



Windsor Borough News

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Maryland Ave Project – Maryland Ave will have some much needed renovations done beginning in April/May. The Borough received 2 grants through the York Co Planning Commission and the York Co Conservation District in order to complete this project. The following work will be done:

- Phase I – Fix the creek by stabilizing the bank with stone, build a new head wall, install an additional storm box, re-slope the creek bank, trim trees back from the bank and lay stone at the creek bank.
- Phase II – Original 4 inch water main is being replaced with a new 6 inch water main, replace the inlet, install storm inlet, replace curbs & sidewalk where needed & repave the road with oil & chip.

The project will take approximately 3 weeks to complete. Residents who live on Maryland Ave will have access to the road but other traffic will not be allowed on the road while work is being done.

Tax sitting dates and times – Tax Collector Bobbi Jo Daley will be at the Borough office to accept tax payments on the following dates: 4-4-18 (6-8 pm), 4-11-18 (11-1 pm) & 4-17-18 (6-8 pm).

Laurel Fire Dept Annual Car Show – will be held on April 24th from 10:00 – 3:00 pm. Registration fee is \$10. Contact Barry Barshinger (717 332-1195) for further information.

Thank You – Borough members would like to express their appreciation to the volunteers at the Laurel Fire Dept who do so much to protect our community. In 2017, volunteers from the fire dept. responded to 280 calls with 31 calls being in the Borough. Please remember that the fire dept. relies heavily on donations and monies earned from fund raisers to purchase necessary equipment so please consider supporting our fire dept by participating in a fund raising event. Thank you to all of the volunteers who give their time and talents to run the fire dept.!

Annual Community Yard Sale – will be held on June 7th through June 9th from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. A second Community Yard Sale will be held on August 16th through August 18th (8-5 pm). A permit is not required for individuals who want to participate in the Community Yard Sales. Residents who wish to have a yard sale on other dates in the year are required to purchase a yard sale permit. The cost is \$5 for 3 days and permits can be purchased at the Borough office. Please remember to remove all yard sale signs once the sale is over.

York Co Travel Guide – you can obtain a free 2018 York Co Travel Guide by visiting www.yorkpa.org/travel-tools/travel-guide or call the York Co Convention & Visitors Bureau at 888-858-9675. This booklet provides info on fun places to visit, free factory tours and popular parks in York Co.

Fishing Creek - Residents who have a portion of Fishing Creek on their property are responsible for keeping trash and other debris from the creek. Residents who do not keep their part of the creek clean from trash are subject to receiving a citation from the Codes Enforcement Officer.

Water Rate Increase – Due to a water rate increase from Red Lion Water Authority at the beginning of 2018, the Borough water rate will be increased by 6% beginning July 1, 2018.

Fulton Bank Payments – We will be phasing out using Fulton Bank at the end of the year for the quarterly water, sewer and garbage payments. Payments can be made at the Fulton Bank until the end of the year then residents should mail their payments to the Borough office. Payments can also be placed in the drop box.

Plates for Sale – A Windsor Borough resident donated 6 Danbury Mint Miniature Schnauzer Limited Edition collector plates to the Borough. The plates are for sale (\$25 each) and the proceeds will go to the Borough's Historical Fund Account. If you are interested in purchasing a plate, please stop by the Borough office.

Dumpster Ordinance – Residents who want to place a dumpster or pod in their yard or on the street are required to apply for a permit. This will help us to ensure that proper safety measures are being taken. Dumpster/pods are not allowed to sit more than 30 days on a residents property or in the street. Residents can have dumpster for up to 14 days without paying a permit fee. Dumpsters that sit longer than 14 days will be assessed a fee of \$15 per day.

Building permits – all construction, additions, placement of pre-built structures (such as sheds), paving, new patios, fences and decks require that a permit be obtained before any work can be started. Please call the Codes Enforcement Officer, Bob Huska at 717-578-3010 to obtain a permit.

Dog Ordinance – Borough Ordinance #4-2016 states the following:

- ♣ Dogs must be on a leash and kept under control at all times when outside. Owners who allow their dogs to run loose are subject to a fine. This is for the safety of the dog and residents.
- ♣ Dogs are not allowed in the Borough Park. Citations will be given to owners who allow their dogs in the park.
- ♣ Maximum number of pets allowed is 8 and includes cats, dogs, chickens, rabbits, goats, etc.
- ♣ Dogs cannot be tethered outside for more than 30 minutes if temps are 90 degrees and above or during severe cold temps. Dogs must have adequate shelter and drinking water.
- ♣ Owners must properly clean up dog waste, including dog waste on personal property. Dog waste left on the ground spreads diseases to people and other animals and will also infiltrate into the water system.
- ♣ Please call the Animal Control Officer (Julia) at 717 542-2620 if you have a problem that needs to be reported.

