

# Town Hall Bulletin

## TOWN OF INDIAN TRAIL NEWSLETTER

January 2026



## Indian Trail Town Manager Mike McLaurin to Retire Adam McLamb Hired as the Next Town Manager



Adam McLamb

During a special meeting on Monday, Dec. 15, the Indian Trail Town Council unanimously voted to hire Adam McLamb as the next Town Manager for Indian Trail effective Jan. 1, 2026. McLamb currently serves a dual role as the Assistant Town Manager and Public Works Director for Indian Trail.

"Being hired as Town Manager is both a profound honor and a deep responsibility," McLamb said. "I began my career with this Town as an intern more than 20 years ago, and over that time, I have grown alongside this community both professionally and personally. This role reflects my core values, and it strengthens my commitment to serve the Town with integrity, transparency, and a people-first approach in all that we do. I am most looking forward to working collaboratively with the Mayor, Council, staff, and residents to create, communicate, and inspire a shared vision for the Town's future."

McLamb has been with the Town for 20 years, beginning his tenure as a part-time Engineering Intern. Over the years, he advanced through several key roles, including Engineering Technician, Civil Engineer, and Engineering Project Manager before becoming the Public Works Director and then the Assistant Town Manager. McLamb has played a pivotal role in expanding the Town's parks and public works services. Under his leadership, the Public Works Department has grown from two employees to 23, now operating with five dedicated crews. He has also overseen numerous special projects and initiatives, including leading the Town's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) committee and managing the development of the Town's ADA Transition Plan and Emergency Operations Plan.

"On behalf of the Town Council, I would like to extend our congratulations to Adam on being hired as the next Town Manager for Indian Trail," said Mayor David Cohn. "He has done a fantastic job for the Town over the past 20 years. He brings with him an institutional knowledge and understanding of Indian Trail, where we've been and where we're headed, that would not have been there if we hired someone from outside the Town. We don't miss a beat with Adam as Town Manager. The staff trusts and respects him, and he's been an instrumental part of the projects that are underway. I look forward to continuing to work with him to move the Town forward."

McLamb will take over the role of Town Manager from Mike McLaurin, who will retire on Dec. 31. McLaurin, who has 49 years' experience in local government, was hired in August 2020. He joined the Town in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. He has previously served as Waxhaw's Town Manager, a staff member for the Centralina Regional Council, and as interim manager for several North Carolina municipalities. His experience helped the Town navigate the challenges of the pandemic while moving Indian Trail forward.



Mike McLaurin

"It's been a great experience working in Indian Trail," said McLaurin. "During the last five-and-a-half years, we've accomplished more than I ever expected. I appreciate the opportunity to serve the community and work with the Town Council and Town staff."

Over the past five-and-a-half years, McLaurin has overseen many significant accomplishments for the Town, including: completion of the Emerald Woods waterline project and the start of the Moores Park waterline project; completion of Chestnut Parkway Phase III; development of a multi-year street maintenance plan; bringing pickleball courts to Crooked Creek Park; enhancement of the Town's budget process and winning three subsequent budget awards; the launch of in-house street sweeping and mowing and maintenance of state-owned roads; increased citizen outreach and collaboration; and relaunching the Town's Citizens Academy. During his tenure, the Town also received a Region of Excellence Award for Quality of Life from the Centralina Regional Council and was a finalist for Employer of Choice during the Union County Chamber's Annual Awards Gala.

"Mike has been an inspiration to us all in the way he has run the Town," said Cohn. "We appreciate his dedication to Indian Trail, the experience he brought with him, and his leadership over the past five-and-a-half years. He has helped move the Town in a positive direction and created a great work environment. We will miss working with him every day and wish him the best in his retirement."

## January Meeting Dates\*

13	Town Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	20	Planning & Zoning Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
15	ABC Board, 6 p.m. @ABC Store (5880 U.S. 74)	27	Town Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
15	Stormwater Committee Meeting, 6 p.m.		

All meetings are at the Indian Trail Town Hall unless otherwise noted. Council meetings may be viewed online at <http://indiantrail.org/310/Live-Archived-Media>.

\*Meetings are subject to change. Please visit the Town's website at [www.indiantrail.org](http://www.indiantrail.org) for the most up-to-date meeting information.

