

## **Windsor Borough News**

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**Tax sitting date and time** – A representative from the York County Tax Office will be at the Borough Office on <u>Thurs April 10<sup>th</sup> from 9-10:30 am</u> to collect real estate taxes. Tax related questions please call the County Tax Office at 717-771-9603.

**Annual Community Yard Sale** will be held on <u>June 5<sup>th</sup> through June 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:00</u> am to 5:00 pm. A second Community Yard Sale will be held on <u>August 7<sup>th</sup> through August 9<sup>th</sup> (8-5 pm)</u>. Please remember to remove all yard sale signs once the sale is over.

**Playground Rules** – Please help keep the park, playground and ball field area clean and safe for residents by observing the following:

No dogs/pets allowed allowed

\* No weapons of any kind are

No smoking, alcohol and drug use

\* No vandalism

• Clean up all trash - use provided trash receptacles

Trash collection and recycling—Penn Waste collects trash on Monday's (recycle bins & trash) and Thursday's (1 large item & trash). 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. Garbage cans are to be removed from the sidewalk at the end of the day. Recycle containers are available at the Borough office. 25 gallon containers are \$5 and 32 gallon containers are \$10. 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

**Effects of Pollution on your Sewer bill** - A portion of your sewer bill pays for upkeep and repairs to wastewater treatment plants and sewer lines. Wastewater is used water. It includes substances such as human waste, food scraps, oils, soaps and chemicals. In homes, this includes water from sinks, showers, bathtubs, toilets, washing machines and dishwashers.

Treatment plants treat water to reduce and remove pollutants in wastewater to a relatively clean and safe level for people and wildlife. Much of the water used by homes, industries, and businesses must be treated before it is released back to the environment.

You can do simple things to reduce pollution which then decreases the amount of polluted water that treatment plants have to treat. The following are just a few examples:

Clean up after your pet. Pet waste left on the ground gets carried into streams by storm water and pollutes the water with bacteria, parasites and viruses that are harmful to people and wildlife.

Don't flush "unflushable" items such as baby and adult wipes, feminine products, rags, paper towels, cat litter, cigarette butts, bandages, diapers, Q-tips or unused medicine. Flushing these items down the toilet will not only pollute the water but will also cause damage to sewer lines.

Take care of fluids that are leaking from your car. Vehicles that drip fluids such as oil, grease, gasoline, antifreeze and brake fluids contribute to polluting the water because the fluids gets washed into the water system by rain water. Dispose of fluids by taking them to an auto store to be recycled. Oil and other petroleum products are toxic to people, wildlife and plants. Used motor oil is the largest single source of oil pollution in our lakes, streams and rivers. Americans spill 180 million gallons of used oil each year into our waters.

By reducing pollutants, waste water treatment plants can work more efficiently and will have fewer repair costs to equipment.

**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> Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am 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 on the agenda.

## **Code Enforcement Corner**

Greetings Windsor Borough Residents,

This forum will be for the benefit of Windsor Borough residents and property owners, to keep you abreast of matters of interest within the Borough, sharing information regarding Ordinance requirements you may not be aware of and keeping you in the loop with regard to upcoming events, projects and frequent inquiries or concerns often brought to the attention of Borough officials.

• The annual **street sweeping project is scheduled for Wednesday April 16** - **Thursday April 17**. The Borough is required to remove salt cinders, gravel and debris collected over the course of the winter months to prevent it from going into the storm drains. Signs will be posted in advance along all streets affected, and **vehicles must be removed from the streets between the hours of 9-2 pm.** While we understand this may be a minor inconvenience, we ask that you be considerate to the many residents who appreciate the appeal of clean streets and assist the Borough in meeting State requirements. Vehicles that are not moved will

be cited and/or towed at the owner's expense.

- Soon it will be time to put away the shovels and snow blowers and bring out the lawn mowers and weed eaters. Please be considerate of the many residents who show pride in their properties and maintain yours in compliance with the Property Maintenance Ordinance. And *please* do not neglect the unsightly weeds that grow out of the sidewalks, around the perimeters of your yards and along your fences!
- Many are still not aware that a permit is required for use of a dumpster or POD.
  Please stop in at the Borough Office and see Donna for a permit application prior to setting a dumpster or POD. There is no charge for a permit provided it is removed within 14 days.
- Windsor Borough Council is in the final stages of instituting an Ordinance regulating burning in Windsor Borough. This Ordinance is being drafted with the assistance of the Laurel Fire Department officials and adherence to all regulations will be strictly enforced for the safety of all Borough residents.
- As we enter into another season when home projects are common, please remember to notify the Borough Office, or Code Enforcement Officer prior to the onset of any significant project where proper permitting may be necessary. While many home projects will not require a permit, there are many that do, and you are urged to communicate your intentions prior to the start of any project in order to remain in compliance with all Borough Ordinance requirements. Permit applications are easy to obtain on the Borough website or at the Borough Office.
- PET OWNERS: While the joy of pet ownership is understood where most regard their pets as a part of the family, it is important to be courteous and show consideration to other residents and neighbors by complying with the following regulations found in the Borough's Animal/Pet Ordinance:
  - Dogs must be contained, tethered or on a leash <u>at all times</u> and not permitted to roam freely at any time.
  - Pet owners are required to clean up after their pets while walking and yards must be cleaned up of pet waste <u>daily</u> and stored in an air-tight receptacle until the time it can be properly disposed of. This will be even more important with warmer weather returning to prevent the overwhelming stench of pet waste.
  - While it is understood that dogs bark, please be considerate to others by limiting the length of time your dogs are outside and allowed to bark. Be especially mindful in early morning or evening hours.
  - Be sure your pets are current with licensing and rabies vaccinations per state regulations.
- Please call Bob Huska at 717-578-3010 with Code Enforcement related questions.