



Talk of the Town

December 17, 2018
78th Edition

Town Tidbit:

Did you know? About 1915-Town Hall was located on Third Street, and it was also call the "Opera House" because it included an auditorium for shows, musicals, lectures, and town meetings. The structure was destroyed by fire in 1926. Many town records were lost in the blaze.

"Town of Smithfield 2018 Christmas Parade"

[Click Here To View the 2018 Christmas Parade](#)

The link is on the left-hand side of the screen



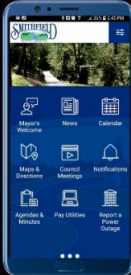
OR

Public-Educational-Government
Spectrum Channel 18

Air Times for the Christmas Parade

Sunday 10:30 am & 8:00 pm
Monday 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Tuesday 1:00 pm & 5:30 pm
Wednesday 1:30 pm & 7:30 pm
Thursday 12:30 pm & 5:45 pm
Friday 12:30 pm & 8:30 pm
Saturday 1:00 pm & 9:30 pm

New Town App:



Connecting The Town Of Smithfield Like Never Before

Receiving Information From The Town Is Now At Your Fingertips!

- Get Notifications Of Events
- Pay Your Utilities Bills From Your Phone
- Report Outages And Repairs
- Stay Up-to-date With Parks & Recreation and SRAC Info
- Access The Town's Facebook and Twitter Page
- And More ...

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Town of Smithfield



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¡Recibir información de la ciudad ahora está al alcance de sus dedos!

- Reciba notificaciones de eventos
- Pague sus facturas de servicios públicos desde su teléfono
- Reporte Cortes de Luz y Reparaciones
- Manténgase Actualizado Con Parques y Recreación e Información del SRAC
- Acceso a la página de Facebook y Twitter de La Ciudad
- Y más ...

Descarga tu aplicación hoy

Ciudad de Smithfield

Live Town Camera:



[Click for Live Town Cam!](#)

Smithfield Hires First Ever Marketing And Communications Specialist:

The Town of Smithfield announces the hiring of Brian Eaves to fill the newly created position of Marketing and Communications Specialist.

Brian has nearly 20 years of experience in all facets of media, including audio, video, radio and social media. In this position, Brian will help promote all of the wonderful things about the Town of Smithfield to citizens and visitors.

"I am thrilled to be joining the Town of Smithfield as the Marketing and Communications Specialist," Eaves said. "We have so much to offer - excellent schools, recreation, shopping, dining and more. What a fabulous place this is."



Eaves earned an A.A. Degree in Business Administration from Johnston Community College and B.S. Degree in Business Management and Human Resources from Barton College. He has been married to his wife, Andrea, for 18 years and has three children ages 7, 8 and 14. He is a member ...

[Courtesy of the JOCO Report](#)

Stormwater Services Survey:



[Town of Smithfield Stormwater Services Survey](#)

Human Resources Department:

The Human Resources Department is responsible for the formulation and administration of the human resources function for approximately 150 full-time employees, 150 part-time employees and 30 retirees. This includes, but is not limited to: personnel policies; recruitment, referral, and selection of applicants to fill city jobs; administration of the position classification and pay plan; coordination of organizational developmental training and career development programs; administration of employee benefit programs; workers' compensation; and direction of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Affirmative Action efforts. The department also administers the safety and Health and Wellness programs.



Mission Statement

The goal of the Town of Smithfield's Human Resources Department is to attract, hire, motivate, develop and retain a diverse, well-qualified and professional workforce that reflects the high standards of the community we serve with no less than excellent service to others.

Our Values

We believe:

- We are courteous and respectful
- We conduct ourselves in a professional and responsive manner
- We display fair, equitable and consistent treatment for all of our employees
- We are knowledgeable, accurate and efficient in serving our employees

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[Website](#)

Police Tips:



The Smithfield Police Department wants everyone to be safe during the Holiday Season. Following these safety tips can help you avoid becoming a victim.

Away From Home

- Set timers for plug in lights, if you are out of town.
- Consider investing in a Security System or security cameras.
- Tell a trusted friend or neighbor while you are gone to keep an eye on your home.
- Fill out a "Residence Check Request Form" at the Smithfield Police Department during extended absences to let us know you are out of town

While Shopping

- Always lock your vehicle. Never leave valuables in plain sight in your vehicle. Always store them in the trunk or cover them up.
- Always keep an eye on your pocket book or wallet. These items should be kept close at all times and never left unattended, especially in a shopping cart.
- Do not show large amounts of cash while checking out at a register or anywhere else.

At Home

- Be sure to water your live tree. A dried out tree is a fire hazard.
- Do not leave boxes of high-value presents at the curb. This may make you a target for theft. Break the boxes down and place them in your trash can.
- When decorating, be sure your ladder is set firmly on a flat and level surface. It is always a good idea to have someone hold the ladder for you.
- Be sure to lock your vehicles at all times even when in your own driveway.
- Do not leave presents or other valuables in your vehicle.

