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THE TOWN OF MOORESVILLE VOLUME 18 NUMBER 1 JANUARY 2022



# MEETINGS THIS MONTH:

#### **January 4 & 18**

Board of Commissioners Meetings The Board of Commissioners will meet January 4 & 18 at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street. The meetings may also be viewed virtually at mooresvillenc.gov/live.

#### january 13

Planning Board
The Planning Board will hold its monthly
meeting on January 13 at Town Hall at 6 p.m.

#### **January 14**

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Agenda Briefing

The Board of Commissioners will hold an agenda briefing before their regular meeting on January 14, virtually, at 8:30 a.m. This meeting can be viewed at mooresvillenc.gov/live.

#### january 28

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Town Board Retreat

The Board of Commissioners will hold its annual retreat on January 28 at The Charles Mack Citizen Center from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Events**

Celebrating his life and legacy with the community



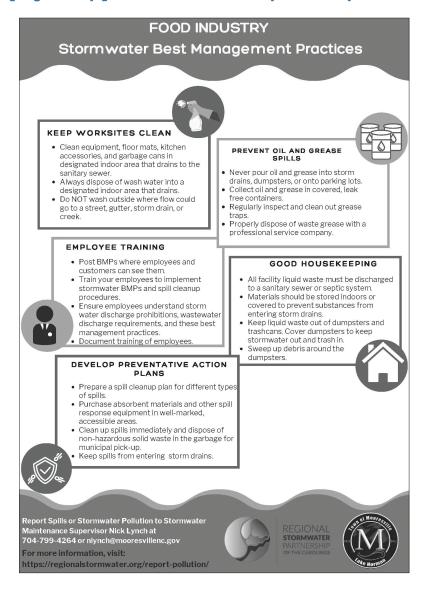
The first official Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day was on Monday, January 20, 1986. The Town of Mooresville and our community partners will continue to commemorate this important national holiday with several activities honoring the civil rights leader.

Why do we celebrate Dr. King? According to the Department of Defense's Education Activity, Dr. King followed in the footsteps of his grandfather and father by entering the ministry to become a Baptist minister. He advocated for nonviolent resistance to overcome injustice as a means of lifting racial oppression, creating change with organized sit-ins, marches, and peaceful demonstrations that highlighted issues of inequality. Dr. King received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 and was the youngest person to ever receive this high honor. Unfortunately, on April 4, 1968, at the age of 39, he was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee as he stood on the balcony of his hotel.

In order to showcase Dr. King's life and legacy, some of the upcoming local activities include a concert, a day of service and a breakfast with guest speakers. Please visit www.townofmooresvillenc.com/mlkjr for dates, times, and further details of upcoming events.

# Stormwater Best Management

Keeping food by-products out of waterways and away from wildlife



The storm drainage systems in the Town of Mooresville are designed to prevent flooding by collecting excess stormwater during storms or rain events. This stormwater flows over surfaces, picks up pollutants and is eventually discharged into the lakes, streams, and rivers. Unfortunately, there is no process in the storm drain system to effectively filter out these contaminants and pollutants before they reach our downstream waters.

The by-products of the food industry can harm our waterways and wildlife living in and around them if they enter the storm drain system. This is typically caused by disposing of food waste in faulty dumpsters, not properly cleaning up outdoor food or chemical spills, or by improper disposal of waste and liquids which enter into the storm drain system. For this reason, it is important to understand the ways in which the food industry can help aid in keeping our waterways clean through the following Best Management Practices (BMPs). BMPs are methods or activities that may help prevent stormwater pollution.

The quality of our waters depends on your actions. We can work together to protect our water quality and comply with local, regional, and state regulations!

### **Our Town Stage**



Comedian John Henton is scheduled for January 29 at Our Town Stage! After having nine successful years on network television, Henton established a name for himself as one of today's leading comedic talents.

He is fortunate to be among an elite group of actors who found success on the small screen and gathered a loyal and endearing following through the lovable and sensible character of "Overton Wakefield Jones" on the FOX hit sitcom, "Living Single." The loyalty continued with fans embracing the character of "Milsap" on the sitcom, "The Hughleys." John's stellar television work has not gone unnoticed, as he was recognized in 2001 and 2002 with an NAACP Image Award nomination for "Best Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series."

Since then, Henton has made appearances on "The Arsenio Hall Show," and "Bob Hope's Young Comedian's Special," as well as returning to "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." In January 1993, Henton starred in his own half-hour comedy special for Showtime, "John Henton: Comedy With An Attitude." John performed on Comedy Central's "Premium Blend" to an overwhelming audience response.

This show is general admission and costs \$20 per ticket. Doors open at 7 p.m. and shows start at 8 p.m. Starting at 7 p.m., enjoy a drink from our cash bar prior to the show, located in the lobby. For more information about the series, visit www.ourtownstage.com.

