

When in the Dell

Weekly Newsletter for the Town of Wendell Team



From the Desk of Planning: Annexations and Wendell's Growth

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What is Annexation?

Annexation is the process by which a municipality expands its boundaries into nearby areas not already incorporated into the municipality. Annexed areas may be contiguous to the current corporate limits, or may be "satellite" areas not bordered by the current corporate limits. Annexation should not be confused with a municipality's Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). While both annexation and ETJ extension expand the borders of the town's regulatory jurisdiction, annexation includes additional costs and benefits to the property owner and the town, as further described below.

What are the benefits of being annexed?

For the Town of Wendell, the benefit of annexation is that it helps ensure the orderly and efficient delivery of services to areas which are developed to urban densities.

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

We'll let you know Town info in the Department Highlights sidebar. The Town has 6 different departments: Administration, Finance, Planning, Police, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works.

- [PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:](#)

The new LED tennis court lights have been installed and are working! They have provided a much-needed upgrade and replaced the lights that were installed sometime between 1978-1980.

Final preparations are being made for the Halloween Treat Trail which is on October 30th from 5-9 p.m. at Wendell Park. We have a total of 200 participants signed up for this event and are still taking vendor applications at this time.



The town also receives additional revenues generated by an increased tax base. The primary benefit to the property owner is access to municipal services - mainly water and sewer.

Other municipal services provided to annexed properties include local police protection, parks and recreation services, solid waste services, and local maintenance of roads (unless otherwise maintained by NCDOT). While the property owner will become subject to town property taxes (in addition to county property taxes), they may also experience an offset to those increased taxes in the form of reductions in water and sewer rates.

Process Description:

North Carolina General Statutes (Chapter 160A, Article 4) establishes the legal framework for a municipality to expand through annexation of additional properties into its corporate limits. In general, annexation is broken into two categories: 1) "Voluntary" or "Annexation by Petition", and 2) "Involuntary" or "town-initiated". The vast majority of annexations in the Town of Wendell are voluntary annexations. These types of annexation requests typically

• POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Captain Slaughter attended the North Carolina FBI National Academy one day re-trainer in Lexington, NC. Law enforcement officers that hold a command staff rank are eligible to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA, where they learn extensive leadership skills that can be brought back and utilized at their agencies. Captain Slaughter has applied to the FBI National Academy and by attending the one-day re-trainer, helps with admission into the program. The topic for this one day training was titled "Why we do what we do," which is a reminder of why police officers chose the law enforcement profession and best practices for being a leader in their agency.

Capt. Slaughter participated in a virtual meeting with the TJCOG as part of PD's ongoing recruitment initiative. TJCOG partnered with WRAL to assist law enforcement agencies with their recruitment efforts. WRAL will be coming to Wendell soon to conduct interviews with officers and capture footage for a recruitment video.



occur as developers or property owners seek to gain access to municipal water and sewer needed to support their project.

Town policy requires that annexation petitions be submitted by property owners that wish to connect property outside of the town limits to municipal utilities. This policy applies to undeveloped lots, as well as developed lots which are not currently connected to municipal utilities. Annexed property must connect to both water and sewer, unless one or both services are deemed by the Town to be unavailable for connection due to distance or other factors.

Growth is often accompanied by the annexation of property into the Town jurisdiction. So far in 2020, the town has received 9 annexation petitions that encompass 417 acres. Recently, the future Wake Technical Community College petitioned for annexation to construct a campus. Other annexations have been accompanied by residential development plans.

If you have any questions on annexations or the process, please contact the Town of Wendell Planning Department at (919) 365-4448 for more information.

• **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:**

Public Works worked at Greenmount Cemetery this week to prepare a drive lane for gravel. This will allow all-weather access for vehicles.

Public Works assisted with the HVAC contractor to upgrade all systems with MERV 13 level filters to assist with virus filtration. All systems were also winterized and cleaned at the Senior Center, Town Hall, Community Center, Police Department, and Public Works Facility.

Public Works Director Brian Bray and Stormwater Program Manager Joe Collins met virtually with WithersRavenel to discuss the next steps for the Town's Stormwater Program. Items such as creating a stormwater management plan and beginning a financial analysis to identify necessary funding are required prior to the Town's Stormwater Audit.

Dedicate a song, or request a name on the memorial scroll played at the end of the event honoring a survivor or in memory of a Breast Cancer victim for an additional \$5.00

Wear pink, have fun, and spread the word about this event. Seated modifications will be demonstrated and encouraged for all to be able to participate.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS
Virtual Dance-A-Thon
Led By Maria Bolanz & Linda Thomas
with a fundraiser for
Sisters Network, Triangle NC. Breast Cancer Survivors
&
Resources for Seniors, Northern and Eastern Wake Senior Centers

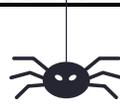
MONDAY, 26 OCTOBER
START AT 1:PM
\$5.00 Cash or Check Due by October 20, 2020
Made to Friends of North Wake Senior Center
Mail or Bring to 235 E Holding Ave. Wake Forest, NC. 27587
Call 919-554-4111 to register, receive required waiver, and link

Well in the Dell

Wellness Tips from Wendell's HR Department

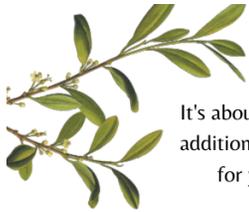


10 healthier trick-or-treat snacks



- Raisins
- Pretzels
- Juice Boxes
- Mini water bottles
- Plain cookies (animal crackers or vanilla wafers)
- Baked tortilla chips
- Popcorn
- Low-fat granola bars
- Sugar-free gum
- Fruit gummies

Information obtained from: <https://www.lcsun-news.com/story/life/wellness/2018/10/05/halloween-treat-msu-nutrition-specialist-kids-health-wellness-tips/1162901002/>



LEAF SEASON CALENDAR 2020-2021



It's about to be leaf season and Wendell Public Works will be running leaf pickups through January. Place leaves at the curb in addition to your Yard Waste Bins on the Mondays listed with a leaf icon at 7 a.m. Please continue to use your Yard Waste Bin for yard items like branches and grass clippings every Monday. Place any leaves that don't fit into the can at the curb.

OCTOBER 15-NOVEMBER 30

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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DECEMBER 1 - JANUARY 18

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🟩 = YARD WASTE BIN PICKUP ONLY
PUBLIC WORKS WILL NOT BE PICKING UP
LEAVES AT THE CURBS THESE WEEKS.

🟨 = EXCESS LEAF PICKUP

🍂 = LEAF PICKUP DAY-HAVE LEAVES
AT THE CURB BY 7 A.M.

🗑️ = YARD WASTE BIN PICKUP DAY-
HAVE BIN AT THE CURB BY 7 A.M.