



Upcoming Public Meetings:

Town Board at 7 pm

May 2 (Monday)

May 17 (Tuesday)

June 6 (Monday)

June 21 (Tuesday)



Planning Board at 6 pm

May 16 (Monday)

June 20 (Monday)



Board of Adjustment at 7 pm

May 9 (Monday)

June 13 (Monday)



Meetings are at John W. Byrne
Municipal Building
134 N. Main Street,
Fuquay-Varina

Meetings can be viewed on the
Town's Facebook or YouTube page.

To participate remotely,
find instructions at:

www.fuquay-varina.org/boardmeeting

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May 2022

Fuquay-Varina's New Top Cop



Chief Brandon Medina

Brandon Medina will serve as the Town's next police chief. Medina brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to his new position.

He joins the Town after working as chief deputy for the Nash County Sheriff's Office for seven years where he supervised 145 employees. Prior to that, he was with the Rocky Mount Police where he gained progressive experience as a lieutenant in the Criminal Investigations Unit. He has served in both the Navy and Army and retired from the Army National Guard.

"These opportunities definitely provided me with first-hand experience which I believe will allow us to continue the Fuquay-Varina Police Department's excellent reputation in public safety, community relations, and collaboration with local and regional partners. In addition, these opportunities along with the continued practices of Fairness, Vigilance, Professionalism, and Dedication by the honorable men and women of the Fuquay-Varina Police Department will propel our agency to even higher levels of excellence," said Brandon Medina.

Mayor Blake Massengill stated, "Brandon's record reflects a reputation of effective and collaborative leadership, and he has clearly demonstrated a commitment to community policing. I believe Brandon has the right combination of attributes to take Fuquay-Varina to the next level of policing."

The search process was extensive and considered input from the town's leadership, external law enforcement professionals, residents, and business leaders.

Chief Medina will begin work in April. We look forward to our community meeting him soon!

Recent Accolades



—In early March 2022, [Safewise](https://www.safewise.com) released its eighth annual Safest Cities report. Once again, Fuquay-Varina has been ranked in the top 10 safest cities in the state of North Carolina. Earlier this year, [MoneyGeek](https://www.moneygeek.com) confirmed Fuquay-Varina's rank as the #1 Safest Small Town in North Carolina.

—The Art Center received a Maggy Award for Best Kids Program or Camp from Main & Broad Magazine. The award is voted on by readers. Make sure to check out the wide range of programs offered by the Arts Center. Everyone agrees – it's the BEST! www.FVArts.org

Follow Me To Fuquay-Varina Spring Concert Series

Join the
fun!

**Apr 28 - Chairmen of
the Board**

May 12 - Liquid Pleasure



FUQUAY-VARINA

Centennial Square
102 N. Main St.
6:30-9:30 pm

fuquay-varina.org/fm2fv

Local brews, food trucks and Mimi the Clown. Leave the pets & coolers at home. Bring a chair!

A dash more news...

—Fuquay-Varina town government facilities will be closed for operations on Mon., May 30 for Memorial Day. Garbage collection will be unaffected. Please place carts as usual. Bulk trash will be picked up on Tuesday.

—Have the latest town government information delivered right to your email every Friday afternoon! Sign up for our weekly newsletter at: www.fuquay-varina.org/enews

—There's a new way for citizens to recognize the positive efforts of Town of Fuquay-Varina employees. If we are doing something well, or there is a particular service or employee you would like to thank or compliment, please fill out the Employee Shout Out form at www.LetsTalkFV.org

Hilltop Needmore Master Planning



Hilltop Needmore Park

The master planning process for Hilltop Needmore Town Park and Preserve is moving forward. A contract has been awarded to CLH Design to prepare a Master Plan for the portion of the park outside of the proposed Community Center. Master Plans allow a local government to assess current and future recreation needs, evaluate feasible options, develop strategic action plans and budget for long-term or phased-in development and improvements.

Community engagement will help shape the master plan of this park, so look for several engagement opportunities in May on www.LetsTalkFV.org. The Town will publicize dates as soon as they are available on social media, our website, and the weekly newsletter.



Growers Market Open

22 Saturdays in 2022! Make plans to visit the Fuquay-Varina Growers Market! It will be open every Saturday from 9 am – 1 pm at 121 N. Main Street (Chamber parking lot)

This family friendly market features local farmers, producers, and artisans in the heart of Downtown Fuquay! The Growers Market will feature kids' activities, cooking and gardening demonstrations, live music, and other special events, as scheduled throughout the season.

The Growers Market accepts SNAP/EBT, WIC and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program coupons. Thanks to a Grant through the NC Extension, all purchases made through these programs will be doubled. Also, as part of the market's outreach commitment to serve those with food insecurities, a portion of unsold produce left over from the vendors at the end of each market day will be donated to the Fuquay-Varina Food Pantry and other organizations feeding our community. www.FVGrowersMarket.com

Budget Update

The Town Board, town management, and staff met on April 12 to work on the proposed upcoming budget. Town Manager Adam Mitchell will present the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Recommended Budget on May 2 to the Fuquay-Varina Town Board at the regularly scheduled meeting. Pursuant to NC General Statute, a public hearing on the recommended budget will be held on June 6, 2022. Details of the budget can be found online at www.FuquayVarina.org/Budget.

Find the latest
Town info at:

