

## PEN ARGYL BOROUGH NEWS

### JULY 2025

#### JULY 1<sup>st</sup> COUNCIL MEETING

- Approved the purchase of 12 new parking meters in the amount of \$2,900.76.
- Agreed to place E. Mountain Avenue storm sewer repair project in the 2026 budget.
- Agreed to purchase a flashing stop sign at the intersection of N. Lobb & Babbitt Avenues.
- Agreed to pursue LSA Grants for a Splash Pad and to purchase preemptive signal devices for the intersection of S. Main, E. Main, and Rt. 512.
- Approved the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the conditional approval of the 412 W. Applegate apartments.
- Proposed a 1mil fire tax to be enacted in the 2026 budget year.
- Accepted the 2024 Audit report.

#### PUBLIC WORKS

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

- Building checks, daily trash runs, & lawn maintenance on Borough properties.
- Carousel greased & maintenance check, lubricated Carousel windows, jetted sewer line at sausage stand. Grounds clean up in skate & dog parks. Minor repairs to golf course.
- Routine greasing of equipment. Hydraulic box replaced on the Bobcat.
- 7 no parking signs were installed. Curbs painted for enforcement. Curb painting throughout Borough continues.
- Catch Basin taps & storm clean up 6/9. Street sweeping 6/16-6/19.
- PA one calls (26). Meter malfunctions.
- Kim Buskirk completed CDL training and passed to get his CDL license.

#### SLATE BELT REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contact information for the SBRPD is: 911 (Emergency), 610-759-8517 (Non-Emergency) and 610-759-8523 (Fax). Regional Police responded to 723 calls for service in May. 138 in Pen Argyl.

#### ZONING/CODE DEPARTMENT

In June, the following permits were issued: 1 building, 3 electrical & 3 residential zoning. Also completed; 8 residential resale property inspections & 8 rental inspections. **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](mailto:zoning@penargylborough.com)

#### LOOKOUT FIRE COMPANY

The Borough thanks our dedicated volunteers. Lookout Fire Company has a website: [www.lookoutfireco.com](http://www.lookoutfireco.com) and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Lookout-Fire-Company-1-209804491353/> for more details on events and fundraisers. Lookout responded to 15 calls in May. Completed 232 hours on drills and 320 hours for calls.

#### WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Monthly, weekly, and quarterly sampling was done; all comply. Equipment, plant, and pumping station maintenance were completed. Answered and marked PA One Calls. Removed damaged fan motors on headworks roof & replaced with new motors. Completed inventory checklists for UV system & blower room. Lawn maintenance for all properties completed.

## **NIXLE NOTIFICATIONS**

Sign up for Nixle alerts for up-to-date relevant information from the Borough, public safety departments. <https://local.nixle.com/zipcode/18072/>

## **NEW LAW NOTIFICATION**

On June 5, 2025 Act 18-2024 took effect, strengthening existing prohibitions against distracted driving by expanding restrictions to encompass any use of a mobile device while operating a motor vehicle. **Act 18 prohibits every use of a mobile device while driving!** Please note, a violation is a summary offense unless the driver is using a device to communicate with law enforcement or emergency services to prevent injury to persons or property. Only written warnings for violations can be issued until June 6, 2026.

## **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](http://www.penargylborough.com) . You can receive the newsletter by email by contacting: [manager@penargylborough.com](mailto: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. Recycling will be on 7/11 & 7/25, as well as 8/8 & 8/22. **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.**

**Yard Sale dates:** 9/12/2025 – 9/14/2025

**Blue Mountain Community Library-** Sundaes in the Park, 8/3 at Weona Park Summer Sounds. Summer Fun ages 4 to 10, 10:30 A.M., rain or shine. Please register. Locations are: 7/9 & 7/23 Wind Gap Borough Park; & 8/6 & 8/20 Weona Park. Summer Preschool Storytime: 7/16 & 7/30, 10:30 A.M. Book Group meets at 6:30 P.M: 7/8 – *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store*, James McBride. Board Meeting 7/15 at 6:30 P.M. Visit their web site [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org)

## **CALENDAR**

- Weds., July 9<sup>th</sup> – Park Board Meeting, 7 P.M., Borough Hall
- Thurs., July 17<sup>th</sup> – Planning Commission, 7 P.M., Borough Hall (If needed)
- Tues., July 29<sup>th</sup> – Borough Council Workshop, 7 P.M., Borough Hall
- Mon., Aug 4<sup>th</sup> – Municipal Authority, 5 P.M., Borough Hall (if needed)
- Mon., Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> - Weona Park Pool Pals, 7 P.M., Borough Hall
- Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> – Borough Council Meeting, 7 P.M., Borough Hall