



Halloween Spooktacular



MANAGER'S REPORT October 24, 2025

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The Manager's Report is distributed twice monthly on the weeks opposite the Town Council meetings. The purpose of the report is to provide the Town Council and Indian Trail residents with an update on projects and other activities happening throughout the Town.

The next Manager's Report is scheduled for Friday, November 7.

Administration Department

- Staff prepared the agenda packet for the Oct. 28 Town Council meeting.
- The Town hosted the Union County Chamber's AM Power Networking event on Oct. 21.
- Mayor Cohn, Mayor Pro Tem Gay, Council Member Alsobrooks, Council Member Buchaluk, and the Town Manager attended the Union County Chamber's Elected Officials Reception on Oct. 21.
- Mayor Cohn, the Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, and Communications Director attended a Union County Chamber ribbon cutting for the Sanctuary at Southgate on Oct. 22.
- The final night for the 2025 Citizens Academy is on Oct. 28. Participants will have time to interact with the Town Council before being recognized for their involvement during the Council meeting. During the past two weeks, the Citizens Academy covered Engineering & Stormwater and Public Safety.
- The next Facebook Live is on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 11:30 a.m. October's guest is Felix Obregon, the Division 10 Engineer for NCDOT.
- The Town is continuing its annual tradition for Breast Cancer Awareness month and has been wearing pink each Thursday during the month of October.
- A Flu Shot Clinic was held for staff on Oct. 7.
- Christopher Knight was hired for the Right-of-Way Maintenance Technician position and began his employment on Oct. 13.
- The 3rd Annual Chilli Cook Off was held on Oct. 16. Todd Huntsinger is the winner for the third year in a row!
- Staff held internal interviews for the Crew Leader position on Oct. 20.

Finance & Tax Departments

- Overall tax collection is 14.22% (tax revenue budget: 14.61% collected; stormwater revenue budget: 18.42% collected).
- Staff continue to work with the auditors to wrap up any outstanding questions.
- Council approved SouthState as the Town's new banking partner for core banking services. Staff are working with the Town attorney and SouthState on the banking agreement.
- Staff have made progress in setting up a few vendors for EFT payments and continue to work on converting others.
- Staff continuously complete journal entries, process account payables, and budget amendments as needed.
- Staff will start working on the Audit RFP for FY 2026.

Parks & Recreation Department

- Indian Trail Parks and Recreation was awarded a \$3,500 grant from the Union County Community Arts Council. This will be used to bring arts events/programming to Indian Trail within the next nine months.
- Field reservation requests for Chestnut Square Park are open and will close in about a month. Reservation requests for Crooked Creek Park will open next month.
- Indian Trail Parks and Recreation has been busy planning out all of 2026. This should be finalized by the end of October.

Planning Department

- ZM 2025-0031 – Charlotte Pipe & Foundry: A rezoning of newly acquired parcels. On Oct. 21, the Planning & Zoning Board voted to recommend approval of this request. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the Nov. 10 Council meeting.
- ZM 2025-0107 – 139 Business Park Drive: This rezoning is resolving non-conforming issues. On Oct. 21, the Planning & Zoning Board voted to recommend approval of this request. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the Nov. 10 Council meeting.
- CZ 2022-0036M – Sweet Union Brewing Co.: A rezoning to allow a Brewery and Coffee Shop to locate at the former Kimberli’s Place site. On Oct. 21, the Planning & Zoning Board voted to recommend approval of this request. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the Nov. 10 Council meeting.
- CZ 2025-0080 – 1830 Waxhaw Indian Trail Road: A request to rezone from SF-1 to CZ-NBD for the redevelopment of the property for a neighborhood business. Community meetings were held on Aug. 25. There were a variety of concerns regarding this request, including traffic. The applicant has requested a two-month deferral to work with NCDOT on the traffic concerns and what specific improvements will be required.
- Staff attended the joint North Carolina and South Carolina American Planning Association’s annual conference (Oct. 15-17) in Charlotte.
- Staff have met with several large light industrial projects for a pre-development meeting and continue to see great interest near and around the Bypass.
- Code Enforcement is working on drafting a graffiti ordinance based on a recent situation that limited our ability to enforce clean-up.

Engineering Department

- Indian Trail Road Complete Street Phase 1: Staff executed the contracts for CSX and UCU.
- Chestnut Square Park Phase 2B: The project is on hold until the Community Center site analysis is completed.
- Chestnut Square Park New Access Road: The project is in the design phase. The plans are close to being finished. Staff are working on culvert design coordination along with the roadway design.
- Chestnut Parkway Phase 3: The concrete island is almost complete. The contractor has started the installation of the guardrail along the culvert section. The final lift paving has been moved back two weeks.
- Pickleball Courts at Crooked Creek Park: The project is in the construction phase. The final subgrade was completed for the court and shelter sections. The stone base will begin shortly.
- Additional Items:
 - Staff are working on a design for a small stormwater project.
 - Staff are actively approving housing C/Os on five active subdivisions.
 - Staff continue to review encroachment requests for fiber installation.
 - The FY 25/26 Resurfacing Contract has been pushed back until the beginning of 2026.
 - Staff are still working with property owners for permanent stormwater easements for various projects.
 - Staff will present to the Council a “Notice of Award” for the Bow Brook/Pioneer culvert replacement project at the Oct. 28 meeting.

Public Works Department

- Solid Waste:
 - Bulk and E-Waste Pickup is coming during the first two full weeks of November and will be picked up on residents’ recycling days.
 - Staff are working with Waste Connections to use their transfer station at times for dumping operations on Town projects.

Public Works Department - Cont.

- Parks:
 - Staff are working to complete larger projects at the parks, including adding additional conduit for upgraded fiber installation that will add internet and cameras to more areas of Crooked Creek Park.
 - Staff completed ongoing maintenance, including equipment and daily field preparation.
 - Staff completed maintenance at Chestnut Square Park on the turf field and the grass around the field.
 - Staff spread new mulch at Chestnut Square Park.
 - The Parks Crew helped prep the parks for events.
 - Staff completed the refresh of the Chestnut Square Park volleyball courts, including new nets, pole pads, and sand.
- Streets and Drainage:
 - Staff repaired several sidewalks and ADA ramps in Merriwether.
 - Staff repaired several potholes around the Town.
 - Staff replaced several signs around the Town due to normal wear and tear.
- Stormwater
 - Staff completed several stormwater repairs.
- Right-of-Way:
 - Staff continue mowing and litter collection along several NCDOT and Town-maintained roadways.
- Buildings/Grounds:
 - Safety and security upgrades at the Town Hall are nearing completion.
 - Staff performed vehicle and equipment maintenance on several pieces of equipment.
 - Staff completed ongoing maintenance and all daily tasks.
 - A tree was removed from one of the Town's properties on Indian Trail Road.
- Other
 - Staff attended a Career Day at Sardis Elementary School.

Upcoming Events

Events	Day/Time	Location
Halloween Spooktacular	October 24 6-9 p.m.	Chestnut Square Park
Car Show & Toy Drive	November 1 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Indian Trail Town Hall

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