

FALL 2016

Town Crier

EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH

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Fall 2016 Town Crier – Mayor’s note

Fall is here and with it come the season of fairs, family reunions and back-to-school. I hope you’ll come out for all the great events on the books for East Pete – see the website at www.EastPetersBurgDay.com for the details. Be sure to stop and thank a volunteer; then be one yourself.

National Night Out 2016 was a great event, too! This year in particular, it was my pleasure to support our police officers by leading the bike tour of town we do each August to kick off festivities. NNO is truly a national event and highlights the work police are doing in small towns across the country. Here in East Pete we are blessed with a team of excellent, caring officers and a great department behind them. Be sure to come out next year – the second Tuesday in August. Let’s show our support for local police and first responders.

Enjoy the season and be safe!

Mayor Jeff Geoghan

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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- John Wolf, Vice-President
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- Lauren Houck, Member
- Connie McElwain, Member
- John Schick, Member
- Todd R. Weiss, Member
- Jeff Geoghan, Mayor
- Robin Hemperly, Manager

MEETING DATES

- Borough Council Meeting
1st Tuesday of the month 7:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission
3rd Thursday as needed 7:00 p.m.
- Zoning Hearing Board
4th Wednesday as needed 7:00 p.m.

Sign up for recent news and alert notifications at eastpetersburgborough.org

**EAST PETERSBURG
BOROUGH OFFICE**
6040 Main Street
East Petersburg, PA 17520
569-9282

OFFICE HOURS
8:00AM-4:30 PM
Monday Thru Friday
Closed for lunch 12:30-1:00

BOROUGH MANAGER
ROBIN HEMPERLY

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BOROUGH EVENTS

EAST PETERSBURG COMMUNITY PARK

6051 Pine Street

September 3rd - **Blue's Fest** 3:00 until 8:00, Nate Myers and the Aces, Blues on the Loose and Wake Up Call, Laura Cheadle and the Family Band, headline act is The Balkun Brothers and finally an All Players Blues Jam!

East Pete Days

September 15: Carnival in the Park begins at 6:00 p.m.

September 16: Carnival in the Park begins at 6:00 p.m.

September 17: East Pete Day starts off with a 5K race, followed by a parade, chili cook-off, whoopie pie eating contest, face painting, live music and entertainment, fireworks and many more events (see complete schedule on back page).

October 1st - **Pumpkin Fest** 1:00 until 4:00 pumpkin decorating and hayrides, barrel train rides, bounce house, and mining for toys!

October 31st - **Trick or Treat throughout the Borough** 6:00 until 8:00

November 5th - **East Pete Fire Company Pot Pie Take Out** 10:00 a.m. until sold out (this is held at the E.P. Fire Co.)

November 8th - **Election Day** 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

November 25th - **Christmas Tree & Wreath Sales Begin**

December 3, 10, and 17 - **Santa in the Park Mrs. Claus' Cookies, Musical Train Table, Dollhouse Display, and Reindeer Food Bar.**

December 31st - **New Years Eve in the Square** 10:00 p.m. music by Times Two and Ice Sculpting begin. Jug Drop at midnight!!



My East Petersburg Borough Customer Portal

The Customer Portal provides you with the opportunity to access your account information and activity. In addition, you will be able to pay your bills using the portal.

- Create your own portal account through self registration
- Sign up for e-Bills
- View or print current bill
- View your billing, payment, and adjustment history
- View your usage history
- Pay your bills via Electronic payment



the many benefits of eBilling

Go Green, Save a Tree

If every American household used eBills and online bill pay, it could reduce solid waste in U.S. landfills by more than 800,000 tons a year and help curb the release of greenhouse gases by 2.1 million tons, according to Javelin Strategy and Research. This could also save an estimated 18.5 million trees a year!



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**RECEIVING
VIEWING
PAYING YOUR BILL
ONLINE**

No More waiting for the mail. Make your life easy by receiving your bill online. Our e-Bill is a secure way to receive and view your bill online. By enrolling in e-Billing, you'll conveniently receive an e-mail when your bill is ready for viewing online. Say goodbye to paper bills and hello to convenience and less clutter!

