

Creedmoor Happenings



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Cross City Trail Project on **GO!**

More than seven years in the making, construction of the next three phases of Creedmoor's Cross City Trail is finally on the horizon.

During their February 23 strategic planning workshop, city commissioners unanimously approved a \$4.79 million bid from Fred Smith Company (FSC) to perform the work. The additional 3.1 miles of sidewalks and greenways will complete the connection between the Paddington and Amberleaf neighborhoods on the east to Lake Rogers on the west; and along US 15 between Hillsboro Street and Lake Road. Phase 1 of the project was completed in 2012, and stretches 1.41 miles from Main Street to the Food Lion grocery store on NC 56.

Once project partner NCDOT concurs with the selection of FSC, the contractor will be issued a Notice to Proceed. All work must be completed by the end of 2020.

"After so much time planning, working on, and waiting for this pro-

CCT PROJECT HISTORY	
2012	Phase 2 & 3 agreement (NC 56 E & W) signed with NCDOT
2013	Phase 4 (US 15 portion) agreement signed
2015	Easement acquisition process begins (67 properties affected)
2016-2018	Construction drawings reviewed by NCDOT
2018	NCDOT authorizes construction funding
2019	Bidder selected and construction begins
2020	Cross City Trail Connects Paddington/Amberleaf to Lake Rogers

ject to come to fruition," said City Manager Korena Weichel, "staff are extremely excited that the Cross City Trail will finally become a reality for the residents of Creedmoor to enjoy."

Project Financing

In 2012, the city was awarded an 80/20 match construction grant through NCDOT's Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program. Although the project's estimated costs have substantially increased over seven years, the amount of the grant did

not. However, the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) has indicated funds may be available to cover 50 percent of actual costs exceeding the original estimate, which also did not include \$412,000 for construction engineering and inspection (CEI) costs. Of the total \$6.2 million project, the city will end up paying 35 percent, or approximately \$2.1 million. The city is pursuing other funding options and grants as well.

Information Hotline

Timing of the sidewalk project is expected to coincide in part with NCDOT's 15-50-56 scheduled realignment project. Travel around town is sure to be disrupted while this major construction is taking place. Once work has begun, residents may dial (919) 764-1006 for a recorded message which will be updated weekly, and posts will be made to all social media outlets and the city website.

For more information, see cityofcreedmoor.org/projects.





Lake Rogers Work Making Progress

Months of rainy weather may have dampened progress a bit, but improvements to Lake Rogers Park Phase I are now well underway. From left, workers inspect joists added to support the refurbished fishing pier, center, including all new pre-treated lumber and mesh steel on the sides to match the proposed new boardwalk connecting to the west side of the lake. A brand new picnic shelter begins to rise from the concrete floor and steel beams, pictured on right.



Board Greenlights Community Center Project



Bids were received February 21 for construction of the new Creedmoor Community Center, partially depicted in the rendering above. The \$5.9 million project includes a new gymnasium with elevated track, major renovations to the existing gym and senior center, and the addition of a multipurpose field and other outdoor amenities. Work could begin as soon as this summer and finish in 2020.

Cops, Kids Take to the Court for Charity

Creedmoor Police Department partners with South Granville High School to host their first-ever charity basketball tournament, Battle of the Blues, Friday, March 22, at South Granville High School. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the games begin at 6 p.m.

The eight-team basketball tournament pits South Granville High School Viking students against local law enforcement officers from the Creedmoor Police Department, and deputies from Granville County Sheriff's Office, Franklin County Sheriff's Office, and Vance County Sheriff's Office.

Bring the whole family out for a night of food, fun, games and prizes. Admission is \$5 with all proceeds from the event benefiting the Special Olympics NC. Concessions sponsored by MR Williams will be available for purchase along with raffle tickets for two drawings: a 50/50

cash drawing and a grand prize drawing for an Xbox One S donated by Shawn W. Montren of the Mangum Insurance Group. Additional donations are graciously accepted.

This charitable night would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. Please thank the following contributors who give so generously to make our vision a reality: Select Heating & Air, C3 Design and Engineering, Builder Services of NC, Shannon's Tree Service, and J. Crabtree Electric.

"This event is the first of many departmental efforts in 2019 further bolstering community relations in Creedmoor," stated Chief of Police Keith King. "Our 2019 police department calendar titled 'Today's Protectors and Tomorrow's Leaders Championing a Community Together' demonstrates our continued commitment to our youth and community."

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

OPERATION MEDICINE DROP RETURNS APRIL 27

A drug takeback event is scheduled April 27, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at Walgreens, 703 N. Main Street.

Coordinated through the Creedmoor Police Department, Operation

Medicine Drop provides the public an opportunity to prevent accidental poisonings, abuse, and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous



expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The effort also helps to prevent accidental poisonings, substance abuse, and pollution of local waters.

The process is completely anonymous. For more information, contact CPD Officer David Gallemore, (919) 528-1515, or visit www.safekidsnc.org.

IS YOUR ALARM SYSTEM REGISTERED?

City Ordinance 2015-0-08 covers existing and future alarm systems and requires registration information be kept on file with the CPD. The regulations also establish fines for more than three (3) false alarm responses within a 12-month period.



Since the registration process was implemented, the number of false alarm occurrences has greatly decreased, freeing up law enforcement resources to perform other duties.

Learn more at cityofcreedmoor.org/AlarmRegistration.

