




IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

 OCTOBER	 NOVEMBER	 DECEMBER
3 Planning Board, 6 pm, City Hall 9 City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall 19 Recreation Commission, 6 pm, Community Center 23 Master Planning Committee, 6 pm, City Hall 26 Treatwalk, 4-5:30 pm, City Hall 28 Octoberfest, 4-8 pm, E. First St.	5 Daylight Savings Time Ends 7 Election Day 7 Planning Board, 6 pm, City Hall 9 Senior Luncheon, 11:30, Presbyterian Church of Lowell 10 <i>(City Offices Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day)</i> 11 Veteran's Day 13 City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall 16 Recreation Commission, 6 pm, Community Center 23 Thanksgiving <i>(City Offices Closed)</i> 24 <i>City Offices Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving</i> 27 Master Planning Committee, 6 pm, City Hall	5 Planning Board, 6 pm, City Hall 9 Light Up Lowell, 2-5:30 pm, E. First St. 9 Lowell Christmas Parade, 3 pm 11 City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall 21 Recreation Commission, 6 pm, Community Center 25 Christmas <i>(City Offices Closed In Observance of Christmas)</i> 26 <i>(City Offices Closed in Observance of Christmas)</i> 27 <i>(City Offices Closed in Observance of Christmas)</i> 28/29 Trash Services Ran For Week of 12/25-29

UTILITY PAYMENT OPTIONS

In-Person *(Cash/Check/Money Order/Credit Card)*
By Mail *(101 W First Street)*
Secure Drive-Up Drop Box *(Located Behind City Hall)*
Online (www.lowellnc.com)
Toll-Free Number *(844-262-8223)*

LEAF COLLECTION (Oct-Nov)

No need to bag leaves! Leaves will be vacuumed if left at curb (no more than 3 feet) in a neat row. Leaves further in yard or near mailboxes will not be vacuumed. Please ensure there are no rocks, sticks, or brush mixed in with leaves.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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City Council	
Ken Ervin	704-824-4182
Candy Funderburk	704-824-2816
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Sam Mitchem, Jr.	704-824-8251
Shane Robinson	704-824-1971
City Manager - Kevin Krouse	704-824-3518
City Clerk - Beverly Harris	704-824-3518
Police Chief - Scott Bates	704-824-8540
Fire Chief - Scott Moore	704-824-3357
Public Works Director - Thomas Shrewsbury	704-824-1072
Parks & Recreation	704-824-0099
After-hrs non-emergency law enforcement.	704-866-3300
After-hrs Public Works emergencies.	704-506-3145 704-506-3146

City Website www.lowellnc.com
 Fire Department Website www.lowellfd.com

Lowell, NC

The Patriotic City



The City of Lowell newsletter is published quarterly inform the residents of Lowell about their city and related activities. Questions and comments should be directed to the City Clerk's Office, 101 West First Street, Lowell, NC 28098.

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CITY OF LOWELL NEWS & INFORMATION

October, November, & December, 2017



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



Hey Ya'll!

While sitting here reflecting on the past two years as your mayor, I am pleased with all our decisions and hard work. We, as a team, have accomplished many good things and if given the opportunity this fall, we will not miss a beat in continuing to make our city strong and even more beautiful. You, the citizens, have been a wonderful support group and I want you to know how much I appreciate all your positive comments of encouragement. Let's continue to work together and remember... we are "Building Today for a Brighter Tomorrow!"



Your Mayor, *Sandy Railey*

ROLL CART RATE CHANGE



Attention Citizens! The rate for an additional residential roll cart has been reduced. Trash will be required to be in a Lowell roll cart. Non-Lowell roll carts will not be dumped. Please see a breakdown below for new roll cart rates. Give us a call at City Hall if you need an additional roll cart.

Residential:

First cart.....\$5.70 monthly
Additional carts.....\$5.70 ea. monthly

Commercial:

First cart.....\$15.00 monthly
Additional carts...\$15.00 ea. monthly

CODE ENFORCEMENT

We would like to let the citizens know that we have a new Code Enforcement Officer. Officer Jeff Harrison will be the contact for any code enforcement issues. The main issues that Officer Harrison will be addressing will be high grass violations, abandoned/junk vehicles, and any other violations that fall under the City of Lowell Code Enforcement Ordinance. There are a couple of ways to contact Officer Harrison to report a problem. You can go by City Hall or the Police Department and fill out a complaint form, contact him by email at harrison@lowellpd.org, or you can call the Police Department at 704-824-8540 at which time you may have to leave a message for him due to his work schedule.

