

**CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA  
November 12, 2019  
6:30 p.m.**

- 1. Opening of meeting by Mayor Steve Morris.**
- 2. Invocation by Reverend Mark Shular, Pastor of Highland Acres Church of God.**
- 3. Amendments and Changes to Agenda.**
- 4. Consent Agenda:**
  - A. Disposition of Minutes of the October 8, 2019 Regular Meeting**
  - B. Tax Collector's Report. (See Pages 4-8)**

**Informational Items:**

  - 1.) Monthly Collection Report**
  - 2.) Uncollected Taxes as of October 31, 2019**

**Action Items:**

  - 1.) Refunds per County Assessor's Office.**
  - 2.) Discovery bills added to Tax Scroll.**
  - 3.) Releases per County Assessor's Office.**
- 5. Business by Planning Board.**
  - A. Set Public Hearings. (None)**
  - B. Hold Public Hearings: (None)**
  - C. Minutes from Various Boards. (None)**

- 6. Presentation of Richmond County Partnership for Children/Smart Start by Katrina Chance, Executive Director .**
- 7. Downtown landscaping improvements update by John Massey.**
- 8. Business by City Clerk.**
- 9. Business by City Manager.**
- 10. Business by City Attorney.**
- 11. Items of discussion by City Council Members.**
- 12. Business by Mayor**
  - A. Issue Proclamation proclaiming November as "Hospice & Palliative Care Month". (See Page 9)**
  - B. Recognition of Proclamation issued in Observance of Veteran's Day. (See Page 10)**
- 13. Adjournment.**

**Rockingham, NC**

**City Council Agenda**

**SUPPORT DOCUMENTS**

CITY OF ROCKINGHAM  
MONTHLY TAX COLLECTION REPORT

MONTH: OCTOBER

YEAR: 2019

PRIOR YEAR RECORD

YEAR	AD VALOREM TAXES	COST AND INTEREST	TOTAL COLLECTED	PERCENT THIS DATE	YEAR TO DATE COLLECTIONS	SAME MONTH COLLECTIONS	PERCENT OF TOTAL
2020 <small>PREPAID</small>	149.01		149.01		1,409.58	58.44	
2019	106,403.59	-	106,403.59	31.44%	925,591.04	100,852.85	33.40%
2018	1,213.16	181.84	1,395.00	99+%	5,480.43	728.61	99+%
2017	631.09	74.70	705.79	99+%	2,800.79	522.54	99+%
2016	198.66	96.06	294.72	99+%	938.35	350.80	99+%
2015	28.44	0.21	28.65	99+%	843.90	20.06	99+%
2014	-	0.30	0.30	99+%	679.63	127.23	99+%
2013	62.68	2.02	64.70	99+%	544.90	16.56	99+%
2012	-	-	-	99+%	424.37	21.42	99+%
2011	-	-	-	99+%	424.37		99+%
2010	-	-	-	99+%	424.37	-	99+%
2009	-	-	-	99+%	424.37	-	99+%
	108,686.63	355.13	109,041.76		939,986.10	102,698.51	

**UNCOLLECTED TAXES**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>Oct-19</b>
2019	2,034,251.35	
2018	13,509.22	
2017	10,895.83	
2016	8,374.25	
2015	8,107.19	
2014	8,026.78	
2013	9,298.69	
2012	6,929.78	
2011	6,567.04	
2010	5,859.97	
2009	5,215.98	
	2,034,251.35	Total Current Year
	82,784.73	Total Past Years
	2,117,036.08	Total All Years





CITY OF ROCKINGHAM  
MONTHLY REFUNDS REGISTER  
OCTOBER 31, 2019

DATE	ACCOUNT	NAME	EXPLANATION	YEAR	AMOUNT	LATE LIST	TAGS	INTEREST	REFUNDED	CHECK #
10/22/19	121035303	WILLIAMS, DUNCAN E	OVERPMT UNDER \$1	2019	0.10				0.10	
10/22/19	23515759	CAGLE, LORI ANN	VEHICLE TAX REFUND	2019			13.72		13.72	74816
10/22/19	44852070	GRIFFIN NISSAN INC GUNTER, WOODROW W	VEHICLE TAX REFUND	2019			9.21	0.37	9.58	74820
10/22/19	43184827	III ROBERDEL BAPTIST	VEHICLE TAX REFUND	2019			6.41		6.41	74821
10/22/19	49841282	CHURCH	VEHICLE TAX REFUND	2019			312.92		312.92	74827
10/25/19	19769102	FIRST FLEET MASTER TITLE TRUST	OVERPMT	2019	532.61				532.61	74835
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		TOTALS			\$532.71		\$342.26	\$0.37	\$875.34	





ROCKINGHAM

NATIONAL HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH - NOVEMBER 2019



Richmond County Hospice, Inc.

