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MEETINGS THIS MONTH

January 13

Agenda Briefings

The Board of Commissioners will hold a virtual agenda briefing before their regular meeting on January 13 at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting may be viewed at mooresvillenc.gov/live.

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January 3 and 17

Board of Commissioners Meetings

The Board of Commissioners will meet January 3 and 17 at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street, at 6 p.m.

The meetings may also be viewed virtually at mooresvillenc.gov/live.

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January 10

Planning Board

The Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting on January 10 at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street, at 6 p.m.

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January 16

Town of Mooresville Offices Closed

Town of Mooresville offices will be closed January 16 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Freezing Pipes Warning as Winter Chill Hits

Frigid temperatures and a chance for ice and snow are expected in the winter. But Mooresville Public Utilities is warning residents of the risk for frozen pipes in their home or apartment. When a pipe bursts, it can cause extensive water damage and be costly to repair.

Mooresville Public Utilities suggests adding insulation to attics, basements, and crawl spaces to maintain higher temperatures in these areas. Residents can add products made to insulate water pipes, heat tape, and similar materials to help keep the pipes warmer. Newspapers also provide some insulation and protection for pipes during the winter.

“While we don’t have brutal winters like up north, the cold temperatures we deal with can still cause issues for Mooresville residents,” said Allison Kraft, Water Resources Director. “When it drops below 20 degrees, there’s a significant chance of pipes freezing. Water expands as it freezes, putting tremendous pressure on metal and plastic pipes. We encourage residents to check their pipes and make any adjustments now.”

Kraft says pipes exposed to severe cold, such as swimming pool lines, and water supply lines in unheated areas, such as an attic, garage, or kitchen, are the most likely to freeze. When cold weather hits, there are things residents can do to help prevent frozen pipes.

“You want to leave your heat on at least 55° F and let water drip from the faucets in the kitchen, bathroom, and garage,” said Kraft. “This allows water to move through the pipes and melt any ice inside of them. Residents can also leave their kitchen and bathroom cabinets open to allow warmer air to circulate and heat up pipes.”

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Happening Around Town



Mooreville 150 Merchandise Available

Mooreville is celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2023!

Enjoy seven signature events—including Party Like it's 1873 Festival & Immersive Experience on March 3 in Downtown Mooreville—and more than 150 other fun things to do throughout the year.

Be ready for the celebration with official Mooreville 150 merchandise! View current items and purchase your merch at moorevillenc150.com/merchandise.

Don't wait! Some items are available for a limited time only!



Community Resources Available Online

New to the area or interested in a handy guide for Mooreville area resources? Scan the QR code below or visit MoorevilleResources.org to learn more!



One Night In Memphis

January 21 | 7 p.m.

Charles Mack Citizen Center | Joe V. Knox Auditorium

Created and directed by John Mueller, *One Night in Memphis*[®] is the number one booked and critically acclaimed tribute to legendary Sun Records recording artists Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis Presley performed live and starring former cast members of the Broadway smash, "Million Dollar Quartet."

Be a witness to and experience rock and roll royalty with the music and talent that has stood the test of time. True American music featuring acclaimed national talent guaranteed to get you rocking and rolling with authentic rockabilly, country, gospel, and 1950's rock and roll.

Enjoy this blast from the past on January 21, 2023! Doors open at 6 p.m. and the show starts at 7 p.m. For more information or tickets visit ourtownstage.com.

Murder Mystery Dinner

February 25 | 7 p.m.

Charles Mack Citizen Center

A tragic crime takes center stage as your detective skills become the star of the show. Sigmon Theatrical (creators of *The Wonderland Experience* and *The Sleepy Hollow Adventure*) specialize in immersive theatrical experiences. Featuring a cast of incredible performers, the action will unfold all around you, with some guests even finding themselves becoming important characters in the story. Only one question remains... who's the murderer?

This is not your usual Murder Mystery experience—it's a high-class evening of theatre and mystery that will have you laughing one minute and gasping the next!

Can you figure out who did it? Take a chance on February 25, 2023. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m. For more information or tickets visit ourtownstage.com

Mooresville Public Library Events

Winter Reading BINGO Challenge

January 1-31

Looking for some winter reading inspiration? Want to expand your literary horizons? Participate in our Winter Reading Book Bingo Challenge!! Print off or pick up your BINGO sheet anytime between January 1 and January 31 to participate. Fun for all ages! Questions? Call the library at 704-664-2927.

NC Works at MPL

January 3 | 2-4 p.m.

