

Watauga City Hall
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Watauga, TX 76148
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<http://www.wataugatx.org>

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday
(excluding holidays)

Community Center

817.514.5828

Senior Adult Center

817.514.5892

Job Line

817.514.5801

Municipal Court

817.514.5715

Public Library

817.514.5855

Public Works

817.514.5806

Water Billing

817.514.5705

Fire Department

817.514.5770

Police Department

817.514.5870

Animal Service

Center

817.656.9614

Citizen Concern Line

817.514.5815

EMERGENCY-911



Hector Garcia
Mayor

Mayor's Message:

As we begin another joyful year in the City we are starting it with much growth and prosperity. First, our population is nearly at twenty-five thousand. A new Planned Development has been approved and is in the process of bringing a new housing subdivision. The new Senior Center Construction Project is in the construction design phase and the project is scheduled to be completed before the end of 2016.

The Watauga Road Improvement Project is now complete and the Bursey Road Project is over half complete. The next two major road construction projects are Chapman Road and Whitley Road. The City is truly looking forward to welcoming more new

businesses! The Council has been busy and is preparing our City for the future by holding strategic planning sessions in early February. We have been busy with home revitalizations and are starting to look at a rebuilding program. We are truly excited about all the great things which will be happening in Watauga this year. With the help of employees and citizens we look forward to, and are planning for, the future. We are grateful that our government remains transparent and that the Council is working hard to continue to make Watauga to be "A Great Place to Live!"

Distracted Driving

On, November 16, 2015, the Watauga City Council passed an ordinance prohibiting the use of wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle. The City of Watauga felt it was necessary to adopt this ordinance in an attempt to mitigate the potential threat to the health, safety, and welfare of motorists and pedestrians within the City since drivers are at a greater risk of losing control of their vehicles due to manual, visual, and cognitive distractions.

In an effort to inform and remind citizens and visitors about the new ordinance prohibiting the use of wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle, the City will post signs at each point of entry into the City on Highway 377 and at each point of entry into the City on Watauga Road, Hightower Drive, Starnes Road, Chapman Road, Park Vista Boulevard, and Whitley Road. The City will issue warnings for the ordinance while signs are being placed and officially begin enforcement of the ordinance on, February 1, 2016. Additionally, the Watauga Police Department will have an overview of the ordinance on their website with an explanation of what the ordinance prohibits, what the definitions within the ordinance mean, what are some examples of prohibited activity while operating a motor vehicle in Watauga, and what is the amount of the fine for a violation. For more information about the ordinance please contact Sergeant Bobby Faglie at 817.514.5872.



In an effort to assist the Parks and Community Services Department in upgrading the 2007 Park Master Plan, we would like to ask our citizens to take a little time and answer a short survey. In doing so, you can help staff identify specific needs in our Park System that will enable us to continue to provide a positive outlook for the future needs of our citizens and their quality of life. Be looking for our survey online at www.wataugatx.org. You may call 817.514.5890 for further information.

Watauga Fest Coming May 21, 2016!



Have you ever thought, why does that building look that way or why do certain businesses always seem to locate next to each other? Now is your chance to have a lasting impact on your City and put your stamp on the future of Watauga. The City is embarking on a long-term development strategy that will help us discover ways to help stabilize property values as well as help us identify opportunities for improvements to the built environment. “Public input into the strategy is of the utmost importance to us and we need everyone who can to please join us and bring your ideas” said Jacquelyn Reyff, AICP, Planning and Development Manager. An open house will be held on Wednesday, January 20th from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Watauga Library; 7109 Whitley Road. Please take advantage of the opportunity to take part in the creation of this important development strategy for our City. Your opinion matters. Contact Jacquelyn Reyff, AICP, Planning and Development Manager at 817.514.5818.