Old junk cars, trucks, boats, etc – do you have an old “junk” car, boat, truck, motorcycle, ATV or RV sitting in your yard that you need to get rid of? Why not consider donating it to a reputable charity? Many organizations can help take the hassle out of disposing of your unwanted vehicle (working or non-working) with no cost to you. Donate a Car.com offers many different charitable organizations that you can choose to donate proceeds of your old vehicle to and they accept all types of vehicles. Habitat for Humanity accepts donations of old vehicles to help fund their housing projects for low income families. This is a hassle free way to get rid of junk vehicles that are cluttering your yard and will provide you with a tax deduction while giving something back to the community!

Did you Know?????

Why is Stormwater a Problem?

In 2016, the Dept of Environmental Protection (DEP) labeled approximately 19,000 miles of rivers and streams in Pennsylvania impaired for water supply, aquatic life, recreation, or fish consumption. Stormwater runoff pollution is one of the biggest reasons for this impairment. DEP requires communities who have been identified as having an impaired waterway or has a creek that runs into the Chesapeake Bay to have a pollution reduction plan in place. Windsor Borough was mandated by DEP to develop a pollution reduction plan to reduce storm water pollutants picked up by rain water/melting snow by 10% over the next 5 years. As a result, the Borough has to pay additional expenses to comply with the DEP mandate.

You can help the Borough to meet the goal of reducing sediment by 10% by doing the following:

- Do not throw anything into the creek. Cigarette butts, plastic bags, pet waste, tires, car oil and pesticides increases the amount of pollutants in our water.
- Properly dispose of pet waste. Pet waste left on the ground will eventually wash into the water system.
- Avoid pouring toxic substances down drains such as used motor oil, antifreeze, paint and solvents.
- Fix engine oil leaks so oil does not saturate roadways and run into streams.
- Don't flush medications down the toilet. Instead, dispose of them by taking them to a local police department that has a medication drop box. You can also place medications in a sealable bag and place it with your regular trash.

Remember that rivers are the source of our drinking water supply; when rivers aren't healthy, public health risks increase. The actions we take in our daily lives have a big impact on our environment.

Street light outages – Residents can report street light outages by **calling 800-545-7741** and follow the automated prompts. You will need to provide the closest street address, cross street info and the pole number. By reporting street light outages, you are helping to keep our community safer.



Water, Sewer and Garbage Quarterly Bills

Quarterly bills will be due on the following dates: 5-14-18, 8-13-18, & 11-12-18. Residents are encouraged to make payments weekly, bi-weekly or monthly to ensure their bill is paid by the due date. Please remember that if your bill is not paid by the penalty due date, a water shut off notice will be sent and an additional fee of \$25 will be added to your account. Payments can be made by cash, check, money order or through your bank. Payments can also be placed in the drop box located to the left of the front door.

Remember to keep sidewalks and areas leading up to your water meter clear and free from snow, clutter, high bushes or tall grass. For safety reasons keep dogs confined when the maintenance person is on your property.

Trash collection and electronic recycling– Penn Waste collects trash on Monday's and Thursday's. Recycle bins and large item pickup is on Thursdays only. Please have all trash out the night before or early in the morning and contain all loose trash so it doesn't blow into the street. Remember that if the Monday trash collection falls on a holiday then trash pickup that week will be delayed by one day so trash will be collected on Tuesday and Friday. Also, Penn Waste cannot accept any electronics (computers, keyboards, tv's etc.) or appliances. Residents can dispose of electronics and appliances at the York Co Solid Waste Authority Facility. For further information please call 717 845-1066 or www.ycswa.com

Recycle Containers – in two sizes are available at the Borough office. **25 gallon round trash can style containers cost \$5** and **32 gallon round trash can style containers cost \$10.** Recycling is mandatory for Windsor Borough residents. Recycling also helps to generate revenue for the Borough which helps to keep quarterly garbage fees down.

- Plastic grocery bags can be recycled by taking them to a local store (such as Giant or Weiss) that has a collection container where the store will properly dispose of them.

Borough Ordinances - Residents who have a question, concern or complaint about a Borough Ordinance or to find out if a permit is required for a home improvement project should call the Codes Enforcement Officer, Bob Huska, at 717 578-3010.

Council meetings are held the 1st Monday of each month at 6:00 pm. Authority meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Borough office. If you need to address any issues with the Council or Authority members, please call the Borough office in order to be placed in the agenda.

Windsor Borough Officials

Mayor – Larry Markel
Matthew Dietz – Council President
Brenda Kramer– Council Vice President
Rebecca Whiteley – Council Member
Ron Deckman – Council Member
Larry Stone – Council Member

Windsor Borough Authority

Flim Warner – Chairman, Water & Sewer Authority
Tom Rupp - Vice Chairman, Water & Sewer Authority
Mark Donley - Treasurer, Water & Sewer Authority
George Herbert – Secretary, Water & Sewer Authority
Eric Myers – Assist Secretary/Treasurer, Water & Sewer Authority

