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Spring Town Crier – Mayor's note

Hello, neighbor,

As we tumble into spring, I hope everyone is warming up and drying out from the roller-coaster of rain and cold weather that accentuated the passage of time since September.

Like many of you, I am looking forward to the tulip, daffodil, cowslip, johnny jump ups and buttercup blossoms in the coming weeks, while also assessing what I need to do to clean up my area from all the rain of the past season and manage my ever present allergies.

In this same spirit of evaluation, maintenance, improvement and planning, I am happy to highlight this April 2019 is Vehicle Safety month in the borough of East Petersburg. We will be kicking off the activities with a large event hosted by AAA in support and partnership with the police department, fire department, borough office, and others on Saturday, April 6, 2019. I hope you all come out. At every physical or virtual gathering of community members I have participated in over my residency in East Petersburg since Nov 2011, a mention, concern or story regarding traffic and vehicle safety has been shared. I am glad we as neighbors are pulling together to address some of those issues in a positive and potentially impactful way.

We also have the Boy Scout Troop 33's pancake breakfast coming up on Saturday, April 13th. Mark your calendars and plan to attend. At \$6 a ticket it is an excellent (and delicious) way to support the children and catch up with others in the community.

Inevitably, someone is going ask about the Easter Egg Hunt. Mark your calendars, it is Saturday, April 20th. We also have the East Petersburg Day Events Committee hosted Car Show coming up in Saturday, May 4th.

We have a great opportunity to get out and enjoy each others' company this spring, let's make the most of it.

At your service,

James Andrew Malone, Mayor
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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.

**EAST PETERSBURG
BOROUGH OFFICE**
6040 Main Street
East Petersburg, PA 17520
717-569-9282
Office Hours
8:00AM-4:30 PM
Monday Thru Friday
Closed for lunch 12:30-1:00



SPRING 2019 -BOROUGH EVENTS



April 6 AAA Auto Safety Event held at East Pete Fire Co. 15-20 vendors will be there to highlight Auto Safety for you and your family members

10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.



April 20 Easter Egg Hunt held at East Petersburg Park

Starts at 1:00 p.m. prompt



May 4 Vagabonds Car Show held at East Petersburg Park

11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Slot Car Track Races for Kids, Music by "What It Was", Children's Bounce House and Music by Kenny Cunningham . Rain Date is May 5



May 11 Throwing Bull Tribe Chicken BBQ held at the Community Center

11:00 a.m. until sold out



May 21 Election Day

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

You can find more info on events at: <http://www.eastpetersburgday.com/> & Facebook page East Petersburg Day



ON IT'S WAY TO THE BAY 2018-2019

East Petersburg Borough's (EPB) Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) is designed to keep EPB compliant with The Clean Water Act, and the Borough's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES Permit).

The Borough's NPDES permit lays out a set of rules and guidelines the Borough must be compliant with to avoid fines from the EPA and DEP. The permit is based on six Minimum Control Measures (MCM). Each MCM has its own set of guidelines and requirements that must be followed or met. The six MCMs are: 1. Public Education and Outreach, 2. Public Participation and Involvement 3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination 4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control 5. Post Construction Stormwater Management and 6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping in Municipal Operations.

2018-2019 MS4 ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

During the 2018-2019 permit the Borough participated with the Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance to develop and continue to grow East Petersburg Boroughs educational community garden located at 2899 Graystone Road

The Borough will also continue to update the current MS4 conveyance system.



East Petersburg Educational Community Garden

We have repaired 110 of the 220 inlets within the Borough. Throughout the year the Borough will continue to do inspections on all Borough and privately owned stormwater management facilities, monitor and investigate illicit discharges, clean inlets, outlets and outfalls, and complete all required dry weather screenings.



If you are interested in volunteering to help protect our local waterways, please contact the Borough by phone or through the website to find out more
717-569-9282

<http://www.eastpetersburgborough.org/contact-page/>

HELPFUL LINKS:

http://files.dep.state.pa.us/Water/BNPNSM/StormwaterManagement/ConstructionStormwater/SW_Booklet_2017.pdf

<https://www.epa.gov/npdes/npdes-stormwater-program>

<https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/CleanWater/StormwaterMgmt/Stormwater/Pages/default.aspx>

WHAT DOES MS4 MEAN?