The Lowell Merchants Association is sponsoring their 4th Annual

HALLOWEEN "TREAT WALK"

Thursday, October 26, 2017 – 4:00-5:30 PM

Participating Downtown Merchants will provide a safe Halloween Celebration with Treats and no Tricks!



Please have your Children at the City Hall Parking Lot at 3:45 PM

The Group will be led by adult volunteers. Police and Fire personnel will also assist to ensure children's safety, especially at street crossings.

So, have your children get into costume for a fun Halloween Celebration in Downtown Lowell!



8th Annual

Octoberfest

featuring live music from
The Alter Ego Band

Join Us

Saturday, October 28th

4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

East First Street

(Between the Police & Fire Depts.)

Visit Local Merchants

For Halloween Treats

Co-Sponsored by

Lowell Merchant's Assoc. & City of Lowell



**Food Trucks &
Kids Activities**

9th Annual

Light Up Lowell

Saturday, December 9th

2:00 pm – 5:30 pm

East First Street



Holiday Music - Local Vendors
Bounce Houses and Kids' Activities
Food Trucks - Visits with Santa
Horse & Carriage Rides by Lewis Farms

Lowell Christmas Parade - 3:00 pm

Tree Lighting Ceremony - 5:00 pm



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Note from the Police Chief's Corner

Greetings from the Lowell Police Department. As we begin our approach to the upcoming holidays, we would like to remind the citizens of a few things that would assist us in doing our job effectively.

We have recently had some vehicle break-ins in the neighborhoods. We recommend that you always double check to ensure that you have locked your vehicles for the night. The vehicles that were broken into, the doors were left unlocked. We have found that most thieves will not break windows because it would bring too much attention to them. They go around from vehicle to vehicle checking for unlocked doors. Please do not leave valuables in your vehicle such as, purses, GPS units, laptops, etc. as these are items that they are looking for.

We would also ask for your help in placing address numbers somewhere visible on your house or even on your mailboxes. This makes it easier for the officers as well as medical personnel to locate your residence when we are called to your residence.

Just a reminder also that valuables that have serial numbers, please write them down somewhere and keep a couple of copies in different places to access. This will help if you have a larceny of these items, we can put them in the system as stolen and if an officer comes across the property and runs the serial number it will red flag it as stolen property. Televisions, tools, lawn equipment, guns, etc.

The Lowell Police Department currently is operating on an RMS (Records Management System). This allows us to enter property with serial numbers on them into the system to be kept on file here at the Lowell Police Department. If any citizens are interested in utilizing this service, please bring a description of the property (brand names, color) and serial numbers to the Police Department to be documented. We will offer this service on Wednesday's between the hours of 3pm and 6pm.

Just a reminder also that starting December 1st, the McAdenville Christmas lights will be turned on, which means an increase in traffic for the City of Lowell. Traffic normally backs up coming from Exit 22 onto South Main Street and proceeds onto North Main Street to McAdenville Road. This can be frustrating for some trying to get to their residences on the north side of town. You can use West First Street to North Church Street to West Third Street which will bring you out at the intersection of North Main Street and McAdenville Road at which time you can make a left turn onto North Main Street using the traffic lights.

- *Scott Bates, Police Chief*



In a fire, seconds count. Seconds can mean the difference between residents of our community escaping safely from a fire or having their lives end in tragedy.

That's why this year's Fire Prevention Week theme: "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!" is so important. It reinforces why everyone needs to have an escape plan. Here's this year's key campaign messages:

- Practice your home fire drill twice a year. Conduct one at night and one during the day with everyone in your home, and practice using different ways out.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- Make sure the number of your home is clearly marked and easy for the fire department to find.
- Close doors behind you as you leave – this may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- Once you get outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building.

- *Scott Moore, Fire Chief*