

HOPE MILLS HAPPENINGS

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REMEMBER AND HONOR

MEMORIAL DAY



MANAGER'S CORNER

Hope Mills Town Manager Melissa Adams retired on March 31st after 30 years in local government service and the Town Board of Commissioners hired Bill Zell to serve as Interim Town Manager during the period between Ms. Adams leaving and the start of the new permanent Town Manager.

Bill retired from 30 years in local government service back in December of 2016, where in his last 14 years he served as the Town Manager of Aberdeen, in Moore County.

Bill and his wife enjoy traveling and have been to Europe on several occasions, but one of their favorite excursions was when they visited the Holy Land at the beginning of 2020, before COVID shut everything down. Bill is an avid golfer, but still enjoys helping out local municipalities that are in between Town Managers.

Looks like Mr. Zell will be with us through the first week of June as he helps our new Town Manager get acclimated.

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MAYOR'S *Corner*



Hope Mills was chartered as a Town 130 years ago this year. Our 130th Anniversary Committee has planned a year of celebration to mark the event. The guidelines for social distancing, face masks and hand sanitizing are included in all of the preparations. The outdoor events are also following the guidelines for the number of participants allowed. Upcoming events include Memorial Day on May 31 in Veterans Park and a pop-up Art Walk on June 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All events for the remaining months will be on the Parks & Recreation site.

We will be opening a new section of our municipal park on June 12. The new area is provided by the Friends of the Hope Mills Library, established in 1989. Doris Luther was treasurer of the organization during the time our library was being planned and built. The committee grew to over 100 members and raised money to benefit the library. The balance of money was intended for a clock to be placed in front of the library, however, the committee did not receive approval from DOT. Fast forward to July 2019 when Doris Luther contacted me about wanting the funds to be used for something near the library - the idea of a small park dedicated to the hard-working committee was proposed. The money was in an escheat fund with the State so it was a lot of paperwork and phone calls to finally get it released to the Town. A new fence, a park bench, sidewalk and sculpture along with a sign with landscaping will be opened to the public on June 12.

The first officers of the committee were:

- President Dot Brower (currently residing at Village Green Assisted Living)
- Vice President Janet Gardner
- Secretary Verna Hash
- Treasurer Doris Luther (residing at Hope Mills Retirement Center)

Thank you for the work accomplished by our community to provide our library in 1992.

The Tier 1 Committee was formed to address the needs of our most vulnerable population - youth, seniors and veterans. The members of the committee represent Hope Mills and Cumberland County. Our committee is developing a partnership with FTCC, South View and Hope Mills to offer special classes in the evening for 18 to 24 year old's that require a skill or trade experience to be eligible for employment. Details are being worked out so an announcement will be coming soon. The Tier 1 Committee is working with the Veterans Council to identify their needs and concerns. The committee is also looking into ways to promote activities and resources for our senior citizens.

Finally the traffic congestion on Main Street is being addressed. We have asked DOT by resolution to change the name from Highway 59 in order to use Highway 162 as a truck route and bypass for vehicles that just want to get to Raeford Road. Currently I-295 is being constructed and with exits on Camden Road and Black Bridge Road the traffic patterns in Hope Mills will change due to alternative ways to get to other parts of our county.

Hope Mills will partner with Cumberland County Waste Management for Five on Friday Program and Cumberland Clean - a positive approach to cleaning up our streets. I urge you to accept the challenge to keep Hope Mills Beautiful.

Jackie Warner



EMPLOYEE

Spotlight

WELCOME SCOTT W. MESZAROS New Town Manager - June 1

Scott W. Meszaros was most recently the City Manager for Seward, Alaska. Scott is an International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Certified Public Manager, as well as an International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) Certified Municipal Clerk. He earned his MPA degree from Troy State University in Alabama and his BS degree from Colorado State University. His tenure in Meeker, Colorado as Town Manager provided extensive publicly owned infrastructure improvements, public buildings, and airport enhancements while also attaining debt elimination for the community which was heavily dependent upon the oil/gas and coal industries and outdoor recreation.

