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LEGALS

Legals

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The following public hearings will be included on the agenda of the January 20, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting. The Board of Commissioners will meet at Town Hall located at 101 North Main Street, Franklinton, NC 27525 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter to hold a public hearing on the following items:

1. Consideration of a Rezoning Petition for 851 Cedar Creek Road (Parcel ID 029208) from the R-8 Residential Franklin County Zoning District to the Planned Development (PD) Town of Franklinton Zoning District.
2. Consideration of a Master Development Plan for Maple Ridge Subdivision located at 851 Cedar Creek Road (Parcel ID 029208)
3. Consideration of a Development Agreement between the Town of Franklinton and the Maple Ridge Subdivision located at 851 Cedar Creek Road (Parcel ID 029208)

If there are any questions, please contact Lauren Chandler at the Town Hall at 919-494-2520 or Ichandler@franklintonnc.gov

Pub. Dates: 1/8, 1/15, 2026

NOTICE OF SALE

Youngsville Storage, 150 Park Ave, Youngsville, NC 27596, has possession lien on all of the goods stored in the prospective units below. To:

- Jenise Terry Unit # 000069
- Abandoned Unit Unit # 000069
- Angela Jordan Unit # 000088
- Daniel T Murray Unit # 000141
- Abandoned Unit Unit # 000141
- Tomeka Williams Unit # 000204
- Michael J Johnson Unit # 000235
- Justin Bundy Unit # 000264
- Abandoned Unit Unit # 000264
- Justin Nickerson Unit # 000309
- Theresa A Whitaker Unit # 000311
- Brian Phillips Unit # 000345
- Kurt Lieberman Unit # 000449
- Phencia Cooke Unit # B00021

All these items of personal property are being sold pursuant to the assertion of the lien on **February 5, 2026 at 9 a.m.** in order to collect the amounts due from you. The public sale will take place at **150 Park Ave, Youngsville, NC 27596**.

This is **6th day of January, 2026**.

Publication Date: Jan. 15, 2026

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION
25CV002506-340

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

JONATHAN D. PARKER
Plaintiff
Vs.
CORAZON C. PARKER,
Defendant

TO: CORAZON C. PARKER

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Divorce

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than February 17, 2026, said date being 40 days from the first publication of this notice, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 8th day of January, 2026.

Jonathan D Parker,
Plaintiff

Pub. Dates: 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2026

NOTICE OF ONLINE PUBLIC AUCTION

Property of:
Jane Williams B-410
Cassandra Furtick C-503

Property will be sold online
at www.lockerfox.com

on Tuesday, January 27, 2026
at 11:00 a.m.

ADDED SPACE SELF STORAGE
Louisburg, NC 27549

Legals

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The following public hearings will be included on the agenda of the January 20, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting. The Board of Commissioners will meet at Town Hall located at 101 North Main Street, Franklinton, NC 27525 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter to hold a public hearing on the following items:

1. Consideration of a Text Amendment to Article 156.5 Standards Section 5.5 Signage of the Franklinton Unified Development Ordinance.

If there are any questions, please contact Lauren Chandler at the Town Hall at 919-494-2520 or Ichandler@franklintonnc.gov

Pub. Date: 1/15/2026

NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING

The following evidentiary hearing will be included on the agenda of the January 20, 2026 Board of Adjustment meeting. The Board of Adjustment will meet at Town Hall located at 101 North Main Street, Franklinton, NC 27525 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter to hold a quasi-judicial hearing on the following items:

1. Consideration of a Variance Petition for property located on Hawkins Street, Franklinton, NC 27525 (Parcel ID 008452), for a variance to Section 152.021 of the Town of Franklinton UDO.

If there are any questions, please contact Lauren Chandler at the Town Hall at 919-494-2520 or Ichandler@franklintonnc.gov

Pub. Dates: 1/8, 1/15, 2026

TOWN OF BUNN
Notice of Public Hearing

The Town of Bunn will hold a public hearing at 6 p.m. on February 2, 2026 at Bunn Town Hall to receive comments on the adoption of the following item:

- 1) Closure of Unnamed Alley, bounded by Jewett Avenue, Franklin Street, West Carolina Avenue, and Main Street.

