



CITY OF LAURINBURG  
Quarterly Newsletter

# City News



## Message from City Manager

I want to take this opportunity to officially wish you all a Happy New Year from the City of Laurinburg and our 150+ employees! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. We look forward to fresh beginnings and opportunities that a new year brings.

I would like to invite everyone to visit and navigate our newly updated website (<http://www.laurinburg.org/>) which displays the City's new logo. These were the first few steps in a rebranding initiative that we started last year.

All North Carolina local governments' fiscal years run from July 1st to June 30 so this marks our midway point in the current year, and time

to start planning and prepping for another budget. Be on the lookout for our annual Citizen Input Session to start our budget process. This normally occurs in the month of February and we would love to have a big turnout to hear the wants and wishes of our citizens for the 2018-2019 budget.

Again, we hope everyone had a joyous holiday season, and we pray this year will be filled with success and happiness for you, your families, and our great community!

Sincerely,  
Charles D Nichols III  
City Manager

## Drive Thru Closure... Calendar of Events

Beginning Wednesday, January 10, 2018 the drive thru for consumer billing will be closed indefinitely.

If you normally utilize the drive thru window due to a physical disability, please contact our office at 910-276-1521 in order to discuss the best way to accommodate your needs.

There will be limited space in our parking area. As an alternative, please remember that we have 24/7 bill inquiry and payments via telephone and our website. Call 910 276-1521 to access records by telephone or our website, [www.laurinburg.org](http://www.laurinburg.org). We currently do not charge a fee to remit payment by debit/credit card.

We also have a night drop that can be utilized 24/7. The payments are retrieved daily. As an added convenience, please consider automatic draft. If you are interested in automatic draft, please call or come by our office and request the necessary authorization form. We draft on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

You may also inquire with your bank. The majority of banks offer a pay online service where by you can schedule the date you would like for us to receive payment. You would want the scheduled date to be on or before the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month to avoid a late fee added on the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month.

We appreciate your patience.

**City Council Regular Monthly Meetings**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**January 16, February 20, March 20**  
**7:00 pm**

**City Offices Closed**  
**New Years Day**  
**January 1**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
**January 15**

**Good Friday**  
**March 30**

**Christmas Tree Bonfire**  
**January 12, 2018**  
**(MORE INFORMATION ON BACK...)**

**Pet License Renewal Deadline**  
**February 15**

## Holiday Schedule

The City of Laurinburg offices will be closed on Monday, January 1st, 2018 in observance of the New Years Holiday and on Monday January 15th, 2018 in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday. All solid waste routes for these two Mondays will be picked up on the following Tuesday along with the Tuesday route.

Also, the City of Laurinburg offices will be closed on Friday, March 30, 2018 in observance of Good Friday. All commercial solid waste routes for that Friday will be picked up on Thursday March 29th.

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## Annual Christmas Tree Bonfire



The City of Laurinburg Fire Department will host a Christmas Tree Bonfire at Legion Park on **Friday, January 12, 2018 at 6:00PM**. The City of Laurinburg Sanitation Department will collect live Christmas Trees that are placed by the curb January 2nd thru January 11th. Please remove all Christmas ornaments and lights from the tree before you place it at your curb.



The Fire Department will supply coat hangers and marshmallows for roasting. Residents are encouraged to come out and have fun and fellowship with your neighbors and families. Bring your chairs, blankets, friends, and food (such as hot dogs for roasting) and enjoy this wonderful experience. We look forward to seeing you there.

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## Free Mulch

Why buy mulch when you can get it for free? The City of Laurinburg takes the limbs that are picked up curbside and has them ground into mulch for all county residents to use. You can come get as little as a bucket full or as much as a truck load for free. If you need a truck load, we can help load it for you. Simply call 910-276-2364 to make an appointment.

We encourage you to stop by and check out our mulch pile to see if it is a material you can use for your landscaping or gardening needs. The mulch is located behind our Recycling Center at 600 Hall Street.

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## Christmas Cardboard and Wrapping Paper



Gift boxes and wrapping paper are not trash. They can be recycled along with your mixed paper. Please take the time to put your paper and boxes in your blue cart for pick up. If they will not fit in your cart, you can place your extra recyclables in a trash bag and place the bag directly beside the blue cart for pick up. Your big corrugated cardboard boxes should be broken down and placed beside your blue cart for pick up as well.

Please remember that Styrofoam is not recyclable and should be placed in your green garbage cart for pickup.

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## Recycling Drop Off Location Relocated

We have relocated the mixed recyclables dumpster and the corrugated cardboard dumpster that were behind the Police Department, to the Recycling Center. We placed both dumpsters just inside the Recycling Center gate to the left. They will be clearly marked and easy to find. The Recycling Center gate is open Monday – Friday from 7 AM to 4:45 PM.

The address for the Recycling Center is 600 Hall Street. If you have any questions about what can be placed in these dumpsters, please call Public Works at 910-276-2364.