# Council Members Take Oaths of Office



Town Council from Left to Right: Council Member Todd Barber, Council Member Marcus McIntyre, Mayor David Cohn, Council Member Crystal Buchaluk, Mayor Pro Tem Clarence Alsobrooks, Council Member Tom Amburgey

During the Dec. 9 Town Council meeting, two Council Members took their oaths of office.

Council Member Tom Amburgey was first elected to the Town Council in 2021 and was reelected in November. He will serve a four-year term.



Tom Amburgey



Marcus McIntyre

Council Member Marcus McIntyre was first appointed to the Town Council in 2018 to fill the remaining term of an open Council seat. He ran for office in 2019 and was elected to a four-year term, during which time he also served as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member McIntyre chose not to run for reelection in 2023. He ran again in November and was elected to a four-year term.



Clarence Alsobrooks

Council Member Clarence Alsobrooks took the oath of office to serve as Mayor Pro Tem.

In addition to the oaths of office, the Council voted to appoint the following committee assignments:

- Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO)
  - Primary Delegate: Mayor Pro Tem Alsobrooks
  - Second/Alternate: Mayor David Cohn
- Centralina Regional Council
  - Primary Delegate: Council Member Crystal Buchaluk
  - Second/Alternate: Mayor Pro Tem Alsobrooks

## Employee Recognition: Years of Service

In December, Town Manager Mike McLaurin recognized several employees who reached milestone anniversaries.

### 20 Years of Service

- Adam McLamb, Assistant Town Manager
- Trena Sims, Town Clerk

### 10 Years of Service

- Nathan Winburn, Public Works Parks Crew Maintenance Technician

### 5 Years of Service

- Laurie Gable, Solid Waste Services Technician
- Alicia Gaddy, Assistant Finance Director
- Mike McLaurin, Town Manager



Laurie Gable, Nathan Winburn, Alicia Gaddy



Adam McLamb and Town Council



Mayor Cohn and Trena Sims



Mike McLaurin

Thank you to these employees for their service to Indian Trail and its residents! The Town is fortunate to have committed and dedicated employees.

## Facebook Live With Town Manager Adam McLamb

Get to know your new Town Manager!

Tune in to Facebook Live on Thursday, Jan. 22, where Mayor David Cohn will interview Adam McLamb, Indian Trail's next Town Manager beginning Jan. 1.

Mr. McLamb, who is currently the Town's Assistant Town Manager and Public Works Director, will take over as Town Manager from Mike McLaurin, who is retiring on Dec. 31.

Mayor Cohn and Mr. McLamb will also discuss his 20-year career with the Town, his goals as Town Manager, and what residents can look forward to in 2026. Mayor Cohn will also share the details of upcoming events.

To watch Facebook Live, tune in to the Town's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/IndianTrail>) at 1 p.m. on Jan. 22. If you're unable to watch the live stream, the recording will stay on the Town's Facebook page for one month for future viewing.

If you have a question for the Town or Mr. McLamb, e-mail [anb@indiantrail.org](mailto:anb@indiantrail.org). You can also ask questions and make comments during the show, where they will be read and answered live.



# 74 Junction: Major Light Industrial Project in Indian Trail

Over the past two years, numerous light industrial and commercial projects have made their way to Indian Trail, helping to grow the commercial tax base and bring jobs to our community.

One of these projects currently under construction is 74 Junction, located off Indian Trail Fairview Road next to the Monroe Expressway. The project includes the development of two industrial buildings, totaling more than 100,000 square feet each. The property for the 74 Junction project was originally owned by a longtime Indian Trail family who sold the land to enable this light industrial development.

"Development of the property surrounding the Monroe Expressway has been planned for several years," said Planning Director Brandi Deese. "We are excited to see the 74 Junction come to life and look forward to additional light industrial development in this area. Thanks to projects like 74 Junction, Indian Trail has a ratio of 70 percent residential to 30 percent commercial, which is ideal for a community of our size, location, and demographics."



74 Junction under construction.



Rendering of completed project.

