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WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?



When you vote on November 5, 2019, you will be voting on the election of the Mayor and Town Council serving the standard two-year terms. Not only will you see on the ballot the election of four Council Members and the Mayor, you will see on the ballot whether Town Council Members and the Mayor will serve four-year terms beginning in the **2021 Election**.

The issue of staggering Mayor and Council terms has been discussed for decades by multiple sets of Council Members in the Town of Jamestown. The current Town Council voted and approved an amendment to the current Charter, by a resolution, to submit to a vote of the people whether the

Mayor's term shall be changed from a two to a four-year term. In addition, whether the Members of the Town Council shall be elected to four-year terms on a staggered basis. You will see the following language on the Ballot for the November 5, 2019 election. You will check either a (yes) or a (no):

Shall the ordinance adopted by Town Council, pursuant to NCGS 160A-101 and 160A-102, amending the town charter to change the term of the Mayor from two to four years and to change the terms of the members of Town Council from two years to four-year staggered terms, and affecting the municipal election beginning in 2021, be approved?

() Yes

() No

There are two possible outcomes that could result from this vote.

If a majority of the public votes **"Yes"**, then the Mayor will run for a four-year term and Town Council will run for four-year staggered terms beginning in the **2021 General Election**.

If a majority of the public votes **"No"**, the current Town Charter remains the same. The Mayor and all Council Members will remain on two-year non-staggered terms.

Take interest in Jamestown's future! Vote on November 5, 2019!

Special points of interest:

- Oct 4 Music in the Park
- Oct 7 Parks & Recreation
- Oct 15 Town Council Meeting
- Nov 11 Town Hall closed
- Nov 19 Town Council Meeting
- Nov 28-29 Town Hall closed
- Dec 1 Christmas Parade



RECYCLING
WILL BE
PICKED UP
EVERY
MONDAY
DURING
2019!

HELLO FROM THE CLERK’S CORNER

Hello Jamestown,

Fall is almost upon us! That means we’re all about to be bombarded with an absurd amount of pumpkin spice. It also means that the municipal election is coming! Although pumpkin spice lattes are incredible, the election is way more important! The municipal election will be held on Tuesday, November 5th. Citizens are welcome to come and vote in the Ragsdale Civic Center at Town Hall.



It’s really important that everyone familiarize themselves with the candidates that are running for Mayor and Council. There always seems to be a lot of focus on federal elections, but the decisions that affect most people’s day-to-day lives are made at the local level. The Town Council will help shape the future of Jamestown in

many ways. The impact that local governing bodies have is not usually immediate or dramatic. However, there are slow, incremental changes that occur that do have a lasting impact. Local policies may not seem as exciting, but they are extremely important.

There are currently two people running for Mayor of the Town of Jamestown, and five people who are running for Council. A list of the candidates is as follows:

Mayor of the Town of Jamestown-

- Lynn Montgomery
- Robert Frederick

Jamestown Town Council-

- John Capes
- Dave Cohen
- Rebecca Mann Rayborn
- Lawrence Straughn
- Martha Stafford Wolfe

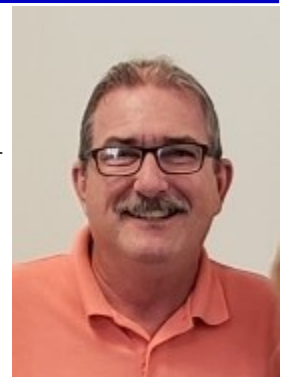


Please take some time to get to know the candidates and find out what their vision is for the future of Jamestown. Several of them have social media pages and their contact information can also be found on the Guilford County Board of Elections website. Make sure to exercise your civic duty and get out to vote!

Katie McBride, CMC
Town Clerk

Jeff Greeson Retiring

Jeff Greeson in the Public Services Department will be retiring on December 31. Jeff has been with the Town since May of 1988. He began in Public Services as a Laborer and moved up to become the Public Services Operations Manager. Many folks in Town have come to know Jeff personally. The Town will have a retirement reception in December. Once the date is set, it will be published on the Town website and on Facebook.



FIRE DEPARTMENT TO TEST HYDRANTS

The Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire District will begin their semi-annual fire hydrant testing on October 1st and will continue this operation throughout the month, finishing by October 31st. All hydrants in the Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire District will be tested to ensure that they are operating properly and are able to produce the required water pressure when needed. This testing also includes all hydrants in the Town of Jamestown.



Because this testing must be done during normal operating hours, it will be impossible to know in advance just when or where the testing will take place in any specific area. Opening hydrants can sometimes cause a temporary discoloration of water in nearby homes. The discoloration is not harmful in any way and can be cleared up by running the water for a few minutes.

