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## Town Council to Begin 2021-2022 Budget Discussions TONIGHT

The Smithfield Town Council will begin FY 2021-2022 budget discussions TONIGHT (Thursday, April 22nd) at 6:30pm. The budget



meetings will be held in Council Chambers and the public is invited to attend.

View the 2021-2022 DRAFT BUDGET here.

# Town Hall Reopening to the Public Monday, May 3rd

Smithfield Town Hall will officially reopen to the public on Monday, May 3rd.

"We are excited to welcome the public back to Town Hall, now that it is safer to do so," said Town Manager Michael Scott. "During the pandemic, our employees have never stopped working for our citizens and our day-to-day



lot on Fourth Street.

operations have continued, just not in-person. We are shifting our hours of operation from 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday to allow our employees to properly clean and sanitize our facility each day. Our employees will maintain their normal work hours."

Safety protocols will be required when visiting Town Hall. Face coverings will be mandatory, and social distancing will be followed.

Our Utilities and Billing Staff will still accept payments over-the-phone, <u>online</u> or by using our two drop-boxes outside Town Hall in our parking

# Earth Day Clean Up Saturday!

Please join us at the Sarah Yard Community Center, Bob Wallace Jaycee Kiddie Park and Smithfield Community Park THIS SATURDAY, April 24th from 9:30-11:30am for our Earth Day Litter Pick-Up, in conjunction with the North Carolina Department of Transportation Litter Sweep.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24th
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

STARTING POINTS

SARAH YARD COMMUNITY CENTER
909 E. LEE STREET

BOB WALLACE JAYCEE KIDDIE PARK
350 S. FRONT STREET

SMITHFIELD COMMUNITY PARK
600 M. DURWOOD STEPHENSON PARKWAY

JOIN US IN CLEANING UP THE PARKS!

NCONJUNCTION WITH
NCDOT LITTER SWEEP
PARKS & RECEREATION
NCOLOGOV/LITTERSWEEP

Businesses, athletic teams,

churches, youth groups, neighborhoods, civic groups, families, and individuals are invited to participate. As a thank you for volunteering, while supplies last, we'll provide you with a tree seedling for planting.



# SATURDAY / 5.1.2021 / 10AM -1PM SMITHFIELD SELMA HIGH SCHOOL

## Shred/Recycle Event May 1st

The Local Government Federal Credit Union (LGFCU), along with Register of Deeds Craig Olive and the Town of Smithfield, invite you to Smithfield-Selma High School from 10am-1pm on Saturday May 1st

for a FREE shred/recycle event! Protect yourself from identity theft by bringing any personal documents and records along with any telecommunications, networking and computer equipment.

Disclaimer: We are not able to accept household appliances, batteries or any type of used medical device. This event is not for use by any businesses, commercial entities or county departments. Limit of three document boxes or 75 pounds of paper per attendee.

Triangle East Chamber of Commerce Strawberry Festival Scavenger Hunt!



April 24-May 1, 2021

Explore Johnston County & Compete For Cash Prizes! FREE Sign-Ups Now LIVE on www.TriangleEastChamber.com!







The 2021 Strawberry Festival Scavenger Hunt launches on April 24th! Participants will compete to complete the most tasks and win cash prizes!

In this new twist on the annual Strawberry Festival, the public is invited to download the Scavenger Hunt app and explore Johnston County from April 24th through May 1st. The 8 days will be filled with fun – whether taking selfies with innovative menu items at local restaurants, discovering local artists, checking out websites for clues to questions, or getting out to area parks, this event is sure to bring delight to all who register. The app will keep track of points earned when

tasks are completed and the highest scores are eligible to win! \$500 goes to first place, \$300 to second place, and \$200 to third place!

The Triangle East Chamber and presenting sponsor, Call Pernell, Inc., are excited to offer this unique experience, which will offer our community a safe, new way to enjoy our county.

All in-person tasks will adhere to current COVID guidelines. Find the app on <a href="mailto:www.TriangleEastChamber.com">www.TriangleEastChamber.com</a> and join in the 2021 Strawberry Festival Scavenger Hunt!