## HAPPPENING AROUND TOWN

# **Mooresville Public Library Events**

**Mooresville Morsels** Do you have a delicious recipe to share with our library patrons? Send a recipe to ssciarretta@mooresvillenc.gov. All contributors receive a charming cookbook and are entered into a drawing to win a handcrafted cutting board by a local artisan. Deadline for recipe entry is January 31.

**Saturday STEM** Children and families are encouraged to experiment and explore the world of science by participating in simple experiments. Join us at the Mooresville Public Library at 10 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month to learn and explore the world around you!



A Mercy Beyond Join us on January 25 at 6:30 p.m. as Rebecca Smith and Joe Gutekanst give a talk, "A Mercy Beyond: The Story of the Prodigal Son Through Middle Eastern Eyes," on the sometimes hidden cultural implications and meanings in the story of the Prodigal Son. This program will be held in the Selma Burke Room at the Mooresville Public Library.

**Code Club** Code Club is at the Mooresville Public Library for children ages 9-12 who want to learn coding concepts. A new coding concept will be presented each month. Stop by on January 25 at 4 p.m.!



**Tax Assistance** If you need assistance filing your taxes, volunteers through the VITA Tax Help program will be at the Mooresville library during tax season. Call the Mooresville Christian Mission to schedule, or for more information call (704) 664-2357.

**Virtual Trivia** Who's ready for some trivia? Join the Mooresville Public Library virtually on their Facebook for live trivia! Have fun while enjoying the comfort of your couch on January 10 at 7 p.m.

**Lego Club** On January 4, enjoy building and playing with LEGO bricks! This Mooresville library program will allow for children to connect with other builders and work on creating different structures or a new challenge each month. Join us at 4 p.m. and let your creativity flow!

#### IMPORTANT NEWS



#### **Stormwater Survey**

The Town of Mooresville Stormwater Department needs your help!

Please consider taking a short survey, which will assist in the development of a new Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) and improve your experience as a resident of the Town of Mooresville. This survey is completely anonymous and will help Town staff in gauging public awareness about stormwater and environmental issues.

Visit https://arcg.is/eu8D4 to take the survey.

#### **Liberty Park Phase II**

Liberty Park Phase II is now full steam ahead!

During the Town Board meeting on Dec. 6, commissioners awarded a construction contract to JD Goodrum for this project, with a goal of completion in spring of 2023.

#### DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS

Business Office 704-663-3800

Employment/Human Resources 704-799-4070

Fire (Non-Emergency) 704-664-1338

Golf Course 704-663-2539

Winnie Hooper Center 704-663-0033

Library 704-664-2927

Charles Mack Citizen Center 704-662-3334

Planning 704-662-7040

Police (Non-Emergency) 704-664-3311

Recreation 704-663-7026

Sanitation 704-664-4278

Selma Burke Center 704-799-4035

War Memorial 704-663-2670

Water 704-663-3800

Zoning 704-662-7040

#### **FROZEN PIPES:**

# Tips to prevent a cold weather problem

Burst pipes are one of the most common causes of property damage during frigid weather and can cause thousands in water damage. According to the American Red Cross, the pipes that freeze most frequently are ones that are exposed to severe cold (such as swimming pool supply lines or water sprinkler lines), water supply pipes in unheated interior areas (like basements), and pipes that run against exterior walls that have little or no insulation.

Some key prevention tips include keeping garage doors closed if there are water supply lines in the garage, opening kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing, and letting cold water drip from the faucet served by exposed pipes. Running water through the pipe - even at a trickle - can help prevent pipes from freezing.

Also, keep the thermostat set to the same temperature both during the day and at night. By temporarily suspending the use of lower nighttime temperatures, you may incur a higher heating bill, but you can prevent a much more costly repair job if pipes freeze and burst. And lastly, if you will be going away during cold weather, leave the heat on in your home, set to a temperature no lower than 55 degrees.

The Iredell County Solid Waste Department wants to remind property owners to replace their old Solid Waste windshield decals with the new version, which is identified by color and year.

Visit www.mooresvillenc.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3006 for more information!



#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Miles Atkins Mayor

Eddie Dingler Ward I Commissioner

Thurman Houston Ward II Commissioner

Barbara Whittington Ward III Commissioner

Lisa Qualls Ward IV Commissioner, Mayor Pro Tem

Gary West At-Large Commissioner

Bobby Compton At-Large Commissioner

TOWN OFFICIALS

Randy Hemann Town Manager

Beau Falgout Asst. Town Manager

Ryan Rase Asst. Town Manager

Sharon Crawford Town Attorney

Genevieve Glaser Town Clerk