Goto:

<https://epetersburg.authoritypay.com>

Click on: Set up online access

Large appliance & tire pick-up will be held October 28

Tags can be purchased at the Borough office -
\$14.00 appliance tag & \$1.50 tire tag



Yard waste & leaf pick-up

Yard waste pick-up dates:

- September 2
- September 16
- September 30
- October 14
- October 28

Leaf pick-up dates:

- November 4
- November 18
- December 2
- December 16



**Please note changes to trash schedule: September 10 - due to holiday
November 26 - due to holiday**

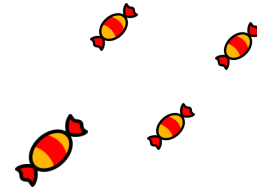
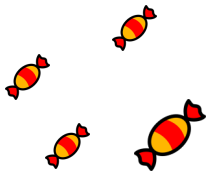
DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET this could block storm-water drains. In accordance with Ordinance #169 you could be fined for this . Please dispose of leaves by placing them into a brown leaf bag. All Borough residents are required to recycle leaves therefore if you put them into the trash they will not be collected.

East Petersburg residents are allowed (3) bags or cans of trash – up to 32 gallons. *All trash must be contained in a bag or can. They will not take loose items or boxes of trash.* If you have an item that does not fit into a bag or can of this size, you will need an over-size item tag. These tags are available at the Borough office for \$5.00 each. If you have more than (3) bags of trash, extra trash bag tags are \$1.25 each.



**TRICK OR TREAT IN EAST PETE WILL BE HELD
MONDAY OCTOBER, 31 6-8 P.M.**

STAY SAFE!
Halloween Safety Tips



- **Cross at the corners and look both ways before crossing the street.**
- **Only go to houses with porch lights on.**
- **Be easily seen by wearing bright colors or reflectors and carry a flash light.**
- **Stay on well lit streets and walk on the sidewalks.**
- **Stay with an adult at all times.**
- **Have an adult check your candy and eat only factory wrapped treats.**
- **Wear well fitting costumes and use face paint instead of masks to prevent tripping.**
- **Do not enter anyone's home unless you are with a trusted adult.**

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



November 6

Daylight savings time ends - Fall back 1 hour



For more information go to:
www.depweb.state.pa.us
Keyword: waste watch

Remember when draining the water from your pool to be sure the water is free of all chemicals. It should test negative for chlorine. This is federally regulated by EPA and DEP and is considered illicit discharge. If you know of someone doing this please report it to the Borough office asap.

EAST PETE DAYS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

WRISTBAND NIGHT!! \$15.00 UNLIMITED RIDES ALL NIGHT!

6:00 P.M.

DJ/KARAOKE

6:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

RIDES AND CARNIVAL GAMES

6:00 P.M.

“BIG BIG JAZZ BAND”

6:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH:

ALL DAY ACTIVITIES, ENTERTAINMENT, MUSIC, AND FOOD

8:30 A.M. Kid’s Fun Run

9:00 A.M. Totally 80’s 5K Run/Walk

10:00 A.M. Parade Begins

11:00 A.M. Food Sales & Rides Begin

11:00 A.M. Opening Ceremony

2:00 P.M. Hula Hoop Contest

1:00 P.M. Chili Cook-off begins (2:00-Judging, 3:00-Tasting, 3:30-Awards)

3:00 P.M. Whoopie Pie Contest - adults & kids

3:30 P.M. Aaron’s TV Giveaway Winner Announced

6:00 P.M. Golf Ball Drop

9:30 P.M. Fireworks!!!!!!

*** ENTERTAINMENT ACTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY INCLUDE—11:30 Magician, 2:30 Pulse Dance Studio Performance, 3:45 X2 Acoustic Music that Rocks, 6:30-9:30 Pocket Full O’ Soul**

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

**2015 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT
PWSID # 7360135 EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH WATER DEPARTMENT**

Este informe contiene informaci6n importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que a/guien lo traduzca para usted, 6 hab/e con a/guien que Jo entienda. (This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you, or speak with someone who understands it.)

WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION:

This report shows our water quality and what it means. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Jeff Moseman, at 569-2321. We want you to be informed about your supply. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month at the Community Center, 6051 Pine Street, East Petersburg at 7:00 p.m.

SOURCES OF WATER:

Our water sources are:

Koser Road Spring 407 Koser Road Lititz, PA

Vaughn Road Well 5856 Vaughn Road East Petersburg, PA 17520

Lancaster City Interconnection 5181 Main Street East Petersburg, PA 17522

A Source Water Assessment of our sources was completed by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (Pa. DEP). The Assessment has found that our sources of is/are potentially most susceptible to agricultural applications of fertilizers and other chemicals, residential herbicide and pesticides chemical applications and fuel storage accidents, spills along transportation corridors, and road deicing activities. Overall, our sources have moderate risk of significant, contamination. A summary report of the Assessment is available on the Source Water Assessment & Protection web page at:

<http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/watermgt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.html>

Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water supplier, local planning agencies and PADEP offices. Copies of the complete report are available for review at the Pa. DEP South Central Regional Office, Records Management Unit at (717) 705-4732.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPN/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

MONITORING YOUR WATER:

We routinely monitor for contaminants in you drinking water according to federal and state laws. The following tables show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31 2015. The State allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data is from prior years in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The date has been noted on the sampling results table.