For more information contact Town Hall at 601 Main Street, Bunn, NC 27508, or 919-496-2044 Monday through Friday 8:00 to 5:00 p.m. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

Pub. Dates: 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2026

NOTICE is hereby given that North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency (NCEMPA) will hold a public meeting on **Friday, January 23, 2026, at 9:00 AM** at the offices of ElectriCities of North Carolina, Inc., 3rd Floor Board Room, 1427 Meadow Wood Blvd, Raleigh, North Carolina 27604 in connection with NCEMPA's proposed action to revise its rates, fees, and charges to provide a 3.7% wholesale electric energy rate increase and a 3.1% wholesale electric demand rate increase to be effective April 1, 2026.

January 7th, 2026

Jay Morrison, Chief Legal and External Affairs Officer,
North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency,
1427 Meadow Wood Blvd
Raleigh, NC 27604

Pub. Dates: 1/15, 1/22, 2026

LEGAL NOTICE AUCTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Units:
H36 Martinez, E31 Estes,
K01 Baker, 2P29 Dixon

In accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. (C) and (D), the personal property listed above will be sold on the premises of A Storage Place, 5802 NC Hwy. 96 West, Youngsville, NC (919-570-8668), on Monday, January 26th, 2026 at 10 a.m. pursuant to the assertion of a lien for rental. CASH ONLY!

Pub. Dates: 1/15, 1/22, 2026

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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
OF NORTH CAROLINA
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
FRANKLIN COUNTY
25SP000225-340

IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE OF A DEED OF TRUST EXECUTED BY ANTIONE ALLEN AND SANDRA ALLEN DATED APRIL 19, 2022 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 2298 AT PAGE 696 IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC REGISTRY, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the above-referenced deed of trust and because of default in payment of the secured debt and failure to perform the agreements contained therein and, pursuant to demand of the holder of the secured debt, the undersigned will expose for sale at public auction at the usual place of sale at the Franklin County courthouse at **11:00AM on January 26, 2026**, the following described real estate and any improvements situated thereon,

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in Franklin County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of Trust executed Antione Allen and Sandra Allen, dated April 19, 2022 to secure the original principal amount of \$349,011.00, and recorded in Book 2298 at Page 696 of the Franklin County Public Registry. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warranty is intended.

Address of property:

90 Bourne Drive,
Franklinton, NC 27525
Tax Parcel ID: 046353
Present Record Owners:
Sandra Allen

The record owner(s) of the property, according to the records of the Register of Deeds, is/are Sandra Allen.

The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance AS IS, WHERE IS. Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust being foreclosed, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either the Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition expressly are disclaimed. This sale is subject to all prior liens and encumbrances and unpaid taxes and assessments including any transfer tax associated with the foreclosure. A deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required from the highest bidder and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale. **Cash will not be accepted.** This sale will be held open ten days for upset bids as required by law. After the expiration of the upset period, all remaining amounts are **IMMEDIATELY DUE AND OWING**. Failure to remit funds in a timely manner will result in a Declaration of Default and any deposit will be frozen pending the outcome of any re-sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, the Substitute Trustee or the attorney of any of the foregoing.

SPECIAL NOTICE FOR LEASEHOLD TENANTS residing at the property: be advised that an Order for Possession of the property may be issued in favor of the purchaser. Also, if your lease began or was renewed on or after October 1, 2007, be advised that you may terminate the rental agreement upon 10 days written notice to the landlord. You may be liable for rent due under the agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

The date of this Notice is January 6, 2026.

