

CONOVER NEIGHBOR



April 2014

Conover Farmers Market Opens on April 26, 2014

Springtime brings the re-opening of the Conover Farmers Market for its 6th market season every Saturday through October 11th. Put on your sandals and head for the Conover Post Office at 8:00 a.m. to meet the people that grow your food. Local farmers return with meats, cheeses, fresh baked bread and pastries, and spring vegetables. Locally made crafts bring more excitement to your shopping experience. Kid's activities, live music, and friends help share knowledge and teach new ways to use what's fresh and local.

Conover Farmers Market is a family friendly environment where everyone knows your name and you meet and greet your neighbors week after week, rain or shine.

Contact the Market Manager Susan Dickie at 828-234-7075 to become a vendor or keep up to date by Twitter or Facebook. Visit www.conoverfarmersmarket.org for pictures and stories of shoppers and local vendors.

Conover Code Enforcement

As the spring weather starts the growing season and the familiar lawnmower hum can be heard throughout the sunny afternoons and weekends, there may be some unfortunate eyesores of overgrowth scattered throughout the City of Conover. This overgrowth can belittle the hard work we put into our own yards but also may have other hazards. Overgrowth provides a place for insects like mosquitoes and other pests, like field mice and rats. These pests seek cover in the tall vegetation, which can bring diseases and parasites closer to our homes while inviting snakes a place for easy meals.

The Conover Code of Ordinances can help. In the City it is unlawful to allow your yard to grow over an average height of 12 inches. This ordinance states that nuisance overgrowth is a place of heavy growth of weeds or other noxious vegetation over one (1) foot (twelve (12) inches) in height on the average. This provision shall not apply to wooded lots or property that consists of ravines, creek banks or with a severe slope so as to make such maintenance unsafe.

The City truly appreciates all the residents and businesses that take pride in the appearance of their property. As the grass gets cut and bushes and trees get trimmed, remember, the City will dispose of the loose clippings and other yard debris, however, please make sure it is not placed in the roadway or anywhere that rainwater can wash it into a storm drain or creek. By doing this the difficult task of preventing water pollution in the Catawba River Basin and producing clean water for our homes is made just a little bit easier.

The code enforcement officer will be patrolling the City looking for properties that are in violation of the overgrowth ordinance and preventing storm water pollution from yard waste. If you notice a property near you that is overgrown or may potentially pollute the storm water, it can be reported to the code enforcement officer at 828-464-4698 or via email at codeofficer@conovernc.gov.

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SPRING *Litter Sweep*

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ATTENTION ALL CITIZENS

JOIN US FOR THE CITY OF CONOVER
LITTER SWEEP DAY

Date: Saturday, April 26 (Rain date May 3)

Time: 9 a.m. – 12 Noon

Organize a volunteer group from your workplace, church, club, neighborhood, family or school and help remove litter from our community roadways!

The City will provide trash bags, safety vests, gloves, maps and a hot dog lunch to be served at the Conover City Park at 12 Noon. Also, prizes for most unusual pieces of litter found. For more information, contact Joy Heller at (828) 464-1191.