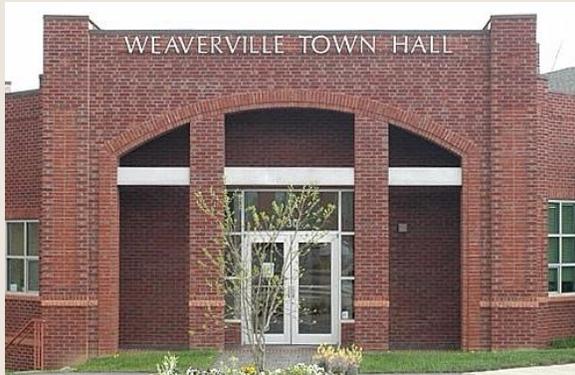


Monthly News for our Community



Highlights from Town Council

Town Council held their regular meeting on February 22, 2016 at 7:00pm. During this meeting, Town Council approved the release of \$428 in taxes released by Buncombe County as required. Council agreed to set the defects guarantee for Creekside Village Phase II at \$5,000 and issued authority for the Town Manager to accept ownership of the easement and waterline, under advisement of legal counsel, when all documentation has been completed, in order and duly recorded. The next order of business was the review of the Town's Fire Ordinance and possible revision of the Ordinance, removing sections of Appendix D of as as they pertain to housing developments. Council scheduled the public hearing as recommended for **March 21st at 6:45pm**.

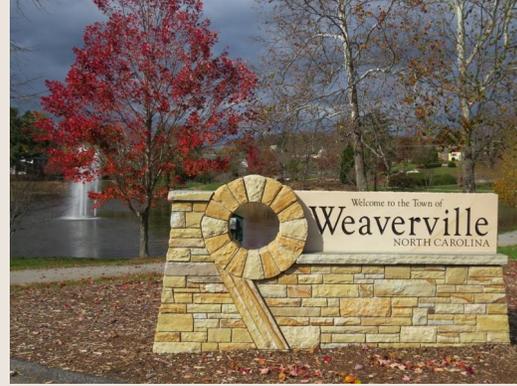
Planner & Code Enforcement Officer James Eller then presented three items that had been reviewed and moved forward by the Planning & Zoning Board for Council approval. These items included 1) Revisions to the Zoning Ordinance, Section 36-78 R-2 Zoning District, increasing 8 units per acre to 12 units per acre; 2) Section 36-241 Unified Housing Development related to points of ingress and egress; and 3) Chapter 25 of

Town Manager Selena Coffey presented the most recent revision to the Town's Facility Use Policy during the meeting. This policy has been significantly revised, but provides equitable use of the Community Room and Lake Louise Community Center to committees and boards formed by the Town, groups and organizations in which the Town is involved, governmental agencies, social groups, non-profits, etc. The policy also specifies a fee schedule that can be revised by Town Council each fiscal year. Proposed rates were delineated between residents and non-residents. The rules of use within the Policy are lengthy in order to try to keep the best interest of the properties in mind. After some discussion, the Facility Use Policy was approved unanimously. The Facility Use Policy & Application can be found [here](#).

Town Manager then provided a brief report to Council, reminding them of their first budget workshop Monday, February 29 at 5pm at the Fire Department Training Room and briefly noting that the Town received net proceeds of \$48,465 from GovDeals, Public Works has placed a light at the rock gateway sign at Lake Louise, and April 21 will begin our 2016 Citizens Academy. Town Council then moved to go into closed session under General Statutes 143-318.11. Upon returning from closed session, no further action was taken prior to adjournment.

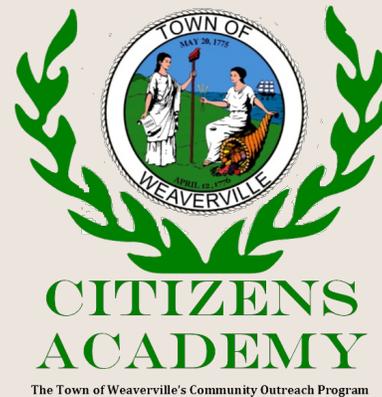
Minutes from Town Council meetings can be located on the web at <http://www.weavervillenc.org/Town-Minutes>.

the Subdivision Ordinance on the creation and implementation of a concept plan. All three of these items require a public hearing and Town Council scheduled the public hearing for **March 21, 2016 at 6:45pm**. Residents are invited and encouraged to participate in the public hearing if interested. The proposed amendments are available at Town Hall. Please contact Planner James Eller at (828) 645-7116 for a copy of the amendments or for discussion of the amendments prior to the hearing.



