



Dawsonville Profile

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Message from your Councilmember....

It's August, which means Back to School for many residents. Whether you are a student, teacher, bus driver or support staff, I hope you have a safe and successful school year. August also means the start of football; the Dawson County Tigers' first football game will be August 23rd against Habersham Central.

The construction of Main Street Park continues to move forward. The paving, grassing and installation of pavers are all in their final stages. The playground will be fully installed at the end of August. We look forward to beginning the landscape plan in late fall and the final cost information for the bathroom is almost complete. We are excited to have our residents enjoy Main Street Park with their friends and family once it is finished.

If you haven't already noticed, the Farmer's Market along Allen Street is also being constructed and is ahead of schedule; I would encourage you to stop by and see the progress. In the meantime, the Amicalola Regional Farmer's Market vendors are meeting in the parking lot of City Hall every Friday afternoon from 3:30 until 7:00pm through September 27th. You will find locally grown fruits, vegetables and plants, handmade arts & crafts, jams, jellies, honey and baked goods.

In conclusion, I'd like to thank everyone who came out in support of Food Truck night on August 2nd; it was the most successful one we've had since the beginning of this event. It is always a great time when the community comes together to enjoy food and fellowship after a long week at work or school. I encourage you to come to our next Food Truck event which will be held on September 6th.



Caleb Phillips
Councilmember

As always, please feel free to reach out to myself or the other members of the City Council with any questions or concerns.



FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY!!!

FRIDAY, September 6

5:00-8:00 pm

Downtown at Bill Elliott St. & Tucker Avenue

- *inflatables *face painting *crazy hair
- *cornhole *Farmer's Market vendors

PLEASE NOTE !!



There will be no trash pick up on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2nd. Service will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd.

Please make sure your trash can is out at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday!!

2019 Government Meetings held at City Hall upstairs in the G.L. "Pete" Gilleland Council Chambers. The public is invited to attend.

- 5:30PM Mayor & City Council Regular Mtgs: JAN 7 FEB 4 MAR 4 APR 8 MAY 6 JUN 3 JUL 8 AUG 5 SEP 9 OCT 7 NOV 4 DEC 2
- 5:30PM Mayor & Council Work Sessions: JAN 22 FEB 18 MAR 18 APR 22 MAY 20 JUL 15 AUG 19 SEP 23 OCT 21 NOV 18 DEC 16
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Planning Commission: JAN 14 FEB 11 MAR 11 APR 15 MAY 13 JUN 10 JUL 8 AUG 12 SEP 16 OCT 14 NOV 12 DEC 9
- 5:30PM Historic Preservation Commission: FEB 25 APR 29 JUN 24 AUG 26 OCT 28 DEC 23
- 5:30PM Dawsonville Downtown Development Authority: JAN 28 MAR 25 MAY 28 JUL 22 SEP 30 NOV 25 * Watch live on Facebook 



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A message from your City Manager.....

Please remember, even though the calendar still says it is summer, the kids are back in school; so give yourself a bit more time in the morning and the afternoon. Please watch for buses and kids walking.

For anyone who has driven by City Hall, you have noticed that the work at the Farmer’s Market is progressing nicely. Curb and gutter is in place and the pads for the pavilion and the rest room should be poured in the near future. Paving will soon follow as construction starts on both structures. With all the extremely hot weather, we are excited at the thought of having this structure in place by next year’s farmer’s market season.

Main Street Park is becoming a reality with much of Phase I nearing completion. The playground should be completed in August, final grading is underway, all the trails are paved with final paving of parking lots and the road expected any time. A contractor was selected for irrigation and landscaping, which should start in September. The fence contract has been rebid and we are finalizing the design of the restroom. Shelters and the dog park will soon follow.

Our very popular Food Truck Fridays continue with the next event scheduled for September 6th from 5PM – 8 PM. Come on out and enjoy a variety of great foods, good fun and fellowship.



*Bob Bolz
City Manager*



*Employee Spotlight
Jacob Barr
Utilities Crew Chief*

This month’s Employee Spotlight is our hometown boy, Jacob Barr. Jacob serves as Utility Crew Chief and is the second -in-command ensuring our water and sewer utilities are up and properly running. Until recently, he took care of the majority of after hours emergency calls. If you have had a problem with your water or sewer, you have probably met Jacob. He has been selected as Employee of the Month on more than one occasion, Employee of the Quarter and was our 2017 Employee of the Year. We frequently get calls and letters from customers raving about Jacob going the extra mile to help them with a problem. For instance, we recently received a call from an elderly lady who had called in after hours to report a water leak. Jacob promptly responded and upon arrival, determined that the leak was the responsibility of the customer. However, true to his nature, Jacob made temporary repairs stopping the leak until the customer could find someone to come fix it the next day. This is indicative of Jacob’s customer-first attitude.

Jacob is a graduate of Dawson County High School and after graduation, played baseball on a scholarship to Andrew College. He is 28 years old and has an Associates Degree from the University of North Georgia. He is married to the former Christian Daniel and they have two children, Grayson who is 7 and Kyleigh who is 4.

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