
THE BILTMORE FOREST CHRONICLE

JUNE 2018

4TH OF JULY CHILDREN'S PARADE AND PICNIC WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH 2018



- 9:00am Parade Registration begins
- 9:30am Parade Registration ends and Judging begins**
- 9:45am Awards presented ~ Invocation
- 9:50am Parade travels to Rosebank Park



****Please remember the cut off time to register your child or pet for the parade is 9:30am. We will not accept entries after this time.**

Dress in your best patriotic attire. Children can decorate their bikes and tricycles. Trophies will be awarded for: Best costume, best dressed pet, best wheels (Tricycles, bicycles, strollers, wag-
ons) The fun will continue at 10:00 am, following the Parade at Rosebank Park, (between Vanderbilt Road and Park Road), with inflatables, balloon twisting, water fun, cotton candy and Sno-cones, and ice cream.
Don't forget to save room for a hot dog!

The Commissioners Corner



The Town is entering the final stages of its design process for the Public Works Building renovation. The Board of Commissioners began reviewing the need for this project in late 2016 and allocated funding for the design work to begin in fiscal year 2017-2018. The Town entered into an agreement with Asheville architecture firm ClarkNexsen to perform design work for the project with an eye to begin construction during fiscal year 2018-2019.

During the Town's March 2018 meeting, the Board selected Asheville firm Beverly-Grant to act as the Construction Manager at Risk for this project. In the intervening two months, the Town, architect, and general contractor have worked collaboratively to craft a final design that accomplishes several goals.

The first goal was to dramatically improve the building access, functionality, and usefulness for the Town's public works employees and citizens of Biltmore Forest. The end result will be a modern and functional building that includes usable second floor space and is able to accommodate the needs of our Public Works employees and citizenry.

The second goal was to craft these improvements while simultaneously recognizing and protecting the historic nature of this building. The building once housed horses and was later converted to the Town's bus station, before finally becoming the Public Works building. It was imperative that the design capture the aesthetic of the existing building and adjacent Police Department. In doing so, the architects have stitched the framework of the past into a building we hope will stand for another 90 years.

The result is the design laid out on the rendering above. The Town is pleased with the architect's attention to detail and their care in respecting the history of the building while providing an improved and modern working environment for our employees. The project is tentatively scheduled to begin in early to mid-September and conclude by the summer of 2019. Please feel free to contact the Town Hall with any questions regarding the project.

From the Chief of Police



All Biltmore Forest police vehicles and the police department’s communication center are now equipped with automatic external defibrillators (A.E.D.) Defibrillation can save lives from sudden cardiac arrest which can strike without warning and often without symptoms. The only effective way to treat it is through defibrillation. A heart defibrillator delivers an electrical shock to your heart to restore a normal heartbeat. For the best chance of surviving sudden cardiac arrest, you must be defibrillated within approximately 6 minutes. Time is crucial for this life saving treatment and equipping our vehicles with AEDs allows us to cut down response time and potentially save lives.

Spring time is here and with warmer weather comes much more interaction with wildlife. We have recently received numerous bear sightings and complaint calls. The key thing to remember is that the bears are either searching for food or traveling to and from habitat. Most of the time the bear will avoid you just by your presence but proactive prevention goes a long way. Make sure all bird feeders are put away during this time of year. Keep your trash put up until it is ready to be picked up. There are also bear resistant trash cans and other devices available that keep the bears moving along. Obviously if a bear is acting aggressive or traveling with a cub or cubs avoid them if at all possible. Many experts suggest using bear spray, making no sudden movements, or even playing dead.

Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget Information

The Town Manager presented his proposed budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 to the Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, May 15. The year’s budget allows for the completion of several major projects in the Town, including the renovation of the Public Works building and completion of a storm water master plan. When finalized, the storm water master plan will provide the Town a blueprint for maintenance work and significant system upgrades .

Traffic control measures are proposed in an effort to mitigate increased traffic and speeds throughout the Town. The Town is also embarking on a safety program in our solid waste department which includes the purchase of two new lifts for our solid waste vehicles.

