Fletcher Parks and Recreation Department

Monthly Report – February 2026

Programs & Events

Father/Daughter Dance

Our Father/Daughter Dance on February 7th was a huge success! We hosted the event at our new location, FernLeaf Community School, which provided a wonderful setting for the evening. The DJ kept the energy high and the dance floor full all night, and the food was excellent. It was a special night filled with smiles, laughter, and lasting memories for everyone who attended.

Winter Yoga

We have two weeks remaining in our 8-week Winter Yoga session. Participants are finishing strong and continuing to build on the progress they've made throughout the program. It's been great to see consistency and growth as the session wraps up.

Facilities & Maintenance

Bill Moore Community Park & Kate's Park

Our maintenance team continues their daily efforts to ensure both parks remain clean, safe, and welcoming for visitors.

Throughout the winter months, Aaron and the maintenance team have focused on improvement projects to enhance the overall park experience.

February Maintenance Projects Completed:

- Removed old rope from park driveway and installed new rope
- Installed pickleball windscreen
- Fertilized ballfields
- Cleaned drainage ditch at Kate's Park
- Conducted playground inspections at both parks
- Repaired dog park entrance gate

- Added new gravel to each disc golf tee box
- Added gravel to the backside of the dugouts
- Tilled garden areas in preparation for new flower beds this spring
- Bush hogged along wooded areas and near the small pond
- Completed routine ballfield maintenance
- Cleaned all dugouts
- Shoveled snow from sidewalks
- Removed limbs and sticks following the windstorm
- Cleaned out lost and found

Public Works Department
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Brush Pick Up

Public Works collected 268 brush orders which produced 528 Cyds of brush. Brush has been higher this month due to the snow and ice storms creating damage.

Vehicles

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

Sanitation

Sanitation records are unavailable currently, but garbage has been heavier than usual.

Streets

Public Works pushed and spread salt for the snow event at the end of January.

Administration Monthly Report
Heather Taylor, Assistant Town Manager
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Assistant Town Manager:

Hurricane Helene/FEMA Park Recovery

- The Town's final reimbursement request has been "obligated" in the FEMA Grants Portal, this is the last step before receiving funds.
- Heather will present a project overview at the March Council meeting.

Website/Facebook

- Continued updating the Town's website to ensure current and accurate information.
- Posted regularly to the Town's Facebook page (several posts per week) to keep residents informed.

Purchasing for FY 25/26

- Assisted Parks and Recreation with spring preparation purchases for ballfields and playgrounds, including turface and mulch

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Finance:

2025 Property Taxes- As of February 25, over 98% of the 2025 tax levy has been collected. Susan presented the mid-year tax collection report at the February Council meeting, and second notices were mailed during the month of February.

Business Registration Revenue- There is currently only one outstanding receivable account remaining.

Budget 26/27- Department Heads have submitted their FY 26/27 budget requests, and Heather and Mark are currently reviewing the submissions. A comprehensive budget folder will be prepared and distributed prior to the March pre-budget workshop.

GASB 103- Attended a webinar regarding the implementation of GASB 103, which will take effect with the FY 25/26 financial statements.

Fire Department AUP/audit- All required documentation was gathered and submitted for the prior-year review of tax payments to Fletcher Fire and Mills River for the auditors. A budget amendment has also been prepared for the March agenda to address the identified underpayments.

Human Resource:

Employment

- Accounting and Customer Service Specialist - Mishele Calvillo began employment on February 16 and has quickly become a valuable asset to the Administration Department.
- Posted and advertised seasonal positions for an Afternoon Park Ranger and Summer Day Camp Counselors.

Wellness

- Employees logged over 40 hours in the Town gym during February.
- Blood pressure screenings were offered in February, with six employees participating in the free screening.

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TOWN MANAGER

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KEITH REED
AMBER MCKINNEY

Planning & Zoning Department Monthly Update- February 2026

- The Planning Board did not meet during the month of February due to having no agenda items.
- Tyler successfully passed the certification exam to become a Certified Municipal Stormwater Inspector. MS4 permits require that all stormwater inspections be conducted by qualified personnel. This certification confirms that inspections are being performed by a professional who has met established standards of knowledge, experience, and competency in the field of stormwater management. The National Stormwater Center's CSI-MS4 program has supported more than 14,000 municipal inspectors nationwide.
- Staff continued routine day-to-day operations, including the issuance of permits, responding to development inquiries, and addressing zoning, solid waste, and junked vehicle complaints.
- Tyler and Mark met with Martin Lewis and Will Buie to reengage discussions regarding Town Center development and overall vision. The meeting was productive and helped realign priorities while identifying potential paths forward to advance the Town Center initiative.
- Tyler finalized the ArcGIS StoryMap highlighting the history and vision of both the Town Center Project and the broader Heart of Fletcher initiative. The StoryMap is intended to serve as a recruitment and marketing tool to attract development partners who share the Town's vision and goals for the Town Center. The completed StoryMap can be accessed here: https://arcg.is/0nHzCu0
- Tyler and Chris Brown of McGill met with Isaiah Reed, MS4 Program Coordinator for the State of North Carolina. During this meeting, the State confirmed that the Town's updated draft Stormwater Management Plan and permit renewal remain due in June, with no extension to December 2026. Planning staff and McGill will be working over the coming months to update the plan and submit it for State review.

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