DEFINITIONS:

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL) - The minimum level of residual disinfectant required at the entry point to the distribution system.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

mrem/year = millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

pCi/L = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)

ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppq = parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

ppl = parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

DETECTED SAMPLE RESULTS:

Contaminant	MCL in CCR Units	MCL G	Level Detected	Range of Detection	Units	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Distribution Chlorine	4	4	1.86	1.14-1.86	ppm	2015	N	Water additive used to control Microbes
TTHM	80	80	16.9	10.0-16.9	ppb	2015	N	Byproduct of Drinking Water
HAA5	60	60	8.3	4.7-8.3	ppb	2015	N	Chlorine
Nitrates- Spring	10	10	6.0	5.5-6.0	ppm	2015	N	Run off
Nitrates- Well	10	10	5.8	5.4-5.8	ppm	2015	N	Run off
Barium- Spring	2	2	0.039	-	ppm	2015	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Barium- Well	2	2	0.026	-	ppm	2015	N	Erosion of natural deposits

Chromium- Spring	0.1	0.1	0.0021	-	ppm	2015	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Chromium- Well	0.1	0.1	0.0025	-	ppm	2015	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium- Spring	5pCi/l	5pCi/l	N.D.	-	pCi/l	2014	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium- Well	5pCi/l	5pCi/l	N.D.	-	pCi/l	2014	N	Erosion of natural deposits

Entry Point Disinfectant Residual

Contaminant	Minimum Disinfectant Residual	Lowest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Units	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Spring	0.2	2.24	0.39-2.24	ppm	2015	N	Water additive used to control Microbes.
Well	0.4	1.91	0.6-1.91	ppm	2015	N	Water additive used to control Microbes.

Lead and Copper

Contaminant	Action Level (AL)	MCLG	90 th Percentile Value	Units	# of Sites Above AL of Total Sites	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Lead	015	0	3.9	ppb	0 of 20	N	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Copper	1.3	1.3	0.18	ppm	0 of 20	N	Corrosion of household plumbing.

Microbial

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Highest # or % of Positive Samples	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Total Coliform Bacteria	For systems that collect less than 40 Samples/month: More than 1 positive monthly sample For systems that collect more than or equal to 40 Samples/month: 5% of monthly samples are positive	0	0	N	Naturally present in the environment.
Fecal Coliform Bacteria or E. coli	0	0	0	N	Human and animal fecal waste

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Level Detected	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Turbidity	TT=2 NTU for a single measurement TT=at least 95% of monthly samples less than or equal to 1.0 NTU	0	0.319		Y	Soil runoff

DETECTED SAMPLE RESULTS: SUSQUEHANNA WATER TREATMENT PLANT:

Chemical Contaminant	MCL in CCR units	MCLG	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detections	Units	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Barium	2	2	0.021		ppm	2015	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Chlorine	MRDL=4	MIN. 0.20	1.97	0.24-1.97	ppm	10/29/15	N	Water additive used to control Microbes
Fluoride	2	2	0.50		ppm	2015	N	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Nitrate*	10	10	0.79		ppm	2015	N	Runoff from fertilizer use
Combined Uranium	30	0	1.06		ppm	2011	N	Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Level detected	Sample Date	Violation	Sources of Contamination
Turbidity	TT=1 NTU for a single measurement	0	0.06	01/07/15 01/08/15 12/30/15	N	Soil runoff

OTHER VIOLATIONS:

Information About Turbidity Violation:

From January 9, 2016 at 5:53 p.m. until January 12, 2016 at 10:30 a.m., we failed to properly monitor and record the effluent turbidity due to equipment failure. During this time period our raw turbidimeter was operational and recorded turbidities within regulation limits. We have updated our equipment and set alarms to prevent this from happening in the future

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater run-off, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and DEP prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA and DEP regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

HEALTH EFFECTS

INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD:

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. East Petersburg Borough Water Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

INFORMATION ABOUT NITRATE:

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10-ppm pose a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask for advice from your health care provider.