Fletcher Parks & Recreation Department

Monthly Report – September 2026

Programs & Events

Yoga in the park

Yoga in the Park continued throughout September, providing participants with an opportunity to enjoy an outdoor fitness program in a relaxed park setting. Yoga in the park will run until October 22nd.

Intermediate Ladies Pickleball League

The Intermediate Ladies Pickleball League first night began on September 28th. This league provides players with organized competition and an opportunity to stay active while building community through recreational play.

Fall Family Festival

The Fall Family Festival was held at Bill Moore Community Park and featured a vendor market, food trucks, kids' activities, live entertainment, and fireworks. The community was able to enjoy the festival, activities, and entertainment before thunderstorms moved into the area and forced the event to be canceled at 5:00 p.m. The fireworks were the highlight of the evening and provided a memorable ending for the community before the storms arrived.

Facilities & Maintenance

Bill Moore Community Park & Kate's Park

Our maintenance team continues to do an outstanding job keeping both parks clean, safe, and welcoming for residents and visitors. Their dedication ensures our facilities remain in excellent condition throughout the busy summer season.

September Maintenance Projects Completed:

- Pressure washed park shelters on a weekly basis.
- Mowed park grounds five days per week.
- Blew debris from sidewalks, trails, and playground areas.
- Conducted routine playground safety inspections.
- Removed debris from the back trail.

• Ordered supplies and prepared facilities for the upcoming fall baseball and softball season.

• Pressure washed Parks & Recreation equipment weekly.

- Fixed drainage culvert near baseball/softball fields

Volunteer Day – A group of students from Christ School volunteered on September 9th at Bill Moore Community Park to help with park maintenance and beautification. The group assisted with mulching and cleaning up the trails leading down to Cane Creek, helping improve the appearance and accessibility of the area for park visitors.

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Brush Pick Up

Public Works collected 380 brush orders which produced 312 Cyds of brush.

Vehicles

Public Works performed service on three Public Works vehicles, ten police cars and four Parks & Rec vehicles.

Sanitation

Public Works collected 177.48 tons of garbage for a daily average of 8.07 tons.

Public Works collected 7 white goods.

Stormwater

Stormwater Grant was awarded to Ms. Sarah Harper at 10 Grove End Road.

I have spent over 6 hours during the month of August with either on site visits, e-mails, phone calls or collecting data.

Public Works cleaned the underground stormwater system at Town Hall.

Budget

During the month of September, gas prices have risen $0.50 while diesel prices have risen $0.85. If these prices continue, Public Works fuel expenses will exceed their proposed budget.

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Planning & Zoning Department Monthly Update- September 2026

- The Planning Board held its regular meeting on September 15 and reviewed two agenda items. The Board unanimously recommended approval of a standard rezoning request on Underwood Road. The Board also reviewed a Special Use Permit application for a proposed campground at 67 Old Case Road, resulting in a 4 to 3 vote on the motion to recommend approval.

- The Zoning Board of Adjustment held its regular meeting on September 15 and considered a variance application for 55 Baldwin Circle. The Board unanimously approved a side setback variance associated with the reconstruction of the home through the RENew NC program. Due to limitations associated with the available home designs, the replacement home requires an 8-foot side setback on each side rather than the standard 10-foot setback.

- Tyler attended the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Coordinating Committee meeting, where regional transportation planning initiatives and priorities were discussed.

- Planning and Fletcher Police Department staff joined NCDOT, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, Asheville Regional Airport, and representatives from Broadmoor Golf Links to discuss golf balls leaving the driving range and entering I-26. Fletcher staff primarily attended to provide information as needed, while Broadmoor and NCDOT continue working toward potential solutions.

- The Town held its litter pickup event on September 26, beginning at Town Hall. Participants spent two hours collecting litter along portions of Old Cane Creek Road, Cane Creek Road, US 25, and Howard Gap Road. Special thanks to Councilman Lance and Town Manager Biberdorf for participating and assisting with the event. Their help and support were greatly appreciated.

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