



# Town of Zebulon

## Newsletter



### WINTER WEATHER READY

The first day of winter arrived on December 21, 2013 and Zebulon Public Works is prepared in case the winter storms hitting the Northern United States dip into the southeast region. Anytime cold temperatures or winter precipitation is predicted, staff implements our emergency inclement weather plan with the goal to lessen the impact on residents. Town staff checks vehicles and equipment periodically throughout the winter season and makes any necessary repairs before inclement weather arrives. Throughout the winter, staff checks the weather forecast through the National Weather Service for winter storm warnings and projected storm areas. Based on the warnings, staff is placed on alert and may begin making salt brine to treat the streets.

Salt brine is a mixture of salt and water that dissolves ice and snow as it falls onto the pavement, by changing the freezing point from 32 degrees to -6 degrees. With our salt brine system and skid mounted sprayers we can apply 4,000 gallons of brine up to 72 hours in advance of a storm when rain is not expected prior to the event.

Because salt brine is not a panacea for all winter weather situations, we have 3 trucks equipped with snow plows and 2 equipped with salt spreaders in case the brine becomes ineffective on the roads. At soon as snow or ice conditions are detected, the Town will apply salt to bridges, significant grade inclines and historically troublesome spots. At 2" of snow accumulation, we begin snow plowing operations. Our priority during a winter storm is to clear transportation corridors for emergency vehicles such as Police, Fire and EMS. Following a priority based system of roadways, staff will work to clear major residential streets and municipal facilities.

Zebulon Public Works is fully prepared to respond to predicted winter storm weather. If you have any questions or concerns regarding our inclement weather plans, please contact us at 919-269-5285.

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## POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

On Sunday, January 12, 2013, the Zebulon Police Department was proud to announce the following awards:

*Supervisor of the Year: Sgt. Nick Kapl*



Sgt. Kapl has been with the Zebulon Police Department since, July of 2006 and was promoted to Sergeant in June of 2008. Sgt. Kapl previously served as a Telecommunicator with the NC Highway Patrol and 5 years with the Rocky Mount Police Department. Sgt.

Kapl is a fine police officer and an exemplary supervisor.

*Officer of the Year: Officer Craig Ziencik*



Officer Ziencik came to the Zebulon Police Department, in February of 2008, after his graduation from the Police Academy in Wilson. Officer Ziencik has received numerous compliments from citizens and from fellow officers concerning his job performance and

his positive attitude.

*Officer of the Quarter Awards:*

First Qtr: Ofc. Andrew Collins

Second Qtr: Ofc. Travis Denny

Third Qtr: Detective Brandon Lane

Fourth Qtr: Ofc. Craig Ziencik

*Other Awards:*

Officer Travis Denny, *Medal of Valor*, for his involvement in a shooting incident in June of 2013.

Detective Brandon Lane, *Firearms Instructor Pin*, for receiving Firearms Instructor Certification

Officer Scott Hicks, *Top Gun Award*, for the highest average qualification score with all assigned weapons.

*Higher Education Awards:* For obtaining Bachelor Degrees

Lt. Scott Finch  
Sgt. Ashley Dixon

Sgt. Scott Bassett  
Officer Nate Brown

## Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)

The Zebulon Police Department is going to start a local chapter of VIPS. This program utilizes citizen volunteers to work with and assist the local police with several tasks and events.

The program would begin with a Citizens Police Academy (which would be held at ZPD) and then grow into a full fledged VIPS program.

Interested citizens would have to pass a background investigation and go through an interview process to qualify for the program. You can find more information regarding the makeup of such a program online at [www.policevolunteers.org](http://www.policevolunteers.org).

If you would be interested in participating in such a program please email Detective Brandon Lane at [blane@townofzebulon.org](mailto:blane@townofzebulon.org).

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## Adult Fitness Programs

Visit [www.townofzebulon.org](http://www.townofzebulon.org) for fees and more information.