Mr. Meszaros was previously the City Clerk and Acting Assistant City Manager in Monument, Colorado; one of Colorado's fastest growing communities within the state. He has managerial experience overseeing the following departments: Administration, Finance, Human Resources, Public Works, Utilities to include water/sewer and an electric utility, Police and Emergency Services, Sheriff's Office Administration, Fire and Rescue, Port and Harbor Management, Parks & Recreation, Library and Museum, Senior Center, Community Development and Planning, Hospital and Clinic, the Alaska Sea Life Center, Economic Development and Chamber of Commerce. He prides himself in being collaborative and caring for his community and staff while striving for accountability and efficiency in operations. Scott has overseen numerous large construction projects to include two City Halls, a full-service hospital, numerous department facility construction projects and utility expansions. He has grant management and budget/finance experience as well as experience with establishing Urban Renewal Authority and specifically developing Housing Projects and Economic Development efforts. He was also instrumental in a public fiber optic network expansion in Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

Scott has been married to his wife Stacey for 26 years and they have 3 grown children; Alexis (25) who resides in Atlanta, Cooper (21) a graduating student at the University of Louisiana-Monroe, and Briar (20) a Senior at the University of Redlands in California.

Scott has numerous hobbies and interests and is an avid bowhunter and enjoys the outdoors, NASCAR, spending time with friends and family. They are excited to make Hope Mills their home and to become a part of the community.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 5, 2021

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Welcome Scott Meszaros - New Town Manager June 1

HOPE MILLS – Mayor Jackie Warner announced at the regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021 that the Town has entered into a contract of employment with Mr. Scott Meszaros of Seward, Alaska. Mr. Meszaros will assume the role on June 1, bringing over 15 years of progressive, responsible experience in municipal government and public management.

His educational background includes a Master's in Public Administration from Troy State University (Alabama) and he is credentialed by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). Prior to his time as City Manager of Seward, Alaska, Colorado native Meszaros served as Town Manager for Meeker, Colorado from 2012 to 2016. Grant writing, fiscal management, strategic planning, housing and economic development, and CIP/capital infrastructure are his major strengths.

Career Highlights:

- Secured numerous Federal and State grants for various infrastructure and economic development projects, reduced debt obligations and healthily enhanced reserve funds (Colorado).
- Obtained Main Street "Candidate" status, completed National Historic District designation (Colorado).
- Successfully created and implemented Seward Housing Development Incentive Program.
- Founding Member of AML Online Sales Tax Project.
- Established an Urban Renewal Authority (URA); appointed as first Executive Director.
- Worked with US Senator Dan Sullivan for Coast Guard Fast Response Cutter (\$33.4M Federal).
- South harbor launch ramp replacement (2019), northeast launch ramp/paving project in 2021.
- Partnership with JAG Alaska led to increased marine repair activity and increased employment opportunities for local trade industries. Expansion of 330-ton lift dock and pit encouraged growth in maritime transportation, ship repair, commercial fishing, land development and related business sectors.
- Downtown corridor and housing construction experienced revitalization and redevelopment on a scale not seen in numerous years during his tenure (Alaska).
- Instrumental partner in establishing a County-wide 1GB Fiber-optic system project.
- Coordinated Major re-subdivision opening up 1800 acres for Commercial/Industrial use.
- Major water system upgrades and utility extensions doubling the water capacity for growth and development sustainability. Construction Projects; New 90,000 Square foot full-service Hospital with Assisted Living Facility, Airport redevelopment and enhanced runway. New builds; Fire Hall, County Jail and Courthouse, Library, Elementary School. High School Expansion project (Colorado).
- Completion of Seward Marine Industrial Center (SMIC) expansion project; new breakwater, installation of 10-ton cargo crane, fencing, heated wash down pad, construction of fishing pier, repairs to North Dock, upgraded electrical transformers. Corresponding demand created extensive leasing operations which have significantly improved revenue generation and business attraction.
- Finalized work with Alaska Department of Transportation (ADOT) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to finalize Seward Airport re-construction project.



