

## Volume 8 Issue 4 August 1, 2015



## INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Clerk's Corner
Streetscape
Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire
Council Highlights
Dillon Road Repairs
Upcoming Events
Public Services

2

3 3

4

4

6

6

# **Music in the Park**

August 9—Jazz in the Park

The Town of Jamestown proudly presents "Jazz in the Park" summer concert featuring the Likewise Jazz Band! The band will perform on Sunday, August 9th beginning at 6:00 pm.

The events are FREE to the public and will be held at the Wrenn-Miller Park Amphitheater located at 101 Guilford Rd. Bring a blanket or chairs and enjoy the evening concert as the sun sets over the park. Food trucks have been invited to provide concessions for event. Free parking is available directly across Guilford Rd. at the Jamestown Town Hall located at 301 E. Main St.



#### **Special points of interest:**

- Aug 3 Parks & Recreation Meeting
- Aug 4 National Night Out at Wrenn Miller Park
- Aug 18 Town Council Meeting
- Sept 7 Town Hall closed
- Sept 15 Town Council Meeting



#### October 3rd - Free music event featuring the Holzhackern Tyrolean Band- Likewise Music

The Jamestown Business Association and the Town of Jamestown proudly presents the Jamestown Day Concert featuring The Holzhackern Tyrolean Band! The band is scheduled to perform on Saturday, October 3rd beginning at 5:00 pm. A rain date of October 10th has been scheduled.



## HELLO FROM THE CLERK'S CORNER

Hot and humid has been the quote of the day around town. We are definitely in the middle of summer. However, the summer season ends with the beginning of the fall season. Fall is such a beautiful time of year in Jamestown. The weather is cooler and the trees turn beautiful colors of yellow, orange and red.

September and October is always a time when lots of fun events take place in Jamestown. This September and October is no exception. In September the Jamestown Public Library is turning 100 years old. The building was originally built in 1915 as the Jamestown Public School. It was a boarding school designed to serve the rural areas of western Guilford County. The high school closed in 1959. The High School students moved to the new Ragsdale High School. The Middle School students moved to Jamestown Middle School in 1967. The Jamestown Public School continued to serve as an elementary school until 1982, when the new elementary school was built. The Guilford County Board of Education, owners of the property, abandoned the building in 1982.

In 1982 the Town Council adopted an ordinance to designate the Jamestown Elementary School (Jamestown Public School) as a Historic Property. The beautiful building once vibrant and alive with school children filling the classrooms remained vacant and deteriorating. From 1982 to 1984 the once proud building continued to fall into disrepair.



As I remember, (I now show my age) it was rumored around Town that Guilford County Board of Education was going to tear down the old building. Everyone was shocked and saddened. Many people expressed sorrow but felt helpless to do anything about it. However, there was one lady who would not accept the fate of the beloved old school building. That lady was Dorothy (Dot) Miller.

Mrs. Miller was the wife of the former principal of the school, Mr. Kenneth T. Miller. Mrs. Miller was a former teacher at Jamestown. She also served as a principal, counselor and Director of Secondary Education for Guilford County Schools. Jamestown and education were of utmost importance to her.

I recall her sending out the S.O.S. message. S.O.S meaning we must "Save the Old School". In 1985, the fundraising campaign was started with the formation of the "Save the Old School" Com-

mittee. I attended a kickoff meeting with my father, Bow Stafford. The meeting was held at the Town Hall. The room was filled with people Mrs. Miller had recruited. When Dot Miller called you to do something, you did it.

Mrs. Miller solicited the help of Mr. Steve Crihfield, Attorney and a 1954 graduate of the old Jamestown School. He shared Dot's commitment to save this Jamestown treasure. They rallied support and raised funds to preserve and renovate the old school. Alumni, friends and the community came together to accomplish this immense task.

During this same time, negotiations took place between the Jamestown Town Council and the Guilford County Board of Education as to agreeable conditions for the Guilford County Board of Education to transfer the property to the Town of Jamestown. On January 21, 1986 the property was deeded to the Town of Jamestown subject to the building being used for civic, library or educational purposes. The Town of Jamestown then leased the building to the Old Jamestown School Association, Inc.

Back to Dot Miller, the fundraising continued and the old building was renovated giving new life to this grand structure. In 1988 the Jamestown Public Library dedication ceremony took place with former North Carolina Governor Jim Martin and other dignitaries in attendance.

To commemorate the 100th birthday of the old school building, a Centennial Celebration is planned. There will be a "soft open house" on Saturday September 12th, 2015 from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Daniel Greeson, award winning local fiddle player, will perform. Library staff and volunteers will give tours of the library. On Saturday October 17, 2015 at 10:00 am will be a Centennial Celebration with guest speakers, music, exhibits and tours of the library. Please plan to attend. Turning 100 years old, be it a person or a building, is cause to celebrate. To quote Dot Miller, "This physical structure represents the best of our community."