In case of an Emergency, dial 911



Neuse Charter Science Fair Winners:

Neuse Charter School has announced the winners of the 2018-2019 Science Fair. Science Fairs allow students to pursue their interests in science and technology.

Students conducted science fair experiments in the following areas: Biology; Chemistry; Earth and Environmental; Engineering; Physics and Mathematics; and Technology.

The winners will advance to our Regional Fair, giving them the opportunity to move on to the NC Science and Technology Fair. Students advancing to the state level have the chance to win scholarships and monetary awards. Neuse Charter School provides...



[Courtesy of JoCo Report](#)

Town of Smithfield Now Offering E-Billing:



Council Meeting Highlights

December 4, 2018



Regular Meeting Summary:

1. The Town Council approved the preliminary subdivision plat request by Sam's Branch Development; a proposed 298-315 lot residential Planned Unit Development located at 1899 Buffalo Road.
2. The Town Council approved the Consent Agenda.
3. The Town Council approved a preliminary subdivision plat request by Last Investments, LLC.; a proposed 110 lot single family residential development located at 1337 Cleveland Road.
4. The Town Council approved an annexation petition from Navaho Investment Company, LLC to annex 32.79 acres into the Town of Smithfield's corporate limits.
5. The Town Council accepted an upset bid in the amount of \$6,500.00 for property located at 916 Third Avenue.
6. The Town Council awarded a bid to the John Deere Winterville dealership in the amount of \$44,542.51 for the purchase of a skid steer tractor for the Public Utilities' Electric Department
7. The Town Council approved a Special Event request from the Johnston County Alumnae Chapter to conduct an annual 5k Run/Walk on Saturday, May 4, 2019.

The Town Council regularly meets the first Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00pm at the Town Hall Council Chambers located at 350 East Market Street - unless rescheduled. The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2019. Come join us and get involved! [View Minutes of Past Meetings Here](#)

Local Business Spotlight: Arby's

The Arby's brand purpose is Inspiring Smiles Through Delicious Experiences®. Arby's delivers on its purpose by celebrating the art of Meatcraft® with a variety of high-quality proteins and innovative, crave-able sides, such as Curly Fries and Jamocha shakes. Arby's Fast Crafted® restaurant services feature a unique blend of quick-serve speed combined with the quality and made-for-you care of fast casual. Arby's Restaurant Group, Inc. is the franchisor of the Arby's Brand and is headquartered in Atlanta, Ga.

Located On :
1720 EAST MARKET ST SMITHFIELD, NC 27577
STORE ID: #8136
Website: arbys.com

Phone:
(800) 599-2729



Smithfield Appearance Commission



Available to anyone who signs up: a gardening newsletter available through NC Cooperative Extension, State University, A&T University called "Gardeners Dirt". Master gardeners, industry & university experts contribute to the article.

To request a copy via email contact: mhwarren@ncsu.edu. Or cblassit@ncsu.edu

Volunteers Needed

Opportunities Available to Serve on a Town Board

- Appearance Commission - 2 Position
- Board of Adjustment - 1 in Town Member and 1 Alternate
- Historic Properties Commission - 1 Position

Current Volunteer Town Board Opportunities:

All positions are three year terms, unless otherwise specified. Interested citizens can download an "[Application for Board Appointment](#)" on the Town's website or you may call Town Clerk Shannan Parrish to request one by mail at 919-934-2116.



Parks & Recreation / SRAC

Upcoming Events

For more information on the below events without links, please visit: http://www.smithfield-nc.com/page/parks_programs



Around Town

For fun or to help others in our community

The JoCo Scrabble group - meets on Monday nights from 6 pm to 8 pm at the McDonald's in West Smithfield (W. Market Street). There is no cost beyond whatever food you choose to buy. This is a social group of adult (or teen) Scrabble players. Players vary in ability levels, so don't hesitate to come and play. For more information, please email southerner@earthlink.net. Please put Scrabble in the subject line so that we know what the message is about.

Book Club - The Public Library of Johnston County and Smithfield welcomes new members to its daytime book club. Meetings are at 12:30pm on the third Tuesday of every month. **Youth Adult Book Club** - Meetings are 6:30pm on the third Monday of every month. Club members suggest the titles to read, and the library lends copies of each month's selection to the members. For more information, call Katie Barbour at 919-934-8146 ext.3 or email kbarbour@pljcs.org.

Downtown Smithfield Development Corporation - Want to stay up to date with what's happening in Downtown Smithfield? [Click here](#) to sign-up for their newsletter or call 919-934-0887 for more information.

Employment Opportunities With The Town Of Smithfield



- **Part-time Lifeguard(s)**
- **Police Officer I**
- **Utility Line Mechanic**

Applications may be obtained at the Smithfield Town Hall, 350 East Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577 or by visiting our website at www.smithfield-nc.com. Full Job Advertisements may be obtained at the Smithfield Town Hall or by visiting our website at www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs. Full Job Descriptions may be obtained upon request at the Smithfield Town Hall. Only qualified applicants should apply. The Town of Smithfield is an ADA/EEO Employer.

Contact: **Tim Kerigan** - HR Director / Public Information Officer
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