Jason K. Purser
N.C. State Bar No. #28031
Aaron Gavin
N.C. State Bar No. #59503
Attorney for LLG Trustee, LLC, Substitute Trustee
LOGS Legal Group LLP
8520 Cliff Cameron Dr., Suite 330
Charlotte, NC 2826
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25-123241

Pub. Dates: 1/15, 1/22, 2026

25SP000172-340

NORTH CAROLINA
FRANKLIN COUNTY

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed by David J. Ledoux and Jennifer W. Ledoux to Tim Williams, Trustee(s), which was dated April 8, 2015 and recorded on April 28, 2015 in Book 1989 at Page 18, Franklin County Registry, North Carolina.

Default having been made of the Note thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the undersigned, NC R.E. Trustee, LLC, Substitute Trustee, having been substituted as Trustee in said Deed of trust, and the holder of the Note evidencing said default having directed that the Deed of Trust be foreclosed, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at the courthouse door of the county courthouse where the property is located, or the usual and customary location at the county courthouse for conducting the sale, **January 23, 2026 at 11:00 AM** and will sell to the highest bidder the following described property situated in Franklin County, North Carolina, to wit:

***INCLUDES A 2000 Dynasty Franklin Manufactured Home VIN H815249GLR

THE FOLLOWING LAND SITUATED FRANKLIN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, TO WIT:

FIRST LOT: BEGINNING AT A POINT

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ON THE NORTH SIDE OF N.C. HIGHWAY #1407, SAID POINT 30 FEET NORTH OF THE CENTER LINE OF HIGHWAY #1407 AND NORTH 81 DEG. 12 MIN. WEST 19i FEET FROM A POINT IN THE CENTER LINE OF N.C. HIGHWAY #1407 AND ON THE BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN THE HARRIS LAND AND THE DUNSTON LAND; RUNS THENCE ALONG N.C. HIGHWAY #1407 SOUTH 78 DEG. 30 MIN. WEST 210 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 78 DEG. 30 MIN. EAST 210 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 35 DEG. 00 MIN. EAST 210 FEET TO A POINT; THE POINT AND PLACE OF BEGINNING, AND CONTAINING 1.01 ACRES AND BEING A PART OF THE DUNSTON LAND. THIS IS THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN DEED FROM SUSIE W. DUNSTON TO WALTER J. STOKES AND WIFE, MAE DELL STOKES, DATED JANUARY 20, 1962, OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS; AND BEING THE IDENTICAL LOT CONVEYED BY MAE DELL STOKES TO EARNESTINE STOKES JEFFERSON BY DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 1438, PAGE 351, FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTRY.

SECOND LOT: BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE CENTER LINE OF STATE ROAD #1407, SAID POINT BEING EAST 172 FEET FROM A WELL AND SOUTH 17 DEG. EAST 20 FEET FROM A STAKE AND MARKED OAK TREE ON THE NORTHERN EDGE OF SAID ROAD; THENCE ALONG SAID CENTER LINE SOUTH 86 DEG. 45 MIN. WEST 150 FEET TO A POINT IN SAID CENTER LINE, MARKED BY A STAKE ON THE NORTHERN EDGE OF SAID ROAD; THENCE LEAVING THE ROAD AND ALONG A NEW LINE FOR SUSIE W. DUNSTON NORTH 17 DEG. WEST 200 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE NORTH 86 DEG. 45 MIN. EAST 150 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE SOUTH 17 DEG. EAST 200 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE AND A MARKED OAK TREE ON THE NORTHERN EDGE OF SAID ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 17 DEG. EAST 20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING SEVEN-TENTHS (.7) OF

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AN ACRE, MORE OR LESS, ACCORDING TO A MAP OF PHIL R. INSCOE, R.L.S., DATED OCTOBER 1972; AND BEING THE IDENTICAL CONVEYED BY MAE DELL STOKES TO EARNESTINE STOKES JEFFERSON BY DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 1438, PAGE 357, FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTRY.

Commonly known as: 865 Schloss Road, Louisburg, NC 27549
Tax ID: 012363

Save and except any releases, deeds of release or prior conveyances of record.

