

town voice

THE TOWN OF MOORESVILLE
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MEETINGS THIS MONTH

January 9

Planning Board

The Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting on January 9 at 6 p.m. at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street.

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January 12

Agenda Briefing

The Board of Commissioners will hold an in-person agenda briefing on January 12 at 8:30 a.m. at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street.

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January 16

Board of Commissioners Meeting

The Board of Commissioners will meet January 16 at 6 p.m. at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street.

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January 22

Board of Adjustment

The Board of Adjustment will hold its monthly meeting on January 22 at 2 p.m. at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street.

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January 1 & 15

Town of Mooresville Offices are closed.

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All meetings may also be viewed virtually at [MooresvilleNC.gov/live](https://mooresvillenc.gov/live).

Tackle Winter Weather Safely

February in the Charlotte-region is known for cold temperatures and potential snow and ice storms. The Town of Mooresville and Mooresville Fire-Rescue want to make sure you can tackle the winter weather safely to avoid any fires, falls, or accidents.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) says nearly half of home heating fires happen in December, January, and February. The most likely culprit in these fires? Space heaters! NFPA says space heaters account for roughly one-third of all home heating fires (2016-2020 data). Mooresville Fire-Rescue stresses the importance of keeping a three-foot barrier around any heating equipment—such as a space heater or fireplace—to prevent blankets, curtains, and other flammable items from catching fire. Additionally, keep children and pets at least three feet away from heating sources to prevent burns and accidental falls.

There are a few other things to keep in mind before cranking up the heat this winter:

- Never use an oven to heat a home!
- Get heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a professional.
- Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room and/or going to sleep.
- Use a sturdy screen in front of the fireplace to stop sparks from flying into the room.
- Allow ashes to fully cool before putting them in a metal container outside, at least 10 feet away from the house or garage.
- Make sure the smoke detectors and CO2 detectors work inside the home. Batteries should be changed every six months and units replaced every 10 years.

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Happening Around Town

Arts & Events

The Hit Men of Country

January 19 | 7 p.m.

Joe V. Knox Auditorium

Love Country Music? You are in for a real treat when you come to see The Hit Men of Country featuring five of the finest musicians who have performed, toured, or recorded with some of Country's greatest artists – hitmakers like Wynonna, Keith Urban, Trace Adkins, Lee Greenwood, Travis Tritt, Jason Aldean, and more. This show delivers hit after hit after hit, including fan favorites like "God Bless The USA," "No One Else Somebody Like You," "Big Green Tractor," and "I Swear," plus great insider backstage stories that The Hit Men of Country share about their days on the road with the Country Legends they have worked with. This show is a Country Music lover's dream come true! For more information or tickets visit OurTownStage.com

The Great Magician - Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre

February 10 | 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. You'll be whisked away to a world of illusion as a world-class magician stumbles into the middle of a chilling crime. Only one question remains... will you be the one to solve the murder, or will the truth remain hidden behind the smoke and mirrors?

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 10, 2024. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m. For more information or tickets, visit OurTownStage.com

Parks & Recreation Winter & Spring Catalog

Visit MooresvilleRecreation.org for all programs and events!

It's a New Year, which means the Mooresville Parks & Recreation team is offering a new round of recreational activities that enrich the lives of Mooresville residents and promote a healthy lifestyle! Get ready for art in the park, culinary classes, karate lessons, and afterschool programs for youths, along with dance classes, crochet groups, yoga lessons, networking opportunities, and tennis lessons for adults. With programming for all ages and abilities, Mooresville Parks & Recreation has so much to offer to keep your mind and body healthy and happy! Browse the catalog by visiting MooresvilleRecreation.org.

FREE MPD & MFR Car Seat Check

January 6 | 3-5 p.m.

MFR Station 6 | 115 Manufacturers Blvd

Stop by for a free car seat check to make sure your precious cargo's seat is correctly installed and secure!

Parks & Recreation

Art Open Studio

Starting January 3 (Youth)

January 16 (Adult)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. (Youth)

10 a.m.-noon (Adult)

Selma Burke Recreation Center

Open studio is designed for anyone interested in exploring various art media, completing unfinished art projects, and receiving guidance. Each open studio has a variety of supplies to help explore your creative side. This is a free drop-in program, no registration needed. Bring your sketchbook and art pencils to each session. For all dates and information, visit MooresvilleRecreation.org

LEGO Fun Club (K-5)

January 8-February 19

5-6 p.m.

Selma Burke Recreation Center

Explore creativity through building with Legos! Each class we'll use Legos to design and create projects that challenge and encourage the mind.

Culinary Fun Club (Grades 6-8)

January 10-February 14

5-6 p.m.

Selma Burke Recreation Center

Learning how to cook allows individuals the knowledge to explore food in a healthy and responsible way. Students will learn about safety, spices, cooking basics, and more!

Puzzle Palooza

January 29

10 a.m.-noon (Seniors Only)

5-7 p.m. (Families)

Selma Burke Recreation Center

Bring your team of four (or less) and join us in head-to-head competition! For a chance at a prize, teams will need to complete a puzzle within the time frame.

