PEN ARGYL BOROUGH NEWS NOVEMBER 2023

NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

- Approved the 2024 Slate Belt Regional Police Commission's 2024 Budget, with Pen Argyl's allocation of \$660,028.50 a savings of \$14,545.63 from 2023's budget.
- Adopted Resolution 2023-13 to apply for LSA Statewide Grant in the amount of \$292,516.25 for radio upgrades for the Slate Belt Regional Police.
- Approved the 2024 Animal Control Service Agreement with Pibbles Paws Safe Haven in the amount of \$2.00 per resident or \$7,036.00 paid quarterly.
- Agreed to close S. Robinson Avenue on 11/18/2024, from 6:00 A.M. to 6: P.M. for the Fall Vendor Fair.
- Directed Van Cleef Engineering Associates, LLC to review conditional approval documents submitted by developers.
- Authorize Van Cleef Engineering Associates, LLC to bid out N Lobb Ave. remediation project.
- Denied Teamster request to increase CDL driver's salary.

PUBLIC WORKS

Leaf pickup will begin on 10/30 and continue to 11/17. No pickup during holiday light installation 11/20-11/22 (if installation completed ahead of schedule pickup will resume earlier), pickup resumes 11/27, last day of collection is scheduled for 12/8. Please refrain from placing leaves in roadway if inclement weather is predicted. Please do not place piles close to parked vehicles. The crew cannot pick up piles if they contain sticks, stones, or animal feces, it is a health hazard.

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

- Re-plastering of walls in archives room.
- Winterized park water lines & restroom fixtures.
- Routine greasing & maintenance of equipment. Serviced leaf vac.
- GMC 08 & 13 inspections. Replaced calibers & brake pads. Replaced trailer hook up on GMC 08
- Bi-monthly lawn maintenance. Rain Garden maintenance.
- Tree maintenance on North side of park.
- Dismantled & stored golf course features.
- Replace the stop sign on Savercool & Rt. 512. Repaired pedestrian crossing sign at park.
- Reported streetlight outages (2).
- Videoed and dye tested several storm sewer lines.
- Repaired catch basins.
- PA one calls (9).
- Removed marquee sign, installed meter base, conduit, and excavated inside of planter for sign footer.

SLATE BELT REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contact information for the SBRPD is: 911 (Emergency), 610-759-8517 (Non-Emergency) and 610-759-8523 (Fax). In September, officers responded to 390 calls for service, with 149 in Pen Argyl.

LOOKOUT FIRE COMPANY

The Borough thanks our dedicated volunteers. Follow their Facebook page for fundraiser events https://www.facebook.com/Lookout-Fire-Company-1-209804491353/

REAL ESTATE/PER CAPITA TAX REMINDERS

REMINDER REAL ESTATE TAXES UNPAID ARE NOW DELINQUINT. 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.

ZONING/CODE DEPARTMENT

In October, the following permits were issued: 1 zoning, 1 dumpster, 3 sidewalk and 2 driveway. Also completed: 2 residential and 1 commercial rental inspections and 1 commercial and 1 re-sale property 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

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Influent and effluent processes and control/lab analysis performed daily. Maintenance to all system works. Pump stations equipment and grounds maintenance. Digester dewatered as needed, EQ tanks drained & cleaned. PA one calls (24). Plant grounds landscape and maintained. Scrap metal cut up and sorted for scrap yard. New digital well meters ordered and installed. Removed air from floating decanter. Staff ongoing training towards certification.

WEONA PARK HAPPENINGS!

Cookies, Carols, and Claus - 12/1 - 6 P.M. - 8 P.M.

BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

<u>Borough Newsletter-</u> 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. Collection will be delayed the week of Thanksgiving to Sat. 11/25. Recycling will be 11/17 & 12/1. 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—The next board meeting will be on 11/21 at 6:30 P.M. Preschool Storytime Program call library for more info. Registration required. Upcoming Fundraisers: 11/1-12/31 Christmas Tree Ornaments and Slate Pub 12/5. Book Club meets at 6:30 P.M.: 1/9/2024 — The Tiffany Girls, Shelley Noble. Visit their web site www.bmcl.org

CALENDAR

Tues., Nov. 28th – Tentative Budget Adoption/Borough Council Workshop, 7 P.M., Borough Hall Tues., Dec. 12th – Borough Council Meeting, 7 P.M., Borough Hall



Pen Argyl Borough Offices will be closed 11/23 & 11/24 in observance of the holiday.