Said property is commonly known as **865 Schloss Rd., Louisburg, NC 27549**

A Certified Funds Check deposit (No Personal Checks, No Cash) of five percent (5%) of the purchase price, or Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, will be required at the time of the sale. Following the expiration of the statutory upset bid period, all the remaining amounts are immediately due and owing. THIRD PARTY PURCHASERS MUST PAY THE EXCISE TAX AND THE RECORDING COSTS FOR THEIR DEED.

Said property to be offered pursuant to this Notice of Sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." There are no representations of warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at, or relating to the property being offered for sale. This sale is made subject to all prior liens, unpaid taxes, any unpaid land transfer taxes, special assessments, easements, rights of way, deeds of release, and any other prior encumbrances or exceptions of record. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the current owners of the property are David J. Ledoux and Jennifer W. Ledoux.

An Order for Possession of the property may be issued pursuant to N.C.G.S. §45-21.29, in favor of the purchaser and against the parties in possession of the property, by the Clerk of Superior Court of the county in which the property is

Career Opportunity

Your Healing Mission Matters

As a Psychiatrist at Maria Parham Health in Louisburg, NC, you will be inspired by the community you serve as a valued member of the Lifepoint Health team, a nationally recognized health-care organization committed to caring with a local heart. You'll have access to the staff, resources, and technologies needed to make a meaningful impact on patient care while contributing to a positive, collaborative work environment. At Lifepoint, you'll find a workplace where what truly matters is achievable - from your career goals to your well-being.

Position Detail:

Maria Parham Health, a Duke Lifepoint Hospital, is growing inpatient Psychiatry at Maria Parham Franklin in Louisburg, NC with the addition of a full time BC/BE Psychiatrist. Geriatric training welcome. Psychiatrists who are currently practicing or are currently in training can be considered.

- Hospital employed, established practice
- Blocked 7 on/off schedule
- Inpatient Behavioral Health: 20-bed adults and 13-bed geriatrics
- Average caseload 12-16 patients
- IOP opened late 2025
- Main campus, Maria Parham Health, is just 30m away

Our compensation package can include:

- Competitive base salary plus worked relative value unit (wRVU) production bonus
- Sign-on bonus and relocation assistance
- Paid time off and retirement plan
- Comprehensive health and well-being benefits
- Student loan repayment assistance
- Early-commitment residency stipend
- Continuing Medical Education (CME) allowance and days
- Paid professional liability and malpractice coverage
- Marketing and practice growth assistance

About Our Hospital and Health System:

Maria Parham Health is a 102-bed hospital located in Henderson, NC and is part of Lifepoint Health, a diversified healthcare delivery network committed to making communities healthier® with acute care, rehabilitation, and behavioral health facilities from coast to coast.

Louisburg Location:

100 Hospital Drive, Louisburg, NC, 27549, Franklin County

Henderson Location:

566 Ruin Creek Road, Henderson, NC, 27536, Vance County

Community:

Located 40 miles north of the capital city of Raleigh, Henderson is a rural town rich with history; if you are looking for a piece of "Small-Town Americana", you can find it here. Nestled right in the middle of everything great, Henderson has something for everyone. A day trip can be taken to either the coast or the mountains, and Henderson conveniently serves as the halfway point between New York City and Atlanta, Georgia.

45min to Durham
1.5hrs to Greensboro
2.5hrs to Norfolk, VA

Maria Parham Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Maria Parham Health is committed to Equal Employment Opportunity for all applicants and employees and complies with all applicable laws prohibiting discrimination and harassment in employment.

MARIA PARHAM FRANKLIN

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sold. Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may, after receiving the Notice of Sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least ten (10) days, but not more than ninety (90) days, after the sale date contained in the Notice of Sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination [N.C.G.S. §45-21.16A(B)(2)]. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

If the trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons of such inability to convey include, but are not limited to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to the confirmation of the sale and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the trustee or substitute trustee. If the validity of the sale is challenged by any party, the trustee or substitute trustee, in their sole discretion, if they believe the challenge to have merit, may request the court to declare the sale to be void and return the deposit. The purchaser will have no further remedy.

