



Talk of the Town

June 12, 2018
73rd Edition

Town Tidbit:

Did you know? Smithfield operates under the council-manager form of government. The town council has eight members, including the mayor and meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall. Four council members are elected from specific geographical districts and three are elected at-large. All voting is non-partisan.

Do Not Forget:

[Click here for more information.](#)

On the Neuse

CARDBOARD BOAT RACE
SATURDAY, JULY 14th
at Smithfield Boat Ramp on the Town Commons

SCHEDULE
*Ribbon Cutting at newly renovated Boat Ramp 9:15am
*Boat Registration: 8:30am to 10am
*Boat Regatta starts: 10am
*Vendors & Food trucks: 9am-2pm
*Band : 12pm-2pm

See Construction tips, regatta rules and more at www.smithfield-nc.com.
Questions contact us at 919-934-2148.

Sprinkler fun in Smithfield on the last day of school

The kids at South Smithfield Elementary got a cool wet treat on the final day of school before the summer break: playing in the Smithfield Fire Department's super sprinkler.

[Click here to see the full video.](#)

courtesy of the
News & Observer



The US 301 Endless Yard Sale officially starts on Friday, June 15th and runs through Saturday, June 16th, 7am-5pm.

Smithfield Electrical Department Recognized

The Town of Smithfield Electrical Department has received the 2018 American Public Power designation as a Platinum member. The designation will remain in effect until 2021.

The Town of Smithfield received a score of 97 out of a possible 100 points. With the high score, Smithfield received a "Platinum" utility designation, which is a grade higher than the "Gold" designation received in 2015.

[Click here for more information on this story.](#)

Courtesy of the JOCO Report



[Click here for more information](#)



The poster features a background of grey stones. At the top center is a circular logo with 'RB' in white on a blue background, surrounded by a golden ring. Below this, the text 'Downtown Smithfield' is in blue, and 'RHYTHM & BREWS' is in large, bold, yellow and black letters. The event schedule is listed on the left: June 15 (The Jonathan Parker Band), August 17 (Jim Quick & Coastline), and September 21 (The Conspiracy). On the right, under 'Featured Breweries', are logos for 'db' and 'DEEP RIVER'. At the bottom, the time '7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.' and location '100 block of S. Third Street' are given. A blue banner at the very bottom contains logos for Downtown Smithfield, Smithfield, iHeart Media, and Stevens, along with social media icons and the website 'www.downtownsmithfield.com'.

Department Highlight: Smithfield Police Department

Members of the Smithfield Police Department are dedicated to preserving the safety and well being of the community through professionalism, teamwork and uncompromising integrity, motivated by our respect for humanity, always striving for excellence.



"Our vision is to be a leader in the police profession through commitment, integrity, and partnership with the community. We must change to meet the challenges of the present and future."

We must act as role models to all; provide education for tomorrow's leaders; and, encourage trust, respect and dignity within the organization as well as our community. We will strive for excellence in the delivery of police services through the use of training, technology and innovation.

To Request Officer Assistance, Dial 911
To Report an Anonymous Tip,
Call 919-989-8835

Police Department Physical Address:
110 South 5th Street
Smithfield, NC 27577
[Website](#)

Town of Smithfield Now Offering E-Billing:



Three easy ways to sign up:

Come see Customer Service at Town Hall*Call (919) 934-2116 Ext.1105 or Ext.1113*Or email: utilitybilling@smithfield-nc.com

Council Meeting Highlights

June 5, 2018



Regular Meeting Summary:

1. The Town Council approved Rezoning Request RZ-18-05 by the applicant Landis Bullock
2. The Town Council approved Rezoning Request RZ-18-06 by the applicant W. Frank Lee.
3. The Town Council approved Special Use Permit Request SUP 18-06 by the applicant Faith Miracle Ministry Church of Christ for all People.
4. The Town Council adopted the FY 2018-2019 Budget.
5. The Town Council approved the Consent Agenda.
6. The Town Council approved updating the Potable Water Construction Standards
7. The Town Council approved entering into an agreement with the Wooten Company for design consultant services for the expansion of the water plant.
8. The Town Council approved various year end budget amendments.
9. The Town Council voted to appeal the judge's ruling on the special use permit for an RV Park placed between Pine Acres subdivision and Venture Drive in Smithfield to the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