This shows you, when one person stands up and brings the community together, great things can happen.

If you would like more information, please contact me at the Town Hall .

Martha W. Wolfe, CMC, NCCMC Town Clerk <u>mwolfe@jamestown-nc.gov</u> 336.454.1138



## STREETSCAPE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The Town of Jamestown is proud to offer the citizens of Jamestown the ability to give a gift in honor or memory of someone special. Included in the price of select items will be a commemorative plaque as well as installation of the item by the Town of Jamestown Public Services staff. As Town funds are available for matching, the Town Council will accept all such gifts donated under this program and established donation policy. In the event that a donor wishes to assume all of the costs of an approved item, the Town will accept the full donation.

#### **Memorial Benches**

Steel benches in lengths of 6 and 8 feet are available for sponsorship. Benches include a commemorative plaque with appropriate inscription provided by the donor and approved by the town. Installation and maintenance for the life of the bench is included in the cost. Order and installation time is approximately 8 to 10 weeks once payment is received. Plaques may contain up to 4 lines of text with up to 50 characters (including spaces and punctuation) per line.

## TABLES & CHAIRS



A commemorative table may be sponsored and located along Main Street. The table and chair combination are black powder-coated for an attractive appearance and durability. The tables will be installed at approved sites in the order requests are received. See price list.

> 6 FT. BENCH (\$750) 8 FT. BENCH (\$950) TABLE/CHAIRS (\$1200)

For more information please contact Paul Blanchard, Director of Public Services, at (336) 454-1138 or view information on the Town's website at www.Jamestown-nc.gov



Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire Department will hold a hot dog sale on Sept 12 from 11am until 2pm. 2 hot dogs, chips and a drink for \$5!

## PARK PARTNERS

Call Chuck Smith at 336-454-1138 or visit Jamestown's website at www.Jamestown-nc.gov for more information on how to become a Park Partner.





# Council Meeting Highlights

May 20, 2015 Regular Meeting Summary

1. The minutes from the April 14 Special Budget Work Session and the April 21, 2015 Regular meeting were approved.

2. The Town Council Held a Public Hearing to consider approval of the construction of a new Public Services Facility. Gary Robbins, architect, gave a presentation. Mayor Volz asked for comments from the public regarding the plans. No one was present to speak for or against the project.

3. The Town Council held a Public Hearing to consider approval of the renovations of the Jamestown Park Clubhouse. John Kennett, architect, gave a presentation. Mayor Volz asked for comments from the public regarding the plans. Lawrence Straughn, citizen of Jamestown, spoke in favor of the project.

4. The Town Council held a Public Hearing to consider an amendment to the General Code of Ordinance regarding an Ordinance Prohibiting vehicular left turns at the intersection of Guilford Rd. (SR 4241) and O'Neill Drive. After a presentation by the Public Services Director and comments from the Public, the Council voted against the proposed amendment. No changes were recommended with the exception of adjustments to signage.

5. The Town Council held a Public Hearing to consider an amendment to the Land Development Ordinance to repeal current ordinances regarding wireless telecommunication. The Council approved the new ordinance. Carolina Telecommunication Services will be the consultant for the Town.

6. At a Public Hearing, the Town Council approved the Annexation and Public Utility Reimbursement Contract with Koury Ventures Limited Partnership.

7. The Mayor presented a Proclamation in Observance of Memorial Day to Carla Winslow, member of the Jamestown Veterans Committee. Click <u>here</u> for Proclamation.

8. The Parks Superintendent gave an update report on recent maintenance & renovations to the Jamestown Park Golf Course.

 The Finance Director presented the following Capital Projects for approval as Capital Project Ordinances: Public Water/Sewer System for Grandover Development owned by Koury Corporation Construction of new Public Services Facility

Construction of E. Fork Rd. pedestrian bridge and sidewalk

Construction of E. Main Street sidewalk

10. Council designated as General Capital Reserve Fund the renovations of the golf course greens and debt payments on the golf course clubhouse. Council designated as Water & Sewer Capital Reserve Fund construction of the new public services facility and the water & sewer improvements.

11. The Town Manager presented the preliminary budget & budget message for fiscal year 2015-2016.

12. The Town Manager presented the Capital Improvement Program for fiscal year 2015-2015/2019-2020.

13. The Council set the Public Hearing date for June 16, 2015 for the approval of the 2015-2016 budget

14. The Council approved a Resolution of Intent to close a section of High Point Road between Bonner Drive and Stanford Rd. The Public Hearing was set for July 21, 2015. Click <u>here</u> for Resolution.