JOHN W. HODGES PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

Update



Garner & Brown Architects PA provided the following update:

- Concrete foundations and foundation walls are complete except for locations for vehicles that require access into the building.
- Concrete block walls are well along.
- Underground plumbing has been completed and tested. Underground electrical has been completed.
- Work has begun on: Water - LA Priest - Public Safety Dr.; Stormwater storage; earth work - front, sides, rear; structural steel - mid-June; crane - Mid-June.
- The project is 18-20% complete and on schedule with the completion date of December 2022.
- To date, there has been one change order and the adjusted contract amount is \$11,468, 625. There are no pending change orders at this time.
 - Major hurdle - Getting past earthwork is a major hurdle for large change orders.
 - Exterior color selection - reduce panels, more brick, small change order/credit.
- Sketches - 3 sketch up boards
 - Goal: Functional Fire Station and Police Station for future, building for future 50 years - long term.
 - Design - Timeless
 - Flavor of place = Hope Mills - Industrial feel - past - looks to future - modern
 - Public Safety Building
 - i. Storefront - roof - brick - tie together - one building
 - ii. Two Departments - identify - Police = Blue - Fire = Red
- ECS Southeast LLC engineering testing of concrete is continuing. Reports indicate the concrete is achieving the specified strengths. The monitoring of earth compaction indicated specification requirements are being met.
- We are off to a good start. There is still much work to do. We look forward to a well-designed and well-built public safety center.



JOHN W. HODGES PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

These renderings were approved by the
Board of Commissioners
at their May 17, 2021 regular meeting.





HOPE MILLS PEDESTRIAN PLAN PUBLIC SURVEY



The Town of Hope Mills is developing a pedestrian plan to ensure equitable, accessible, and safe pedestrian routes of all community members. Pedestrian plans provide an overview of a community's pedestrian network and identify improvements that will contribute to a more walkable place.

Watch the video of the first public workshop on-demand at: www.townofhopemills.com

HOPE MILLS PEDESTRIAN PLAN *Public Survey*

We want to hear from YOU!

Please take a few minutes to complete the short survey using the link below or the QR code.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7Y9TGQQ>

Survey closes **June 1, 2021** – spread the word!



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- https://mcadamsco.zoom.us/rec/share/mimaj_BojPsHGMGrZzK9QVRJQaVDAPY7Xm3K_IKG_h3YFqR10FPPGhznruTUp1-q.9HQZE-TOeZZfKyrl?startTime=1619734257000

Visit our website: www.townofhopemills.com for a direct link to the survey and workshop recording.

SURVEY CLOSING ON JUNE 1 - SPREAD THE WORD!

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Police-Community Relations

In the August 2020 newsletter, we reported local area leaders participated in a Zoom meeting with Senator Kirk deViere for the purpose of beginning discussions on bridging divides in our community. Prompted by the senseless death of George Floyd, the topic had been long since overdue for discussion. Unfortunately, due to COVID, community relations planning discussions had been put on hold, until recently.

The partnering agencies listed below are proud to present a movie screening, community engagement and dialogue series.

“The Hate U Give” film screening and community engagement series is an effort by the Fayetteville-Cumberland Human Relations Commission and partner agencies to promote positive human relations between police, sheriff and both formal and informal local leaders from the Town of Hope Mills.

Following the viewing of the film, attendees will participate in facilitated discussion, to include youth, family, economics, police-community relations, diversity, equity and human relations.

Partner agencies include the Town of Hope Mills, Hope Mills Police Department, Cumberland County Sheriff's Office, Mission Field Ministries, Rock Spring Church, Hope Mills Prime Movers, and Cumberland County Veterans Council.

Saturday, June 5, 2021
Mission Field Ministries
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

PRE-REGISTER HERE: <https://linktr.ee/HumanRelationsFayCum>



MOVIE SCREENING

THE HATE U GIVE

**Movie Screening
Community Engagement
and Dialogue Series**

**TWO WORLDS
ONE VOICE
NO GOING BACK**

**June 5, 2021
MISSION FIELD
MINISTRIES**
3429 Black and Decker Road
Hope Mills, N.C.





Mission Field Ministries will also be hosting
a COVID-19 vaccination clinic
on Tuesday, May 25, 2021



**Cumberland
Has a Spot to
Get the Shot**



**FREE COVID-19
Vaccination Clinic**

**Tuesday, May 25
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

**First Dose
Appointments Available
Mission Field Ministries
3429 Black and Decker Road
Hope Mills, NC 28348
Standby lane open**

910-678-7657 co.cumberland.nc.us/covid19vaccine



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Hope Mills Veterans Affairs Committee

VFW Post 10630 and the Veterans Affairs Committee cordially invite you to attend the Town of Hope Mills Memorial Day Ceremony.