### **Equity Drive Update**

The initial paving on Equity Drive has been completed. Contractors will complete the final 1.5 inches of paving at a later date. In order to complete the final paving process, contractors need to have nighttime temperatures in the mid 60's to allow the pavement to set properly.

Once scheduled, the final paving will be completed overnight to prevent any disruption of traffic in the area.

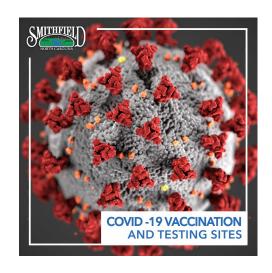


As a reminder, traffic alerts, along with other Town information, are always available via the Town's Mobile App, available for download through Google Play and the App Store.

# **COVID-19 Vaccination & Testing Sites**

The Johnston County Health Department is holding a first and second dose Pfizer drivethru clinic on Friday, April 23rd from 8:00 a.m. until supplies last at Johnston Community College located at 245 College Rd, Smithfield, NC 27577. Please do not arrive prior to 7:00 a.m.

The Health Department will be administering the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine (16 years of age and up) as well as second doses of



the Pfizer vaccine. Individuals under the age of 18 need an adult present to receive the vaccine. Patients will need a second dose between 21 and 42 days after the first dose.

The **Smithfield Progressive Men's Club**, located at 1208 Goldsboro Road, is hosting **COVID-19 TESTING** Tuesdays and Thursdays (with the exception of the second Thursday of the month) from 11am-7pm and Saturdays from 10am-6pm.

#### **SSS** Wins Battle of the Books!

The Smithfield-Selma High School (SSS) Battle of the Books team placed first in the county-wide virtual competition on Friday, April 16 over Cleveland and Clayton. These dedicated students wanted to compete this year even if it meant reading 15 books in a little over three months. Their commitment led the team to an early lead that the other schools could not compete with and to an all-time high score of 104! Congratulations to the entire team and leaders! **#SSStrong** 

Pictured in the photo from left to right: Kyra Worth, Mrs. Causby, Jude Reece, Ruthie Nutt and Jaime Suggs; On screen: Catherine Cepin and Maya Mercier.





### Smithfield Community Garden Volunteers Needed!

Thank you to everyone who joined for our Smithfield Community Garden Day of Service, sponsored by Rotary E-Club of District 7710. It was great to see so many new volunteers and community organizations pitch in to get our season started.

We are still looking for volunteers to serve throughout the season. Contact Doris Wallace at 919-300-1067 or 702-596-5680 to volunteer.

Follow us on our *Facebook page* to keep up with all the latest information.



### **Summer Camps at the SRAC!**

Summer Camp Registration for 2021 at the Smithfield Recreation and Aquatics Center is underway! Camps will be held from 8:30am - 4:30pm on the following weeks:

June 7-11

June 14-18

June 21-25

July 5-9

July 12-16

July 19-23

July 26-30

August 2-6

August 9-13

Register online at <u>srac.clubautomation.com</u> or call 919-934-1408 during regular business hours.

Pottery and art camps are also a part of the summer agenda at the SRAC! See the information below.





#### **Work With Us!**

We are currently hiring in the areas of



finance, public utilities, and planning, along with our fire and police departments.

Applications and full job advertisements may be obtained at Smithfield Town Hall, located at 350 East Market Street in Smithfield, or by visiting our website at <a href="www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs">www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs</a>. Only qualified applicants should apply.

The Town of Smithfield is an ADA/EEO Employer.

# Smithfield Town Board Opportunities:

Serving on a board within the Town of Smithfield has many benefits! Choosing to serve on a board enables you to become an integral part of solving problems in our community that are important to you. As a board member, you get the opportunity to be a representative of the diversity and social culture of Smithfield. It's also an opportunity to serve in a leadership position in an organization that serves others.



Right now, Smithfield has the following vacancies:

- Appearance Commission 2 Vacancies
- Board of Adjustment 1 In-Town Vacancy
- Recreation Advisory Committee 3 Vacancies and 2 High School Representatives

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

# Town of Smithfield E-Billing:



Three easy ways to sign up:

- · Visit customer service at Town Hall
- Call (919) 934-2116 Ext.1113 E
- Email: utilitybilling@smithfield-nc.com



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