NC R.E. Trustee, LLC,
Substitute Trustee

Benjamin A. Barco, Attorney
Crawford & von Keller, PLLC
710 Military Cutoff Road, Suite 250
Wilmington, NC 28405
Phone: (910) 363-1637
Fax: (910) 363-1650

Pub. Dates: 1/8, 1/15, 2026

Estate Notices

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
File No. 25E000382-340

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Timothy Wayne Ferguson, deceased, late of Franklin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of April, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 1st day of January 2026.

Dylan Rex Whitley
Executor
PO Box 328
252 Rogers Rd
Zebulon, NC 27597

Pub. dates: 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Francis Peter Bassett, deceased, late of Franklin County, North Carolina, the undersigned Executor does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate of said decedent to present such claims to Lori Allen Bassett at 15 Bunn Avenue, Zebulon, NC 27597 on or before the 17th day of April, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said Estate will please make immediate payment to the Estate.

This, the 15th day of January, 2026.

Lori Allen Bassett
15 Bunn Avenue
Zebulon, NC 27597

C. Terrell Thomas, Jr.
Kirk, Kirk, Howell, Cutler & Thomas
Post Office Box 729
Wendell, NC 27591
Attorney for the Estate
(919) 365-6000

Publication Dates:
January 15, 2026, January 22, 2026,
January 29, 2026, February 5, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
File No. 25E000615-340

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Mattie Mae Brodie, deceased, late of Franklin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 17th day of April, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 15th day of January 2026.

Annie Lee Brodie
Executor
26 Ballard Pruitt Road
Franklinton, NC 27525

Pub. dates: 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2026

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
File No. 25E000600-340

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Alma Marks Gupton, deceased, late of Franklin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of April, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 1st day of January 2026.

Bryan Spencer Gupton
Executor
442 Leonard Rd
Louisburg, NC 27549

Pub. dates: 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2026

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
File No. 25E000610-340

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Gwen Ray Bunn, deceased, late of Franklin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of March, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 25th day of December 2025.

Karen Marie Bracey
Executor
3108 Sweet Cherry Court
Raleigh, NC 27614

Pub. dates: 12/25, 2025; 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF
ALBERT NICHOLAS ZODUN
FILE NO. 25E000590-340

ALL PERSONS, firms, and corporations having claims against Albert Nicholas Zodun, deceased, of Franklin County, N.C., are notified to exhibit the same to the undersigned on or before March 25, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment. This the 25th of December, 2025. Michael Albert Zodun, Executor of the Estate of Albert Nicholas Zodun, c/o Amanda Honea, Attorney, 1255 Crescent Green, Suite 200, Cary, NC 27518.

Pub. Dates: 12/25, 2025; 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2026

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
File No. 25E000593-340

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Troy Dean Booth, deceased, late of Franklin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of April, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 1st day of January 2026.

Ginger Lea Austin
Administrator
98 Calabash Dr
Calabash, NC 28467

Pub. dates: 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2026

Chief: ‘Idea became a shared vision’

Youngsville police becomes first certified department in county

By CAREY JOHNSON
Times Staff Writer

YOUNGSVILLE — Following a two-year review, the Youngsville Police Department proved it was one of the best.

And, the law enforcement agency has proven to be the one and only in Franklin County.

During the Youngsville Board of Commissioners’ Jan. 8 meeting, Police Chief Greg Whitley presented town officials with the North Carolina Law Enforcement Accreditation, a certification his agency earned through the State Department of Justice.

Youngsville is the only agency serving less than 8,000 residents that has earned the recognition.

And, YPD is the first department in Franklin County to be so recognized.

“The hard work that goes into this is something else,” Mayor Fonzie Flower said while accepting the certification from Whitley. “To be the only municipality [with a population less than 8,000] in the state of North Carolina to get this ... is truly amazing.

“It does go to the hard work and the character and the diligence, integrity and all the things meshed together.

“You guys really knocked it out of the park with this.”

Through the accreditation process, the department underwent a two-year review, where State Department of Justice staff reviewed a wide range of the department’s policies, from training, use-of-force, records management, law enforcement procedures, emergency response and community engagement.