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System

WHAT IS A BMP?

A BMP is a Best Management Practice, a Best Management Practice is anything from an educational pamphlet like this one to any action or physical means of reducing pollution from stormwater runoff

WHAT IS STORMWATER RUNOFF?

Stormwater runoff originates from a precipitation event such as rain or melting snow. The rain or melting snow encounter impervious surfaces and are channeled into East Petersburg Boroughs regulated MS4 conveyance system.

WHAT IS EAST PETERSBURG REGULATED MS4 CONVEYANCE SYSTEM?

A regulated MS4 conveyance system is any network of curb lines, inlets, pipes, swales and channels, that move stormwater runoff from the Borough.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO REGULATE STORMWATER RUNOFF?

Regulating stormwater runoff is important because the run off carries sediment, debris, pollutants and anything else that accumulates on an impervious surface to waterways of the United States and reduces water quality.



Drop by Drop....Using water wisely will help conserve water. Find out how you can calculate your water usage to see how well you are doing.



Average Daily Water Use

Be aware of personal water use! Awareness is the first step in conservation. If the water use is metered, review the water bill. Divide water usage by the number of days in the billing period and then by the number of people in the household. The statewide residential water use average is 62 gallons per person per day (GPCD). If your GPCD is more than 62 gallons or you would like to conserve more water consider the following suggestions.

Water Savings

Water-saving plumbing fixtures and appliances are cost effective, providing permanent long-term economic advantages. Low-flow toilets, showerheads, and faucet aerators save valuable water and energy used to heat water without requiring a change in personal use habits.

Repair All Leaks

A dripping faucet is more than annoying; it's expensive. Even small leaks can waste significant amounts of water. Hot water leaks are not only a waste of water, but also of the energy needed to heat the water.

Leaks inside a toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water a day. Toilet leaks can be detected by adding a few drops of food coloring to water in the toilet tank. If the colored water appears in the bowl, the tank is leaking. Repair leaking faucets and toilets.

Use Water-Saving Plumbing Fixtures/Appliances

– Bathroom

- The Federal Energy Act of January 1994 limited all new manufactured toilets to 1.6 gallons per flush. If the toilet was manufactured before 1994, place a plastic gallon container in the toilet tank to save water with each flush.
- Install low-flow showerheads that use no more than 2.5 gallons per minute at maximum flow.
- Install low-flow faucets that use no more than 2.2 gallons per minute at maximum flow.

– Kitchen/Laundry

- Replace the more common, less efficient, top loading clothes washer with a high-efficiency, front-loading washer that uses about 30 percent less water and 40 to 50 percent less energy.
- Operate the clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are fully loaded.
- Install low-flow aerators on all faucets.



Change Water Use Habits

– Water Saving Tips Inside the Home

- Turn the faucet off while brushing teeth. Use a glass of water for rinsing teeth.
- When shaving, use a sink filled with rinse water. Do not let the faucet flow.
- Take short showers instead of baths and consider bathing small children together.
- Do not use the toilet as a trash can.
- If the shower has a single hand control or shut off valve, turn off the flow while soaping or shampooing.
- Refrigerate a bottle of drinking water instead of letting a faucet flow until the water is cold enough to drink.
- Turn the faucet off while cleaning vegetables. Rinse them in the sink with the drain closed or in a pan.
- When washing dishes by hand, do not leave the faucet flowing for rinsing. Instead, use a dish rack and spray device to rinse them. If there are two sinks, fill one with soapy water and one with rinse water.
- Fill the sink with water to pre-rinse dishes before putting them in the dishwasher.

– Water Saving Tips Outside the Home

- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean driveways, steps, and sidewalks.
- Wash the car with water from a bucket. If a hose is used, control the flow with an automatic shut off nozzle.
- Water the lawn only when needed. If grass does not spring back after walking on it, it probably needs water.
- Water the lawn or garden during the coolest part of the day. Do not water on windy days.
- Set sprinklers to water the lawn or garden only. Do not water the street or sidewalk.
- Use soaker hoses and trickle irrigation systems to reduce the amount of water used by 20 to 50 percent.
- Mulch around shrubs and garden plants to reduce evaporation from the soil and inhibit weeds.
- In landscaping, use native plants that require less care and water than ornamental varieties.
- Cover the swimming pool to prevent evaporation.
- Adjust the lawn mower to a higher setting to provide natural ground shade and to promote water retention by the soil.

