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Vision Statement

Vision to
Improve the
Lifestyle and
Landscape of
Ayden through
Growth and
Enrichment

A clean, safe, and attractive community that encompasses characteristics of a village; consisting of an economically thriving retail and service Historic downtown district that is abutted by residential neighborhoods providing a good mix of housing options and that are within walking distance to downtown and recreational opportunities; and that are all surrounded by a flourishing and prosperous commercial and industrial corridor. Ayden is a vibrant community with hometown charm.

For more information, visit the Town of Ayden's website at www.ayden.com

Ayden Bids Farewell to Town Manager; Welcomes Aboard New Hire

Town Manager Steve Harrell will end his tenure with the Town of Ayden on Wednesday, September 30, 2020. After 4 years and 3 months with the Town, and 38 years in local government, Mr. Harrell will begin his much deserved retirement. Steve began his employment with the Town in June of 2016. Since his hire, Ayden has seen many accomplishments, such as: he secured \$6.4 million in grants and \$2.3 million in no-interest/low interest loans for Sanitary Sewer I&I repairs; he secured \$705,000 in stormwater grants from the Golden Leaf Foundation; he helped to produce the first Capital Improvement Plan since 1995; he implemented the AMI system for utilities; he developed the steps for the formal and ongoing recognition of the historic African-American cemetery on Old US 11; he negotiated with GUC and conducted stakeholders' meetings to develop the first Franchise Agreement helping to bring expansion of natural gas lines within Ayden; he implemented ADA Compliance of Town Hall with the installation of a chairlift elevator and ramp at the entrance of Town hall, among many other achievements. Needless to say, Mr. Harrell has proven to be an asset to the Town of Ayden, and he will be greatly missed. We wish him well on his retirement!

Mr. Livingston's first day on the job was September 8th. He will work with our current manager through the end of September to transition into his role. Mr. Livingston brings 15 years of experience as a Town Manager in North Carolina, having worked as the manager of Rolesville, Wallace and Plymouth. Prior to his manager's positions, he was the Planning Director for Franklin County and the Town of Elizabethtown. He has a B.S. in Geography (Concentration in City and Regional Planning) from UNC-Charlotte; B.A. in Political Science from UNC-Greensboro and a Master of Public Administration degree from UNC-Charlotte. He also served 24 years in the U.S. Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve. Please join us as we welcome Mr. Livingston to the Town of Ayden!



Harrell

Livingston

Ayden's Safe Night Out Saturday 10/31/20
HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL
DRIVE-THRU
TRUNK or TREAT
 Drive-Thru: Candy and Caramel Apples will be passed out carside at the Town Hall Stage.
 6:00-8:00pm
 Ayden Town Hall Stage
 Event is sponsored and provided by the Ayden Arts and Rec Dept, Ayden Police Dept, and the Ayden Community Policing Council. INFO: 252-481-5837.



Wise Words: "The trees are about to show us how lovely it is to let the dead things go." ~ Maya Elious

October & November Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

- Oct. 12th: 7pm, Governing Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- Oct. 13th: 6:30pm, Main Street Meeting, Gwendy's Goodies
- Oct. 19th: 7pm, Planning Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- Oct. 27th: 7pm, Community Policing, Community Building
- Oct. 29th: 6:30pm, Arts/Rec Commission Meeting, Ayden Recreation Center
- Oct. 31st: Ayden's Safe Night Out

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 3rd: Election Day
- Nov. 9th: 7pm—Governing Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- Nov. 10th: 6:30pm, Main Street Meeting, Gwendy's Goodies
- Nov. 11th: Veterans Day—Town Offices Closed
- Nov. 16th: 7pm—Planning Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- Nov. 26th-27th: Thanksgiving Holiday, Town Offices Closed

Customer Hot List

NEED TO KNOW ITEMS...

October 15th-January 15th is designated Leaf Season! When raking your yard this season please remember the following:

- ◆ Pile leaves loosely and adjacent to the curb
- ◆ If there is no curb, use the pavement edge or shoulder of the road.
- ◆ DO NOT place them on a sidewalk, ditch, street, or gutter.
- ◆ DO NOT add limbs, pine straw or other yard debris with the leaves.
- ◆ Leaves will be picked up on a weekly basis. There is NO designated day for pickup.

Additionally...

- ◆ Limbs and other yard debris must be separated and stacked adjacent to the curb. Limbs must be no more than 6" in diameter and no longer than 4' in length. Leaf pickup will be the same as your yard debris pickup.
- ◆ All bulk trash, i.e. furniture, needs to be separated
- ◆ Large loads of household trash including lumber, furniture, tree limbs and other similar items will result in an extra charge



Town of Ayden

Inc. in 1891 - 2014 Population 5,018
Council - Manager Form of Government

A Full Service Municipal Government Offering
Electric, Water, Sewer, Solid Waste,
Recreation, Police, Fire and EMS Services
to the Ayden community.

Governing Body

- Stephen W. Tripp, Mayor
- Ivory Mewborn, Mayor Pro-tem/
Commissioner 1st Ward
- Cynthia Goff, Commissioner 2nd Ward
- Raymond Langley, Commissioner 3rd Ward
- Johnny Davis/Commissioner 4th Ward
- Phyllis Ross, Commissioner 5th Ward
- Management Staff**
- Steven L. Harrell, Town Manager
- Sarah Radcliff, Executive Asst./Town Clerk
- Stephen Smith, Planning Director
- Chris Forehand, Chief of Police
- Keith Murphy, PW & Utilities Director
- Amy Coble, Finance Director
- Tommy Duncan, Arts & Recreation Director
- Rachelle Mondovich, Librarian
- Nichole Maye-Brown, Housing Director

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EMERGENCIES**
Ayden Customer Service at Town Hall
Call During Normal Business Hrs.
(252) 481-5821/481-5822/481-5823
Ayden Police Dept.
Call Nights/Weekends/Holidays
(252) 481-5844

Ayden Historical and Art Society Museum

554 2nd Street
252-531-4358 252-320-1954
Hours: 4th Sunday of each month,
2:00pm - 5:00pm
www.aydenhistoricalandartsociety.com



E-Z CALL

If you know individuals involved in committing a crime in Ayden, please consider reporting it. You need not fear your name/info will be revealed in any way to anyone; it will be kept anonymous. Please call (252) 746-APDO (2730). "Together we can make a difference."

AYDEN FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION: AUGUST-DECEMBER 20
SEASON: JANUARY - FEBRUARY

TACKLE FOOTBALL	COST: \$25/\$50	AGES: 8-10yr & 11-13yr
FLAG FOOTBALL	COST: \$20/\$40	AGES: 5-6yr & 7-8yr
CHEERLEADING	COST: \$20/\$30	AGES: 6-12yr

REGISTER ONLINE AT AYDENARTSANDREC.RECDESK.COM. ALL REGISTRATION FEES WILL BE DUE AT THE TIME OF PLAYER EVALUATIONS IN JANUARY. MORE INFO: 252-481-5837