LET'S Play, Creedmoor

Upcoming Activities & Special Programs

GOVERNMENT SUNRISE FORUM

Friday, March 8
7:45 a.m. Breakfast & Presentation
Creedmoor City Hall Boardroom
Sponsored by GC Chamber of Commerce



Creedmoor Gymnasium & Activity Center
6-8 p.m. unless otherwise noted

APRIL 5
Dan the Animal Man
Baton Rouge Food Truck on Site

MAY 3
Family Feud
Concessions by CES PTA
cityofcreedmoor.org/firstfridays



YOU CAN'T JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS MOVIE

March 18 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.
Discussion of *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail*, by Cheryl Strayer
El Corral Restaurant, 406 N. Main Street
cityofcreedmoor.org/bookclub



PAINT & SIP CLASSES

March 29, April 26, May 31
6 p.m.-8 p.m.
El Corral Mexican Restaurant
406 N. Main Street
Cost \$30. Registration required.
cityofcreedmoor.org/merlotvangogh

The Creedmoor Parks and Recreation department announces its spring programming and events for kids of all ages. Be sure to mark your calendar and register early. Advance registration (when needed) may be made online or in person at City Hall prior to the program start date. For updated information, visit www.cityofcreedmoor.org/recreation.

LAKE ROGERS PARK

Concession & Boat Rentals Open Each
Friday, Saturday & Sunday beginning
April 12 10am-7pm

EASTER EGG HUNT

April 13 10:00 am
Lake Rogers Park
Children age 1-8
Prizes for all age groups
Sponsored by City of Creedmoor &
Southern Granville Women's Club

YARD OF THE MONTH

Yard of the Month resumes on a bimonthly basis **beginning in May. Watch the city's social media** pages and website for details on changes to the program. If your ivy is worthy of envy, your lawn is a work of art, and your buds are blooming, Yard of the Month is your chance to win a \$50 Southern States gift card!

cityofcreedmoor.org/YOM

MEET YOUR CITY STAFF

Shannon Brogden

Position:
Administrative Assistant

Years with the City: New



Each issue, we highlight a Creedmoor employee, their role and contributions to our community.

lifelong Granville County resident Shannon Brogden has joined the Creedmoor team as administrative assistant, better known as the new face at the front desk at City Hall.

Shannon earned an associate's degree in Business administration at VGCC, and was most recently employed as administrative supervisor and office assistant at Central Regional Hospital. She also has banking and medical office experience.

"I enjoy being able to work with such great coworkers and assisting the many familiar and new faces of Creedmoor," she said.

In her spare time Shannon volunteers with SGAA baseball. She also enjoys hunting, fishing, hiking, and spending time with her husband Harold, sons River and Easton, and their two dogs.

Welcome to the team, Shannon!

CITIZEN Q&A

Q: Is it illegal to blow grass clippings into the road?

A: Yes. Spring has almost sprung, and with it the reminder that the unsafe but increasingly common practice of leaving grass clippings in the road is not only a danger to motorcyclists, it's against city ordinances and the federal Clean Water Act of 1972.



Chapter 96.09 of the City of Creedmoor Code of Ordinances states that it shall be unlawful for any person to rake, sweep, blow, wash, direct or place any debris, including but not limited to yard waste, grass clippings, leaves, sediment, trash, or debris of any kind into the storm drainage system of the city, including any streets.

Instead, residents are advised to direct or blow waste back onto the lawn or landscape, where the clippings decompose quickly and act as a natural fertilizer and soil conditioner. Lawn clippings may also be composted for use in the garden.

For a link to the Code of Ordinances and the potential civil penalty that may be incurred by this action, see cityofcreedmoor.org/ordinances.



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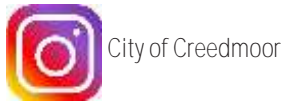
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Current program information is posted on the Calendar of Events page at www.cityofcreedmoor.org, and on the City's social media pages.

OPEN GYM (MS/HS STUDENTS)
 City Gym, Tuesday/Thursday, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY
 City Gym, Wednesdays, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

OPEN GYM VOLLEYBALL (AGE 14+)
 FBC, Tuesdays, April 9-May 28, 6-8 p.m.

GOVERNMENT SUNRISE FORUM
 March 8, 7:45-8:30 a.m.
 City Hall Boardroom

BOOK/MOVIE CLUB
 March 18/April 8/May 20, 6:30 p.m.
 Location TBA

MERLOT & VAN GOGH
 March 29/April 26/May 31, 6-8 p.m.
 El Corral, 406 N. Main Street

COFFEE WITH A COP
 April 3/May 1/June 5, 8-9 a.m.
 Owl House Café, 209 N. Main Street

FIRST FRIDAYS IN CREEDMOOR
 April 5/May 3, 6-8 p.m.

EASTER EGG HUNT
 April 13, 10 a.m., Lake Rogers Park

OPERATION MEDICINE DROP
 April 27, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
 Walgreens

PUBLIC WORKS WEEK OPEN HOUSE
 May 18, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. [tentative]

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Hall will be closed
 on the following dates:

GOOD FRIDAY
 April 19

MEMORIAL DAY
 May 27



CITY GOVERNMENT

MAYOR
 Bobby Wheeler

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 Ernie Anderson, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE
 Archer Wilkins, Del Mims,
 Neena Nowell, Herman B. Wilkerson



MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Commissioners regular meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. unless otherwise noted.*

*Schedule is subject to alteration. Approved schedule is published annually in the local newspaper and is posted on City website.

Sign up on our website for **E-notifications** to stay informed about City events and happenings.