Monday, May 31, 2021

3:00 p.m.

Hope Mills Veterans Park

(located next to Hope Mills Parks & Recreation - 5766 Rockfish Road)

A park dedication presentation for Jim & Jean Clark will take place during the ceremony.

Current state COVID guidelines will be adhered to.



PETFEST

Of The Sandhills

**BOONE TRAIL
FIT BODY
BOOT CAMP**

PET SUPPLIES PLUS
Minus the hassle.

**VALLEY
AUTO WORLD**

**PET FEST
OF THE SANDHILLS**

**HOPE MILLS PARK
JUNE 12
2021
10AM - 3PM
FREE ADMISSION**

**PET FEST
5K PET WALK**

**FAPS
FAYETTEVILLE ANIMAL
PROTECTION SOCIETY**
REGISTER HERE

**HOPE MILLS ROAD
ANIMAL
HOSPITAL**
ANIMAL URGENT CARE

**With Steve
VETERINARY
HOSPITAL**

**Time To Paws
PET RESORT**

FOOD! FUN! FAMILY!

ALL SPECIES WELCOME!

**rock103
CAROLINA'S ROCK STATION**

**Q98
98.5 FM**

**Cumulus Radio
STATION GROUP**

**MAGIC
106.9
The Adult Choice**

**AM 1640
WFNC
1640 WNCN**

Each year there are animal presentations, vendors, the Pet Fest 5 K Pet Walk which benefits Fayetteville Animal Protection Society (FAPS), a kids area and more! And as always, FAPS will have some of their friends with them – YOU might just be the human that can give them a furrever home!

- Reptiles 101 will be on site with 4 showings on our Pet Fest of the Sandhills stage! Reptiles 101 has some amazing creatures! (Even a gigantic spider – don't worry, it will be in a tank!)
- Fayetteville Freedom Flyers is an amazing flyball team. They have trained rescues dogs who basically run a relay race. Grab the ball, grab it from other dogs and go! They are a blast to watch.
- Don't miss out on catch the Greatest Showgals! This team of trained horses puts on quite the show! They will perform 3 times so you'll have a chance to see!
- Gray Wolf K9 is a professional K9 training program. They'll be on site giving a demonstration on what goes into training whether it is for obedience or service!
- Hope Mills Police Department K9 unit has a spectacular show! Their K9 is trained to sniff out drugs, guns and all the basic bad things that need to be sniffed out. They will do 2 shows.
- The organizers are also very excited about their Kidzone sponsored by Hope Mills Road Animal Hospital. They will have Bragg Bounce Rentals - a fun train for you, your kids and your dogs to take a ride on. Plus corn hole, giant Jenga, giant Connect 4 and a ton more games. Maidens and Monsters will have COVID Friendly Face painting, balloons and more.

**SAT
JUNE 12**



POP-UP ART IN THE PARK SHOWCASE

LOCAL ARTISTS NEEDED!

**VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
5770 ROCKFISH ROAD
SATURDAY, JUNE 12
10:00AM - 3:00PM**

FREE • NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

CALLING ALL LOCAL ARTISTANS!

The Town of Hope Mills is searching for Local Artists who are interested in selling their work at the Pop-Up Art in the Park Showcase Event. Artists are also encourage to demonstrate their craft on site. Some vendor exclusion may apply.

