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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



Featured News:
Economic Development
By: Steven Harrell, Town Manager

Town of Ayden Secures Funding for Downtown Pocket Park

The Town of Ayden is in the process of placing a “pocket park” in its central business district. The alley on the east side of Lee Street that connects the street with the public parking lot next to Town Hall is being converted into this pocket park. Funding for the park comes from several sources. The Town Board of Commissioners appropriated \$5,000 in the current FY19-20 Annual Budget toward construction of the park. Funding has also come from the Greenville-ENC Alliance in the form of a \$10,000 grant. Added to that sum is a \$5,000 grant from Electricities, Inc., through its Smart Communities Grant program, and another \$5,000 grant from Pitt County to our Arts & Recreation Department for the park. This brought a total funding of \$25,000 for the park. This pocket park will serve the purpose of providing an attractive pedestrian pathway from the public parking lot to Lee Street as well as provide shoppers and visitors to our downtown an attractive open space while they visit our downtown.



I challenge you
— TO COMPLETE —
the census to shape
the future of
your community

Responses to the 2020 Census will shape how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding are distributed to local communities annually.

#shapeyourfuture

The #2020Census counts everyone who lives in the United States. No matter who you are, we all count! Its not too late. April 1st is a reference date, not a deadline to respond. The Census Bureau is working with health authorities to ensure their guidance is incorporated into our operations. Students affected by college and university closures should still be counted where they live while at school. Go to 2020Census.gov now to be counted.

@USCensusBureau
[#shapeyourfuture](https://twitter.com/shapeyourfuture)

June & July Calendar of Events

JUNE

- Jun. 8th: 7pm—Governing Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- Jun. 9th: 6:30pm—Main Street Committee, Gwendy's Goodies
- Jun. 15th: 7pm—Planning Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- Jun. 23rd: 7pm—Community Policing, Community Building
- Jun. 25th: 6:30pm—Arts/Rec Commission, Ayden Rec.Center



JULY

- July 6th: Town offices closed in observance of Independence Day
- July 13th: 7pm—Governing Board Meeting, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- July 14th: 6:30pm—Main Street Committee, Gwendy's Goodies
- July 20th: 7pm—Planning Board Meeting*, 2nd floor, Town Hall
- July 23rd: 6:30pm—Arts/Rec Commission, Ayden Rec. Center
- July 28th: 7pm—Community Policing, Community Building

The Town of Ayden's 2019 Annual Drinking Water Quality report can be found at: <http://www.ayden.com/2019-consumer-confidence-report>

EPA requires community water systems to provide a Consumer Confidence Report, also known as an annual drinking water quality report, to their customers. These reports provide Americans information about their local drinking water quality. Copies are also posted at Town Hall and The Operations Center.

Customer Hot List

NEED TO KNOW ITEMS...

—SWIMMING POOLS— WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

All public, commercial, or private outdoor swimming pools of three (3) feet or more in depth, either above ground or below ground, and of either permanent or temporary construction shall meet the following requirements in addition to setbacks and other requirements specified elsewhere:

- That the setback for an above ground swimming pool from any lot line equals the required setback for accessory structures in the district in which it is located plus one (1) foot for each foot over five (5) of pool height.
- That a fence be erected to a minimum height of four (4) feet to completely enclose all sides of the pool not bounded by a building. A gate of equal height shall be installed and securely fastened when the pool is not in use.
- That all mechanical equipment be located a minimum of five (5) feet from any property line.
- Swimming pools are not permitted in a front yard.

***Zoning Compliance is required before the erection of any fence. Please contact our Planning & Zoning office at 252-481-5828 with any questions regarding pool or fencing requirements and approval.**

When a swimming pool is filled with the Town's water, regardless of the source, the owner of the property on which the pool is located shall pay to the Town the water cost based on existing residential customer water rates for the capacity of the pool. The capacity of the pool shall be verified by the Superintendent of Water/Sewer Operations.

*If the pool is not tied to the sewer system, the Superintendent of Water/Sewer Operations may adjust the sewer bill to reflect the cost of water only. To request an adjustment, call Customer Service at 252-481-5821 after the pool has been filled. We will send someone out to measure the pool and adjust accordingly.



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
Mallory Denham, Economic Development Director
Chris Forehand, Chief of Police
Keith Murphy, Public Works & Utilities Director
Robert Taylor, Jr., Finance Director
Tommy Duncan, Arts & Recreation Director
Rachelle Mondovich, Librarian

CONTACT INFORMATION

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FOR PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES 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

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 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

