

# **Dawsonville Profile**

City News for the Residents of Dawsonville—JUNE 2023

## Message from your Mayor

Good day, fellow citizens and customers of the City of Dawsonville!

I hope each one of you is having a very good summer. This is a time many of us use to travel and see our country or to visit friends and relatives who live in different areas of the country. Summer trips with kids create wonderful memories and provide many learning opportunities and experiences for everyone.

The City of Dawsonville continues to operate and provide each of you services all the time. Our Public Works employees are repairing potholes, cutting grass along the roadways, and working to clean and improve our parks. Our Utilities Department is providing clean drinking water, processing solid waste and ensuring your trash is removed.

We also plan and provide Food Truck Friday events and encourage you to attend. The next one is July 14th and should be a great event, as always. The City is working on the pickle ball courts, and the work being done for the basketball court should begin shortly and provide additional recreational activities for you. Also, we are working to extend the disc golf course to 18 holes, and are working in cooperation with the Board of Education.



Wishing each of you a great summer and travel mercies if you are going anywhere this summer.

Mike Eason



### **FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY**

FRIDAY, JULY 14 5:00-8:00 P.M.

FARMERS MKT. PAVILION LIVE MUSIC, FOOD & FUN!

Comprehensive Plan Steering
Committee meeting & public hearing
Thursday, July 13 at 5:30 at City Hall
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

### 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SURVEY

We need your input! Below is a way that you can tell your elected officials what issues are important to you and how the City can handle them to make the most of your living experience in downtown Dawsonville.

To complete the survey online, use the following link:

https:// www.surveymonkey.com/ r/Dawsonvilleplan

or scan the QR code >



# 2022 Annual

**Water Quality Report** 

is available for viewing on our website at

www.dawsonvillega.gov

Go to Departments/ Utilities/

2022 Annual Water
Quality Report

#### 2023 Government Meetings held at City Hall upstairs in the G.L."Pete" Gilleland Council Chambers. The public is invited to attend.

- 5:00pm Mayor & City Council Regular Mtgs: JAN 12 FEB 6 MAR 6 MAY 1 JUN 5 AUG 7 OCT 2 NOV 6 DEC 4
- 5:00pm Mayor & Council Work Sessions: MAR 20 APR 17 MAY 15 JUN 19 JUL 17 AUG 21 SEP 18 OCT 16 DEC 18
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Planning Commission: JAN 9 FEB 13 MAR 13 APR 10 MAY 8 JUN 12 JUL 10 AUG 14 SEP 11 OCT 9 NOV 13 DEC 11
- 5:30PM Historic Preservation Commission: FEB 27 APR 24 JUN 26 AUG 28 OCT 23 DEC 5
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Downtown Development Authority: JAN 23 MAR 27 MAY 22 JUL 24 SEP 25 NOV 27 \* Watch live on Facebook





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#### A message from your City Manager...

What a blessing it is to live in a small-town community with a slower pace and friendlier neighbors. There are a great many benefits to small towns. Just like the theme from the TV series Cheers, sometimes we want to go to where everybody knows our name. You know your neighbors, or at least you should. Another benefit is our colorful local businesses. An article in Business Insider noted that small town businesses usually have a higher profit margin than those in big cities, and they do a better job of giving back to their community. That family friendliness and tight-knit community makes for a great place to raise a family or retire. Small town hospitality is priceless and a real thing in our community.

We are also blessed in our community to be close to nature with parks, abundant natural resources, and a great deal of rural landscape not far away. With small towns usually comes smaller churches and a chance for more intimacy. Low crime levels are a big plus to small communities like ours. Neat events like our Food Truck Fridays, Christmas Tree Lighting, and many others provide entertainment. Traditional values are usually more ingrained in people and it's easier to get involved, especially in our community, where great schools and good health care are close by. As we approach our celebration of

independence, let's take a moment and count our blessings, remembering those who sacrificed for

our freedom while we revel in the comfort of our small-town community.

Bob Bolz



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT **Hayden Harris** Laborer

This month's Employee Spotlight is on one of our newest staff members, Hayden Harris. Hayden is a parttime employee for the Public Works Department. He is a full-time student at Dawson County High School. In his spare time, Hayden enjoys fishing, hunting, and playing golf.

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