Fletcher Parks and Recreation Department
Monthly Report – July 2025

Programs & Events

Fletcher Farmers Market

The Fletcher Farmers Market happens every Tuesday at Bill Moore Community Park from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The new location has been well-received by both vendors and customers, with consistent weekly attendance and growing community interest. To enhance the experience, we've added monthly face painting for children while parents' shop. The market will continue through early September.

Summer Day Camp & Middle School Adventure Camp

We successfully wrapped up our 8-week summer camp programs. Both the Day Camp and Middle School Adventure Camp were well-attended and received overwhelmingly positive feedback from parents. We'll certainly miss our campers and wish them the best for the upcoming school year!

Free Yoga in the Park

In partnership with Soul Summit, we've offered free community yoga classes every Monday throughout June, July, and August. Attendance has ranged from 4 to 8 participants each week. These sessions provide a great wellness opportunity for residents and continue to be a valuable addition to our park programming.

Pickleball Clinic

Our upcoming Pickleball Clinic, scheduled for August 9th from 8:00 to 10:00 AM, is already sold out. This strong interest reflects the growing popularity of the sport in our community. We plan to continue offering these clinics monthly moving forward.

Facilities & Maintenance

Bill Moore Community Park & Kate's Park

Our maintenance team remains busy during peak mowing season and has done an outstanding job keeping both parks clean, safe, and welcoming for visitors.

Volunteer Support

This month, we were fortunate to have seven volunteer groups from Luthridge assisting our staff. Their efforts included trail maintenance, trimming trees and bushes, and washing

down playground equipment. We're grateful for their support in helping maintain our park spaces.

Bridge and Greenway Repairs

Bradley and Conner Grading Contractors have begun riverbank stabilization along the back trails. Work on the main bridge in the park is expected to begin shortly, marking a significant improvement in our greenway infrastructure.

Public Works Department
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Brush Pick Up

Public Works has resumed brush collection. For the month of June, Public Works collected 274 brush orders which produced 552 Cyds of brush.
All brush is now disposed of at the Henderson County Landfill.

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Vehicles

Maintenance was performed on 8 police cars, 1 Public Works Vehicles and 1 P&R vehicles.

Sanitation

For the month of June, Public Works collected 204.53 tons of garbage for a daily average of 8.89 tons.

Streets

Repairs were made to Wildwood Circle.

Administration Monthly Report
Heather Taylor, Assistant Town Manager
July 2025

Assistant Town Manager:

- **Hurricane Helene/FEMA Park Recovery:**
  - Fencing and court repairs continued during July, and this project should be completed in early August. Bridge and streambank repair began during July.
  - Coordinated a meeting in early July with our FEMA representatives and McGill regarding the bridge and streambank repair.

- **Website/Facebook:**
  - Continuing to update the Town's website with current Town information as well as trying to post to the Town's Facebook account a couple times a week.

- **Purchasing for FY 25/26:**
  - Discussed with department heads about beginning to quote/purchase capital items that were budgeted in FY 25/26.

Finance:

- **Taxes for 2025-** the Town received the tax scroll in late July, and we hope to have tax bills in the mail early August.

- **Business Registration Revenue-** The business registrations for the fiscal year were mailed out in early July and revenue has already been coming in from the renewals.

- **Budgets for 25/26-** Prepared the worksheets for the budget document that Christine had printed and bounded for staff and Council.

- **FY 24/25 Audit**- Auditors will be here on August 4 to complete the testing of controls as well as complete some preliminary audit work. They will return in early October to finish the audit.

- **FY 24/25 Financial Statements -** Heather has started to prepare the financial statements for FY 24/25.

Human Resource:

- **Employment-**
  - Full-Time-
    - Planning and Zoning Director- applications were due mid-July, and interviews will be held in early August.
    - Administrative Support Specialist (Police)- Kelsey Bunch began work with the Town on 7/28.
    - Police Cadet- Justin Quinto began work with the Town on 7/7.
- **Wellness-**
  - Employee Gym- Over 30 hours of exercise by employees occurred during July in the employee wellness gym.
  - Blood Pressure Checks- No screenings were held in July, but the nurse from Pardee will be here on Wednesday, August 6.

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Planning & Zoning

Planning Board/ZBA – The Board met on July 15. At the meeting, new member Doug Ferguson (dist. 4) was introduced. Staff gave an overview of the timeline for the transition to a new director, and updated the board on various projects that may be pending. Coming up at the Aug. 19 meeting, the board will have a "Heart of Fletcher" overlay design review for a project that has been submitted on Hwy 25 next the UFCU involving a new building w/ some retail/office/production w/ some leasable space.

- Continued day to day issuance of permits, fielded inquiries about potential new developments, and responded to miscellaneous complaints (various complaints involving zoning, solid waste, and/or junked vehicles.

- Continued work on implementation of various minimum measures related to the Town's MS4 Stormwater Permit. Continued discussions and work with Mary Roderick from LOS and Chris Brown from McGill on various aspects of the program.

- Have been continuing to monitor properties with substantially damaged structures from Helene.

- Continued work with McGill Assoc. on pending items related to floodplain ordinance amendments. McGill incorporated several minor changes into the draft following guidance from NCEM. Council held public hearing in June and approved the draft amendments.

- Working w/ Conserving Carolina and McGill on next steps for potential extension of the Cane Creek greenway. Will be discussing grant match w/ Council Aug. 4 as matching funds need to be committed. Following that, we would need to begin work on construction drawings which are required as part of an environmental review that is necessary before we can get under contract for the grants.