Hospice Haven & Anson Community Hospice

Immediate Release:

November 1, 2019

**National Hospice and Palliative Care Month – November 2019**

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, for more than 40 years, hospice has helped provide comfort and dignity to millions of people, allowing them to spend their final months at home, surrounded by their loved ones;

**WHEREAS**, the hospice model involves an interdisciplinary, team-oriented approach to treatment, including expert medical care, quality symptom control, and comprehensive pain management as a foundation of care;

**WHEREAS**, beyond providing physical treatment, hospice attends to the patient’s emotional, spiritual and family needs, and provides family services like respite care and bereavement counseling;

**WHEREAS**, palliative care delivers expertise to improve quality of life and relief from pain, can be provided at any time during an illness, and hospices are some of the best providers of community-based palliative care;

**WHEREAS**, in an increasingly fragmented and broken health care system, hospice is one of the few sectors that demonstrates how health care can – and should – work at its best for its patient;

**WHEREAS**, every year 1.5 million Americans living with life-limiting illness, and their families, received care from the nation’s hospice programs in communities throughout the United States;

**WHEREAS**, hospice and palliative care organizations are advocates and educators about advance care planning that help individuals make decisions about the care they want;

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services have pledged to put patients first in all of its programs – including hospice – ensuring a coordinated and patient-led approach to care, protecting patient choice and access to individualized services based on a patient’s unique care needs and wishes.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that I, M. Steven Morris; Mayor by virtue of the authority vested in me by City of Rockingham, NC, do hereby proclaim November 2019 as **National Hospice and Palliative Care Month** and encourage citizens to increase their understanding and awareness of care at the end of life, discuss their end of life wishes with their families, and observe this month with appropriate activities and programs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of November, 2019 and caused this seal to be affixed.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

M. Steven Morris- Mayor

**PROCLAMATION  
Honoring Veterans  
and  
Supporting Veterans Day Activities**

**WHEREAS**, in 1919 President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11<sup>th</sup> as Armistice Day; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1938 it became a national holiday and in 1954 Congress changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day; and

**WHEREAS**, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the bill into law for this day "to honor veterans...a day dedicated to world peace"; and

**WHEREAS**, observances are held throughout the Country to salute and honor our Nation's heroes; and

**WHEREAS**, various organizations exist to help veterans and their families in time of need, to support measures to promote the welfare and security of the Country, and to support patriotic and moral values through special school, hospital, and civic programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rockingham is proud of all our veterans and wholeheartedly supports the men, women, and their families who have served our Nation in past wars as well as those serving today; and

**WHEREAS**, the slogan "All gave some, some gave all" brings to our hearts the importance of never under estimating freedom's price.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. Steven Morris, Mayor and Members of Rockingham City Council do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 9, 2019 as a day to express honor and support for all veterans; and,**

**FURTHERMORE, encourage our citizens to take time to honor veterans by participating in local ceremonies to include a memorial service on Saturday, November 9, 2019 in the Veteran's Memorial Park beginning at 11:00 a.m. with James D. Moore, American Legion State Commander as the guest speaker; and, followed by a parade in Downtown Rockingham beginning at 3:00 p.m.**

**This the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2019.**

Signed:

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M. Steven Morris  
Mayor



# DISCOVERY PLACE

SCIENCE | KIDS | NATURE

[discoveryplace.org](http://discoveryplace.org)

October 28, 2019

Mr. Monty Crump  
City Manager  
City of Rockingham  
514 Rockingham Road  
Rockingham, NC 28379

Dear Monty,

Thank you and the City of Rockingham for your continued and generous investment of Discovery Place Kids-Rockingham. We were grateful to receive the city's contribution of \$50,000 on October 11, 2019 to help us provide hands-on, minds-in STEM education to children in the Sandhills region.

At Discovery Place Kids-Rockingham, children get to experience the "a-ha's" and "eureka's" that often provide the first spark and inspiration to lead them to pursue a lifelong interest in science, technology, and nature. Research tells us that during the first five years of life, a child's brain is most flexible, and what they learn in those first years can change the course of their lives. Your support is paving the way for children in Richmond County to become healthier, more resilient, and more productive adults. Thank you for your tremendous partnership in this effort.