While residential development throughout Indian Trail is more visible, the commercial and light industrial projects can go unseen. Oftentimes, these projects takeover existing commercial buildings or can be built by-right, with no rezoning needed. These projects can be approved at the staff level and do not need to come before the Town Council for approval. Many of the residential projects being built now were approved several years ago, with one approval dating back to the early 2000s. In fact, the Town Council has not approved a high-density residential project in five years while the commercial and light industrial base has continued to grow. To learn more about

the 74 Junction project and other development happening in Indian Trail, visit the Development Projects map at <https://bit.ly/3KIDVqk>.

## Indian Trail Parks & Rec: 2026 Find IT Fun Program Guide



Indian Trail's Parks and Recreation Department has another fun and exciting year planned for our community! The newly released 2026 Find IT Fun Program Guide lists all the upcoming events, activities, and programs for youth, seniors, and adults. Check out the Program Guide at <https://bit.ly/3MrzqAL> and pick out your favorites. Registration for programs and camps opens on Jan. 1.

### Returning Favorites

#### **Harlem Wizards**

The high-flying Harlem Wizards are returning to Indian Trail on Feb. 7! The Town has again partnered with the Union West Rotary for a fun night of basketball tricks and alley-oops as the Harlem Wizards play Indian Trail celebrities to raise money for local scholarships and youth-focused activities. The fun will begin at 6 p.m. at Sun Valley High School. Tickets are required and can be purchased at <https://bit.ly/4p6ORvK>.

#### **Dinner Theatre**

Parks and Recreation is also partnering again with Matthews Playhouse to bring another dinner theatre to Indian Trail! You will enjoy a delicious meal along with live entertainment that will make you feel like you're a part of the show. The dinner theatre will run from Feb. 20-21 at the James B. Crump VFW Post 2423. Tickets are required and can be purchased at <https://www.matthewsplayhouse.com/>.

#### **Community Theatre**

In partnership with Lanti Performing Arts, Parks and Recreation is bringing Mary Poppins Jr. and Mamma Mia! to Sun Valley High School this summer! For showtimes and tickets, visit <https://www.lantiperformingarts.com/>.

#### **Summer Camps**

Summer Camps offer activities for kids ages 3-16, including athletic, artistic, and STEM-based camps to keep kids active and learning all summer long.

#### **New This Year!**

##### **Plantin' IT**

Dig in and grow with Plantin' IT, a fun, hands-on community event all about planting, creativity, and learning to garden the smart way.

##### **Comedy Under the Stars**

We are bringing two nationally recognized comedians, Cyrus Steele and Cam Bertrand, for one unforgettable night of Comedy Under the Stars. Bring your blanket, grab a drink, and settle in for hilarious stand-up, great food, and even better company.

##### **Rock the Trail**

Celebrate IT with an evening of live music, local food, and community spirit. From great tunes to hometown pride, it's happening here!

This is just a brief snapshot of what Parks and Rec has planned for this year. Dive into the Program Guide and check out everything they have to offer. If you have questions about a program, call 704-821-8114 or email [recreation@indiantrail.org](mailto:recreation@indiantrail.org).

# Solid Waste and Recycling: News and Reminders

**Town of Indian Trail**  
**New Year's Solid Waste Collection Schedule**

NO collection on New Year's Day, Jan. 1, for solid waste, recycling or yard waste.  
Collection will be delayed by one day after the holiday.

JANUARY	Wed Dec. 31 Regular Collection Day	Thur 1 <b>NO COLLECTION</b>	Fri 2 Collection if your regular day is THURSDAY	Sat 3 Collection if your regular day is FRIDAY
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To view the solid waste calendar, visit <https://bit.ly/3G2IUzJ>.

*Happy New Year*

## New Year's Solid Waste Collection Schedule

Solid waste services will not occur on Jan. 1 due to the holiday. All services for Jan. 1 and the remainder of the week will be delayed by one day. Regular Thursday service will occur on Friday, and regular Friday service will occur on Saturday. View the Solid Waste calendar at <https://bit.ly/3G2IUzJ>.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 704-821-5401.

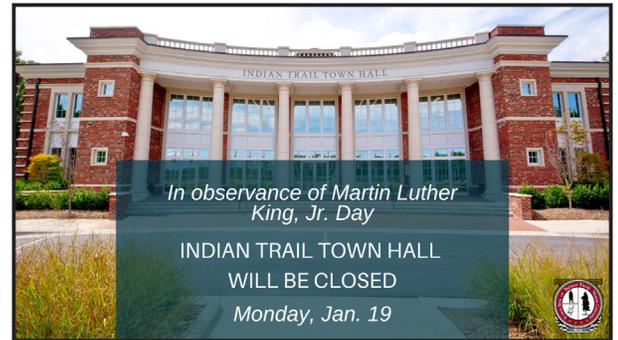
Additionally, the Indian Trail Town Hall offices will be closed on Jan. 1.

