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NCOCG News

Citizen engages city council in exercise in open government

Hickory Record: A Hickory City Council meeting early in May put open government on display after a Hickory resident forced discussion of an issue based on an item on the meeting's agenda.

Read more about the agenda item and the citizen: <http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=959958>

A mayor blocked from access to information

WECT6: The mayor of Sunset Beach said he was blocked access from town employee salary information because he attempted to get it without Town Council approval.

Read more about the mayor's denial: <http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=960060>

Asheville Police Department to hire evidence-room manager

Mountain Xpress: The Asheville Police Department's new chief said he would hire an evidence-room manager to help repair the reputation of the department a year after guns, drugs and money went missing from the evidence room.

Read more about the new position and the department's ongoing struggles: <http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=960588>

Newspaper requests minutes from closed meetings

Southern Pines Pilot: The Southern Pines Pilot has requested minutes from a closed Moore County Board of Commissioners meeting, at which the board might have discussed selling county land.

Read more about the request and meeting: <http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=960679>

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