforts can make a big difference.

Every drop counts -

- Report leaks in lavatory sinks, toilets or drinking water fountains to building managers;
- Use a minimal amount of water while washing your hands or completing work tasks;
- Use leftover melted beverage ice to water your office plants;
- Sweep instead of using a hose to clean; and
- Remember to conserve water at home as well.



"When the well is dry, we know the worth of water." - Benjamin Franklin

LEAF SEASON

From mid October to mid January, the Town collects leaves by vacuum machine. Residents should rake leaves to curbside but not in the ditches, gutter lines or obstructing the street or sidewalk. Leaves must be free of sticks or other debris and will be left if improperly prepared. Chipping will be curtailed during leaf season. The leaf collection schedule changes due to volume and weather.

Tips for composting leaves:

- Compost leaves in a pile in an out of the way corner of your yard where there is some protection from the wind.
- Use leaves as mulch around plants for weed control.
- Dig some leaves into the garden to ready soil for spring planting.

- Shred leaves first to reduce their volume.
- Save some leaves in plastic bags for the spring.

Leaves are “gardener’s gold”. Add valuable organic matter and nutrients to your gardens and around trees and shrubbery. Keep these wastes out of the landfill.

TIPS ON PREPARING GARBAGE FOR PICKUP



Did you know that the Town’s collection regulations require all households to use containers to set out garbage and refuse for removal by the Sanitation Department? Every container should be durable, rodent proof and no larger than 30 gallons with handles for lifting and a fly-tight cover. If one container is not sufficient to hold the quantity of garbage and refuse accumulated each week, then a second container should be provided.



Though motorists and pedestrians are often blamed for littering our streets, household garbage that is not properly prepared for collection is a major source. In addition to the negative impression litter gives a neighborhood, people may be harmed by broken bottles and pets may become sick from leftover food. Litter can become a breeding ground for insects and bacteria, cause injury to wildlife and enter our streams.

Please help protect the men and women who serve your routes by properly preparing refuse for collection. Bag household garbage before placing it in the refuse container. Use a bag of 13 to 33 gallon capacity and at least 0.85 mil. thickness. Very small bags require excessive handling and very large bags exceed the thirty pound weight limit. For sanitary reasons, pet feces should be sealed in double plastic bags, twenty pound limit. Sharp objects should be disposed of in a hard plastic container, such as a detergent bottle, capped securely and placed in the refuse. Wrap broken glass or mirrors with several layers of newspaper taped at the edges.

Recyclables

Glass bottles were recently added as an acceptable recyclable item - since glass bottles can be heavy please divide into more than one bag.



Remember - the Town cannot pick up carpet and building materials - please call the Haywood County Recovery Facility at 627-8042 for information regarding disposal of these items.



Please Do Not Place Yard Sale or

Waynesville Pedestrian Plan Steering Committee Appointments

In recent years, communities throughout North Carolina have begun to place more emphasis on providing facilities for biking and walking. A desire for better modal choices, the demand for more walkable and bikeable communities and a focus on smart growth initiatives have combined to highlight the need for better, more complete bicycle and pedestrian transportation systems. Comprehensive planning documents are an integral part of developing these systems, and can guide both local and state efforts to improve conditions for bicycling and walking.

To encourage the development of comprehensive local bicycle plans and pedestrian plans, the NCDOT Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation and the Transportation Planning Branch have created a matching grant program to fund plan development. This program was initiated through a special allocation of funding approved by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2003 along with federal funds earmarked specifically for bicycle and pedestrian planning by the TPB. In early summer of 2007 the Town of Waynesville received a Pedestrian Planning Grant through this program.

It is vital to the quality and effectiveness of the plan that citizens of Waynesville participate in its development. For this reason the Town is looking for interested citizens willing to serve on the Pedestrian Plan Steering Committee. Steering committee members should represent a diverse group of stakeholders for the community. Committee members may include representatives from governmental agencies, local schools, bicycle and/or pedestrian advocate groups, health professionals, citizens, and anyone else who can represent the interest and concerns of the community. An exemplary steering committee represents a balanced focus among transportation, recreation and health issues with a manageable number of members, ideally between 12 and 18 people. The steering committee should meet no less than four times, but the group can meet more often if appropriate. Potential interest groups:

- Volkspport Association
- Healthy Haywood
- Downtown Waynesville Association
- Bed & Breakfast Association
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
- ADA Advocates
- Frog Level Merchants Association
- Hazelwood Merchants Association

For information contact Paul Benson at 456-2004.

