

BUTNER BUGLE

A look on what's happening in the Town of Butner

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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Season greeting good people of Butner. Tis the time of good cheer, the time to spread peace, love, and joy. By doing so, you will reap abundant rewards.

It has been a turbulent year as Butner continues to focus on our citizens' health and safety. With so many cancellations and postponements, we still found a way to honor those who best understand uncertainty, our Veterans. Butner is still thriving with new and expanding businesses. We will be seeking community input to find just the right use for our new Umstead property and to build our 2040 plan.

Planning for 20 years in the future is essential to providing a magnificent town for the next generation. We need to offer reasons for our youth to remain in Butner. We need to build variety and choices of jobs, homes, stores, etc. for our citizens.

By planning ahead, we can keep the impending growth in check. In the life of a town, it either grows, stagnates, or dies. So many towns are experiencing plight, where industry, businesses, and people are leaving. By working together we will keep Butner flourishing for current and future generations.

So, enjoy Christmas and welcome a bright new year.

- Mayor Terry Turner



COVID-19 RESOURCES

There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). *The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. Stay up-to-date by visiting:* www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/public-health/covid19

Land Development Ordinance Update

The Town of Butner Planning Department is in the process of updating the Land Development Ordinance (LDO) to align with new State legislation "160D", and to incorporate changes to comply with the upcoming Butner 2040 plan. These updates are necessary to adhere to State Law, and with the vision that has been expressed by the residents of Butner.



Below are upcoming events regarding the Butner 2040 Plan. Visit Butner2040.com for more information and for any questions, contact us at 919.575.3031

Planning Board Public Hearing for 2040 Goals & Objectives	December 10, 2020
Town Council Public Hearing for 2040 Goals & Objectives	February 11, 2020
LDO Changes Open House	February 18, 2020

Health Beat



Diabetes has become a leading cause of illness in the U.S., and the world. Diabetes is a disease in which the body is unable to properly use and store glucose (a form of sugar). The signs of diabetes can be easily overlooked. Some of the symptoms are:

- being very thirsty
- frequent urination
- weight loss
- increased hunger
- blurry vision
- irritability
- tingling or numbness in the hands or feet
- frequent skin, bladder or gum infections
- wounds that don't heal
- extreme unexplained fatigue

For further information, http://www.joslin.org/info/an_overview_of_diabetes.html

Your Public Health guru, Michel branch

BUTNER BUSINESS

BUTNER WELCOMES NEW CAFE



Butner welcomes a new business to town! Winner of the Granville Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year Reward for 2020, Owl House Cafe is where French and American cultures meet in a cozy cafe that'll make you feel right at home. Enjoy an all-day breakfast, Delicious Lunch options, coffee, Latte, espresso drinks, and pastries. Where everything is made from scratch. Every ingredient is had-picked daily to make sure they deliver the best the market has to offer, so you can count on everything being a fresh, flavorful, Delicious and unforgettable experience. Relax in their comfortable space or take your order-to-go .Owl House Café offers catering specials and services-- Call in an order ahead to make sure you get a tasty treat without skipping a beat in your day. Welcome to your new favorite one-stop-shop for simple, delicious, and healthy dishes and friendly service from a team who cares about you and your loved



Nugget Comfort

Nugget Comfort has been open for a few months now in Butner, and are ranked number 159 on Inc.'s top 5000 fastest growing businesses, and the 5th fastest growing company in North Carolina. They design, build, and manufacture blended furniture that acts as a toy. You can check them out at nugget.comfort.com or via Instagram @nuggetcomfort.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **December 4 - Butner Christmas in the park Drive-Thru**

DUE TO THE ONGOING HEALTH CRISIS, PLEASE CHECK THE TOWN OR BCA WEBSITES FOR UPDATES!

TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, November 26-27 Thanksgiving
 Thursday, Friday, & Monday December 24-28 Christmas
 Friday January 1 New Year's
 Monday January 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

All meetings held at Town Hall unless otherwise noted.

Town Council meets monthly on the 1st Thursday. Contact the Town Clerk for more information at 919.575.3109

Planning Board meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday, as needed. Board of Adjustment meets monthly on the 4th Thursday, as needed.
 Contact the Planning Department for more information at 919.283.0983

Butner Public Safety's (BPS) Community Watch meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday. Contact BPS for info at 919.575.6561

South Granville Water and Sewer Authority (SGWASA) meets monthly on the 2nd Tuesday. Contact SGWASA for info at 919.575.3367

ON THE ROAD

Animal-Vehicle Crashes Soar



Daylight hours are shorter and we are now in the season when animal-vehicle crashes are more common in North Carolina.

The frequency of animal-vehicle crashes climbed considerably in the latest annual report from NCDOT. There was an increase of more than 2,300 crashes in 2019 over the 2018 statewide total.

Roadway Death Rates Decline



Road safety remains a priority for NCDOT and traffic deaths in North Carolina are thankfully still declining.

According to data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the total number of traffic deaths to our state decreased by 63 or 4.4 percent from 2018 to 2019.

PARKS AND REC UPDATES



Playgrounds at all town parks, including Lake Holt, are open and equipped with sanitation stations and COVID-19 guidelines for staying healthy while you play. The Town is using sanitation foggers daily on all playground equipment. Yard sale permits can now be purchased for Gazebo Park. The BAP is open for walker and the baseball fields are only open for team practices. Please call 919-575-3032 or visit butnenc.org for updates.

Take a seat

New benches have been installed on Central Avenue and Gazebo park.

