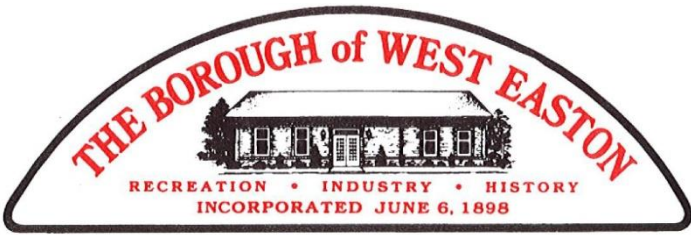


NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT: Matthew Dees

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MUNICIPAL BUILDING OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 9am to 5pm; Tuesday - Friday, 9am to 4pm

***Closed Weekends and Holidays

Police, Non-Emergency: 610-759-2200

Police, Emergency: 911

WEB SITE: www.WestEastonBorough.com

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West Easton Borough, PA

Please like and/or follow the Borough Facebook page for additional information on anything listed in the newsletter. The Facebook page is updated often.

Emergency Alert Forms

Council President Matthew Dees set up an Emergency Text Alert system in 2017. We have had many new residents move into the Borough since that time. If you are interested in getting text alerts sent to your phone, go to the Borough website, to the "Forms" tab and fill out the Emergency Alert Form; drop it off or scan to Borough Hall.



Parks and Recreation

Councilmember Janie Jones Brown and her committee plan on working on the bottle cap flag mural, painting drains and rock garden during the summer. They hope to have an Art in the Park event for the children. Please check the Facebook page for dates and times as they become available.

West Easton Part-time Police Department



If you need a police officer, please do not call the Borough office phone number. Police officers should be dispatched via the Northampton County 911 Center. To report an emergency call 911; for non-emergencies call 610-759-2200. If you have a basic question that can wait for an answer or specific questions regarding West

Easton you can call 610-438-2304 or email Chief Mahady at RMahady@WestEastonPD.com and he will get back to you within a few days.



Mr. Paul Altimare, a teacher and basketball coach at Easton Area Middle School, has offered to hold a FREE drop-in Basketball Clinic Saturday, July 24th from 9am until 11am at Gross Park on Keystone Avenue. Mr. Altimare is welcoming children, age 8 and up, BUT in order to participate, EACH child must have a waiver signed by their parent or legal guardian.

Clothing Drive



What's in your closet?

The Scholarship Association of West Easton will be holding a clothing drive in September. At this point they are looking to have drop off times during the weekend of September 25-26, and possibly Tuesday night, the 28th.

Items that **ARE** collected: clothing for men, women, and children; shoes; accessories: belts, hats, scarves, handbags, gloves, etc.; soft household items like towels, blankets, bed sheets, pillows, quilts, and curtains; small toys (2 feet or less); stuffed animals, bikes and scooters, car seats (only together with base) and strollers.

Items they **DO NOT** accept: sport equipment, no board games, books, puzzles, pots and pans; no electrical devices or glass; no large toys, high chairs, baby cribs; VCR tapes, furniture and outdoor play sets.



Trash Reminders

Please keep in mind that our contract calls for 2 cans or 3 bags of garbage per residential unit. Cardboard should be in the recycle bin, not thrown on the sidewalk. (If your cardboard will not fit in the recycle bin, please

break it down and tie it to make it easier for the haulers to pick up.) If animals get into your trash, it is your responsibility to clean up the mess.

-You are allowed one bulk item per week, a mattress AND box spring count as 2 items and need to be covered in plastic; please put one out each week.

-Electronics cannot be picked up with regular trash; please hold until the County continues recycling events.

-Our recycling numbers were down last year from the previous year. If you are not sure what should be recycled, please check the Borough website. Regular garbage should not be put in the recycle cans.

Construction Permits

The PA Uniform Construction Code and the ordinances of the Borough of West Easton require permits for many types of projects in and around your home. Please check with the office before buying your materials or starting your projects to prevent wasted time and money. Our code inspector has 15 business days to get back to you with permit approvals although it usually takes less time.



Nothing should go into a storm drain except stormwater. Please pick up litter, debris or garbage from yard, sidewalks, driveways and other areas so that it is not washed into the storm drain. Pick up and properly dispose of pet waste. **When you mow your lawn, make sure the grass cuttings go back into your own lawn**



rather than out into the street or your neighbor's yard. Recycle or properly dispose of hazardous materials including paints, used oil and chemicals. If you see a storm drain with debris over it, please take the time to clear it off to prevent possible flooding.

KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL

While we cannot legislate how neighbors decorate or landscape their yards (except in extreme cases), we can ask them to keep in mind that they are part of a community and to ask them to understand that how they keep their property reflects on those around them. This applies not only to resell values but to the overall quality of day-to-day life. Let's face it, it is much nicer to live in a well-kept area than an overgrown jungle.

The Borough has Ordinance 631 which limits weed/grass and non-ornamental vegetation to a height of 6 inches. Just a reminder, it is also the responsibility of the residents to keep other vegetation from growing upon any premises, including your sidewalks, curbs and gutters. If you have a fence, please check the outer side of your fence as well, especially along an alleyway.

Even if you find your flowers or trees attractive, they cannot be draping over onto the sidewalk. Please cut them back to allow passageway on the sidewalks. If you know of a neighbor that needs help cutting their grass, etc. please consider helping them out. It doesn't cost anything to be kind.

Due to safety concerns for larger vehicles (buses, fire trucks, delivery trucks etc.), and as a courtesy to the pedestrian and vehicular traffic, street-side tree trimming needs to be routinely performed by the property owner. This also permits the proper maintenance of roads. To reduce the frequency of pruning, trees should be generally pruned beyond the curb or, to the edge of the right of way or, a minimum of 3' from the edge of the paved road surface maintaining a minimum clearance of 12' above the road surface. Clearance above sidewalks should be a minimum of 8' above the sidewalk surface.

We continue to see dog feces on sidewalks in the Borough Again, if you have an animal, it is YOUR responsibility to clean up after it!

All sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas shall be kept in proper state of repair and maintained free from hazardous conditions. If your property is in need of repair, please take care of it!

Swimming Pools

Swimming pools, hot tubs, spas or similar receptacles capable to retain water of 24" in depth or greater shall be completely surrounded by a fence or barrier at least 48" in height.