## Town Hall Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day Solid Waste Services Not Affected

The Indian Trail Town Hall offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 19, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Waste Connections will be working; therefore your solid waste services will continue as normal. Please place your solid waste and recycling/yard waste at the curb on your regular pick-up day.

If you need to contact Waste Connections, please call 704-708-5872, Option 5.



**Town of Indian Trail**  
February Bulk Pick-up

<b>Green Recycling Weeks:</b> February 2-6	<b>Orange Recycling Weeks:</b> February 9-13
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\*Items are picked up on your regular recycling day\*

## February Bulk and E-Waste Pick-Up

Get ready for Bulk and E-Waste Pickup in February!

- Feb. 2-6 for Green Recycling Weeks
- Feb. 9-13 for Orange Recycling Weeks

Items will be picked up on your regular recycling day during that time. To find your color week, visit our searchable map at <https://bit.ly/3RhD11x>. You do not need to schedule your pick-up for this service. All items must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. Please call Town Hall at 704-821-5401 within 48 hours of not receiving bulk service so we can send a driver back promptly to pick up your items.

## Live Christmas Tree Disposal

Residents can place their live Christmas trees curbside after Dec. 25 on their regular yard waste day.

The trees must be free of tinsel, stands, ornaments, lights, or other added materials. Only natural trees can be disposed of with your yard waste (no artificial or flocked trees).

Place your tree curbside at least three feet from your trash cart. The tree must be cut into sections no longer than four feet.

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## Did You Know?

### Paper Recycling Facts

- Every ton of recycled paper preserves 17 trees.
- It's easy to forget that old newspapers and magazines aren't just trash. Recycling them helps minimize the number of trees that need to be cut down to produce new paper.
- Paper recycling is an excellent way to reduce your environmental impact. It prevents the release of toxic chemicals into the air and water.
- Every time you recycle a pound of paper, you are protecting your health and the planet. Paper is a renewable resource, but it takes a lot of energy and water to make new paper from old. So, recycling helps conserve natural resources.

# 2025 Property Tax Bills: Payment Due by Jan. 5 Without Penalty



Town of Indian Trail property tax bills were mailed in September. Property owners should have also received a separate tax bill from Union County.

While payments were statutorily due on Monday, Sept. 1, property tax bills are payable without interest until Monday, Jan. 5, 2026.

Escrowed bills are not mailed to the homeowner but are sent directly to the mortgage company instead. If you would like a copy of your tax bill, please contact the Tax Department at 704-821-5401.

If you appealed your recent property reappraisal with Union County but have not yet received a response, your tax bill will still reflect the reappraisal rate. If the County adjusts the appraised value of your home, they will inform the Town so we can adjust the value in our system and release the difference back to you.

For more information about Indian Trail taxes or to pay your tax bill online, visit <https://www.indiantrail.org/217/Revenue-Tax-Department>. Taxes can also be paid by visiting the Town Hall at 315 Matthews-Indian Trail Road or by mail to the Indian Trail Tax Office, PO Box 2430, Indian Trail, NC, 28079.

Questions about the assessed value of your property should be directed to Union County by calling 704-283-3746. For more information on Union County taxes, visit <https://www.unioncountync.gov/government/departments-r-z/taxes-property>.

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### Important Numbers

UC Sewer and Water Services  
704-296-4210

UC Public Schools  
704-296-9898

UC Sheriff's Office (IT Division)  
704-283-3791

Hemby Bridge Fire Department  
704-882-2100

Baker's Fire Department  
704-289-2741

Stallings Fire Department  
704-821-7100

## Congratulations!

### Christmas Parade Float Winners



Congratulations to all the parade float winners. We would also like to say thank you to all the parade participants for bringing the holiday magic, the Union West Rotary for helping to line up the floats, and the Indian Trail Lion's Club for being our parade judges. Without you, the Indian Trail Christmas Parade would not be possible!

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