BOTTLED WATER - TAKE BACK THE TAP

Americans spent \$10 billion on bottled water in 2005 and paid up to 1,000 times the cost of production, a major windfall of profit for the companies. Nearly 40% of bottled water is tap water with added minerals of filtration.

Bottled water wastes fossil fuels and water in production and transport, and when the water is drunk the bottles become a major source of waste. It takes more than 47 million gallons of oil to produce plastic water bottles for Americans every year. Eliminating those bottles would be like taking 100,000 cars off the road and one billion pounds of carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere. Each one of those bottles required nearly five times its volume in water to manufacture the plastic and may have caused the release of nickel, ethylene oxide and benzene.

The bottled water industry has created a misconception in the United States that bottled water is cleaner, safer and healthier than tap water. In fact, both regulation and enforcement of bottled water safety is weaker than of tap water safety. Federal, state and local environmental agencies require rigorous testing of tap water safety. The U.S. Food & Drug Administration regulates bottled water - if the water is sold over state lines, meaning up to 70 percent of all bottled water produced and sold within states is exempt from FDA regulation.



NOTE: This article contains information from several sources.

GET INVOLVED IN WAYNESVILLE'S FUTURE

Are you interested in history, parks and recreation, planning or public art? This may be your chance to get involved. The Town of Waynesville currently has vacancies on the following Boards:

Historic Preservation Commission - four year term

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission - three year term.

Planning Board - three year term (must live inside the one mile extraterritorial jurisdiction)

Public Art Commission - four year term

If you are interested in serving on these or other boards/commissions or would like information about serving, stop by Town Hall to pick up an application, call Town Clerk Phyllis McClure at 452-2491 or visit the Town's web site at www.townofwaynesville.org click on Departments/Services and then printable forms.

MISSION TRIP TO INDONESIA - AN EXPERIENCE AND PRIVILEGE OF A LIFETIME

I recently had the opportunity of a lifetime. Roger Knight, Brett Rhyle, and I traveled on a mission trip to Indonesia, on the other side of the World, to minister and share the love and truth of Christ. The population of Indonesia is 242 million,

99% of which is Muslim. The people in this area are poor, and they work hard for little pay, for example:

Basic Monthly Wage	\$37.00
Basic Daily Wage	\$ 1.20
Basic Hourly Wage	\$ 0.17
Sunday & Holiday Wage	\$ 4.25



We are fortunate in America to be able to earn decent wages and have religious freedom. In Indonesia the people can be persecuted for being anything other than a Muslim. Even though these people may never have a lot of money, they can become rich in spirit by having a personal relationship with Jesus by accepting him as Lord and Savior. The sole purpose of our trip was to lead others to Jesus as we traveled there as Farmers, to "sow seeds" of faith in Christ. This truly was the experience and privilege of a lifetime.

Submitted by Town of Waynesville
Streets/Sanitation Superintendent Daryl Hannah
who also serves as the Pastor of
Crossroads Missionary Baptist Church in Clyde.

VISIT THE WAYNESVILLE WATERSHED

On Saturday, November 3rd, Dr. Peter Bates of the Department of Geosciences and Natural Resources Management at Western Carolina University will lead a half-day hike in the Waynesville Watershed. Dr. Bates will discuss the ongoing research in the watershed and the development of the forest management plan. Don Hendershot will be along to



discuss the wildlife of the watershed, and Rusty Painter from the Conservation Trust for North Carolina will talk about the conservation easements. Space on the hike will be limited and all interested participants must be prepared for a moderately strenuous hike. Participants must also bring their own water and lunch. More detailed information will be available in mid-October; check www.townofwaynesville.org for more information at that time.

