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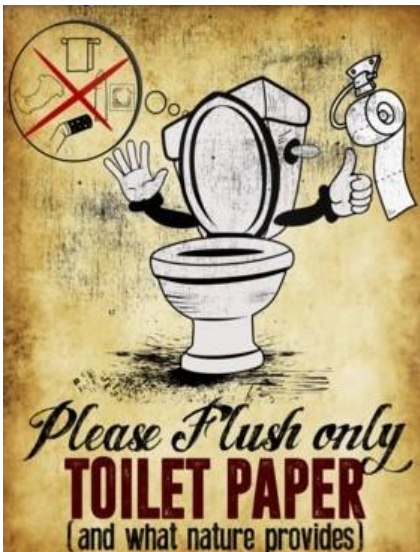


**MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE**

Please join us in honoring those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country.  
 Monday - May 29, 2023, 9AM  
 War Monument  
 Corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Center Streets

**SEWER ALERT!**

Reminder: When it comes to fats, oils, grease, diapers, mops, etc. and the sewer system, they don't mix! They seem small, but are mighty, and can cause very costly damage to wastewater equipment. The consequences of the damages and repairs will be reflected in your sewer charges. Nothing should be flushed other than human waste and toilet paper!



Downspouts on houses should not be emptying into the sewer system!

# NEWSLETTER

APRIL - 2023



Thank you to the 25+ Fire Departments that spent hours fighting the massive fire in West Easton Borough on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Police, Emergency Personnel, and all the many, many neighboring companies that helped. Today and every day they dedicate their time and talent to keep us all safe. Thank you so very much to all the helpers and volunteers and donations of food and drinks!

## TOWN HALL MEETINGS



The Utility Committee will hold their 4<sup>th</sup> Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6pm at Borough Hall to discuss the possible change in calculating the sewer charges.

## Parks and Recreation

The Parks and Recreation Committee has scheduled several events; they would love to see you there!

- 4/22, 11am – Earth Day.** Borough cleanup, meet at Gross Park on Keystone Avenue; supplies (gloves and trash bags) and guidance will be provided.
- 5/16, 7pm – Playground Community Planning Meeting,** at Gross Park to discuss residents' wishes for the Park going forward.
- 5/25, 6-7:30pm – Chalk the Walk and Rock Painting** combined event at Gross Park. Donations of smooth rocks would be appreciated.
- TBD -** We have received 20 trees, through a grant, for Gross Park that we would appreciate help with planting in the near future.



### FIRE PIT PERMIT

Ordinance 2023 – 06, passed in February, defines allowed fire pits and restrictions associated with the use of your wood or gas style fire pit. The Ordinance defines open burning, dense smoke, provides for removal and abatement of burning violations, provides for the use of manufactured fire pits, and lists penalties for violations. The permit for a fire pit in West Easton can be found on the website, under the “Forms” tab and costs \$5.

### FURRY COMPANIONS

Please keep your furry companions leashed and under control at all times and be a good neighbor (and follow the law) by cleaning up after your pets. This goes for the sidewalks and streets as well as your neighbors’ yards, when passing by.



### WEST EASTON BOROUGH POLICE



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 and leave a message or email Chief Mahady at [RMahady@WestEastonPD.com](mailto:RMahady@WestEastonPD.com) and he will get back to you as soon as possible.



### Ten Things You Can do to Prevent Stormwater Runoff Pollution

1. Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and roads.
2. Never dump anything down storm drains.
3. Vegetate bare spots in your yard.
4. Compost your yard waste. Use a mulching mower instead of bagging yard waste.
5. Avoid pesticides; learn about Integrated Pest Management (IPM).
6. Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces, but NOT into the sewer system.
7. Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in your driveway.
8. Check car for leaks and recycle motor oil.
9. Pick up your pet’s waste.
10. If you have a septic system, have it pumped and inspected regularly.

Did you know that intentionally blowing grass clippings from your mowed lawn into the street could be dangerous to others, illegal, and could cost you fines and even a lawsuit? Some of us do not give much thought as to the direction we blow our grass clippings when we mow our grass and may be blowing them out into the street. Freshly cut grass is slippery and can cause a motorcyclist or bicyclist to lose traction and crash. Some motorcyclists have described riding on fresh cut grass as like riding on ice. Lawsuits have been filed by motorcyclists when they have lost control after hitting a patch of grass clippings blown into the street. Check out the Stormwater tab on the website to learn more about MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System). Many municipalities have started charging their residents Stormwater fees; so far we have not had to do that. Please continue to be vigilant in this area. **Nothing but rainwater should be entering the storm drains!**