2016 City Observed Holidays

New Year’s Day	Friday, Jan. 1, 2016
President’s Day	Monday, Feb. 15, 2016
Good Friday	Friday, March 25, 2016
Memorial Day	Monday, May 30, 2016
Independence Day	Monday, July 4, 2016
Labor Day	Monday, Sept. 5, 2016
Veteran’s Day	Friday, Nov. 11, 2016
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, Nov. 24, 2016
Day After Thanksgiving	Friday, Nov. 25, 2016
Christmas Eve	Friday, Dec. 23, 2016
Christmas Day	Monday, Dec. 26, 2016
New Years Eve	Friday, Dec. 30, 2016

MEOWS & HOWLS

Watauga Animal Services Center
5203 Watauga Rd. 817.656.9614

Saturday, January 8, 2016 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP) will be joining us to provide low cost vaccinations and other various pet services.

Cash or Charge ONLY

TCAP Services:

Rabies Vaccination	\$5.00
Flea and Tick Prevention	\$10.00
Heartworm Prevention	\$20.00-\$30.00
Other Various Vaccines	\$10.00

Watauga Animal Shelter Services:

Micro-chipping	\$15.00
City Registration	\$5.00



Street Maintenance Sales Tax Dollars at Work in Watauga

The ¼ cent Street Maintenance Sales Tax that Watauga voters adopted in May, 2012 provides funding for repairs and maintenance of existing streets in the City.

The sales tax has funded the City’s street maintenance and overlay program for the past three years. Many Watauga streets have benefited from this sales tax to include:

Bonnie Drive, Dove Ct., (shown at right) Douglas Drive, Gayle Drive, Greenfield Ct., Inwood Drive, Maurie Drive, Ridgewood Drive and Linda Drive.

The street maintenance sales tax must be reauthorized by voters every four years in order to continue. The election for voters to determine the reauthorization of the street maintenance sales tax will be in May, 2016



Watauga Public Library

Storytime

January 5 & 6	What Are You Wearing?
January 12 & 13	Giddy Up Little Doggies
January 19 & 20	More than a Dot!
January 26 & 27	Bear Tales

WizArt Club, Friday, January 15, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

We will make an acrylic step by step polar bear! WizArt is a volunteer group of art students from the Art Wheel Studio located in Keller, TX. They will offer free art classes at the Watauga Public Library the third Friday of each month to children 5 to 12 years of age. Registration is required and you may register at the Youth Desk. Registration for the January class begins on Monday, January 4th. Space is limited to 25 students. All supplies will be provided.

Bilingual Story Time, Thursday, January 7, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. with Mrs. Paola Baucom

(First Thursday of every month at 5:00 p.m.)

Join us for a very special time of stories and crafts for children 6- to 10-year-olds. We will enjoy stories in Spanish and English. Activities will teach participants about Spanish language and culture. Non-Spanish speakers will use the program to help them learn Spanish in a fun way. The program will help Spanish speakers connect with their Spanish heritage.

Pokémon League, Mondays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.

Bring a starter pack of Pokémon cards and join Pokemon enthusiast at the Library. All skill levels are welcomed. Volunteers are available to help beginners.

Chess Club, Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Teen volunteers will provide the instruction. All skill levels are welcomed.

Math Club, Thursday, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

(Middle School & High School Students Only)

If you are a middle school or high school student and need help with math (Algebra I to BC Calculus), come to the Library. Teen Volunteers will be available to help you with your math homework. This program is for middle school and high school students, only.



The Watauga Public Library is celebrating books, reading, and learning with One Book/One Community events which will be taking place in January and February. Join us for book club meetings, a storytelling program, a writer's workshop, and a performance by audiobook voice actor C.J. Critt. This project is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services and Texas State Library and Archives Commission. (2016)

Library Book Club- One Book/One Community-Thursday, January 21st 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss the book *Under the Mesquite* by Guadalupe Garcia McCall. Help us celebrate this city-wide reading event. For teens, adults, and families.

