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TOWN HALL RE-OPENS FOLLOWING TEMPORARY EVACUATION

WAKE FOREST, NC – August 11, 2010 – The Wake Forest Town Hall and several surrounding businesses re-opened this afternoon approximately one hour after a ruptured natural gas line along Taylor Street forced their temporary evacuation.

The incident occurred around 2 p.m. Wednesday afternoon when a private construction company accidentally ruptured the two-inch line.

Although officials were originally told repairs would take several hours, crews managed to shut off the gas at approximately 3:10 p.m.

An assessment of town hall and the surrounding area by the Wake Forest Fire Department revealed no harmful after effects resulting from the leak making it possible for the affected businesses to re-open.

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