



ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Fundraising for WP Anderson Park Playground Equipment and the William Bartram Statue

Charitable donation accounts are set up with the Community Foundation of Greater Clemson for both projects. Donations made through these accounts are fully tax deductible. The Foundation will provide letters of acknowledgement directly to those making contributions.

The QR code to the donation page for the William Bartram Statue Project is below:



The QR code to the donation page for the playground project at WP Anderson Park is below.



Police Chief Report

Attached is Chief Fred Miller's department report for activity in January 2026.

New Recreation Batting Cage and Practice Facility- Westminster's Batters Box

As reported a few weeks ago, contractors are in the final innings of installing two new batting cages and completing restroom and climate control upgrades at the former fire bay near City Hall.

The facility is located in the former fire bay behind City Hall at 205 Mimosa Street. While teams will soon be able to begin using the space, we plan to schedule an official grand opening once all components are in place and weather conditions are favorable.

Downtown Streetscape Update

This week, city staff met with the construction contractor, Foothills Contracting, Appalachian Council of Governments and Seamon Whiteside (design contractor and project manager) to coordinate the beginning of the project. Construction is scheduled to begin the week of February 16, 2025 and run through mid-September 2026. The first portion of the construction will be on Grey Street and will then progress up to Main Street (in three separate portions) and then retreat Street. Next week, signs will be posted alerting travelers of the closing of Grey Street.

This Week in Rec: An Update from Recreation Director Herb Poole

- The basketball regular season is ending next week for several age divisions.

- The end of season Oconee County Basketball Tournament will begin this coming Wednesday. Brackets will be available in the next day or two on the Westminster Recreation Department Facebook page.
- Volleyball registration has been extended until this Sunday Feb 8. Baseball, softball, and tball registration will be held for 1 more week.
- Basketball Western District All Star Tournaments will be held February 27-28. We are not sure what age group we will be hosting. We will know more in the coming days.
- We will be the host for the Diamond Youth Baseball District 1 Tournament in June at the Horton Outdoor Recreational Area. This is the first confirmed major event that we will host at our new facility. We hope to add more events as we get closer to opening the complex.

Horton Outdoor Recreational Area

Mammoth Construction workers continued their work this week installing the driveway entrance, curb and gutter per the SCDOT permit from Hall Road on the project site and work on punch list items. AMW Construction (the contractor for the concession stand/bathroom) poured the building pad for the concession stand.

SCIIP Sewer Improvements Phase I

Tugaloo/McClam have finished installing McNair Crossing. Moving equipment out and finalizing clean up.

SCIIP Sewer Improvements Phase II

No changes from last week: LW has completed the install of Line "A". Demolition of old manholes on the Line "A" has been approved. They have moved to Line "C" to begin inspecting and laying pipe.

Lucky Street, James Street, and Highland Avenue Water Improvements

The project is advertised for bid on the City website, bids are due February 24, 2026:

https://westminstersc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/ADVERTISEMENT-FOR-BIDS_Lucky-St-James-ST_W-25-77.pdf

Westminster Planning Commission

Nothing to report.

OJRSA

The Board met, February 2, 2026; the draft meeting minutes have not been produced.

Past and future meetings are available on OJRSA's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@OconeeJRSA>

PMPA

Nothing to report on for the PMPA Board. Attached is a new release from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission about its reorganization.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 10, 2026 at 4:00 pm City Council Budget Workshop #1 of 4

February 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm City Council Meeting at the Westminster Fire Department

February 12, 2026 at 9:00 am OJRSA Ad Hoc Reconstitution Committee at OJRSA

February 16, 2026 City Offices closed to observe Presidents Day

February 19, 2026 at 8:30 am OJRSA Operations & Planning Committee at OJRSA

February 19, 2026 at 10:00 am PMPA Board Meeting at PMPA

February 24, 2026 at 9:00 am OJRSA Finance & Administration Committee at OJRSA

March 2, 2026 at 4:00 pm OJRSA Board Meeting at OJRSA

Special Events Calendar

Inaugural Westminster Police Foundation 5K Fun Run - May 16, 2025

More information to come!



Westminster Chief of Police Monthly Report

January 2026

Offenses/Incident Reports	28
Vehicle Accidents	1
Use of Force Incidents	0
DUI	0
Arrests	20
Citations Issued	52
Warnings Issued	91
Traffic Stops	143
Security Checks	133
Total Calls	514
Training Hours	40

01/01 WMPD responded to an auto break-in on Bryson Street, where the homeowner reported that a firearm was taken from his unlocked vehicle

01/02 The Westminster Police Department responded to a call at a Johnson Street apartment regarding a runaway juvenile.