Professional Storytellers Perform the Tale of Two Young Explorers Thursday, January 28th from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Jaye McLaughlin and Fred E. Peters tell the story of two young boys who went on an incredible journey from Guthrie, Oklahoma to Santa Fe, New Mexico in 1909. They both rode horses and had no adults accompanying them. This story of the boys' amazing ride has been performed in New York, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Arizona, and Texas to enthralled audiences. Fun for the whole family.

Adult Writers Workshop

Thursday, January 21st and 28th from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, February 4th, 11th, and 18th from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30p.m.

Working on a novel, a short story, a poem? Join the Adult Writers Workshop! Share your work with others, receive and offer valuable constructive feedback, and expand your literary horizons! Whatever your aspirations as a writer, join us for what promises to be an inspiring and productive series of workshops. Please be advised that workshops will not address children's books. Ages 18 & up.

Downton Abbey Tea & Trivia-Thurs., January 7th 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Test your knowledge of all things Downton Abbey in celebration of the final season. Come alone or form a team. This event is best for teens and adults. Reserve your spot now.

National Seed Swap Day, Saturday, January 30th 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.

All gardeners and potential gardeners are welcome to swap and share seeds from your best plants. Help improve biodiversity in the area and promote healthy eating. Also, come learn about the library's Seed Exchange Library, one of the few in north Texas!

Watauga Watches Classic Movies

Saturday, January. 30th 1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.

Join us for popcorn, discussion, trivia, and the classic 1934 film *It Happened One Night* (© Columbia Pictures).

Genealogy Meetups

Monday, January 11th and 25th 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Are you new to genealogy and don't know where to begin? Do you need help researching your family history? Do you want to share discoveries you've made? Then this is the group for you! Join our group and learn from experienced amateur genealogists.

**"Find Your Center"
Coming February 2016**



**Get Fit for 2016 with the Watauga
Community Center's Fit Pass**

\$25.00/month
\$15.00/month for Senior Citizens (ages 60 & up)

Classes Available:

- Spin Class
- Pilates
- Yoga
- Body Works
- Zumba
- A.M. Workout Club



Please contact the Community Center at 817.514.5828 for more information regarding times and dates of individual classes. *Classes and times are subject to change.

Senior Adult Center

7857 Indian Springs Road
Watauga, TX 76148

Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Saturday-CLOSED Sunday-CLOSED

Center Hours are subject to change for Special Events.

For more information or to join the Senior Adult Center, Please contact Vickie Vickers 817.514.5892 or by e-mail at vvickers@wataugatx.org

Matter of Balance

Watauga Senior Center-7857 Indian Springs Rd.
Wednesdays & Fridays (January 6-29, 2016)
Call Vickie Vickers at 817.514.5892 for dates and times of class. Must have 10 participants for class.
Eight two hour classes.

AARP Tax Assistance

Watauga Community Center

Wednesdays - February 3rd - April 13, 2016
Call 817.514.5892 to schedule an appointment.
Must pick up Intake Form prior to appointment.



Father Daughter Dance

Friday, February 5, 2016 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Watauga Community Center

7901 Indian Springs Road

Ticket Sales begin Tuesday, January 5, 2016

Dad's (Grandfather's, Uncle's, etc.)

\$20.00 for Dad and Daughter

\$10.00 each additional Daughter

Price Includes:

Dinner and Desserts

A gift for the young ladies.



Space is limited. Reservations are required. For more information contact the Watauga Community Center at 817.514.5828.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (One Day 4 Hour Class)

\$15.00 AARP Members \$20.00 Non Members

(Must Bring AARP Membership Card to receive discount.) *Drivers 18 and up can attend this program.

*To receive a discount on your insurance contact your Agent to see if you qualify.

Watauga Senior Adult Center

7857 Indian Springs Rd.

Call 817.514.5892 to RSVP.



Texas Health Mobile Health Mammograms

January 20, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Watauga Senior Adult Center 7857 Indian Springs Rd.

Call Texas Health Resources at

855.318.7696 for Screening Appointment. Bring Proof of Identification and a health insurance card to your appointment. (Must have 16 participants.)

