

Town of Blacksburg

Memo

TO: Town of Blacksburg

FROM: Dalton Pierce, MPA, Town Administrator

DATE: December 14th, 2021

SUBJECT: Town Administrator's Update – November 2021



The Administrators report will be published each month for the Town of Blacksburg Citizens to be informed of Town activities and updates. In addition, this report is provided at each regular scheduled Town Council Meeting. I am pleased to send you an update on the Town's recent activities for the month of November 2021. Please contact me if you have questions or need additional information at dalton@townofblacksburg.com or 864-839-2332.

1. The Christmas On the Square event was held on Sunday, December 12th, 2021 with a great turn out!
2. Lime Street Park Project is in the final stage of completion. The contractor has completed 90% of the project with the amphitheater awaiting completion and the installation of benches, picnic tables, other accessories, and trees.
3. Aesthetic Concepts, LLC, Completing Infrastructure Assessment and Evaluation final draft report has been delivered with the first review of comments sent to the consultant.
4. Town's Rural Infrastructure Authority TTHM Grant Project held a bid opening on December 9th, 2021. The prospective bidders submitted bids within the grant funding total of \$500,000.
5. Town Public Works staff continue to conduct routine maintenance and repair to the Town's water, sewer, and roadway infrastructure. Public Works completed 125 out of 126 work orders in November of 2021.
6. Town has completed seven months of the fiscal year 2022. The Town has spent approximately 53.4% of the current budget of \$3,604,225.
7. The Town of Blacksburg Police Department had 194 calls for service in November of 2021, according to Cherokee County Dispatch monthly data.
8. The Town of Blacksburg Volunteer Fire Department had 49 calls for service, 24 medical and 25 fire, in November of 2021, according to Cherokee County Dispatch monthly data.
9. The Town of Blacksburg Police Department has hired two new police officers that started in November. We would like to welcome Officer Brian Mullinax and Officer Gerald Cudd III to the Town of Blacksburg.
10. The Town was awarded both a \$6,000 and a \$4,000 grant for the Lime Street Park Project from Duke Energy. These grant applications were prepared and submitted by Assistant Administrator Wilkins.
11. The Town's Administration attended is the Carolina Bowl Senior Showcase Game on December 12th, 2021, and the Cherokee County Fire Chiefs Association meeting on December 14th, 2021.
12. The Town's Administration is awaiting the preliminary finds of the FY21 audit, business license database is complete, continuing to respond to development inquiries, issuing permits, and held the first set of budget meetings for FY23 with department heads.

On behalf of the Town, I would like to wish Blacksburg a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

