

Dawsonville Profile

City News for the Residents of Dawsonville–SEPTEMBER 2021

Message from your Mayor....

Well, we have reached the fall part of the year. This is the time where our roads and businesses are crowded with leaf watchers. Festivals are taking place all around North Georgia and we need to be careful and patient as we try to go about our normal activities.

The city is the site of Kare 4 Kids annual Mountain Moonshine Festival again this year. They have been held for over 50 years and we have worked with the permit applicant to move the festival off of the State Highways and off the downtown streets. Now that we have Main Street Park open and operating, it provides the perfect venue for this event allowing the least amount of disruption to our community. We hope you will be able to attend the festival October 22-24.

Our staff and donors continue to make improvements and additions to the park, including the new skate park, fourteen exercise stations on the walking paths, and flooring in the two large pavilions.

Sidewalks are being constructed on Allen Street to enhance safety of students and pedestrians using the street for commuting or exercising.

We are continuing to monitor the Covid numbers. While still high, they seem to be, according to some officials, declining, albeit not as quickly in our area as in some other areas. Please be safe, wear masks, get vaccinated, and practice social distancing.

If you wish to contact myself or any member of staff or City Council, please reach out. We seek and appreciate your input and questions.



Mike Eason



Farmers Market Pavilion

****PLEASE NOTE****

As of January 1, 2022, trash service fees will increase to \$17.40 per month.

2021 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 4 FEB1 MAR1 MAY 3 JUN 7 AUG 2 OCT 4 NOV 1 DEC 6

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







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A message from your City Manager.....

Main Street Park continues to grow while continuing to receive substantial use. Fourteen fitness stations are open for workout, and you can now come and "shred" with us at the new skate park. In the coming months, shade will be added where possible throughout the park and at the dog park. We are starting to rent two of three pavilions within Main Street Park, as well as the Farmers Market, in its entirety. The dog park is open and ready for our canine friends. There are still additions to come, including some doggy exercise stations, some additional signage, and a paved parking lot.

The September Food Truck Friday was held in Main Street Park and included the grand opening and ribbon cutting for the new skate park. Our next Food Truck Friday will be held October 1st at the Farmers Market pavilion. Come out and enjoy some good food and fellowship. We encourage masks, social distancing, vaccinations, and other efforts to remain vigilant during the continued pandemic.

Full depth reclamation paving of Main Street, Memory Lane, and Jack Heard Street should start in late September or early October, as well as a joint city/county paving of Howser Mill Road. Also, extensions to the Allen Street sidewalk started this month, and will better connect the Farmers Market to the sidewalk along Hwy. 53, Main Street Park, and the City Hall Municipal Complex. Please pardon our progress and exercise special care when driving around construction areas.

As fall arrives, so do many additional visitors to our community to enjoy the cooler weather, festivals throughout the area, and brilliant autumn colors. We encourage you to get out and enjoy this wonderful time of the year. Please be patient and exercise additional efforts to be safe while driving.



Bob Bolz



VOTING SCHEDULE

MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 2, 2021

City voters ONLY: Post 2 & Post 4 City Council Seats

Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, October 4, 2021

Absentee/Advance Voting: Oct. 12—Oct. 16; Oct. 18—Oct. 23; Oct. 25—Oct. 29 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day

Board of Elections office—96 Academy Ave.

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