If you have any questions regarding your contribution, please contact Katherine Alexander, Manager of Foundation Relations at [kalexander@discoveryplace.org](mailto:kalexander@discoveryplace.org) or (704) 372-6261 ext. 356. Again, thank you for joining us in this important work and for your commitment to inspiring curious minds to discover the wonders of science, technology, and nature.

Sincerely,

Catherine Wilson Horne  
President & CEO

**DEPARTMENTAL  
ACTIVITY REPORTS  
for  
COUNCIL'S INFORMATION**



W.D. Kelly, Chief of Police

To: Monty Crump

*W.D. Kelly*  
From: W. D. Kelly  
Chief of Police

Date: November 1, 2019  
Ref: October Activity Report

On behalf of the Rockingham Police Department, I am pleased to submit this report for your consideration. The following activities have been undertaken by officers of the Rockingham Police Department.

**Total Calls for the Month:** 1654  
**Public Service Calls - INCLUDES** 338  
*(Animal Control Calls, Escorts,  
Alarms, Unlocks and Battery Boosts)*

**Charges Generating Arrest:**  
**Felonies:** 57  
**Misdemeanors:** 50  
**Drug Violations:** 9  
**Juvenile:** 5  
**Warrants Served:** 127  
**Citations:** 71

**Accidents Reported/Investigated:**  
**Property Damage only:** 57  
**Personal Injury:** 5  
**Officer Hours Spent in Court:** 44  
**Officer Training Hours Logged** 220

### Items of Interest

Due to the weather, we had to cancel Trunk or Treat, but the downtown merchants were very busy giving Trick or Treaters lots and lots of candy. Everyone had a great evening. We want to wish everyone a warm and loving Thanksgiving filled with great family, friends and food.





FIRE CHIEF  
HAROLD ISLER  
ADMIN. ASST.  
KRISTY PLAYER

**October-19**

We are pleased to submit the monthly fire report on the activities undertaken by the Rockingham Fire Department during the month of October 2019.

Total Alarms:	<u>41</u>	In Town:	<u>41</u>	Out of Town:	<u>0</u>
Turn In Alarms:	<u>1</u>	Silent Alarms:	<u>40</u>	Structure fire:	<u>1</u>
Wrecks:	<u>12</u>	Alarm Malfunction:	<u>7</u>	Good Intent:	<u>8</u>
Service Call:	<u>1</u>	Assist Police:	<u>0</u>	Trash/outside fire:	<u>5</u>
Power line down:	<u>1</u>	Assist Ems:	<u>1</u>	Unauthorized burn:	<u>1</u>
Smoke scare:	<u>0</u>	Water rescue:	<u>0</u>	Vehicle fire:	<u>1</u>
Electrical:	<u>0</u>	Cooking:	<u>1</u>	Gas Leak:	<u>2</u>

**Hours Spent on Calls: 13 hours 35 minutes**

Total Property Exposed to Fire:	<u>\$62,000.00</u>
Total Property Damaged by Fire:	<u><u>\$17,000.00</u></u>
Total Property Saved:	<u><u>\$45,000.00</u></u>

During the month of October members of the fire department averaged 37 training hours per person; part-paid members averaged 8 hours per person for the month.

**Public Life & Safety:**

- ~Installed 4 car seats
- ~Sparky participated in the fire prevention program at Roberdel Preschool
- ~Held our annual Fire Prevention Day at the Tractor Supply
- ~Sparky participated at LJ Bell Fall Festival
- ~Sparky participated at Washington Street School Fall Festival
- ~Fire Trucks attended the trunk or treat at Sandhills Children Center
- ~Passed out candy on Halloween night at the fire station

Respectfully Submitted,

Harold Isler  
Fire Chief

To: Monty Crump, City Manager  
From: Dave Davis, Parks and Recreation Director  
Date: November 4, 2019  
Subject: Activity Report

The following is an update of recent and current recreation activities.

Youth Soccer - Thanks to the exceptional weather we experienced during September and October we were able to bring this season to a successful conclusion on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Election Day -- Once again Browder Park will be a polling precinct on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Youth Volleyball – We have 110 young ladies registered to participate as this program begins it's seventh season. This represents a 35% increase in enrollment from last year. Try-outs and draft are Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> with Regular Season play beginning on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

Youth Basketball – Registration for this program is currently underway and will conclude on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Halloween Trunk-or-Treat – Unfortunately, this annual event had to be cancelled due to the impending inclement weather that had been forecast for our area.