Police Department administrative assistant Tanya Cash, Whitley said, also played a crucial role in navigating the accreditation process.

The process also included file reviews, on-site inspections and interviews with staff, community members and local officials — including Flowers.

DOJ revealed, among a number of things, high levels of morale within the department, strong staffing levels and strong policies.

“... What sets us apart [is that] our values aren’t just words,” Whitley said. “They



DUE CREDIT. During the board’s Jan. 8 meeting, Youngsville Police Chief Greg Whitley presented Mayor Fonzie Flowers with the certificate the department received for completing the two-year North Carolina Law Enforcement Accreditation process through the State Department of Justice. The certification, Whitley, officials and town staff said, was a testament to the practices, procedures, policies, dedication and work ethic demonstrated by officers and staff. The recognition comes on the heels of the department earning high marks through the NC League of Municipalities’ year-long Law Enforcement Risk Management Review. (Times photo by Carey Johnson)

are the foundation of everything we do.

“They’re the cornerstone of every decision,” he said. “... They define the expectations of every member of our team.”

And, while Whitley serves as the leader of the department, he said it doesn’t work like it should unless every officer takes ownership of it and feels empowered to share their thoughts.

“I encourage our officers to challenge our processes, boldly, and to speak candidly with their leadership because every member of this department is expected to be part of the decision-making process.

“Innovation isn’t driven by people who only follow orders,” he said. “It’s driven by people who can think critically.

“Standards aren’t set by those who talk about values and mission, but by those who refuse to compromise those principles, no matter the cost.”

The NCLEA accreditation comes on the heels of the department earning high marks through the NC League of Municipalities’ year-long Law Enforcement

Risk Management Review.

It validated that the department’s policies and practices are meeting the recommended best practices.

Coupled with NCLEA accreditation, Youngsville and its residents can be assured that their police department’s practices, policies and work is among the best, officials said.

“There’s no secret to our success,” Whitley said. “We start with an idea of what this agency can be.

“We turned that idea into a shared vision,” he said. “Then, we had the good sense to get out of the way of those entrusted to make that vision a reality.

“... [This award] belongs to many,” he said. “It belongs to every member of our team, it belongs to our town staff and officials.

“And, it belongs to every citizen who makes Youngsville the best place to live, work and visit in Franklin County.

“This achievement is not a finish line,” Whitley said. “This is the next step in a series of great accomplishments we will achieve together.”

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CLUES ACROSS

- Mechanical lever
- Rocky peak
- Leave a country
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- D.C. ballplayer
- Partner to “oohed”
- Engine sound
- Japanese ornamental box
- Fido is one
- Amounts of time
- DiFranco and Phyo are two
- Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
- Make secret plans
- “Tiny Bubbles” singer
- “His Airness”

CLUES DOWN

- Yugoslavian communist leader
- Exchange rate
- High school dance
- Peter’s last name
- When you anticipate arriving
- Israeli city __ Aviv
- Goat-like mammals
- Margarine
- End-of-the-spectrum color
- Make poisonous
- Popular beverage
- Actress Lathan
- Where planes land and depart
- Political fundraising entity
- The distinctive spirit of a people or an era
- Buffer used in microbiology
- Light, open carriage
- Metrical feet
- Morning
- Perfected
- Winger guitarist Beach
- Abba __, Israeli politician
- Self-immolation by fire ritual
- A way to save money
- Pulpit
- Make ecstatically happy
- Once more
- Works on
- Nocturnal S. American rodent
- State again
- Expression of disappointment
- Type of door
- Email subject line feature
- A street with lots of nightmares
- Rapper Rule
- River in Scotland
- One who settles a dispute
- Most chummy
- We all have our own
- Arab tribe
- Slap
- Ottoman military commanders
- Scottish or Irish Gaelic language
- Emit coherent radiation
- Sun or solar disk (Egyptian mythology)
- Inclined to
- Olfactory reference syndrome
- Chest muscle (slang)
- Body part

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