

EAST BEND NEWS

Hours of Operation

Monday -Friday
8:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 -
5:00

Trash Dates

Reminder: please put
your trash out no earlier
than Sunday night.
Please remove cans by
Monday afternoon.

Recycling Dates

October 23rd
November 6th
November 20th
December 4th
December 18th

From the Mayor

We have all had a challenging year as we conduct our lives in the mist of the COVID 19 crisis. East Bend has not been as adversely impacted as other communities, but we have not totally escaped the scourge and have lost members of our community. With the advent of the coming flu season, I implore you to remain vigilant, practice social distancing, and wear masks while interacting with others in the community.

Town Hall has remained open during this pandemic and staff have continued to work observing safety protocols. Our monthly town board meetings have been conducted at the East Bend Public Library to allow safe distancing. We expect to meet at the library at least until the end of the year. You are welcome to attend all our regular meetings. Masks are required.

On a brighter note, East Bend is delighted to announce that East Bend Town Square Project has been awarded a \$200,000.00 grant from PARTF to help with the creation of our park. The park committee has continued to work during this difficult period to make this project successful.

East Bend is also the recipient of CARES funding from the federal government via Yadkin County to the tune of \$33,631.00. These funds will be used to address concerns and needs regarding the adverse impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on the town and community.

As we approach the end of the year and coming holiday season, let us resolve to continue to conduct ourselves in a manner that will keep us all safe and allow us to share good times with family and friends.

Keep up to date on these and other items by visiting our web site or contacting Town Hall. Get involved with your community and attend board meetings on the second Monday of every month beginning at 6:00pm.

Archie

Town Square

Although Covid has slowed some of the Town Square fundraising activities, plans are still in place to begin construction in the coming weeks. The biggest news to date is that the NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund awarded the town \$200,000 toward the project's construction. Local residents and businesses have donated or pledged approximately \$94,000. Additional grants and donations are being sought to help fund the playground equipment and amphitheater.

There are still some small and medium t-shirts available at town hall for \$20 each in several colors. Proceeds from the sale benefit the park.

Town Board Meeting Dates

October 12th, - 6pm

November 9th - 6pm

December 14th - 6pm

January 11th - 6pm

Town Commissioners

Archie Hicks - Mayor

Larry Adams – Mayor
Pro-Tem,
Administration

Neal Nichols – Police

George Burns -
Water/Sewers

Wanda Johnson - Streets

Mae Luffman -
Building/
Grounds/Sanitation

Support Your Local Library

Greetings from the East Bend Public Library. The last several months have certainly been challenging for everyone, but we want you to know that the public library is open and here to serve our community. Due to Covid-19 and in order to allow staff time to clean and disinfect the building at the end of the day we are currently open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am until 5:30 pm. At the present time we ask that visits be limited to 1 hour and one visit per day and that patrons follow signage within the library and practice social distancing. You can still check out library materials, use our computers and WIFI, access eBooks and use our copy and fax services. We are also offering curbside service if you still feel unsafe coming into the library. Just call ahead and let us know what you need and we will be more than happy to bring items out to you. Follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on all that's happening at the library. We look forward to seeing you soon. The East Bend Public Library has been jumping this summer with its summer reading program on Wednesdays, Thursday movie matinees, and service to all its patrons.

Jerry Wall and his daughters, Jennifer Beane and Jeannie Hinson as well as his brother, Randy Wall have made a generous donation to the library in memory of Randy and Jerry's mother, Zena Mae Wall. Mrs. Wall was a long-time member of the Friends of East Bend Public Library and valued education. She assisted with the learning of the children and adults in the community in her role as District Manager for World Book Encyclopedia. The library will be setting up a Makerspace cart (ZenaMaeker) where patrons, especially children, will be able to build and create using electronics, robotics, and other materials.

Watch the library's Facebook page for an announcement about its launch. We appreciate the Wall family's support for the library and its patrons.

Friends of East Bend Library

The Friends of EBPL want to thank everyone who helped make our annual yard sale such a Huge success. We sold over \$6,300 worth of items donated by you—our community. And bought by you.

We could not have asked for better volunteers to help set up and take down and monitor the sale. In the past we have given leftovers to Goodwill, but this year we asked our buyers if they wanted any remaining items to come by at the end of the sale. What a brilliant idea that was! Trucks, SUVs, cars were filled with items that people in our community could use. Some items were given to New Horizons Home Care and a few remaining boxes were taken to Goodwill. The Friends really appreciate all everyone did to make this a success.

Every success has a ripple effect. Our ripple extends to the East Bend Town Square where \$5,000 of the yard sale proceeds will be used to restore and relocate to the square the Drive In Ticket Booth. We look forward to participating in Movie Nights at the square.

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Vehicle Safety Tips During The Holidays

- *Lock your doors
- *Remove keys from the vehicle
- *Close the windows
- *Park in well-lit areas
- *Do not leave valuables in the vehicle
- *Be alert

If your vehicle is stolen, contact the police immediately.

Ordinance Reminders

- No firearms to be discharged in city limits
- Trash cans should be put out on Sunday afternoon and brought in on Monday Evening
- Permits are required for any building project
- Most signs require a permit - inquire at Town Hall for details
- Grass clippings and leaves should not be blown into the street. (This includes pushing snow into the street)

** Violations of these ordinances may incur a fine**

Website

Please visit: <http://www.eastbendnc.com>

Check out our website to find important information. Remember to check the calendar for important dates.