

Welcome to the

Town of
Huntersville
NORTH CAROLINA



Welcome

- Introductions
- What Neighborhood are you from?
- How Long have you lived here?
- Why did you sign up for Huntersville 101 – OR – What do you hope to gain by participating in this program?
- Tell us something unique about you – break the ice!

Stay Engaged with The Town

Town's website: www.huntersville.org

Sign up for Town e-mail lists: General Interest; Planning Board Agendas; Board of Adjustment Agendas; Town Board Agendas; Parks & Recreation News; Police Crime Prevention News

The screenshot shows the official website of the Town of Huntersville, North Carolina. The header includes the town's logo and navigation links for Site Map, Contact Us, and Home. Below the header is a main navigation bar with categories: About Huntersville, Residents, Business, Visitors, Town Government, and Departments. A secondary navigation bar features dropdown menus for 'How Do I', 'Who Do I Call', and 'Quick Links'. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column, titled 'Upcoming Events', lists 'Recycling Week 2' on Feb 6 and 'Board of Commissioners Meeting' on Feb 6. The middle column, titled 'In The News', features a large photo of a community event and lists several news items, including a water service interruption on Feb 6, a rezoning plan for Huntersville Oaks, and a public meeting for NC 73/Poplar Tent Road. The right column contains social media links for Facebook and Twitter, a 'Sign Up Now' notification box for email updates, and a 'GO' button. The footer of the page is not visible.



Stay Engaged with the Town

- Town Board meetings are 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. Agendas and the full agenda packet for each meeting are on our website under “Town Government.”

About Huntersville

- Incorporated in 1873
- Town limits cover approximately 40.193 square miles
- Population: 46,773 (2010 Census), (only 3,000 in 1990)
- Town's Sphere of Influence is 63.46 square miles (ETJ is 22.267 square miles).



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Town Government

- Operates under the Council-Manager form of government
- Governed by a Mayor and a six-member Board of Commissioners
- Board of Commissioners acts as the legislative body
- Jill Swain is the Mayor



The Mayor

The Mayor presides at all Board of Commissioners meetings and officially represents the Town at special ceremonies and events.

It is the Mayor's role to represent the Town in an official capacity at the state capital in Raleigh, in Washington and internationally.



Mayor Jill Swain pictured with Senator Elizabeth Dole – May 5, 2008.

Board of Commissioners

- The Mayor's role is similar to the Chairman of the Board.
- The legislative body is similar to the Board of Directors.
- The Board is elected at-large and serves two-year terms.
- The Board serves on a part-time basis.



2011-2013 Huntersville Board of Commissioners



Pictured (L to R): Commissioner Charles Guignard, Commissioner Melinda Bales, Commissioner Ron Julian, Mayor Jill Swain, Commissioner Charles Jeter, Commissioner Danny Phillips and Commissioner Sarah McAulay (Mayor Pro Tem)

Town Departments

Administration & Finance

Transportation Planning

Planning

Police

Engineering & Public Works

Parks & Recreation



Management Team

Administration – Greg Ferguson, Town Manager

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Human Resources Director – Vickie Brock

Town Clerk – Janet Pierson

Finance – Janet Stoner

Planning – Jack Simoneau

Transportation – Bill Coxe

Parks & Recreation – Michael Jaycocks

Police – Chief Phil Potter

Engineering & Public Works – Max Buchanan

Extended Management Team

Dee Jetton, HFFA

Craig Norfolk, ElectriCities

Jerry Broadway, Lake Norman EDC



Management Team - Administration



Town Manager Greg Ferguson



Administration and Finance Department

Administration is responsible for the implementation of Town policies and programs and administration of benefits.

Includes the Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, Town Clerk, Human Resources Director and the Management Assistant.



Administration and Finance Department

Finance is responsible for billing, collection of Town revenues, paying for the Town's purchases, accounting for the Town's funds and processing payroll.

Finance also assists management in its budget preparations and strategic planning.



Huntersville Police Department

HPD is a full service law enforcement agency providing professional police services twenty-four (24) hours a day. HPD has authorized approximately 82 sworn police officer positions, and a civilian support staff of 9.5 full-time members in FY2012. The Department is comprised of Administration, Patrol and Services, and has many opportunities in specialized assignments (Traffic Safety, K-9, Honor Guard, Criminal Investigations, Special Response Team, Crisis Negotiations, Training, School Resource, Crime Prevention and D.A.R.E.) for officers to diversify their skills and broaden their experience.



