



## Windsor Borough News

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**Christmas Tree Pick-Up** - Penn Waste will pick up live Christmas trees on Saturday January 13, 2024. Please have trees stripped of all decorations, lights and out of the stand. Trees should be placed where you normally put your garbage and should be put out Friday night for the Saturday morning pickup.

**Budgets for 2024** – Copies of the 2024 General Funds, Water Authority and Sewer Authority budgets are available for review at the Borough Office. The budgets are also posted on the Borough website. Council members are pleased to announce that the tax mill rate will remain the same (2.8 mills) for 2024.

**Tax Collector** – Bobbi Daley resigned as the Borough's Tax Collector effective 12-31-23. Residents will now need to make tax payments to the York Co Tax Office at 28 E Market St, Rm 126 York Pa 17401. Payments can be made in the form of cash, check, money order or credit card. If your mortgage co pays the tax bill, please call them with this new information. Please call the tax office with any questions at 717-771-9603. **Tax payments can no longer be made/accepted at the Borough office.**

**Quarterly Water bills** – Payment due dates for the 2024 water, sewer and garbage bills are: **2-12-24, 5-13-24, 8-12-24 & 11-11-24**. Due dates for the entire year are listed on the bills. Information on how to receive the bills via email and other payment options are listed on the back of the bills and on the Borough's website. When mailing payments, please allow 7-10 days for the payment to arrive at the office. Residents are encouraged to pay their bill weekly, bi-weekly or monthly in order to ensure the bill is paid by the payment due date.

**Snow Removal** – Borough Ordinance requires that all residents remove snow and slush from sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow has stopped falling. It is important to remove snow, or at least clear a path wide enough for a person to pass, for the safety of all residents, especially children who use the sidewalks to wait for the school bus. Shoveling snow into the street is strictly prohibited. We also ask that you help to clear fire hydrants and storm gutters where possible.

**Water and Sewer Authority member needed** – The Water and Sewer Authority has an open vacancy to fill. If you would like to serve on the Authority, please call or stop in the office to learn more.

**Animal Control Officer** – The Animal Control Officer (ACO) for Windsor Borough is Klugh Animal Control Services. Please **call 911** to report a problem, especially a dog bite incident, and the police will contact Klugh Animal Control Services immediately. If you need to contact the ACO with questions or complaints please call 717-916-1413.

\*\* Please remember that during the cold winter months, pets should not be left outdoors for any extended length of time. Outdoor pets need to have adequate shelter to protect them from freezing temperatures, snow and rain along with fresh drinking water and food. Remember to check water bowls to ensure that the water is not frozen.

Pet owners are also reminded that they need to clean up and properly dispose of all pet waste each time your dog uses the bathroom outside. This is a State Law and a Borough Ordinance. Pet waste left on the ground can spread diseases to other animals and also pollutes the drinking water.

**Prevent frozen pipes** – Preventing frozen pipes is easier than replacing pipes that freeze and burst. Water pipes and water meters can freeze within hours of the onset of freezing weather. Here are a few tips to protect against frozen water lines:

□ Disconnect hoses from outside faucets & turn off the connection to the faucet at the interior valve.

- Pipes most likely to freeze are those nearest an un-insulated wall, door, window or floor. Protect pipes by adding insulation. Eliminate cold drafts near water pipes by keeping windows & doors shut tightly & fill cracks in walls & around windows. Cover foundation vents to prevent cold air from freezing pipes.
- Open the doors to rooms where the pipes and water meter are located so warm air can keep temps above freezing.
- Turn the faucet on so water will slowly trickle through the line. This will help to prevent pipes from freezing.
- If your water meter is in an outdoor pit, make sure the pit cover fits properly and has no cracks that would allow cold air to flow inside. Make sure the pipes, valves & water meter are not touching the pit's walls.

**Melting Snow is Stormwater too** – Melting snow causes stormwater problems. When snow builds up over several storm events without melting in between, this can lead to flooding when the snow finally begins to thaw. Standing and flowing snow & water picks up all kinds of debris & pollutants (such as de-icing salts & chemicals) that will drain into nearby streams. Here are some tips on how to manage snow to prevent flooding:

- When shoveling snow, pile it in areas where it will melt the fastest, in flat areas & away from streams.
- Clear downspouts to allow melting snow to flow & not collect around your foundation.
- Keep any storm drains that are close to your house clear of snow. Never pile snow on top of storm drains.
- Use de-icing chemicals judiciously. Use enough to clear walkways & driveways but try to prevent chemicals from spreading into the grass & waterways.

**Trash collection and electronic recycling**– Penn Waste collects trash on Monday's and Thursday's. Recycle bins and trash are collected on Mondays. Large items pickup and trash is collected on Thursdays. 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.

- The following items should not be placed in recycle containers: Wrapping paper (including bows & ribbons), plastic grocery bags, aluminum foil products, Christmas lights & extension cords, clothing or linens & packaging (bubble wrap, Styrofoam packing peanuts or foam packaging).
- Penn Waste cannot accept any electronics. Tv's, cell phones, desktop computers, laptops, monitors and keyboards along with other hard to get rid of items need to be taken to the York Co Solid Waste Authority Facility. For further information please call 717 845-1066 or [www.ycswa.com](http://www.ycswa.com)

**Recycle Containers** –Recycle containers available for Borough residents. There are 2 sizes available and both containers are the round trash can style. **25 gallon containers cost \$5 and 32 gallon containers cost \$10**. Please stop in the office to purchase a recycle container.

**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.

**The Second Edition of “Windsor Borough, First One Hundred Years (1905-2005)”** is available for purchase (\$30) at the Borough office. This soft back book provides a wealth of history & pictures.

Council meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 pm. Authority meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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  
 Peggy Dzubinski – Council Member  
 Rich Mitzel – Council Member

**Windsor Borough Authority**

Flim Warner  
 James Cochran  
 Troy Pham  
 George Herbert