Here is another way to see how well you are conserving water: This water calculator is an assessment of direct and indirect water use. Not just what comes out of your faucet. WATERCALCULATOR.ORG





On windy days your trash can and recycling bins are likely to blow around. Be sure to put your address on your bins so whoever finds them knows who to return them to.

After your trash and recycling has been collected, bins are to be removed from the sidewalks within 24 hours.



The next Lg Appliance / Tire Pick-up will be:



April 26, 2019

Large appliance tags:

\$14.00 each

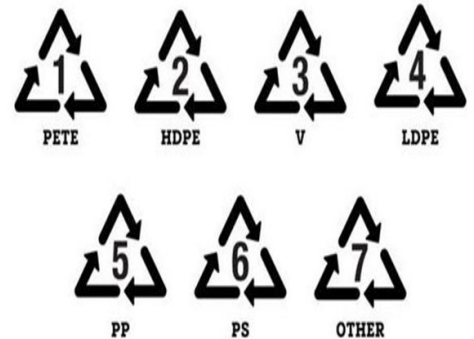
Tire tags:

\$3.00 each

Tags are available at the Borough Office.

THESE NUMBERS DON'T MEAN WHAT YOU THINK

The recycling symbol on packaging doesn't always mean it's recyclable. These labels are a communication tool and used in different ways. They aren't regulated, and manufacturers can use it at their discretion, which causes confusion for consumers. **To Recycle Right, just remember the Big 4: corrugated cardboard, plastic bottles and jugs with a neck, metal food and beverage cans, and glass bottles and jars.** Learn more at recyclerightlancaster.org.



Yard Waste will be picked up every other week with regular trash collection April 5th through October 18th. There is no limit to the number of bags you can put out at the curb.

Brush and Limbs must be tied in bundles no longer than 4 feet and no heavier than 30 pounds to be put out on yard waste pick up dates.

Grass Clippings must be put into yard waste bags and have a grass tag placed on the bag—tags are available at the Borough office for \$2.00 each.

Yard Waste Bags are available at the Borough office for .50 each for your convenience or you can purchase them at any local hardware store.



Spotted Lanternfly Permit **REQUIRED**



Businesses and organizations in Lancaster County must have SLF permits if they move vehicles, products or other conveyances within or out of the quarantine areas. Business located in other states with established SLF populations must also have a SLF permit if traveling or transporting goods into Pennsylvania.

Business owners, managers/supervisors, or other designated employees must complete an online permit course to demonstrate knowledge of this destructive pest and the quarantine requirements. To access this free course, you can go to

extension.psu.edu/slf-permit



The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture will begin compliance verifications on May 1, 2019.

Businesses should obtain their permit prior to this date.



Zoning/Building Permits

Permits are required for the following projects:

- New construction and additions
 - Interior wall relocation or other structural changes
 - Replacing structures destroyed or damaged
- Adding or changing interior or exterior stairs and railings
 - Dormers and porches
 - Decks
 - Patios
- Commercial or assembly structures
 - Sheds
 - Fences
- Pools (in ground and above ground)
 - Spas and hot tubs
 - Chimney or fireplace
- Signs (permanent and temporary)
 - Sidewalks
 - Driveways
 - Electrical upgrades
 - Plumbing
- A change in heating fuel source
 - Solar roof or ground panels

Note: Dumpsters and PODS will also need a permit

Depending on the type of project you are planning, you might also need a construction permit issued for compliance with the regulations of the statewide Uniform Construction Code. Click here to view the regulations of the Statewide Uniform Construction Code <https://www.dli.pa.gov/ucc/Pages/default.aspx>



.....Not sure if you need a permit????? It is best to call the borough office and find out before you start your project. Fees can be doubled if permits are not acquired before the work begins.