Huntersville Police Department

HPD employs the principles of Community Policing: forming partnerships with our citizens and solving problems from our citizen's point of view.

Police communication services are provided by the North Mecklenburg Communications Center, located in Cornelius.

Huntersville Police Department's core organizational values:



- Honor
- Professionalism
- Dedication



Planning Department

The Planning Department promotes the efficient growth and development of Huntersville's 63-square mile planning jurisdiction. The Town has received regional and national attention due to its progressive and innovative growth management policies and is fully committed to careful growth and development based upon the principles of traditional town planning, transit-oriented development, and quality urban design.



Transportation Planning

The Town's approach to transportation emphasizes a variety of transportation types to disperse traffic, emphasizing street connectivity and pedestrian-friendly transportation options. The Town also strives to meet long-term planning needs and recognizes the integration of land use and transportation to accommodate travel needs in our community.



Parks & Recreation

This department is dedicated to acquiring, providing and maintaining safe, attractive parks and recreation areas.

They operate the Town's park facilities and organize a variety of camps and cultural and recreational activities for residents of all ages.



Parks and Recreation Facilities

- Abernathy Park
- Greenway Park
- Holbrook Park
- Hambright Soccer Fields
- Huntersville Athletic Park
- North Mecklenburg Park
- Huntersville Arts & Cultural Center
- Farmers Market Shelter and Caboose
- Waymer Park and Gymnasium
- Bradford Park
- Richard Barry Memorial Park



Engineering & Public Works

This department is responsible for Town streets and right-of-way maintenance, storm water repair, solid waste and recycling services, bulk-item collection, sidewalk maintenance, curb and gutter repairs, and maintenance of public buildings and grounds among other improvements to the Huntersville infrastructure.



Engineering & Public Works



In Huntersville, many of the “traditional” Public Works functions are actually provided by private contractors, or other agencies. These functions include:

- Solid Waste Collection & Recycling
provided by Advanced Disposal
 - Water & Sewer Management
provided by Charlotte Mecklenburg Utilities

Huntersville Family Fitness & Aquatics

- The Town owns HFFA.
- This fitness center/swimming and diving facility is open to the public by membership or on a daily fee basis.
- The Town pays Health and Sport Works, a private management company, to operate the facility – this is an enterprise fund (as is Electricities,) property tax dollars do not support it.

ElectriCities

ElectriCities is an enterprise fund of the Town. As an enterprise fund, it operates like a business and is self-funded. Electric revenues pay for the operation of this service.

This organization also manages the electric distribution system of Cornelius.



ElectriCities

- ElectriCities serves approx. 4,660 customers within Huntersville.
- ElectriCities services include customer assistance, billing, meter reading, repair/outage services.





Other Partnerships



Fire Services

Fire protection is provided to Town residents by volunteer fire departments:



Huntersville Station No. 1 (Downtown)

Huntersville Station No. 2 (Gilead)

Huntersville Station No. 3 (Eastfield Road)

The Town also owns and pays debt service on the Huntersville fire station (downtown) and Fire Station No. 3 (Eastfield) and leases them to the department.



Emergency Services

The Town also provides a first responder service through both Gilead Fire & Rescue Department and North Mecklenburg Volunteer Rescue.



Advanced life support EMS services are provided through Medic.

Visit Lake Norman



Visit Lake Norman is an organization developed to promote tourism in the Towns of Huntersville, Cornelius and Davidson. It is jointly funded by all three towns based on a portion of hotel/motel tax revenues. The Visitor's Center is located at Exit 28 in Cornelius.

Lake Norman Regional Economic Development Corporation

The Lake Norman Regional EDC is the result of a partnership of the Towns of Huntersville, Cornelius and Davidson reflecting a commitment to recruiting and expanding industrial and corporate investment in our region.

The LNREDC is funded jointly by all three towns.



Other Partnerships

- Police Dispatch – Currently Shared with Cornelius, Switch to CMPD
- Charlotte Area Transit System – Regional transit system