UPCOMING EVENTS ON MAIN STREET

October 13 - 24th Annual Church Street Art and Craft Show

October 20 - Haywood County Apple Harvest Festival

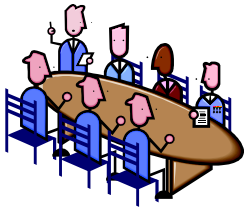
November 18 - Open House

November 26 - Christmas Parade

December 8 & 15 - A Night Before Christmas

WATERSHED COMMITTEE ORGANIZES

During the first week of September, members of the Town's Watershed Advisory Committee held their first meeting. This



was primarily an organizational meeting, and there was a discussion about the purposes of the Committee. There was also a review and discussion on the contents of the Sustainability Indicators Report that was developed after the two workshops led by the Manomet Center from Maine and held

during the summer of 2006. Committee members had questions about their role in responding to the concerns of citizens. The documents establishing the Committee spoke of it being the community's liaison with Dr. Peter Bates and Western Carolina University in the development of the Forestry Management Plan. It was also indicated that the Committee would review and approve the proposed Plan for consideration by the Town Board which would have the final say-so on adoption of the Plan. The Committee plans to meet again in October and November to consider the information which has been generated by the work of Western Carolina in analyzing both stream quality and the presence of both animal and plant life. The Forestry Management Plan is supposed to be completed in April 2008. The Sustainability Indicators Report is available online @ www.townofwaynesville.org.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

In recent years, there have been an excessive number of traffic accidents on Russ Avenue, with the majority occurring in the area between Barber Boulevard and Frazier Street. A great many of these accidents were related to vehicular



movements in and out of the driveways at McDonalds Restaurant. Over a two year period, there were 86 accidents on Russ Avenue between Barber Boulevard and Frazier Street. No other area of Waynesville came close to matching this number

of accidents.

When McDonalds proposed to remodel their restaurant, they agreed to meet the Town's requirements which only allow driveways with right turns in and right turns out. This would eliminate the left hand turns into and out of McDonalds which were the cause of so many accidents. McDonalds joined CVS Drug Store and Home Trust Bank which had also installed right turn in-right turn out islands at the driveways to their businesses. Although left hand turns were prohibited, we knew that many drivers would attempt to violate the new rules; consequently, we recommended to the DOT that the traffic island be placed in the median of Russ Avenue to discourage the left turns.

We believe these changes along with the concrete median have resulted in a considerable reduction in vehicular accidents. During the first seven months of 2006, there were 25 accidents in the area between Barber Boulevard and Frazier Street. Of those 25 accidents, 11 involved unsafe turning movements at McDonalds. During the first seven months of 2007, there were 9 accidents in the area between Barber Boulevard and Frazier Street. Of those 9 accidents, only 1 was at McDonalds, and that was a rear end collision when someone was turning into the restaurant. Of course, McDonalds was closed for a goodly portion of those seven months, but in the three months since they reopened, there have only been 5 accidents in this one block area, and only 1 was at McDonalds. Most accidents now seem to be rear end collisions at the traffic light at Barber Boulevard.

While the concrete median generated several letters to the newspaper objecting to the installation, we believe that the results show that the median is achieving its desired affect. Traffic accidents are down substantially, and the safety of the motoring public is what we were trying to achieve.

HOW DO I -

- Report a Problem**
- Request a Service**
- Request Information**
- Review the Calendar**
- Download Forms**
- View Minutes/Agendas**

E-government capabilities available on the Town's website make it easier for citizens to find information and communicate with the government. Citizens can make suggestions or request action by the town any time of the day or night. By simply going to the town website at www.townofwaynesville.org and clicking one of the How Do I buttons on the left side of the Home Page, residents can make suggestions, request action, and download forms and documents. Requests are immediately routed to the appropriate department and individual, allowing prompt action. Now a resident can be guaranteed follow up contact since every request is assigned a unique tracking number that can be used to track the status of the request online, on the phone, or in person. Residents who do not have access to the internet may contact the Town by phone or in person, receive a tracking number and request updates by phone or letter. For more information contact Purchasing Supervisor Julie Grasty at 456-5114.

The Waynesville Public Art Commission (WPAC) is well on its way to bringing a permanent public art program to the town, having selected the intersection of Main and Miller



Streets as the location and Old Time Music as the theme for the inaugural project. Plans are for the project to come to fruition in late 2008 or early 2009. Commission members have been developing policies and procedures that will be used in the process of issuing a

call to artists located within the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area. The Blue Ridge National Heritage Area was designated by Congress and the President in recognition of the unique character, culture, and natural beauty of Western North Carolina and their significance to the history of our nation. The area is comprised of the 25 counties of Western North Carolina.

