



CITY OF LENOIR QUICK FACTS

2016



The City of Lenoir covers 19.1 square miles and has a population of approximately 18, 200 people who are served by 253 full time and 88 part time employees. The City of Lenoir operates under the Council/Manager form of government.



Elected Officials

Mayor Joseph L. Gibbons

Council Members

Ben Willis-Mayor Pro-Tem

Kim Edmisten

Todd Perdue

Ike Perkins

T.J. Rohr

David Stevens

Crissy Thomas

City Manager Scott Hildebran

City Clerk-Shirley Cannon

Department Directors

Communications & Resource-Kaye Reynolds

Downtown Eco. Development -Kaylynn Horn

Finance-Donna Bean

Fire Chief-Ken Briscoe

Parks & Recreation (Interim)-Kenny Story

Planning-Jenny Wheelock

Police Chief-Scott Brown

Public Utilities-Radford Thomas

Public Works-Charles Beck

City Departments

Administration (2.5 employees)

- Processes an average of 57 employment applications monthly
- Maintains personnel records and administers benefit plans for 252 full time and 81 part time employees
- 381 w-2s distributed in 2015

Communications and Resource (1 employee)

- Develops and edits City publications including website and other electronic publications
- Researches and prepares grant, recognition and award applications

Downtown Economic Development (1 employee)

- Administers Downtown Revitalization, Retail and Small Commercial Development programs, grants, and incentives

Finance (10 full time employees and 1 part time employee)

- Collects water/sewer bills and city taxes for 11,000 customers
- Collects payments for Duke Energy
- Responsible for payroll, billing, and collection functions
- Provides IT services for City

CITY OF LENOIR (5 employees) **PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- Administers land use and development codes
- Implements a comprehensive, long-range growth plan
- Reviews development plans for new residential, commercial, and industrial development
- Administers housing nuisance codes
- Implements stormwater program for six municipalities in the county



Public Works

(41 full time and 2 part time employees)

Solid Waste

- Provides residential curbside garbage pick up within city limits
- Operates a Recycling Convenience Center on Pennton Avenue with operating hours: Monday 8 AM-4:30 PM; Wednesday 10 AM-6 PM, and Saturday 8 AM-4:30 PM
- Removes brush, yard waste and animal carcasses from streets and curbside
- Operates twice a year "Trash Bash" campaign and leaf collection October 15 through January 15 each year

Streets

- Maintains 121.52 miles of paved and 2.39 miles of unpaved streets
- Provides support for state-maintained streets
- Construction management of newly-constructed streets and highways as well as the City's Greenway system
- Maintains City ROW, storm drainage system, sidewalks, snow removal, traffic signage, street and parking light striping, and event set-up

Building Maintenance

- Responsible for all mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and general construction repairs and maintenance to the City's 45 public buildings and all non-vehicular mechanical and electrical equipment
- Maintains approximately 5 miles of rail system

Cemeteries/Downtown Grounds

- Provides for maintenance and upkeep of 2 city cemeteries: Bellview and Blue Ridge—a total of about 30 acres
- Manages sales of grave plots and markers
- Provides maintenance for public spaces in downtown

Vehicle Services

- Responsible for the maintenance of 521 motor vehicles, "off-road, non-highway use" vehicular equipment, and internal combustion equipment in the city fleet.
- Provides fuel for all City vehicles, as well as a number of county fire departments and rescue squads.

Engineering

- Coordinates public works projects as they relate to street construction, building maintenance, cemetery, sanitation, and motor fleet functions.



Police Department

(83 employees: 67 full time and 15 part time; 4 volunteer Chaplains and 3 Canines)

2015 Statistics

Communications Processed:

- 48,302 CAD calls

Officers responded to:

- 24,817 Calls for Service
- 21,367 Property Checks
- 2,555 Call Follow-Ups
- 1,203 Traffic Crashes
- 673 Students Received DARE Instruction
- SROs were active in 5 Elementary Schools, 1 Middle School, and 1 High School

Took In:

- 379.6 lbs of prescription drugs from lobby drop box
- 43,770 dosage units from 2 off-site Rx drop events
- \$184,424 in property recovered by Investigations
- \$4,228,498 was seized in illegal narcotics (Joint Effort)



Parks and Recreation

(20 full time and 64 part time and seasonal employees)

Operates and Maintains the Following Facilities:

