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Roads Renamed to Honor Fallen Deputies



Two sections of North Old Atlanta Road were recently renamed to honor the late Deputy Bill Cantrell and the late Reserve Deputy Larry Mulkey who were shot and killed in 1972 after being abducted during a traffic stop.

In a ceremony held April 14, “Deputy Bill Cantrell Memorial Road” and “Larry Mulkey Memorial Road” were officially dedicated as a way to memorialize and honor these fallen public safety personnel.

Three Weeks of Advance Voting Lead into May 24 General Primary and NonPartisan General Election

Weeks One and Two
Monday-Friday, May 2-13
8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Cumming City Hall
Hampton Park Library
Midway Park Community Bldg.
Sharon Springs Park Community Bldg.

End of Week Two
Saturday, May 14
7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Cumming City Hall
Hampton Park Library
Midway Park Community Bldg.
Sharon Springs Park Community Bldg.
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
County Administration Bldg.



Week Three
Monday-Friday, May 16-20
7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Cumming City Hall
Hampton Park Library
Midway Park Community Bldg.
Sharon Springs Park Community Bldg.
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
County Administration Bldg.

Election Day Tuesday, May 24
Voters must go to their designated polling place to vote. All polls are open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please verify your designated polling place prior to heading out to vote by visiting the Voter Registrations and Elections Department page on forsythco.com or call (770) 781-2118 ext. 9.

Help Shape Forsyth’s Future

What land uses are appropriate to which areas of Forsyth County? How should the character of different areas of the county vary? At the upcoming *Foster Forsyth* Design Workshops, county residents will work collaboratively with planners and designers to help answer these questions for Forsyth County.



Foster Forsyth is the Forsyth County Comprehensive Plan update planning process. The first round of public workshops in April sought input from the public about their vision for the county. At the Design Workshops this month, community members are invited to imagine what that vision will look like.

Workshops* will be held:

May 11, 7 to 9 p.m. Mashburn Elementary Cafeteria	May 12, 6 to 8 p.m. Central Park Recreation Center Banquet Room	May 16, 7 to 9 p.m. Forsyth Central High East Cafeteria	May 18, 6 to 8 p.m. Fowler Park Recreation Center Community Room	May 21, 10 a.m. to noon Fire Station 4 (Ducktown)
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**The agenda for all workshops will be the same.*

In addition, an **online community survey will be available through May 22** to collect further input on the community’s vision and priorities for its future. **A link to the survey can be found on the project website, FosterForsyth.com.**



Outdoor Burn Ban in Effect

A countywide, state-mandated ban on outdoor burning is in effect in Forsyth County from **May 1 through September 30**. The ban prohibits all outdoor burning including the burning of leaves, trash, yard debris and storm damage, as well as bon fires.

To receive more details regarding outdoor burning regulations, visit forsythco.com or call the Forsyth County Fire Department Fire Marshal’s Office at (678) 455-8072.

Commissioner's Corner

Forsyth County is at a pivotal point. Our growth continues to place us among the fastest-growing counties in the state and nation, and people continue to want to make Forsyth County their home. With all of the amazing amenities we have here, that's no surprise. This creates for the county both challenges and opportunities. And right now, there is an opportunity for each and every resident to play a role in developing a community vision for Forsyth County's future.

Forsyth County is in the process of updating our Comprehensive Plan, a process being called *Foster Forsyth*. Please take a moment to visit the project website, at

FosterForsyth.com, to learn more about the update process and how you can be involved. I encourage you to attend one of the workshops throughout the month of May to share your input about our county's future. This is truly our chance to work together to shape the future of Forsyth County.

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

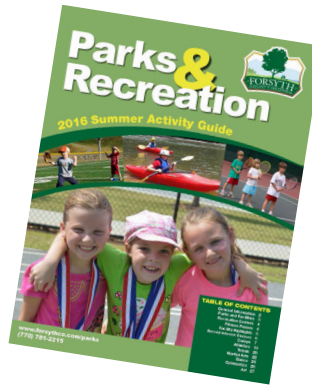


R.J. (Pete) Amos, Chairman

Parks & Recreation Summer Camps Registration is Now Open!

Register today for summer camps covering a variety of interests including art, adventure, dance, gymnastics, nature and sports.

You may register online at www.forsythco.com/parks or in person at any of the county's three recreation centers. To view the full *Parks & Recreation 2016 Summer Activity Guide*, visit www.forsythco.com/parks. For more information about summer programs offered by Forsyth County Parks & Recreation, call (770) 781-2215.




National Water Safety Month Tips

- Learn CPR.
- Teach yourself and children how to swim.
- Never swim alone—use the buddy system.
- If a child is missing, always check the water first.
- An adult should always be within reach when infants and toddlers are in and around water.
- Designate a responsible adult to watch young children in the bath and all children swimming or playing near water.
- Never use a floatation device as a substitute for a supervisor or as a toy.
- Dial 911 in the event of an emergency.



Did You Know...?

TV Forsyth broadcasts the regular meetings of the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals live. Even if you are unable to attend a meeting in person, you can still stay up-to-date with your county government. The meetings are also rebroadcast on TV Forsyth and posted on the county website at forsythco.com. To view the videos online, select the 'Meetings' tab from the top of the home page. Meetings for which a video is available will feature the  icon.

TV Forsyth airs on Comcast channel 23, AT&T channel 99 and streams online at forsythco.com.

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May Events

- May 3**
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting
- May 5**
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting/Public Hearings
- May 10**
Board of Commissioners
Work Session
- May 19**
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
- May 24**
Election Day
- May 24**
Board of Commissioners
Work Session
- May 24**
Planning Commission Meeting
- May 30**
County Government Offices Closed
for Memorial Day

Meeting and event dates are subject to change. To receive the most current information, visit forsythco.com.

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