15. The Council appointed Bob Wilson to serve as a member to the Parks & Recreation Advisory committee. Paul Craft & James Pendry were appointed as alternates to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.

16. The Council approved budget amendment # 11 in the amount of \$675,980.00.



PICKED UP

**EVERY** 

MONDAY

**DURING 2015!** 

17. The Town Council received the financial position for the Town of Jamestown for month ending April 2015. June 16, 2015 **Regular Meeting Summary** 1. The Council approved the minutes from the May 19, 2015 meeting. 2. At a Public Hearing, the Town Council voted to adopt the Budget and Budget Ordinance for fiscal year July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016. 3. The Town Council approved a Resolution adopting a Capital Improvement Program for the Town of Jamestown fiscal years 2015/2016 – 2019/2020. Click here for Resolution. 4. The Council approved a Resolution Calling for a Regular Election designating the filing period for Mayor and Council to be held on Monday July 6th, 2015 at 8:00 am and ending at noon on Friday July 17th. 2015. Click here for Resolution. 5. Council approved a Resolution in Support of Placing the Connect NC Bond Initiative on the November 2015 Ballot. Click here for Resolution. 6. Council adopted a Resolution approving the financing terms for the 2015 Freightliner refuse truck. Click here for Resolution. 7. Council approved an amendment to the Town of Jamestown Personnel Policy. 8. Council approved a list of STIP Projects to be submitted to the HPMPO. 9. The Council approved budget amendment # 12 in the amount of \$108,500.00. 10. The Town Council received the Analysis of Financial Position of the Town of Jamestown for month ending May 2015. 11. The Town Council held a closed session to consult with the Town Attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege. Dillon Road Pedestrian Bridge Repairs Town staff has completed the repairs to the

Town staff has completed the repairs to the pedestrian bridge over Deep River on Dillon Road. Town staff replaced the 110 foot long bridge decking with  $3" \times 12"$  Douglas Fir per the bridge manufacturer's recommendation. The bridge approaches at each end were fitted with new handrails, decking, and pickets. Staff repaired two approaches each day, so the bridge could be re-opened at the end of each work day. Thanks to the residents for being supportive of the work and patient as the work progressed.







Sharen Apple, Editor

# We're on the Web! jamestown-nc.gov

#### Walking with History!

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town Hall (Utility billing, Planning, Finance) (336) 454-1138

Water and Sewer Emergency (336) 454-1218

Jamestown Park (336) 454-4912

Fire Department (336) 454-3473

Sheriff's Department (nonemergency) (336)641-6691

> Mayor's Office Hours Monday prior to Council Meeting 3-5pm

# Upcoming EventsAug 36:00pmParks & RecreationAug 47:00pmNational Night Out at Wrenn Miller ParkAug 96:00pmJazz in the ParkAug186:30pmTown Council MeetingSept 7Town Hall Closed for Labor DaySept 156:30pmTown Council MeetingOct 35:00pmJazz in the Park

Check the "Calendar of Events" section of the website for updates

## **PUBLIC SERVICES NEWS**

#### Water System Repairs and Maintenance

The Public Services Department hired the engineering firm Hazen and Sawyer to update the Town's water system hydraulic model to project water needs. We had them look at two main focus areas. First, the lines running from the Oakdale Mill to Dillon Road along the river and the section of Main Street from Dillon Road to Teague Street were modeled. Generally, we found that we need to keep the connectivity of the lines, so we cannot eliminate the lines without sacrificing fire flows. We can, however, reduce the size of some lines when they need replacing. This study will be a big help when making design decisions regarding the utility relocations necessary for the next phase of the Jamestown bypass. The water main along Main Street needs to be improved from Dillon Road toward Teague Street, although we have a few options on how to route the lines. The second focus area was the future growth area near Guilford College Road and Vickrey Chapel Road. The modelling confirmed that we are positioned to serve those areas as development occurs.

#### Solid Waste Quantities

The Public Services Department is responsible for the collection of garbage, yard waste, and recycling. The Town collects garbage and yard waste, and we subcontract the collection of recycling. The following quantities of materials were collected this year and previous two years (in parentheses):

•	Garbage	1011 tons	(1050T 1	,082T)
•	Yard Waste	378 Tons	1,204 T	437 T)
•	Loose Leaves	510 Tons	(425 T	488 T)
•	Recycling	314 Tons	(261 T	272 T)
•	Total	2,213 Tons	(2,939 T	2,239 T)

The trend shows less garbage being collected and an increase in recycling. The yard waste, loose leaves, and totals are skewed by the 2014 Ice Storm.

Paul R. Blanchard, Public Services Director