Mulberry Recreation Center

- 4 tennis courts
- 2 softball fields
- 3 youth baseball fields
- Indoor and outdoor basketball courts
- 3 picnic shelters
- Playground area
- Skateboard park
- Multi-purpose room, Kitchen, and Game room
- 2 Batting cages

Aquatic & Fitness Center

- Outdoor Olympic size swimming pool
- Indoor Junior Olympic size swimming pool
- 4 waterslides (indoor and outdoor)
- Home to three high school swim teams
- 3 racquetball courts
- Exercise equipment
- Whirlpool
- Steam room, Weight room, Men's and Women's locker rooms
- Trails: walking and Mountain bike trail system
- 2 covered shelters

Martin Luther King, Jr. Center

- Indoor and outdoor basketball courts
- 2 tennis courts
- 1 picnic shelter
- 4 shuffleboard courts
- 1 baseball/softball field
- Social hall, Weight room, Multi-purpose room, Game room
- Kitchen
- Computer lab

Parks and Grounds

Responsible for maintaining approximately 84 acres parklands and landscape including annual shrubs and trees at each of the following facilities:

- T. Henry Wilson Athletic Park
- T.H. Broyhill Walking Park
- J.E. Broyhill Park
- Lenoir Rotary Soccer Complex
- Lenoir High School Gymn
- Lenoir High School Auditorium
- Community Gardens (Unity Park and Beall Street)
- 5.3 mile Greenway system
- Mack Cook Stadium
- 1 picnic shelter
- 4 shuffleboard courts
- Lenoir Optimist Park: 2 baseball/softball fields/ Club House/Maintenance Building/Parks and Grounds



Public Utilities

(48.5 fulltime employees and 1 part time employee)

Distribution/Collection

- 219 miles of water lines and 209 miles of sewer lines
- 1,100 fire hydrants
- 11,000 service lines, meters, and meter boxes
- Installs new services, both residential and commercial

Water Treatment Plant (9 State Certified Employees)

- Operates 24 hours per day/365 days per year
- Storage Capacity-13.4 million gallons
- Pumping ability-9,375 gallons per minute

Wastewater Treatment Facilities

- 8 employees in plant operation; 3 employees in bio solids treatment; 3 employees in lab/pre-treatment
- 22 total certifications possessed; 8 Grade 4 [highest] operator certifications; 4 Grade 4 [highest] laboratory certifications [10% of the 41 total in state of NC]
- Lower Creek WWTP treated 1,009,065,000 gallons in 2013; Gunpowder Creek WWTP treated 445,598,000 gallons in 2013 (total of 1,454 billion gallons)
- State certified laboratory performed over 6,500 individual tests during 2013 on both plants, industries, and water plant
- 783.34 dry tons of sludge was removed from both plants and the water plant and converted to 846.7 dry tons of usable product for application to agricultural lands

Utilities Maintenance

- Maintains 16 water pump stations and sewer lift stations
- Performs maintenance on pumps, chemical feeders, mixers blowers, etc. at each of the three treatment facilities

Administrative/Engineering

- Approves design plans for new utility infrastructure
- Prepares, submits and oversees \$8 million dollar budget and enterprise fund
- Tracks and documents work orders for state compliance
- Coordinates departmental projects



Fire Department (62 employees: 57 full time and 5 part time)

In 2015 Responded to:

- 27 Structure Fires
- 18 Vehicle Fires
- 17 Grass-woods Fires
- 46 Other Fires
- 1,598 Medical Calls
- 115 Vehicle Accidents with Injuries
- 100 Vehicle Accidents with no Injuries
- 974 Other Calls

Total Calls for Assistance in 2015: 2, 895

City Facilities

Address: Lenoir NC 28645 unless otherwise noted

City Hall
801 West Avenue NW
PO Box 958

City/County Chambers
905 West Avenue NW

Fire Headquarters
602 Harper Avenue

Fire Station 2
1927 Norwood Street

Police Department
1035 West Avenue NW

Blue Ridge Cemetery
2017 Wilkesboro Blvd.

Aquatic Fitness Center
1130 Jim Barger Court

MLK Center
122 Greenhaven Street

Mulberry Recreation Center
720 Mulberry Street SW

Optimist Park
701 Mulberry Street SW

Public Works
510-B Greer Circle

Vehicle Services
510-C Greer Circle

Lower Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant
1905 Broadland Road

George L. Bernhardt Water Treatment Plant
5474 Waterworks Road, Granite Falls NC 28630

Gunpowder Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant
450 Pine Mountain Road, Hudson NC 28638

Recycling Center
1121 Pennton Avenue