01/03 WMPD arrested a female driver for DUS after a lawful traffic stop on E. Main and Skyland Dr

01/03 WMPD arrested 3 people on drug charges after a lawful traffic stop on E Windsor and Lucky St

01/04 WMPD arrested a male subject for open container after a lawful traffic stop on N Bibb St

01/04 WMPD investigated a fight between 2 juveniles that occurred on Sunshine Circle

01/07 WMPD responded to the intersection of Freeman St and Holcombe St in reference to a hit and run. The male driver was arrested a short time later for numerous traffic offenses.

01/10 WMPD arrested a male subject for numerous traffic offenses after stopping a Breach of Trust vehicle.

01/12 WMPD investigated a harassment complaint that occurred at Spinx

01/12 WMPD Investigated a harassment of a juvenile that occurred at E Main St.

01/14 Westminster Police Dept was dispatched to 273 Toccoa Hwy for a "gas drive off.

01/15 NO-CONTACT ORDER TO the resident on JAMES ST.

01/16 WMPD Investigated a Larceny that occurred at 613 E Main St

01/17 WMPD arrested a male driver for a traffic violation after a lawful stop on E Main St

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01/18 WMPD arrested a male subject for Public Drunk on E Main St
01/20 WMPD arrested a male driver for a traffic violation after a lawful stop on West Oak Highway
01/21 WMPD investigated a larceny that occurred at N Hampton St
01/27 WMPD investigated a theft of Power from Riley St
01/28 WMPD investigated a vandalism case that occurred on Highland Ave
01/28 WMPD arrested a male driver for a traffic violation after a lawful stop on Toccoa Highway
01/29 WMPD arrested a male driver for a traffic violation after a lawful stop on Long Creek Highway and Toccoa Hwy
01/30 WMPD arrested a male driver for a traffic violation after a lawful stop on E. Main St
01/31 WMPD arrested a male driver for a traffic violation after a lawful stop on Toccoa Hwy

Chief Notes

01/05 Zoom meeting with WCTEL and other staff members
01/05 Swearing in of new council at the Depot
01/06 Phone call with SLED on a case
01/06 Meeting with Verizon Representative
01/07 Sled meeting with City Hall
01/08 SCCIC Meeting, Foundation Dinner with WMPD officers and family at the Depot, LEXIPOL Zoom meeting
01/13 Staff Meeting and Council Meeting
01/14 SLED/FBI meeting at City Hall, Foundation Meeting
01/15 Council Tour and Regan's Drop-in
01/16 Council Priority Budget Meeting
1/20 Investigation Update with SLED
11/22 Weather meeting and Oconee Leadership meeting at the Sheriff's Office
11/23 Weather storm update meeting
11/24-26 All hands on deck for the storm
11/27 Meeting with Craig's Firearm in reference to new duty weapons/ ARMS zoom meeting
11/29 Storm Meeting

Fred Miller

Chief of Police

News - February 5, 2026

NRC - NRC Major Reorganization Supports Efficiency, Innovation



NRC NEWS

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NRC Major Reorganization Supports Efficiency, Innovation

The NRC is launching a significant reorganization to streamline decision making, consolidate functions, and align with national goals for more efficient licensing and deployment of safe, innovative nuclear technology.

The agency will reorganize around core business lines of new reactors, operating reactors, and nuclear materials and waste. Licensing and inspection functions will be integrated within each business line to create a single point of accountability and improve coordination between licensing and inspection teams from the onset of projects. In addition, functions carried out under the corporate support business line will be consolidated to improve efficiency.

“We are in one of the most consequential periods in the NRC’s history, and this reorganization enables us to meet the moment with more efficient and timely decision making,” said Chairman Ho Nieh. “This reorganization focuses the NRC’s structure around national priorities aimed at accelerating the safe deployment of nuclear technologies. This reorganization is also aimed at achieving greater consistency in the implementation of agency safety programs across the NRC regional offices.”

The changes meet requirements in Executive Order 14300, “Ordering Reform of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,” and EO 14210, “Implementing the Department of Government Efficiency Workforce Optimization Initiative,” enhancing the agency’s ability to respond effectively to current and future demands.

“Moving carefully but expeditiously to carry out this reorganization is imperative to provide much-needed stability and certainty for our staff,” said Executive Director for Operations Mike King. “We will maintain a continued focus on the safety and security of operating facilities while creating a structure and regulatory culture that ensures accountability and service for Americans.”

Among the agency’s near-term priorities will be the Commission’s appointment of key leaders for the reactor safety program, and the staff’s development of a new organizational chart and change management plan within the next 60 days. The agency will strive to implement the reorganization plan by the end of September.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission was created as an expert, technical agency to protect public health, safety, and security, and regulate the civilian use of nuclear materials, including enabling the deployment of nuclear power for the benefit of society. Among other responsibilities, the agency issues licenses, conducts inspections, initiates and enforces regulations, and plans for incident response. The global gold standard for nuclear regulation, the NRC is collaborating with interagency partners to implement reforms outlined in new Executive Orders and the ADVANCE Act to streamline agency activities and enhance efficiency.