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WATER & SEWER BILLS

Beginning January 1, 2009 all water and sewer bills will be printed on post cards. We thank you in advance for your patience while we make this change.

**HAVE A SAFE &
HAPPY HOLIDAY
SEASON!!!**

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

I am sure by now you have all heard about our very productive public meeting on the proposed Tenant/Landlord Registry Ordinance. The Borough wants to keep that line of communication open, not only on this particular ordinance, but any other concerns you may have. To that end, we will consider more open forums for citizen input. We, Council and Staff, would like to hear your concerns so that we may try to resolve any problems or just explain the reasons for a policy or decision. Please email me with your concerns at lmhess@littlestownboro.org; we all look forward to better communication with you, the Citizens of Littlestown.

Linda M. Hess,
Borough Manager

THE BOROUGH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- Tuesday, November 11th - Veterans' Day
- Thursday, November 27th - Thanksgiving Day
- Friday, November 28th - Day After Thanksgiving
- Wednesday, December 24th - Christmas Eve
- Thursday, December 25th - Christmas Day
- Wednesday, December 31st - New Year's Eve
- Thursday, January 1st - New Year's Day



Office Hours

Monday - Friday
7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



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MEETING REMINDERS

All meetings of the Littlestown Borough Council and Planning Commission are held in the Littlestown Borough Council's Meeting Room, 10 South Queen Street, 2nd floor, Littlestown, PA 17340.

However, the Recreation Board meets at 46 East King Street, Meeting Room #1, Littlestown, PA 17340.

Regular Borough Council Meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Council Workshops are on the second Tuesday or held if an agenda warrants. (If they are cancelled, we will post cancellation notices on the Borough Message Boards.)

Recreation Board meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings are on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Littlestown Borough Council

Rick Adams	President	Term 2012
Jim Eline	Vice Pres.	Term 2010
Tim Mayers	Member	Term 2012
David Wheeler	Member	Term 2012
William Brown	Member	Term 2010
Kevin Clark	Member	Term 2010
Donna Shadle	Mayor	Term 2010

WINTER REMINDERS

- Posted snow emergency routes are on North Queen Street, South Queen Street, East King Street and West King Street.
- Vehicles that are parked or left standing on a snow emergency route may be towed at the owner's expense.
- Parking in cul-de-sacs is prohibited during a snow emergency until the cul-de-sac is cleared.
- The saving of parking spaces is strictly prohibited.
- Sidewalks must be opened a minimum width of twenty-four inches.
- Snow should be removed from sidewalks and gutters within twenty-four hours after the accumulation.
- Snow must NOT be deposited, thrown or strewn onto streets.
- Ice must be salted or cindered within twenty-four hours of forming.
- Owners of property that have a fire hydrant are requested to remove the snow from around the hydrant.
- Postal officials advise that you keep a pathway to your mailbox, large enough to accommodate a vehicle. This pathway must be kept free of snow and ice or your mail may not be delivered.

Thank you for your assistance and have a safe winter season.!

1ST ANNUAL COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY



The Borough of Littlestown held the 1st Annual Community Clean-Up Day on Friday, July 25, 2008. We would like to extend a special thank you to the following people for their help in cleaning up our town: Little's Funeral Home, Gussy Up Day Spa, Littlestown Jaycees and Kevin Clark. We look forward to making this an annual event. Information on our 2nd Annual Community Clean-Up Day will be available in the Spring of 2009.

A Message from the Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer. . .

Property owners are reminded that the grass must be mowed at all times. Property owners are also responsible for weeds that grow between the streets and curb. When mowing your lawn, it can not be blown, swept, or deposited onto the street or into the storm drains.

Tree branches that overhang into the street and/or onto the sidewalk must be kept trimmed to satisfy Borough Ordinance 64-2, which states, "Tree branches shall not come within seven (7) feet of the ground where they overhang any public sidewalk, or twelve (12) feet over a public street". When cutting or trimming your trees or bushes, please properly dispose of all the excess debris and rubbish, so that it does not create any unwanted rodents or animal habitats.

Also, a vehicle without a current inspection and/or current registration is in violation of Borough Code. To prevent or to correct this violation from occurring, the vehicle must be either garaged or covered with a designed car cover. A blue tarp is not considered legal!

Property owners are reminded that any construction or renovations being done are required to obtain a permit from the Borough Office. To receive a permit, a drawing of your property with the construction or renovations must be submitted to the Borough Office.

If you have any questions regarding any Borough Ordinances, please feel free to call the Borough Office.

David Arndt, Jr., Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer

PIECES OF THE PLAZA

We are now accepting brick orders for the Plaza. If you are interested in purchasing a brick, you may pick up an application at the Borough Office, 46 East King Street or you may get an application by emailing michele@littlestownboro.org or sandy@littlestownboro.org.

From the desk of Public Works . . .

As Autumn sets in, many homeowners begin to think about what needs to be done to maintain their properties for the Winter.

Leaf cleanup is another large aspect of property maintenance in the Fall. The Borough will begin collecting leaves on the last Monday in October (October 27, 2008) and will continue each Monday through the first Monday in December (December 1, 2008). The leaves must be bagged and placed along the curb by 7:30 a.m. Any grass, shrubbery, debris or garbage should NOT be included in these bags ~ LEAVES ONLY! Property owners who are scheduled for garbage collection on Mondays should separate normal garbage from leaf bags to prevent any disposal mishaps.

I would also like to take this time to inform all residents that the Borough will be cleaning and repairing our water tanks during some point in the Fall. During this process, there may be an occurrence of low water pressure in our system. At the same time, Verizon will be installing a cell phone tower. As a result, Verizon cell phone customers will have better service in the Littlestown area.

As always, I thank you in advance for your cooperation in these matters. If you have any questions regarding the topics covered in this article, please feel free to contact me at the Borough office.

Tim Topper, Director of Public Works

ELECTION DAY

The General Election will be held on November 4, 2008.



Please Remember to Vote!!

**Halloween in Littlestown
October 31st**

The Borough of Littlestown will hold its annual Trick or Treat night for Halloween on:

Friday, October 31st, between 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm

Residents interested in receiving these visitors must have their porch light lit.

ECONOMIC STIMULUS PAYMENTS



The Borough of Littlestown received a notice from the Internal Revenue Service in reference to the Economic Stimulus Payments. As of July 18, 2008 there were still 119 people in Littlestown who are eligible for a payment, but have not filed to receive one. Most of them are senior citizens. In order to receive a payment you must file a 2007 tax return and meet other certain requirements. A tax return must be filed by October 15, 2008 in order to get a payment if you qualify.

Police Chief Corner



School

School has begun and we need to be aware of a few things. School Buses will be out in full force so please leave in plenty of time and expect delays. Children should stay on sidewalks when walking, riding their bikes or skateboards to school. Please review with your children not to go through the yards of other residents.

Skateboarders

We have had numerous complaints of children skateboarding on porches and waxing curbs of neighboring residents. It is against the law to ride skateboards on roads and private property. This also includes businesses and schools. We will give out fines to violators of these laws. Please review this with your children.

Pets

Please remember that all pets are to be on a leash. It is your responsibility to make sure they do not go onto private property. Pet owners are reminded that you must clean up after your pet and dispose of the waste properly. Please be considerate to your neighbors and the public places within the Borough!

DATES TO REMEMBER



- October 16th - National Boss Day
- October 18th - Sweetest Day
- October 26th - Mother-in-Law Day
- November 4th - Election Day



- November 11th - Veterans' Day
- November 27th - Thanksgiving Day
- December 21st - First Day of Winter
- December 25th - Christmas Day