Mooreville Public Library Events

Mooreville Morsels

January 1-31

Do you have a recipe to share? Send your recipe to ssciarretta@moorevillenc.gov! All contributors receive a charming cookbook and are entered into a drawing to win a cutting board.

Girls Who Code

January 8 & 22 | 6 p.m.

West Branch

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. Registration is required.

Code Club

January 11 | 4 p.m.

January 25 | 6 p.m.

Main Library

Children, grades K-6, will get to explore the coding program Scratch. No experience is necessary. Join us to learn how to make your own games, cartoons, and more! Both January sessions will cover the same lesson. Registration is required.

History of Education in Mooreville

January 18 | 5:30 p.m.

Main Library

Local Historian and Archivist Andy Poore will be presenting a talk on the history of education in Mooreville, including Rosenwald schools, historically Black schools, and Mooreville Graded School District.

**Find more information
and events at
MoorevilleLibrary.org!**

Book Marked

January 18 | 6 p.m.

Main Library

Children ages 8-12 are invited to join us for a new book club that will make reading fun! We will meet every month with a new book to read and unique ways to discuss it. Patrons are encouraged to take the books home to read and take notes. Write them out on post-its, draw your favorite scene, even act out the dialogue, it's up to you!

Women in STEM Panel

January 18 | 6:30 p.m.

West Branch

Passionate about science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM)? Join us at the Women in STEM Panel Event! We will host an interactive session with women who are trailblazers in STEM fields. They will share their stories, triumphs, and challenges. Let's highlight women's achievements in STEM and pave the way for a brighter, more diverse future!

Home Safety 101

January 20 | 11 a.m.

Main Library

Join Dave Harding, Mooreville Police Department Crime Prevention & Community Outreach Officer, as he educates us on home safety do's and don'ts.

Let's Discover

January 27 | 10 a.m.

Main Library, West Branch

Patrons of all ages can join us for this interactive STEM program, no experience required! We have a variety of engaging activities that you can run, build, and create all at your own pace

Library App Update

Due to technology issues, the Mooreville Public Library app will be unavailable until *at least* the second quarter of 2024.

For now, the Mooreville Public Library recommends that patrons delete the MPL app.

Although the app may still appear to work in some cases, the information it shows is outdated and inaccurate. Examples of inaccurate information that the app is providing include showing books checked out that have been checked in, showing holds as available for pickup when they have already been picked up, and not allowing patrons to search the catalog.

These issues are happening because the app no longer has the ability to connect to the Library catalog servers.

If you are an avid user of the app, Mooreville Public Library recommends bookmarking their Library catalog's mobile site on your preferred browser.

Please note that this issue is limited to the Mooreville Public Library app. Other library-related apps, such as hoopla and Libby, remain unaffected.

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
Main 704-664-2927
West Branch 704-799-4200

Charles Mack Citizen
Center
704-662-3334

Planning
704-662-7040

Police (Non-Emergency)
704-664-3311

Recreation
704-663-7026

Sanitation
704-663-7282

Selma Burke Center
704-799-4035

War Memorial
704-663-2670

Water &
Sewer Maintenance
704-663-7282

Utility Billing
704-663-3800

Zoning
704-662-7040



Tackle Winter Weather Safely

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The Mooresville Streets Department crews remind everyone not to park their car in the road when we are expecting snow. Why? Our plows cannot properly clear the snow from your road, nor will they be able to come back to plow that one small section. The Streets crews also remind you:

- Do not park your vehicle(s) on a hill if it is going to ice. Your vehicle(s) will be more likely to get hit by cars that are driving/sliding down the hill.
- Do not tailgate Town of Mooresville Streets trucks, especially if they are putting down brine or salt on the roads. Stay back at least 100 feet!
- If you can, stay home during snow and ice storms. It is safer for you, our first responders, and our streets crews.

If you must be outside after a snow or ice storm, be careful! Fire Marshal Woody and the N.C. Department of Public Health remind everyone to watch their step, especially our older residents. Take your time when walking, get up from a chair/seat slowly, and get your balance before walking outside. Be extra cautious on uneven surfaces such as sidewalks.

Follow the Town of Mooresville and Mooresville Fire-Rescue on Facebook, Instagram, and Nextdoor as well as MooresvilleNC.gov to stay informed on any weather threats, safety issues, closures, and other important messages!

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Chris Carney
Mayor

Eddie Dinger
Ward 1
Commissioner,
Mayor Pro Tem

Will Aven
Ward 2
Commissioner

Tommy DeWeese
Ward 3
Commissioner

Lisa Qualls
Ward 4
Commissioner

Gary West
At-Large
Commissioner

Eddie Karriker
At-Large
Commissioner

TOWN OFFICIALS

Jim Landon
Interim Town
Manager

Ryan Rase
Asst. Town Manager

Sherisha Hills
Asst. Town Manager

Sharon Crawford
Town Attorney