The Town Council regularly meets the first Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00pm at the Town Hall Council Chambers located at 350 East Market Street - unless rescheduled. The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 10, 2018. **Come join us and get involved!** [View Minutes of Past Meetings Here](#)

Local Business Spotlight: Sound Station and Security

Sound Station and Security will hold a Ribbon Cutting on Thursday, June 14th at 10am. The home, auto, boat and RV audio and security giant will have a Grand Opening on Saturday, June 16th with food and music from Noon to 3pm. Celebrating 25 years of successful business, at over 25,000 square feet, they now have the largest car audio store in the country - right here in Smithfield at 713 East Market Street!



Local Business Spotlight: Dollar General

Dollar General will open for business on Wednesday, June 13th. The newly constructed 9,000+ square foot facility is located at 429 West Market Street.



Smithfield Appearance Commission



Available to any one who signs up: a gardening newsletter available through NC Cooperative Extension, State University, A&T University called "Gardeners Dirt". Master gardeners, industry & university experts contribute to the article.

To request a copy via email contact: mhwarren@ncsu.edu. Or cblassit@ncsu.edu

Volunteers Needed

Opportunities Available to Serve on a Town Board



- Appearance Commission - 2 Position
- Historic Properties Commission - 2 Position
- Planning Board ETJ Alternate - 1 Position
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board * 2 In-Town Members

Current Volunteer Town Board Opportunities:

All positions are three year terms, unless otherwise specified. Interested citizens can download an "[Application for Board Appointment](#)" on the [Town's website](#) or you may call Town Clerk Shannan Williams to request one by mail at 919-934-2116.

Parks & Recreation / SRAC

Upcoming Events

For more information on the below events without links, please visit: http://www.smithfield-nc.com/page/parks_programs



Around Town

For fun or to help others in our community

The JoCo Scrabble group - meets on Monday nights from 6 pm to 8 pm at the McDonald's in West Smithfield (W. Market Street). There is no cost beyond whatever food you choose to buy. This is a social group of adult (or teen) Scrabble players. Players vary in ability levels, so don't hesitate to come and play. For more information, please email southerner@earthlink.net. Please put Scrabble in the subject line so that we know what the message is about.

Book Club - The Public Library of Johnston County and Smithfield welcomes new members to its daytime book club. Meetings are at 12:30pm on the third Tuesday of every month. **Youth Adult Book Club** - Meetings are 6:30pm on the third Monday of every month. Club members suggest the titles to read, and the library lends copies of each month's selection to the members. For more information, call Katie Barbour at 919-934-8146 ext.3 or email kbarbour@pljcs.org.

Downtown Smithfield Development Corporation - Want to stay up to date with what's happening in Downtown Smithfield? [Click here](#) to sign-up for their newsletter or call 919-934-0887 for more information.

Employment Opportunities With The Town Of Smithfield



- **General Laborer - Public Utilities (Temporary Part-time Position)**
- **Part-time Lifeguard(s)**
- **Police Officer I**
- **Utility Line Mechanic**

Applications may be obtained at the Smithfield Town Hall, 350 East Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577 or by visiting our website at www.smithfield-nc.com. Full Job Advertisements may be obtained at the Smithfield Town Hall or by visiting our website at www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs. Full Job Descriptions may be obtained upon request at the Smithfield Town Hall. Only qualified applicants should apply. The Town of Smithfield is an ADA/EEO Employer.

Contact: **Tim Kerigan** - HR Director / Public Information Officer
350 E Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577
919.934.2116 x1109

