



Dawsonville Profile

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Message from the Mayor.....

This is my first article in our hometown newsletter and I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you who came out and voted in the March 20 election, no matter which way you voted, I have been elected to serve as "your" Mayor. I plan to serve all of the citizens of Dawsonville during my term as Mayor.

I have lived here since 2012 and found Dawsonville to be a wonderful place to live. I want to continue to improve the quality of life for citizens and maintain the hometown feel that we all enjoy in our downtown area. I plan to work closely with the city council, the city staff and work with county officials to continue to improve and make this a much better hometown for each of us. We are starting on some very important projects for our city. The new Farmers Market and our City Park are both SPLOST funded and should be underway in the next months. Many new homes in current and new subdivisions are being built. A lot is happening in our town and your input is important to me as your Mayor.

As I traveled neighborhoods and through areas of the City during the campaign, I received a great deal of positive feedback from many people. Come sit down and talk with us about your ideas and ways we can work together make Dawsonville a better place.

"Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little" – Edmund Burke

I will be starting a "Coffee with Mayor" program one Saturday a month and want to encourage each of you to come, sit down have a cup of coffee or Coke and talk with me about what concerns you have regarding our city. The first "Coffee with the Mayor" will take place on Saturday, May 5th at 8:30AM until 11AM at City Hall.



Your Mayor,
Mike Eason



FRIDAY FEAST & FUN!!!!

Please join us on Friday, May 4th from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm for our first ever FOOD TRUCK EVENT!!** We will close portions of Bill Elliott St. and Tucker Ave. (behind Dawson County News and Purple Corn Boutique) and we will set up food vendors, bouncy house and slide, balloon animals and face painting. Outside the Lines art studio will have a booth set up and some local businesses will stay open later for your shopping pleasure. Please join us for a night of fun!

Weather permitting

PLEASE SEE ENCLOSED FLYER!!!

2018 Government Meetings held at City Hall upstairs in the G.L."Pete" Gilleland Council Chambers. The public is invited to attend.

- 7PM Mayor & City Council Regular Mtgs: JAN 8 FEB 5 MAR 5 APR 9 MAY 7 JUN 4 JUL 9 AUG 6 SEP 10 OCT 8 NOV 5 DEC 3
- 7PM Mayor & Council Work Sessions: JAN 22 FEB 19 MAR 19 APR 23 MAY 21 JUN 18 JUL 23 AUG 20 SEP 24 OCT 22 NOV 26 DEC 17
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Planning Commission: JAN 8 FEB 5 MAR 5 APR 9 MAY 7 JUN 4 JUL 9 AUG 6 SEP 10 OCT 8 NOV 5 DEC 3
- 5:30PM Historic Preservation Commission: FEB 19 APR 23 JUN 18 AUG 20 OCT 22 DEC 17
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Downtown Development Authority: JAN 22 MAR 19 MAY 21 JUL 23 SEP 24 NOV 26



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Message from your City Manager ...

A lot going on this spring in your city, such as:

- Plans are being developed for staff to begin accepting proposals from engineering firms for development of a long range, sewage expansion plan.
- A new well construction project is underway and it looks to be the best well the city has.
- We should be live streaming council meetings in May and as part of that project, we are improving the audio-visual capabilities within the Council Chambers.
- New sidewalks have been identified to start this spring, Allen Street to City Hall and Shoal Creek to Rain Hill subdivision.
- Main Street Park, Phase I construction went out for bid in mid-April with bids due back 30-days later in hopes of construction starting soon after. Funded by SPLOST.
- With completion of a recent land acquisition, the city now owns two lots along Allen Street that will be developed for a Farmer's Market. Planning for this facility is underway. Funded by SPLOST.
- We are being forced to install locks on our fire hydrants. DCEMS will of course have access but water theft has caused the need to do this. What's more, when water is taken unbeknownst to City staff it creates cloudy water in homes, schools and businesses and mandates usually an after-hours call to employees. If you see anyone accessing a fire hydrant that isn't a fire/EMS unit, please notify City Hall at 706-265-3256.
- Fire hydrant testing to ensure ISO ratings are maintained will be coming soon. We will try to alert folks when this is about to happen.
- Food truck night, May 4th, come join the fun.

Finally, I had wanted a lending library and food bank at City Hall. I delegated it to Public Works Manager, Trampas Hansard, who came up with the idea to use whiskey barrels to fit in with the theme. He in turn, contacted Loyte Bennett, who designed and fabricated one of each. These are placed in front of City Hall adjacent to the GRHOF. Please feel free to borrow a book or share some food. Donations for both are accepted at City Hall.

(Picture courtesy of Dawson County News)



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 - Face painting
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 - Corn hole
- Outside the Lines Art Studio booth



and **MORE!!!!**

There will be designated parking and we hope local residents will take advantage of the new sidewalks leading into town!