For more information please visit www.townofhopemills.com



Celebrating 150 Years

PARKS & RECREATION

Schedule



PICKLEBALL

WEDNESDAYS

9AM-10:30AM / 11AM-12:30PM / 1PM - 2:30PM

AGES: 18+

12 MAX/TIME SLOT

MUST BRING OWN PADDLE

FREE



OPEN PLAY BASKETBALL

THURSDAYS

1PM-2:30PM & 3PM-4:30PM

AGES: 18+

16 MAX/TIME SLOT

NO OUTSIDE BALLS ALLOWED

\$2.00



INDOOR WALKING

TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS

9AM - 10AM

AGES: 18+

10 PEOPLE MAX

FREE



FITNESS ROOM

AGES 55+

MONDAYS 9AM-1PM

WEDNESDAYS 1PM-5PM

1 HR TIME SLOTS

4 MAX/TIME SLOT

FREE

AGES 18-54

TUESDAYS 9AM-1PM

THURSDAYS 1PM-5PM

1 HR TIME SLOTS

4 MAX/TIME SLOT

\$2.00

Hope Mills Recreation Center

REOPENING

THE HOPE MILLS PARKS & RECREATION MODIFIED REOPENING PLAN TAKES INTO ACCOUNT CURRENT CDC & NCDHHS GUIDELINES. AS A MULTI-USE RECREATION CENTER, WE FIT SEVERAL GUIDELINES. MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES, EVEN DURING EXERCISE/ACTIVITIES. SOCIAL DISTANCING MUST BE MAINTAINED. ALL ACTIVITIES REQUIRE PRE-REGISTRATION ONLINE.

5770 ROCKFISH ROAD | 426-4109 | WWW.TOWNOFHOPEMILLS.COM

METRONET

Information

In February the Town was presented with a plaque from MetroNet recognizing Hope Mills as the first community in North Carolina to commit to becoming a gigabit city.



Since then, MetroNet crews began the process of surveying and construction for the optional fiber-optic network. Had no idea the construction was taking place?! - If you haven't already noticed, you will see a series of messages before construction activity begins in your neighborhood, including a letter, postcard, and yard marker. Next, you will see crews identifying underground utilities and marking their locations with temporary paint. In the days following this, MetroNet contractor teams will begin constructing the 100% fiber-optic network. Rest assured, the construction phase is temporary. MetroNet associates have committed to doing their best to minimize any impact to your property as they work within the utility easement areas. This is projected to be a 2-year process. Please read on for additional information provided by MetroNet.

This information is also available on our website: www.townofhopemills.com



METRONET CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

MetroNet begins construction in the City of Hope Mills!

MetroNet is excited to begin construction of their 100% fiber optic network in the city of Hope Mills. Residents can expect to see construction teams in and around neighborhoods completing both aerial and underground work. MetroNet team member uniforms and vehicles are clearly marked with the MetroNet logo, making them easy to identify.

MetroNet uses cutting-edge installation technology, while actively minimizing the impact on properties within the construction areas. In neighborhoods with utilities on overhead poles, MetroNet will use that existing infrastructure. In areas with underground utilities, MetroNet uses state-of-the-art horizontal underground drilling machines to bury the fiber cables.

MetroNet has a website dedicated to all things construction-related. Residents are encouraged to visit www.metronetinc.com/construction to access frequently asked questions, view construction areas, and to notify MetroNet of any potential property concerns, such as the location of an underground sprinkler system or invisible dog fence. The website also contains brief and informative videos explaining [Easements](#) and [What to Expect During Construction](#).

Those interested in being at the front of the line for MetroNet services can check availability and view pricing and product information at www.metronetinc.com/iwantfiber or by calling **1-877-386-3876**.

METRONET

Frequently Asked Questions



CITY OF HOPE MILLS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: I've received information from MetroNet. Who are they?

A: MetroNet is a leading provider of 100% fiber optic internet, television, and telephone services. MetroNet has an agreement with the city of Hope Mills to install a citywide fiber-optic¹ network either underground or on existing utility poles, giving city of Hope Mills residents access to gigabit² speed internet, some of the fastest in the world, along with stunning television picture quality, and clear, reliable telephone service.

MetroNet currently provides service or is under construction in over 100 communities in Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, Florida, and North Carolina. This collaborative investment provides the city of Hope Mills residents an additional choice for internet, television, and telephone bringing competition into the marketplace.

MetroNet has a website dedicated to addressing any questions or concerns residents may have about the construction process. Visit www.metro-netinc.com/construction or call (877) 386-3876.

Q: Who are these people in my yard? Are they allowed to be there?