The proposed budget includes funding for a water line upgrade in the area of Cedarcliff and Hendersonville Roads. The Police Department will receive increased training opportunities, equipment upgrades, and a scheduled replacement of one vehicle. Continued improvements in our parks and open spaces are also anticipated across the Town.

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

- Bill Hyatt 33 years
- Laura Jacobs 9 years
- Charles Tesner 3 years
- Jonathan Kanipe 4 years
- Keith Bowman 26 years
- Terry Crouch 35 years
- Helen Stephens 14 years
- Gabriel Crespo 13 years

Thank you all for your hard work and dedication!

With the help of our new zoning enforcement officer, the Town is working more proactively on code enforcement actions. Please remember to keep your yard and property to neighborhood standards as required by the Town Code. Contact the Town before ANY construction, exterior work, or tree removal activity begins on your property.

From the Public Works Department



Please welcome Jason Phillips to the Town of Biltmore Forest. Jason has prior experience working for the Town of Columbus and the City of Hendersonville. He is the proud father of a 2 month old boy and his family resides in Columbus, NC. Jason replaces Officer Gabriel Crespo who recently transferred to the Police Department.

When placing brush out, please do not put out any material larger than 6” in diameter or 6’ in length. Brush is to be placed out NO SOONER than 7 days before your collection date. Please place brush in front of your property, NOT across the street, on top of water meters, or in front of fire hydrants and storm drains. Please place brush in one pile and not several small piles.

The Town asks that all residents refrain from depositing grass clippings within the street right of way. If grass clippings are placed within the right of way, the Town may remove the grass clippings and bill the owner of the residence \$150. Please continue to place all garbage in garbage bags. This will help with loading of trash and reduce injuries and litter. Approximately 500 tons of trash is collected on a yearly basis.

July 4th garbage and recycling collection will occur on Thursday, July 5th. The annual white goods collection will occur on August 2.

Please call Public Works at 274-3919 for questions about trash, recycling, white goods collection, brush collection, or leaf pickup.

The Biltmore Forest Community Committee



You are driving down one of Biltmore Forest’s tree lined roads when your eye catches a quick glimpse of what looks like a log cabin! These quaint and historic structures dot our town and they usually have attached to them an interesting story. Many of them were transported and re-assembled from their original locations in the mountains of Western North Carolina.

They were used as guest houses, man caves or play houses. No matter what their purpose they

represent a time in history from where they originally stood, how they came to Biltmore Forest and what they are used for today.

The Community Committee Presents

Robert Griffin- Architect, Preservationist and Historian

“THE CABINS OF THE FOREST”

Slide Presentation and Lecture

Sept. 30. 2018 3:30- 5:30pm at the Biltmore Forest Country Club-Club Room

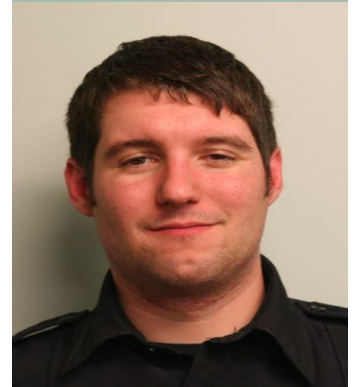
EMPLOYEE NEWS

Congratulations to Officer Ian Grant and Officer Gabriel Crespo! Ian was promoted to Road Officer replacing Officer Josh Jaramillo.

Officer Crespo is now working full time with the police department as a Desk Officer. Officer Crespo recently transferred from the Public Works department.



Officer Gabriel Crespo



Officer Ian Grant

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Attention!

June water bills will reflect an additional charge of \$1.78 plus the meter rental fee which ranges anywhere from \$.10-\$.65. The water bills in April did not reflect this charge and will be added to the June bills. Thank you for patience and understanding.

Optional town vehicle decals are available at the police department for \$5 per vehicle. Methods of payment accepted are exact cash and check only.

KNOW YOUR ORDINANCES



Pedestrians should walk on the left side of the road facing traffic when practicable. This is a North Carolina law.



Please be considerate and keep your dog on a leash and pick up waste after your dog while walking in the streets and parks throughout Town. Waste bags are available in the parks .