Weaverville Police Department Operation Medicine Drop

Mark your calendars for the annual Operation Medicine Drop on March 23, 2016 from 3 pm to 6 pm. The Weaverville Police Department will give the public an opportunity to rid their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, unwanted prescription, non-prescription, over-the-counter and pet medications. Bring your medication for disposal to the Ace Hardware parking lot at 61 Weaver Boulevard. "Last year was the most successful medication take back since inception", stated Chief Stephens, "with 15.4 million doses collected for disposal in North Carolina." Every year in North Carolina, some 200 children die from accidental injuries and poisonings. "It is important that we keep all medicine and prescription drugs out of our children's hands. We must continue the effort to ensure that all children are safe," stated Chief Stephens.



Come, learn with us!

The Town of Weaverville will be sponsoring its 2016 Citizen's Academy, with the first class to be held on Thursday, April 21st. There will be seven classes, all of which will be held on Thursdays at 6:00pm at the locations shown on the application. The classes will be informative, fun, hands-on, and most importantly, our hope is that you walk away with a better understanding of how your Town works for you. Please submit your [Citizens Academy Application](#) by **March 31, 2015 at 5:00pm**. The class size is limited to twenty participants to allow for maximum interaction, discussion and hands-on activities. Acceptance will be based on first-come, first-served basis. Certificates will be issued to participants who attend at least five of the seven classes and one Town Council Meeting.





Help the Weaverville Water & Sewer Utilities Go Green!

In an effort to be environmentally friendly and have electronic access to information, we invite you to visit our eStatement website to register to receive all your utility documents electronically.

Please logon to Weaverville Water & Sewer Utilities at <https://weaverville.estmt.net>

Enter the requested information including the Registration ID to begin receiving your statement electronically. You will find your Registration ID located on your statement.

If you have any questions, please contact the Weaverville Water & Sewer Utilities at 828-645-7116.



Community Pollinator Initiative

Last month, we announced the launch of a program to encourage community residents to learn about how to provide for the needs of our native pollinating insects. We would like to announce the following events that are coming up in April at the Weaverville Library.

On April 9th at 2pm, Ms. Amy Snyder will present a program titled "Pollinators & Their Biology." Amy has a master's degree in entomology and extensive experience in managing natural lands. She is currently Resources Management Coordinator for the Appalachian Trail Conservancy. She plans to acquaint you with the wide array of pollinator species, why they are so important, and their adaptations for pollinating particular plant species. Amy co-chairs the Pollinator Initiative.

On April 23rd at 2pm, Dr. Art Hulse will talk about "Landscaping for Pollinators." Art is a retired university biologist and has extensive experience with native plants landscaping and control of invasive exotic plants. He will emphasize why native plants are best for pollinating insects and provide specific guidance on how to design a pollinator-friendly landscape. Art co-chairs the Pollinator Initiative and also manages the pollinator garden at Main Street Nature Park.

In addition, April preschool story hours and after school programs at the Library will feature pollinators. Details will be available in the April *e-Focus* or by contacting Jill Totman at the Library.

Main Street Nature Park Workdays

Spring will come! And with it, Park workdays on the following Saturdays 10am - Noon:

April 9

May 21

June 11

Mark your calendars and meet at the parking area along Pine Street armed with gloves, water, and hand clippers.

For additional information about these events, contact wwhabitat@gmail.com.



Weaverville Designated as a Tree City for 26th Year!

The Town of Weaverville has been a Tree City by the Arbor Day Foundation for the 26th Consecutive year!

Tree City USA is a national recognition program that began in 1976 and is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and National Association of State Foresters. Click [here](#) to learn more.



Art in Autumn Applications are Available

Presented by the Weaverville Business Association

Our local art festival, Art in Autumn, will be held on September 17, 2016 on Main Street in Weaverville. We are now receiving applications online. We invite local artists to submit an application to this juried arts festival that brings folks from all over the region to our wonderful town. If you are interested in applying for this year's show please go to the link [HERE](#) for our online application process. And for more information about the show please see our [website](#).

FY 2016-2017 Budget Calendar

(Workshops held at the Weaverville Fire Department Training Room unless otherwise noted)

February 29th, 5pm: Budget Goals & Objectives Workshop

March 30th, 5pm: Preliminary Departmental Budget Workshop

April 11th, 5pm: Budget Workshop

May 16th, 6:45pm: Public Hearing on FY 2016-2017 Budget (Town Hall)

June 20th, 7pm: Budget Adoption (Town Hall)



Photo courtesy of Doug Jackson

Do you know when and where this photo was taken?

Find out in next month's *e-Focus*!

Town of Weaverville

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8:30am- 5:00pm

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