

The Echo Newsletter

From the Town Manager's Desk:
Happy Spring to Everyone!

It has been a challenging winter, due to COVID-19 restrictions and severe weather conditions, but as we put both of these behind us, we anxiously look forward to our spring/summer activities.

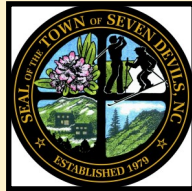
Our Public Works Department is working hard to clean up the streets that have been constantly treated this winter; see the article regarding the scheduled debris pick-ups.

Our Parks & Rec Department has scheduled numerous activities for your enjoyment and participation; keep checking our website and our Facebook page for notifications of upcoming events. We continue to prepare our acreage behind the New Town Hall for a planned park to better serve our residents and visitors. Otter Falls Trails continues to be very popular, and the Old Town Hall remodel has been completed.

A Grand Opening will be scheduled at a later date when State of Emergency restrictions are lifted.

Council and Staff are excited about the plans for our beautiful community as we move forward with our "Positive Altitude"!

Debbie Powers
Town Manager



Old Town Hall Update—Open for Business!

The newly renovated Old Town Hall is ready and open for use!

This facility can be accessed **ONLY** by assigned key fobs to property owners. This means that you **MUST HAVE** a key fob to use the Exercise Room & Book Exchange, effective April 1st.

Starting Monday, April 5th, property owners can register for key fobs at New Town Hall, Mondays - Fridays 8:30am-5:00pm.

Each household will receive 1 key fob at no charge. A second key fob will cost \$20 (we accept cash or check **ONLY** for additional fobs). For quicker registration, please print and complete the Community Center Agreement before arriving at New Town Hall. The Community Center Agreement can be found on the Town's website at sevendevils.net/OTH-Agreement

A Grand Opening will be scheduled at a future date when the State of Emergency restrictions are lifted.

For questions or additional info email:

parksandrec@sevendevils.net

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From the Town Clerk:

There's been no time for napping here at Town Hall, and the calendar is filling with Board & Committee meetings in upcoming months. It's such a privilege to witness government at it's best with the dedication of citizens that serve the Town in various roles.

In February, the Planning Board met to review the state required transition of the UDO from Chapter 160A to 160D. Most of the changes were minor technical edits. The Planning Board also reviewed & forwarded their recommendations to the Town Council to adopt 2 new Nuisance Ordinances. Effective February 9th, Recreational Vehicles are prohibited in the Town limits, with limited exceptions. Also approved was a Nuisance Ordinance now requiring vehicles to be equipped with chains, snow tires or 4WD/AWD during winter conditions, when the flashing sign is on. The violation is \$150.00. All the Town's Nuisance Ordinances are posted to the website.

At the Town Council meeting on April 13th, there will be a presentation by the NC Wildlife Commission about the deer population in the region. It's a concern for many citizens, and this is a chance to learn more. This is the season the wildlife comes to life, from tiny creatures to hungry bears! Remember, the Town requires owners to have adequate trash receptacles to prevent littering by critters, weather or people. Short term rentals should pay extra attention and let their guests be aware of proper disposal, as \$100 fines are charged to the homeowner for violations.

And one last word from our Fire Chief, as the mountain fills with seasonal visitors, follow the rules for safe & fun firepit enjoyment. Use a screen, keep a water hose close, and fully extinguish any embers when done. And don't forget, do not burn debris in firepits! All outdoor burning of debris requires a burn permit issued by the Fire Department. Call Town Hall on the day of burning.

AND WINTER MELTS INTO SPRING ...



2021 Summer Events

Summer Concerts: Fridays 6:00-8:00pm

- July 16 The Jeff Little Trio
- July 23 Woodie & the String Pullers
- August 13 Mountain Home Bluegrass Boys

Fitness Classes/ Groups

- **Pickleball Games:** Every Tuesday & Thursday 9am – 12pm, May 18—September 23
- **Pickleball Clinics:** June 9, July 14, & August 11 at 9am-11am
- **Yoga Classes:** Saturdays 9am-10am, May 15—August 28
- **Exercise for Mature Ladies:** Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays 9-10am, May 17– October 15
- **Bi-Weekly Dance Aerobics:** Every Other Wednesday 5:30-6:15pm , June 2– August 25
- **Group Hikes:** Following Fridays 9am– June 18, July 30, August 27, & September 10
- **Group Walk:** June 16 at 10am

Additional Events & Classes:

- **Book Club:** May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24, & September 28 at 2pm
- **Ranger Workshops:** June 3, July 8, & August 12 at 1:30pm
- **Introduction into Waterfall Photography Class:** June 12 at 11am-12:30pm
- **CPR Lunch & Learn:** August 10, 11am-2pm

Check the Town Website at sevendevils.net/summerevents for updated events and for additional event information.

From the Public Works Department

Town Wide Debris Pick Up Dates:

Deadline	Pick up begins on/after
April 25th	April 26th
June 20th	June 21st
Sept 30th	Oct 1st

- Limbs must be less than 3" in diameter
- Place limbs along Town Road right of way
- Limbs must be personally cut, will not pick up trimmings from tree/landscape companies
- Public Works will chip the limbs—Do not include vegetation, weeds or leaves
- Public Works has final decision of debris pick up or owner's responsibility

Staff Updates:

Welcome Officer Rouse!
New police officer Racion Rouse took his oath in March.



👍 Cody Fields has been promoted to Assistant Police Chief.
Matt Millsaps has been promoted to Assistant Fire Chief. 👍



Have a project that will require digging into the earth? Call 811 to avoid damage to underground lines.

Town Holidays

Friday, April 2nd Easter
Monday, May 31st Memorial Day
Monday, July 5th Independence Day

Town meetings are being held in dual format via Go To Meeting or In-person attendance limited.
See details on Town's website For the Locals -> "Mark Your Calendar"
Town Council, Board & Committee meeting dates.

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