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BOROUGH OFFICIALS

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MUNICIPAL BUILDING OFFICE HOURS:

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

***Closed Weekends and Holidays Police, Non-Emergency: 610-759-6106

Police, Emergency: 911

WEB SITE: www.WestEastonBorough.com

E-Mail: BoroughManager@WestEastonBorough.org



West Easton Borough, PA

COMPLAINTS???

If you have a problem or concern with something in the Borough, please call the Borough office (610.252.6651) directly. You do not have to wait until a council meeting to let us know of a problem or concern. Comments and complaints on a Facebook



page from another municipality are not always closely monitored.



NOTE: NEW TAX COLLECTOR HOURS

The Tax Collector will be sending out West Easton property tax bills for the 2019 year by the end of January.

She will be in the office on Mondays, February 4 – April 1, 3pm-5pm; and Fridays, February 8 – May 31, 2pm-4pm. (Closed Feb. 15, Feb. 18 and April 19.) During these hours she can be reached at 610.252.6651. After hours please call 610.438.0049 or email lizh@rcn.com. You may also pay your bill by mail or deposit in the mail slot on the side door at Borough Hall. *Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want a receipt. If your mortgage company pays your tax bill, please forward the bill to them.

NEWSLETTER

JANUARY - 2019

SNOW INFORMATION

A reminder of what to do and not do after a snowfall: Sidewalks must be cleared within 12 hours of a snowfall ending. A width of 30" minimum is required for pedestrian walking paths. In the event of ice, sand or salt



should be applied. **DO NOT** place snow/ice in roads, on sidewalks, or next to fire hydrants. Snow blower chutes should be pointed toward your property, not toward the street. Any help in keeping the fire hydrants cleared and accessible is greatly appreciated! If you have an elderly or disabled neighbor please consider helping them.

*SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES: Main from East to Adamson to Easton boundary; East from Spring to 3rd; 3rd from East to Keystone; 7th from East to Center; Spring from Center to Iron; Spring from Ridge to East; Ridge from Spring to Wilson boundary; 10th from Ridge to Palmer; Palmer from 10th to Wilson boundary; Keystone from Spring to Front; Front from Keystone to Iron. (*Maps are available at the office and online.)

~Please keep in mind that we have ONE maintenance man and sometimes one part-time helper. They will get to your roads as soon as they can. They start with the snow emergency routes, followed by the hills, then main and secondary roads and finally alleys. As always, your patience is appreciated.

~Tune into WFMZ, Channel 69 News and the Borough website for Snow Emergency declarations.

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Meetings are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month for 2019, with the following exceptions: the May 27th meeting is rescheduled to May 20th and the November 11th meeting is rescheduled to November



4th, due to the holidays. All meetings will be held at 6:30pm, at Borough Hall located at 237 7th Street, West Easton, PA 18042. The second meeting of the month is "as needed" and often canceled; check online or with the office to see if it is being held. Definite dates for 2019 are 1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10, 7/8, 8/12, 9/9, 10/14, 11/4, 12/9.

TRASH/RECYCLE

You should have received the trash/recycle calendar from Advanced Disposal by now. If you have not received a calendar, please check the Borough website or pick one up in the office. As has always been the case, trash/recycle pickup is one day later (Friday instead of Thursday) following major holidays: New Years's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

~ Many thanks to the people that pick up litter as they walk their dogs around the Borough; it is much appreciated!

*Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event 8:30am -2pm, Free event for Northampton County residents

May 18th Northampton Community College, 3835 Green Pond Rd., Bethlehem 18020



NEW: <u>NO tires will be collected</u>, residents can contact Earth First Recycling to drop off at Glendon location 610-438-8330.

*E-waste Collection Events: 9am-12pm, FEES APPLY FOR RECYCLING MOST ELECTRONICS

April 13th, Waste Management Grand Central Landfill Office, 910 W Pennsylvania Ave., Pen Argyl 18088 April 27th, City of Easton Recycling Center, 500 Bushkill Dr., Easton 18042

May 4th, City of Bethlehem Municipal Ice Rink, 345 Illick's Mill Rd., Bethlehem 18017

September 14th, City of Easton Recycling Center, 500 Bushkill Dr., Easton 18042

September 21st, Forks Twp. Public Works Facility, 100 Newlins Rd. East, Easton 18040

October 5th, Northampton Borough Community Center, 1601 Laubach Ave., Northampton 18067

*Paper Shredding: 9am-12pm, Free events for Northampton County residents

May 11th, Bangor Municipal Office, 197 Pennsylvania Ave., Bangor 18013

September 28th, Weona Park, 1026 Blue Valley Dr., Pen Argyl 18088

October 19th, Centerfield School Building, 6984 S Delaware Dr., Martins Creek 18063

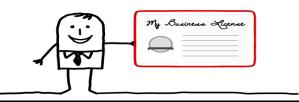


The West Easton Ladies Auxiliary has once again offered to work with us on this year's Easter Egg Hunt. To keep the event manageable we will once again be limiting the participation to children and grandchildren of West Easton Borough residents and Safety First Social Club members. We will update the Facebook page and website as info on the dates and times becomes available.

MARY MEUSER LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

Our local library needs help in getting repairs done to their building. Councilman Matthew Dees has set up a GoFundMe account to help them raise funds to put toward a matching grant; the money goes directly to the library. If you can help, please check out the link at:

https://www.gofundme.com/an-outdoor-activity-areaneeds-repair



BUSINESS/LANDLORDS IN THE BOROUGH

Ordinance #818 requires the licensing or re-licensing of all businesses, whether permanent or transient, operating within the Borough of West Easton for an annual fee of \$20.00. The Business License application can be obtained at the municipal office or found on the website. This also includes **Landlords** in the Borough. **If you have 2 different businesses you are required to get a license for each business.**

*LANDLORDS: If you have properties within the Borough which you rent/lease, you are required by Borough ordinance to report, yearly, your tenant's name and address in writing to the Borough office. (Please forward newsletter to your tenants.) You are also responsible for a business license and the mercantile tax to Wilson Area School District. Please check for further information: http://www.wilsonareasd.org/business/taxes

SEWER/REFUSE BILLING

The sewer/refuse billing goes out 4 times a year and is due, paid in full, to the office one month later; please allow adequate time if mailing your payment to the office. At this time we bill using a flat rate fee. The bills are mailed out as follows: 1st quarter, by January 15th, due February 15th; 2nd quarter, mailed out by April 15th, due May 15th; 3rd quarter, mailed out by July 15th, due August 15th; 4th quarter, mailed out October 15th, due November 15th. If you do not get your bill in the mail, call the office for the billing information. Once the bills leave the office and are mailed, it is not the Borough's responsibility if you do not receive your bill; payment is still due.

Please remember if payment has not been received by the due date, a \$20.00 penalty will be added. If you have not paid your bill for two quarters, you will receive a shut off notice with an extra charge of \$50 to your account and shut off proceedings will begin. If the bill is still not paid and a letter is sent to the water company, another \$50 charge will be added to your account.

*Please check the Facebook page and Borough website for more specific information on anything listed in this newsletter.