### Zumba

Mondays & Wednesdays 6-7 PM

### Pilates

Tuesdays 9-9:50 AM

### Line Dancing

Wednesdays 10-11 AM

### Yoga

Wednesdays 9-10 AM

Thursdays 6-7 PM

### Senior Aerobics

Thursdays 10-11 AM

## Pickleball

Pickleball is easy for beginners and a blast to play. Once you learn the game you will love the competitive, fast paced, and fun game for all! Show up and check it out!

Fridays 11 AM-1 PM

## Karate (All Ages)

Hanshi, Charles Mann, 8th degree Black Belt, has been the instructor for traditional Okinawan Karate for the ZPRD for the past 30 years. This traditional style of karate teaches participants of all ages the techniques of Kobu-bo/Weapon and tournament style fighting. Parents and their child/children can take this class together. Classes are offered year round on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Tues & Thurs 7:00 PM Beginners

8:00 PM Intermediate/Advanced

\$35 Resident/ month \$45 Non-Resident/ month

## Family Movie Nights

The 2nd Friday of each month at 7 PM, the Zebulon Parks & Recreation Department presents FREE movie and popcorn for all ages at the Zebulon Community Center. A parent/guardian must be present for all children. Call 919-823-0432 to find out which movie will be viewed at the Zebulon Community Center!

February 14<sup>th</sup>

March 14<sup>th</sup>

April 11<sup>th</sup>



## Baltimore Trip

3 Days/ 2 Nights

Travel to Baltimore by train from Rocky Mount. Includes train ride, hotel, visit to National Aquarium, trolley tour, exploration of historic neighborhoods, and so much more! Call 919-823-0432 for more information.

April 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>

\$425 Total due by January 17<sup>th</sup>



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## New Play Equipment Whitley Park

The Town of Zebulon has received a Healthy Weight grant of \$92,476 from the John Rex Endowment in order to provide youth with challenging, contemporary play equipment that will engage them physically, socially and creatively at Whitley Park. In addition to new play equipment, the existing play structure will be made ADA accessible. The new play equipment is installed and ready for play. Bring your children for a great time at Whitley Park.

## Pictures with the Easter Bunny

Free 4 by 6 photo by professional photographer Leslie Privette when you bring a canned food item to be donated!

Thursday  
April 10<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:00 PM  
Zebulon Community Center **Free**

## Superhero Play Date Whitley Park

Ages 3-9 Free!  
Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM

Calling all Superheroes to save Whitley Park! Make sure to wear your favorite superhero suit! We will play superhero games, make masks, and show off your superhero leaps, jumps, speed, and strength on the Superhero Obstacle Course! Wake County Health Promotions will also be on site offering healthy living learning tips for families and superheroes!



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Zebulon Parks & Recreation will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt on the front lawn of the Municipal Complex on Saturday morning, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

Don't be late and miss out on the fun! Bring your own basket!

The Easter Bunny will be available for photos! For additional information, call Zebulon Community Center at 919-823-0432.



## Disc Golf Clinics

### Ages 9-14

Participants will learn Disc Golf basics from local experts. Basics will include rules & etiquette, putting, driving and more. Learn about the course Zebulon has to offer. Instructor: Claude Ogden

Zebulon Community Park  
\$5 Per Participant

Wednesday, April 2nd

9:00 AM -12:00 PM

### Seniors

Participants will explore Disc Golf basics from local experts. Basics will include rules & etiquette, putting, driving and more. Learn about the course Zebulon has to offer and refine your game. Instructor: Claude Ogden

Zebulon Community Park  
FREE!

Wednesday, March 19th 9:00 AM -12:00 PM



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Market on the Lawn will be held from 5-8pm Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup> on the front lawn of the Zebulon Municipal Complex. Enjoy local entertainment including crowd pleasing performances from Massey School of Dance. Local produce, crafts, hanging baskets, mixed annuals, food and more available for purchase! For additional information, call Zebulon Community Center at 919-823-0432.

