

PEN ARGYL BOROUGH NEWS
AUGUST 2024

AUGUST 6th COUNCIL MEETING

- Announced an Executive Session for personnel matters was held 7/31/2024.
- Awarded S. Robinson Turnback Road Project to Kobalt Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$239,030.00 contingent on Solicitor review of bonds and insurance.
- Conditionally approved GPRS quote for ground penetrating radar in the amount of \$13,200.00 contingent upon Councilman Steven Goffredo discussing with Engineer and Public Works Director Steven Bender.
- Agreed to get more quotes for the E. Main Street sewer repair.
- Agreed to complete the design portion of the Pump Control Project in the amount of \$10,000.00, then do procurement and project in 2025.

PUBLIC WORKS

During the month of July, the Public Works Department performed scheduled maintenance tasks and completed all requested tasks.

- Building checks, daily trash runs, meter malfunctions.
- Bi-weekly lawn maintenance at Park, Town Hall & Fire Station. 6 trees removed, weeded rain garden.
- Checked & tightened all bolts in large pavilion. Trimmed hedges at park.
- Repaired portion of floor in Carousel, swept & blew out inside of building, washed benches inside Carousel. Temporary patch on sprinkler leak. Replace toilet flange & wax ring in men's bathroom.
- Routine greasing & maintenance of equipment. Oil change on GMC 2013. Sharpened mower blades.
- Reported streetlight outages (1). Meter malfunctions. Pothole patrol 7/1 & 7/24. Stockpiled millings.
- PA one calls (3).
- Removed handicap sign at 18 Davey Ave. Replaced dusk to dawn switch on streetlight at 810 Walnut Ave.
- Located unknown manhole at 210 Westbrook Ave., restoration completed. Inspected and removed debris from 124 catch basins.

ZONING/CODE DEPARTMENT

In July the following permits were issued: 2 building, 2 dumpster, 1 mechanical, 1 plumbing, 1 yard sale, 3 sidewalk & 2 zoning. Also completed: 4 residential rental inspections, 5 re-sale residential property inspections, and processed 10 rental registrations. Issued 24 warnings, Notice of Violations or citations for property violations throughout the Borough. **Landlords are reminded to contact the Zoning Officer to register rental properties and to schedule inspection of rental properties to comply with the Licensing of Rental Properties Ordinance. Violators can be fined.** The Zoning Officer can be reached at 610-863-1821 or at zoning@penargylborough.com

SLATE BELT REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contact information for the SBRPD is: 911 (Emergency), 610-759-8517 (Non-Emergency) and 610-759-8523 (Fax). In June officers responded to 714 calls for service, with 164 in Pen Argyl. Residents can receive important, official information directly from Slate Belt Regional Police Department through <https://local.nixle.com/slate-belt-regional-police-department/> Messages will be delivered by email, SMS text message, and over the web. Register now at <http://www.nixle.com/>

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Influent process control/lab analysis performed daily. Effluent process control/lab analysis performed daily. Maintenance to all system works. Pump stations equipment and grounds maintenance. Monthly pump greasing. Primary digester tank pressure washed & painted; secondary digester pressure washed. 3 Phase breakers replaced due to corrosion. Wood Ave. & E. Main St videoed. Lines jetted. Staff ongoing training towards certification. PA One Calls (11).

REAL ESTATE/PER CAPITA TAX REMINDERS

REMINDER REAL ESTATE TAXES UNPAID ARE NOW DELINQUENT. Please pay now to avoid more penalties and interest. Taxes are remitted to Pen Argyl Borough, 501 George Street, Pen Argyl, PA 18072. Call for hours or appointment: 610-863-9487.

LOOKOUT FIRE COMPANY

In June, the Lookout Fire Company responded to 14 calls. They spent 204 hours on drills and 485 hours on calls. The Borough thanks our dedicated volunteers. Follow their Facebook page for fundraiser events <https://www.facebook.com/Lookout-Fire-Company-1-209804491353/>

WEONA PARK HAPPENINGS!

Weather permitting.....from 5/31/2024 through 8/25/2024 hours of operation will be as follows:
Fridays: 3 P.M to 9 P.M. - Sizzling Sale \$2 off a game of Golf. *Saturday & Sundays -- 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
8/23 & 9/20 - Fidelity Bank's Sweet Treats Truck will provide free ice cream.
Summer Sounds schedule: 8/11- Large Flower Heads. All concerts are free, begin at 6 P.M. Concerts are subject to cancellation because of severe weather.

BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

Borough Newsletter- The Borough Newsletter is published each month following the Borough Council Meeting. It can be found at the Borough Hall or on our website at www.penargylborough.com . You can receive the newsletter by email by contacting: manager@penargylborough.com and requesting it. You will need to provide your name, address, and email contact. *You can also find us on Facebook!*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ITEMS OF INTEREST!

Garbage/Recycling –Garbage collection is every Friday. Garbage & recycling will be delayed to Sat. 9/7 due to Labor Day Holiday. Recycling will be on Fri. 8/23, as well as Sat. 9/7 & Fri. 9/20. **Garbage/recycling containers are to be placed on the resident’s property at the curb line and are not to be placed before 2 P.M. on the day before pickup.**

Blue Mountain Community Library- Summer Fun with the Library, registration required: 8/21 – Weona Park. Open to ages 4 through 9, starts at 10:30 AM. Fall preschool storytime will begin 9/11 at 10:30 AM, registration begins 8/12. Book Club meets at 6:30 PM: 8/13 – *Hello, Beautiful*, Ann Napolitano; 9/10 – *Tom Lake*, Ann Patchett; and 10/8 – *Remarkably Bright Creatures*, Shelby Van Pelt Fundraisers: Last chance book sale ongoing; Author luncheon - 9/24 check website for more info. Visit their web site www.bmcl.org

Community Yard Sales - No permit needed; September 13th – 15th.

CALENDAR

Tues., Aug. 27th – Borough Council Workshop, 7 P.M., Borough Hall

Tues., Sept. 3rd – Borough Council Meeting, 7 P.M., Borough Hall

Mon. Sept. 9th – Municipal Authority, 5 P.M, Borough Hall

Wed., Sept.11th – Park Board Meeting, 7 P.M., Borough Hall