

WEDDINGTON JOURNAL



The Official Newsletter for the Town of Weddington, North Carolina



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Successful Drive-In Movie Night at Hunter Farm



The Town of Weddington hosted a free drive-in movie night on Sunday, June 21st, at Hunter Farm, 13624 Providence Rd. Families brought their lawn chairs, blankets, bug spray and snacks and enjoyed the feature movie, The Incredibles. Parking was staggered to ensure appropriate social distancing practices.

For those who arrived early, there was an opportunity to picnic and enjoy wagon rides to the petting barn. Thank you to all who joined us for our socially distanced night out! We had an "Incredible" response and look forward to seeing everybody at our next event!



Weddington Honored Seniors with Downtown Banners

The Town partnered with Weddington High School to recognize the Class of 2020 graduates! The banners were located on the light poles along Highway 84 and Providence Road. Congratulations, Class of 2020!



Wobble Before You Gobble at the Weddington Turkey Trot

Get ahead of those pumpkin pie calories at our first ever Weddington Turkey Trot! Join us on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th for an active and fun morning with the whole family. Keep an eye out for more details coming soon!

THE TOWN OF WEDDINGTON 2020 - 2021 BUDGET UPDATE

The Town Council unanimously approved the 2020-2021 budget for the Town of Weddington on June 11, 2020. The ad valorem tax rate remains unchanged at 5.2 cents per \$100 valuation. Significant budgeted expenditures include \$1.1 million for public safety, \$400k for transportation and road improvements, and \$100k towards the development of a Town park. The fund balance has appropriated \$189k for the Tilley-Morris roundabout construction.

COVID-19 has had a significant impact on the North Carolina Department of Transportation, which is resulting in numerous project delays. It is likely that the construction of the Tilley-Morris roundabout will be delayed until Fiscal Year 2022. If this happens, then the Town's fund balance appropriation will not be necessary. The Town's budgeted revenues have also been impacted by COVID-19. Budgeted sales tax revenue distributions have been reduced by \$50K which is an approximate

12% overall reduction from the current fiscal year. In addition, the Town anticipates a reduction in its ad valorem tax collection percentage and has adjusted its budgeted ad valorem revenues accordingly.

If you would like to view the detailed version of the Town's 2020–2021 budget, it is available on the Town website at https://www.townofweddington.com/finance.

Revenues	
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 1,257,250
State-Collected Revenues	855,000
Zoning and Subdivision Revenues	\$ 78,500
Other Revenues	8,500
Total Revenues	\$ 2,199,250
Expenditures	
Administrative Expenditures	\$ 523,740
Planning and Zoning Expenditures	647,460
General Government Expenditures	1,217,050
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,388,250
Total Fund Balance Appropriation	\$ 189,000

FILL OUT YOUR 2020 CENSUS!

The Town of Weddington encourages residents to fill out the 2020 Census. It is currently underway and more households across America are responding every day. Over 70 million households have responded to date, representing over 48% of all households in America. A few reasons to complete the 2020 Census are:

- It's quick and easy. The 2020 Census questionnaire will take about 10 minutes to complete.
- It's safe, secure, and confidential. Your information and privacy are protected.
- Your response helps to direct billions of dollars in federal funds to local communities for schools, roads, and other public services.
- Results from the 2020 Census will be used to determine the number of seats each state has in Congress and your political representation at all levels of government.

JUNE COUNCIL MEETING RECAP

t the June Council meeting, two public hearings were called for July 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Weddington Town Hall. One for the consideration of a conditional zoning amendment for Christ South Lutheran Church at 315 Reid Dairy Road and one for the consideration of a text amendment to Chapter 34 of the Code of Ordinances - Article V Section 34-131-Property and Nuisance Abatement. The Council held a public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 proposed budget and reviewed a policy to allow links on the town website. The meeting was recessed after a closed session for discussion of personnel matters and reconvened on Thursday June 11 at 11:00 a.m. Once reconvened, the Council voted to approve the budget ordinance and set the tax rate at 5.2 cents per 100\$ assessed value.





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