A: Yes. MetroNet established a franchise agreement with the city of Hope Mills, and they are obtaining the necessary permits to build out their network. Just like other utility companies, MetroNet has the right to access the city's right of way, which extends across streets from sidewalk to sidewalk, and easement areas, typically located along the street, the sidewalk, the rear lot line, or between two lots. Utility companies use easements to construct and maintain overhead and underground lines. MetroNet crews have legal access to these areas to install their fiber cables, in addition to equipment such as boxes buried at ground level, typically placing them in a central location utilized by multiple utility providers. If your easement is within a fenced area of your property, MetroNet will need access to this area as well. For more information about easements, and what you can expect during construction, click the CONSTRUCTION PROCESS tab at www.metro-netinc.com/construction. If you have questions or concerns, call MetroNet's customer care line at (877) 386-3876.

Q: What if my lawn, fence, etc. is damaged during construction?

A: The construction phase of this project is temporary, and MetroNet crews do their best to minimize the impact to property; however, technicians do need to either hang fiber-optic cables on utility poles or run them underground in order to extend service to subscribing residents. MetroNet has a website dedicated to addressing any questions or concerns residents may have about construction. Visit www.metro-netinc.com/construction and click on the ASK QUESTIONS tab to submit your question or concern. Residents can also call (877) 386-3876. MetroNet promises to answer all inquiries and address any concerns within 24 hours (one business day M-F) and to repair any damage occurring during construction of their network.

Q: Can I move the flags in my yard?

A: Please do not remove the flags. MetroNet is legally required to have utilities locate their underground transmission line, such as gas, water, and electric lines prior to construction. The flags show where the existing utilities are, helping MetroNet crews avoid these areas. Once these colorful flags or temporary landscape-safe spray paint appear in your yard, or along the street, construction should begin within a week. Once construction is complete, the flags will be removed. Weather permitting, MetroNet will rake, seed, and straw your lawn in the areas where digging occurred.

Q: Should I notify MetroNet if I have a sprinkler system, dog fence, sump pump line or other underground facilities?

A: Yes. You can mark your sprinkler system, dog fence, sump pump line etc. with white flags or landscape-safe spray paint. You can also notify MetroNet online by clicking the ASK QUESTIONS tab at www.metro-netinc.com/construction or by calling (877) 386-3876.

¹ Fiber-optic cables allow for faster data-transmission speeds than coaxial cable or copper telephone wires. Data is sent with light pulses, and nothing travels faster than the speed of light.

² Gigabit speeds are the equivalent of 1,000 megabits per second. As a reference, gigabit speeds can allow an entire HD movie to download in 30 seconds.

METRONET

Frequently Asked Questions Continued



CITY OF HOPE MILLS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Why is MetroNet going through my yard – I never said I wanted the service!

A: MetroNet is creating a fiber network throughout the city, so people who want to sign up for service may do so. As with other utilities, the goal is to make it as widely accessible as possible, although there is obviously no requirement for any home sign up for service.

Q: How long will MetroNet be in my yard doing work?

A: MetroNet workers may be in your yard from 30 minutes up to one day. If other utilities are overhead, MetroNet will install the fiber optic cables on existing poles. If utilities are underground, MetroNet will bury the network in those same areas. Before doing underground work, MetroNet will have the other utility companies locate their transmission lines and will temporarily move any obstacles within the utility easement.

Q: What's a utility easement?

A: Utility easements are located on most properties and are designated by city ordinance to be accessible to utilities, such as gas, water, electric, and cable providers. MetroNet signed a franchise agreement with the city of Hope Mills to locate its fiber-optic network in these utility easements. MetroNet's construction website contains a wealth of information about what to expect during construction, including a video explaining utility easements. Visit the CONSTRUCTION PROCESS tab at www.metroNetinc.com/construction to view the video and read additional information regarding construction.



CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Community Health Assessment

The Cumberland County Department of Public Health encourages residents to complete the 2021 Community Health Assessment (CHA) survey. The CHA is a health opinion survey that gathers information about the health and well-being of Cumberland County residents and helps identify ways to address those needs and concerns.