This testing ensures the protection of citizens and is also an evaluation indicator used by the NC Response Rating System, which evaluates the fire district according to the protection they offer.

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The annual meeting of the Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire District was held on Monday Sept 23. Board President Kim Venable presided over the meeting and reported on the overall accomplishments of the fire district in 2018-19. Treasurer Bill DePriest reported that the annual financial audit has been completed and copies are available from the Administrative Staff at Station 24. He also reported that Station 25 (Coltrane Mill Road) was paid off this year, which was 5 years early. The election of the 2019-2020 Board of Directors was then held with the following being elected: President-Kim Venable, Vice President-David Murray, 2nd Vice President-Larry Lain, Secretary-Larry Boswell, Treasurer-William DePriest, Directors-Gina Owen, Roland Bowman, Derek Bostic and Haley Taylor.

During the meeting Fire Chief Steve Allred gave the annual chiefs report which discussed projects from last year and upcoming projects for the New Year. The biggest change was the addition of 3 new firefighter positions and a reallocation of resources which allowed the district to man four stations with a minimum of 3 personnel each shift. As our call volume continues to rise (3568 for 2018/2019) and the number of volunteers has seen a decline, the additional manning is crucial to our operations and firefighter safety. Station 46 (Jamestown) now has a Lieutenant and two Firefighters on duty 24 hours a day.

In October 2018 the board voted to allow the staff to experiment with not staffing the Vickery Chapel Road station (22) due to low call frequency (298 in the last 327 days) and its close proximity to other stations. This was to be a 3 month trial to see if unmanning the station had a negative impact on the citizens. On November 1, 2018 the full time staff at that station was moved to other stations. PSFD staff continually updated the board and made changes to response areas as the 3 month trial turned into a 12 month trial. Over this time period calls in the station 22 area are being handled by Station 24 (Bishop Rd) Station 46 (Jamestown station), High Point Fire and Guil-Rand Fire District. To date, added response times in this area range from 40 seconds to 1 minute with some areas seeing reduced response times. Currently this station is equipped with a front line pumper and also houses our parade truck; it is a volunteer station that is not manned fulltime. PSFD has no plans to sell the station and is currently looking at options like adding maintenance or training facility on the property.

Over the past year PSFD has been working on becoming an accredited agency. This is a daunting task for a department that has limited manpower, however it is a process that will help us take an inward look at how we are doing things, how we can do them better, and it's a process on how to continually improve the department going forward.

A capital project for the upcoming year will be to add much needed fire hydrants that were not installed initially on the High Point water line that runs from the Randleman reservoir to the city of High Point. With a budget figure of \$10,000 per hydrant we hope to strategically place 6 hydrants along this line to aid in our water supply operation in one of the most rural parts of our district. These additional hydrants coupled with the recent addition of two 3000 gal tankers should make for an overall quicker and safer operation for our citizens as well as the firefighters.



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Walking with History!

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Call 336.454.1138
for an appointment
with the Mayor

Upcoming Events

Oct 4	6:00pm	Music in the Park The Plaids
Oct 7	6:00pm	Parks & Recreation Committee
Oct 15	6:30pm	Town Council Meeting
Nov 11		Town Hall Closed for Veterans Day
Nov 19	6:30pm	Town Council Meeting
Nov 28-29		Town Hall Closed for Thanksgiving
Dec 1	3:00pm	Christmas Parade sponsored by Jamestown Rotary

Check the "[Calendar of Events](#)" section of the website for updates

LOOSE LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS
OCTOBER 22

The Town of Jamestown's annual Leaf Collection Program begins October 22th, 2019 and will end on February 21st, 2020. The program provides residents with the opportunity to have loose leaves collected at roadside without the need of bagging. The program is operated on a routing system that is based on our staff completing one leaf collection route of the town in approximately 3 to 4 weeks. Once a route is completed, then staff returns to the beginning of the same planned route and begins again. To participate in the Leaf Collection Program simply:

- Rake leaves to the edge of your yard behind the curb.
- Remove sticks, rocks, and other debris which can damage the Town's equipment. If staff encounters debris in the leaf pile, they will not continue collection at the property.
- Do not park vehicles on, in front of, or near your leaves.
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Jamestown residents can also use the Town's year-round yard waste pickup for leaves. Simply put your leaves in clear plastic bags and set them at the curb on the regular yard waste collection day.

The leaf collection route may change or be delayed due to inclement weather. The program does not service private streets.



Christmas Parade sponsored by the Jamestown Rotary Club

The Jamestown Rotary Club will once again sponsor the Christmas Parade on Dec 1 at 3pm. If you are interested in being in the parade, click [here](#) for an entry form. Entries must be received by November 8. Questions may be directed to Kevin Bottomley at kevinbottomley@ymcagreensboro.org.