## RECYCLING IN ZEBULON



In August 2013, Town of Zebulon switched out the 48 gallon recycling carts for 96 gallon recycling carts and changed from weekly pickup of recycling to bi-weekly pickup. The new 96 gallon green recycling carts were delivered with a calendar label on the lids showing the scheduled for weekly trash pickup and bi-weekly recycling pickup. Extra copies of the calendar are available at Public Works and on the Town of Zebulon website under Town Departments, Public Works, Services, Solid Waste/Recycling.

Please do not put trash in the recycling carts. Trash cannot be emptied into the recycling truck and the driver for the solid waste truck will not empty recycling carts. All recycling carts should be labeled "For Recycling Only" on the lid. Extra trash carts are available for \$10.28 per month by contacting Public Works at 919-269-5285. Occasional excess trash and recycling may be disposed of at the Wake County Convenience Center at 5051 Wendell Boulevard between Zebulon and Wendell.

### ON A SIDE NOTE:

Is your trash or recycling cart missing or broken? Are you a new resident in Zebulon needing a trash and/or recycling cart? Please contact Zebulon Public Works at 919-269-5285 for a replacement cart or the initial delivery of carts.

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## STORMWATER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Stormwater maintenance and activities benefit our entire community by ensuring only clean water runs off into our storm drainage system. When we prevent pollutants from reaching our rivers and streams, we enhance our natural water supply for wildlife and people. However, we cannot do it alone. We need your participation in our cleanup activities and public awareness campaigns. To volunteer for our citizen stormwater committee, contact Tony Rose, Stormwater Superintendent, at 919-269-5285 or [trose@townofzebulon.org](mailto:trose@townofzebulon.org). **Please volunteer today!**



## Spring T-Ball, Baseball & Softball Registration

Zebulon Parks and Recreation will conduct registration for the Youth Baseball/Softball Program from Monday, January 6 through Friday, January 24.

All children are expected to play in their appropriate age group, no exceptions!! The following leagues will be offered:

\*\* All these leagues have a cutoff date of 05/01/14 \*\*

4 Year Old Coed T Ball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
5-6 Year Old Coed T Ball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
7-8 Year Old Coach Pitch Boys	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
9-10 Year Old Midget League Baseball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
11-12 Year Old Little League Baseball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
13-14 Year Old Junior League Baseball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident

\*\* All of these leagues have a cutoff date of 01/01/14\*\*

7-8 Year Old Coach Pitch Girls	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
9-10 Year Old Fast Pitch Softball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
11-12 Year Old Fast Pitch Softball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident
13-14 Year Old Fast Pitch Softball	\$40 Resident	\$60 Non-Resident

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## Meeting Schedule

### Board of Commissioners

*First Monday* of each month at 7:00pm  
(If you wish to address the Board  
there is a public comment section at  
the beginning of the meeting.)  
*Third Wednesday* after the regular meeting  
is a work session at 7:00pm

### Public Hearings

*Second Monday* of each month at 7:00pm  
(if necessary) No notice is needed if  
you wish to speak at a public hearing

### Planning Board

*Second Monday* meeting immediately  
following the Joint Public Hearing  
*Fourth Monday* of the month on an as  
needed basis

### Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

*Third Monday* of every month at 7:00pm

### Board of Adjustment

*Last Thursday* of the month at 7:00pm  
(if necessary)

### Technical Review Committee

*Last Tuesday* of the month at 10:00am  
(if necessary)

### Appeal Hearing Board

*Second Thursday* in February, May, August  
and November at 9:00am

## Important Numbers

Town Manager	919/269-7455 ext 1801
Town Clerk	919/269-7455 ext 1800
Planning Department	919/269-7455 ext 1810
Finance Department	919/269-7455 ext 1804
Parks & Recreation	919/269-7455 ext 1815
Police Department (non-emergency)	919/269-7455 ext 1818
Community Center	919/823-0432
Public Works	919/269-5285
Fire Department (non-emergency)	919/269-6487
Water Billing (City of Raleigh)	919/890-3245
Fire, Police or EMS Emergency	911
General Information	919/269-7455 ext 1804
Fax Number	919/269-6200

All meetings are held in the Council  
Chambers located on the second  
floor of the Town Hall Building.