Limiting the area in which artists may reside to that of the Blue Ridge national Heritage Area is a WPAC response to public comment expressing a strong desire for artwork that is of the region and created specifically for Waynesville. The WPAC's mission is to engage the community so as to enrich the public realm through original public art that celebrates Waynesville's unique historic, cultural, natural and human resources.

Artists interested in working with the WPAC and the Old Time Music theme will submit a portfolio of their work for review. WPAC members then will choose three artists to create a model of their concept for the art project. It is from these models that the inaugural artwork will be chosen.

Although the WPAC has not yet kicked off its official fundraising campaign, donations to the cause are always welcomed and appreciated. Donations may be sent to: Waynesville Public Art Commission, c/o Downtown Waynesville Association, PO Box 1409, Waynesville, NC 28786. Checks should be made payable to the Waynesville Public Art Commission. Donations are tax deductible.

ElectriCities of N. C., North Carolina Public Power and the Town of Waynesville are pleased to offer you a powerful set of online energy tools known as Energy Depot®. Energy Depot is an internet website that you can consider your energy information "tool box". It is filled with software tools designed to meet your energy information needs. Have you ever wondered:

- How much of your energy costs account for cooling and heating your home, water heating, cooking laundry, etc.?
- The best things you can do to save energy and money?
- How much money you could save by installing a new home heating or cooling system, water heater or more efficient lighting?



Tools available on this site include Personal Energy Profile, Energy Calculator, Energy Comparison Tool and

Energy Library. The software will use local weather data and energy costs for its calculations.

Look for the Energy Depot link on the Home Page at www.townofwaynesville.org.

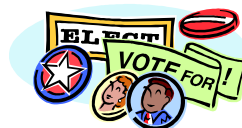
KEEP SIDEWALKS CLEARED

Sidewalks should remain open at all times for the convenience and safety of pedestrians. Please do not park vehicles or place leaves, brush, garbage, signs, merchandise, etc., on sidewalks.

ELECTION DAY **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6**



Just a reminder - Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2007. Regular municipal elections are held in Waynesville every four years in odd-numbered years. Elections are conducted in accordance with the uniform municipal election laws of North Carolina. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen are elected according to the nonpartisan election method. The Haywood County Election Board Office can be reached at 452-6633.



CIVIL WAR TRAILS MARKERS DEDICATED

On September 22nd, a dedication ceremony was held at Ghost Town for the five Haywood County Civil War Trails Markers. The markers are part of a highly successful statewide Civil War Trail. The event included a color guard of both Confederate and Federal soldiers, provided by the 25th North Carolina Infantry. Local historians Jim Howell and Hattie Caldwell Davis each spoke about Civil War events within Haywood County. Three of the five markers are located within Waynesville, at Town Hall, Greenhill Cemetery and Sulphur Springs Park. An updated statewide Civil War Trails map showing the new markers is now available, and for more information visit www.civilwartraveler.com/northcarolina.



MAYOR Henry B. Foy

ALDERMEN:

Gavin Brown
Gary Caldwell
Elizabeth Feichter
Kenneth Moore

TOWN MANAGER:

A. Lee Galloway

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
<i>Thanksgiving</i>
Closed November 22 & 23
Garbage pickup for 21 & 22 on Nov. 21
Normal pickup on Nov. 23
<i>Christmas</i>
Closed December 24 & 25
Regular garbage pickup on Dec. 24
Garbage pickup for 25 & 26 on Dec. 26
<i>New Years</i>
Closed January 1
Garbage pickup for Jan. 1 & 2 on Jan. 2



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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
Town Clerk	452-2491
Human Resources	456-2028
Planning	456-2004
Zoning	452-0401
Public Works Director	456-4410
Streets/Sanitation/Water/ Sewer/Electric	456-3706
After Hours Emergency	456-5363
Water Treatment Plant	456-8497
Waste Treatment Plant	452-4685
Parks/Recreation	456-2030
Armory	456-9207

DOWNTOWN WAYNESVILLE
ASSOCIATION 456-3517
www.downtownwaynesville.com

MEETING SCHEDULES

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

ABC Board
2nd Tuesday at 11am - 373 Walnut St.

Board of Adjustment
1st Tuesdays at 5:30 pm - Town Hall

Community Appearance Commission
1st Wednesdays at 9am - 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 Commission
2nd Tuesdays 6:30 pm - 550 Vance St.

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