NC Works will be at the library on the first Tuesday of the month to assist patrons with resumes and job search questions, one-on-one from 2-4 p.m. in the Reference Department.

Girls Who Code

January 9 and 23 | 6 p.m.

Girls Who Code (GWC) is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to closing the gender gap in technology and computer science, but this program isn't just for girls. We encourage anyone in grades 6-12 who is interested in coding to join us in this program. It will feature supportive peers and role models using computer science to change the world.

**Registration required. This program will be held at our West Branch location.*

PAFR Now Online

The Popular Annual Finance Report, or PAFR, is now available on the Town website. This report breaks down the 2021-2022 fiscal year—including Town finances, what structures/buildings were added, highlights of community events, and ongoing capital projects.

You can pick up a copy of the PAFR at Town Hall and other Town buildings as well as read it online at **MooresvilleNC.gov**.

VISIT US ONLINE AT MOORESVILLENC.GOV

Homeschool Hub

January 12 and 26 | 1 p.m.

Join other homeschool students as we explore literature, science, art, and technology through a variety of interactive activities. This program will require registration for the entire two-month session. Parents/guardians will register their child for the first program, and this will secure their spot for all eight sessions. Any spots that have been unclaimed during the first session will be given to the next person on the waitlist.

**This program is for patrons ages 8-18 years old.*

Teen Cosplay

January 21 | 1-3 p.m.

Join other teen cosplay fans who want to make items, explore, and learn about cosplay. Questions? Contact Megan Mosher at mmosher@mooresvillenc.gov.

Sensory Saturday

January 21 | 2 p.m.

Sensory Saturday is a family program geared towards children ages 2-6 with developmental and sensory issues, but inclusive to all children and families of all abilities. Children will engage in various activities that may include stories, music, rhymes, movement, and sensory opportunities. Group participation is not necessary.

**This program will be held at our West Branch location.*

Inspired Art

January 14 | 10 a.m.

Families can learn about the Earth's various biomes by creating art using different mediums. Join us and create a new work of art each month.

Find more information and events at moorevillelibrary.org!

Mooresville Police Department Safety Tips

Help prevent break-ins and thefts during the month of January!

- If you have boxes from holiday gifts to dispose of, put them in your recycling or trash cans. Do not leave them by the curb to advertise what you've received or purchased over the holiday season. This could alert thieves to what may be inside your house.
- Don't leave your vehicles unlocked or with a remote key in the center console. Also, remove all valuables from inside your vehicle(s). The vast majority of car break-ins reported to Mooresville Police Department involved unlocked vehicles.
- Do not leave purses, bags, packages, or other things of value in your car in visible locations. This is an invitation for thieves to break into the vehicle.

MPD reminds you to:

1. **Always LOCK your vehicle.**
2. **HIDE valuable items out of sight.**
3. **Please REMOVE guns from your vehicle.**
4. **PARK in well-lit areas, if possible.**

**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

Space Heater Safety Tips

Mooresville Fire-Rescue wants you to stay warm safely this winter! While space heaters can provide extra warmth in a drafty room or a chilly office, they pose a safety risk, no matter where you use them. Check out these tips from the Fire Marshal's Office:

- Place the heater on a hard, level, and nonflammable surface. These appliances are intended to sit on the floor, not on a table.
- Establish a 3-foot kid-free and pet-free zone around the heater.
- Never put a space heater in a child's room.
- Keep the space heater at least 3 feet away from combustible materials, such as furniture, bedding, and curtains.
- Turn it off when you leave the room or go to bed.
- Unplug the heater when it's not in use by pulling the plug straight from the outlet. Check the cord for damage periodically, and don't use the heater if the cord is frayed or worn.
- Don't plug another electrical device or an extension cord into the same outlet as a heater—that can cause overheating.

If you smell smoke or suspect a fire, call 911!

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If the pipes in your home do freeze, Kraft says you can apply heat to the section of impacted pipe, such as a hairdryer on medium heat or an electric heating pad. Residents should not use a blowtorch, kerosene or propane heater, charcoal stove, or open flame device to warm up any frozen pipes. As pipes thaw, if residents notice a leak in their plumbing, they should contact a plumber immediately.

The Mooresville Public Utilities Department has staff available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to assist with water or sewer emergencies. Call 704-664-4278 or 704-663-3800 during normal business hours, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Monday-Friday. After hours, call 704-664-3311.

**ELECTED
OFFICIALS**

Miles Atkins
Mayor

Eddie Dingler
Ward I
Commissioner

Thurman Houston
Ward II
Commissioner

Tommy DeWeese
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