



The circa 1820 Calvin Jones House

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Historic Preservation Commission • *Newsletter*

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Certified Local Government Grant Award

Changes to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act Update

The Advisory Council for Historic Preservation is proposing changes to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). The proposed changes will eliminate the ability for SHPOs, THPOs, CLGs, and the public to comment on federal projects. Learn more about Section 106 here: <https://savingplaces.org/section106>. The Advisory Council has delayed opening public comment period.

What can you do?

- ◆ Stay updated on next steps by visiting savingplaces.org.
- ◆ Contact your Senators and Representatives in Washington D.C. to make them aware of your concerns.
- ◆ Submit a public comment to the ACHP once it is published in the Federal Register ([federalregister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov))

Wake Forest Historical Museum

The museum will host a Happy Hour on October 8th from 5-7 pm. A historical walking tour of Main Street is being offered on October 23rd from 1—1:30 pm. Visit www.wakeforestmuseum.org for more information.

The Town of Wake Forest Historic Preservation Program will receive grant funding to complete additional documentation, extension of the period of significance, and a potential boundary expansion of the Wake Forest National Register Historic District. The project is scheduled to begin early in 2027.

The Wake Forest National Register Historic District was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2003. It contains approximately 251 contributing resources with a period of significance of 1820-1953. The Architectural Survey Update of 2020 and Historic Preservation Plan of 2022 recommended completing this update. Contact Michelle Michael at mmichael@wakeforestnc.gov for more information.

As a reminder, the COA application deadline for the October 27, 2026, meeting is September 28, 2026, at 5:00pm. All applications must be submitted electronically. A full schedule of all deadlines for 2026 is on the back page of this newsletter.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 at 6:30 PM

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS

2nd Floor, Town Hall, 301 S. Brooks Street, Wake Forest

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of the August 25, 2026 Regular Meeting.
4. Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person) The HPC is interested in hearing your concerns. However, speakers should not expect HPC action or deliberation on subject matter brought up during the Public Comment segment. Topics requiring further investigation will be referred to the appropriate Town Staff and may be scheduled for a future agenda.
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Old Items
7. New Items
 - A. Quasi-Judicial Training
 - B. Staff Updates
 - C. Member Updates
8. Adjourn



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AROUND TOWN

Good Neighbor Day is planned for Saturday, September 19, 2026 from 1 –4 pm at E. Carroll Joyner Park, 701 Harris Road. Hosted by the Wake Forest Human Relations Council, the day is meant to bring people together to enjoy food, fun, and family entertainment.

The **4th annual Mental Wellness Fair** will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2026 from 1—4 pm at the Renaissance Centre. The Town of Wake Forest is proud to host this event to support community well being. For more information visit www.wakeforestnc.gov and search “mental wellness fair”.

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Calendar 2026 All meetings are at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Date	COA Application Deadline
January 27, 2026	December 29, 2025
February 24, 2026	January 26, 2026
March 24, 2026	February 23, 2026
April 28, 2026	March 30, 2026
May 26, 2026	April 27, 2026
June 23, 2026	May 25, 2026
July 28, 2026	June 29, 2026
August 25, 2026	July 27, 2026
September 22, 2026	August 24, 2026
October 27, 2026	September 28, 2026
November 18, 2026*	October 20, 2026
December 16, 2026*	November 17, 2026

**The November and December meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday due to holidays.*