Go to <https://bit.ly/32q6l9h> for the English version of the survey. The survey can be found in Spanish at <https://bit.ly/2QDSq1W>.

The QR code below can be scanned directly from this document. Simply open the camera app on your phone and focus it on the code. It will direct you to the website to complete the survey.

Hard copies are available at all eight Cumberland County Public Library locations and Hope Mills Town Hall. All surveys must be completed by June 18.



Community Health Assessment

Your Opinion Matters!

The **Community Health Assessment** is a health opinion survey that gathers information about the health and well-being of Cumberland County residents and helps identify ways to address those needs and concerns.

The survey is being conducted by the Health Department, Cape Fear Valley Health System and other agencies.



Take the survey by June 18, 2021



English:

<https://redcap.ecu.edu/surveys/?s=4YJCCCAEW>



Spanish:

<https://redcap.ecu.edu/surveys/?s=YDLYHLEDL3>

CUMBERLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE

Anti-Litter Campaign

Cumberland County Solid Waste is teaming up with the City of Fayetteville and the nonprofit, Sustainable Sandhills to launch an anti-litter campaign called 5 for Friday.

Its goal is to encourage businesses, schools, community groups and individuals to reverse litter by having people pick up five pieces of trash and recyclable materials every Friday.

You are invited to sign the 5 for Friday pledge below. As the campaign grows, you may see 5 for Friday decals and posters on windows or in spaces throughout Fayetteville and Cumberland County.

The mascot, Stan the Can, will appear in social media videos and at events to promote this campaign. Residents are encouraged to post their litter pickups on social media and use the hashtags #5forFriday and #StantheCan to help spread awareness of the campaign.

"If 5,000 people threw away five pieces of litter every week, Cumberland County would reduce its litter footprint by 1.3 million pieces of litter," said Solid Waste Management Director Amanda Bader.

Take the Pledge and Commit to:

Work with Cumberland County, the City of Fayetteville and Sustainable Sandhills to participate in the 5 for Friday campaign and create a cleaner, healthier, safer place to live, work and play.

Collect five pieces of litter in and around our county every Friday.

Actively invite others to join the campaign and support them in their endeavors to reduce litter.

Become part of a joint effort to build pristine business areas, attracting visitors and strengthening our community.

Hope Mills is committed to joining the efforts to keep our Town and County clean. Will you take the pledge with us? Visit 5forfriday.org

*Information taken from City of Fayetteville webpage



5 FOR FRIDAY

Help make Cumberland County a cleaner place!

5 For Friday encourages businesses, schools, community groups and individuals to reverse litter by picking up 5 pieces of trash and recyclable materials every Friday.

Take the Pledge 5forFriday.org

Photo taken prior to the COVID-19 pandemic



HOPE MILLS

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

WATCH LIVE
MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.

WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/C/TOWNOFHOPEMILLSNC



HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT CCNC-TV?

Did you know
Cumberland County airs the
Hope Mills Board of Commissioners
meetings on CCNC-TV?!

<https://co.cumberland.nc.us/ccnctv>

Check out the link above or tune in
to CCNC-TV (Spectrum Channel 5)

Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Saturdays
10:25 a.m. & 6:25 p.m.



UPCOMING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE & HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Mark your Calendars

- Town offices will be closed in observance of the **Memorial Day Holiday on Monday, May 31, 2021**. Yard Waste collection will be on a one-day delay. Trash service will not be delayed.
- **Board of Commissioners Special Meeting Budget Workshop - Monday, June 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**, Luther Board Meeting Room Town Hall.
- **Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting - Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**, Luther Board Meeting Room Town Hall. Public hearings will be held on:
 - Proposed fiscal year 2021-2022 budget
 - Annexation 2021-01 Deaver Circle Apartments Phase III
 - Annexation Agreement with the City of Fayetteville for the expansion of Arran Lakes West subdivision will be held.
- **Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting - Monday, June, 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**, Luther Board Meeting Room Town Hall
- Town offices will be closed in observance of the **Independence Day Holiday on Monday, July 5, 2021**. The first regular Board of Commissioners meeting for July is cancelled due to July 4th. Yard waste collection will be on a one-day delay. Trash service will not be delayed.

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