



Wrightsville Borough Newsletter

Although Autumn is a beautiful time of year, it can also be very hazardous. Here are a few tips to help keep you safe as the leaves begin to change:

- Along with shorter days, comes greyer weather. Use extreme caution while driving as pedestrians and bicyclists will be more difficult to see.
- Now is a good time to winterize your vehicle.
- Heating can be dangerous! Ensure your chimney is unobstructed, check that your fireplace is safe as well as clean, make sure furnace is in good working condition and be sure to keep space heaters away from anything combustible.
- Get a sensor! A carbon monoxide detector is a must while your windows are closed and furnace is running.
- Wet leaves are slippery! Keep sidewalks clear.



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police Department:
252-2500

Police Emergency:
911

Police Non-Emergency:
840-2971

Fire Department:
252-4770

Borough:
252-2768 Ext 12 & 13

Municipal Authority:
252-2768 Ext 11

Streets Department:
252-4559

Sewer Plant:
252-3276

Water Plant:
252-3711

REMAINING 2012 BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS

7PM

- OCTOBER 1
- NOVEMBER 5
- DECEMBER 3

REMAINING 2012 BOROUGH COUNCIL PLANNING MEETINGS

4PM

- OCTOBER 15
- NOVEMBER 19
- DECEMBER 17

MUNICIPAL BUILDING HOURS OF OPERATION:

9:00AM - 2:00PM Monday through Friday

If you are unable to visit the administrative office during the hours of operation, please call to request an appointment for a time that best accommodates your schedule.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

<p>SENIOR CENTER</p> <p><i>“Flight 93” movie showing</i> September 19, 2012 – 12PM The movie “Flight 93” will be showing.</p> <p><i>Special Speaker: Mr. Mal Fuller</i> September 20, 2012 – 10AM My 9/11 Journey, Tragedy, Grief and Hope.</p>	<p>SAFE Trick-Or-Treating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be sure Halloween costumes are flame-resistant. • Whether you are accompanying your child or allowing them to walk with friends, pedestrian safety is very important. Use crosswalks wherever possible and don’t forget to look both ways before crossing the street. • Don’t forget flashlights! • Children should always walk in groups or with an adult. Never trick-or-treat alone. <p>Masks can obstruct your view. Be sure masks fit properly or simply decorate faces with makeup.</p> <div data-bbox="818 1045 1429 1428" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>TRICK-OR-TREAT October 31, 2012 6PM to 8PM</p>
<p>SVCC</p> <p><i>Bridge Bust</i></p> <p>October 6, 2012 – 8am-4pm Route 462 Bridge Antiques, Crafts, Food & Unique Items <i>The SVCC is still looking for volunteers for the Wrightsville side of the bridge on the day of the Bridge Bust!</i> <i>Please call 684-5249 to help out!</i></p>	
<p>HISTORIC WRIGHTSVILLE</p> <p><i>Museum Day</i> September 29, 2012 – 9am-3pm Historic Wrightsville Museum- 309 Locust Street Special displays of photos and artifacts, blacksmith demonstrations, sidewalk chalk art, antique vehicles and used book sale.</p> <p><i>Annual Banquet</i> November 16, 2012 – 6PM to 8PM Locust Street United Methodist Church</p> <p><i>Tree of Remembrance</i> November 25, 2012 – 6PM Constitution Square</p>	
<p>EYMS – PTSO</p> <p><i>WinterFest</i> December 1, 2012 – 9am-3pm Eastern York Middle School Poinsettias, Baked Goods, Book Fair, Crafts, Basket Raffles, Vendor Raffles, Gingerbread Cookie Decorating, etc</p>	



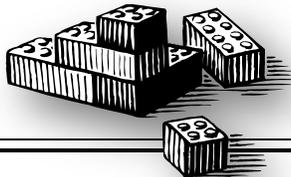
PERMITS

Do I need a permit?

It is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, move, improve, remove, convert or demolish any building/structure without a municipal permit.

Why do I need a permit?

By obtaining a municipal permit, you will protect the outcome and investment value of your construction project and be able to guard against a lawsuit or injury. Building permits are very beneficial to you and our community. By working with the Borough, you will benefit from their knowledge of building codes to ensure your project is built right, will be safe, and will last.



Proof of Insurance

Proof of insurance is required on all projects in the form of a **Certificate of Liability** listing **Wrightsville Borough** as the **certificate holder**. If a contractor is doing the work, their liability insurance information is required. If a contractor is not employed, the homeowner must provide a copy of their homeowners insurance in the form as a certificate of liability. This is typically called an ACORD file.

What is a Certificate of Liability?

A Certificate of Liability verifies to the Certificate Holder what insurance policy and coverage is in place at the time the certificate is issued. Therefore, a certificate is provided as evidence of insurance and to assure capability of providing the required financial protection in the event of a loss.

FORMS, APPLICATIONS & PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

For your convenience, the following forms (and more) are available in the lobby of the Municipal Building and on our website: www.wrightsvilleborough.com

- Municipal Permit Application
- Storm Water Management Permit Application
- Transient Business
- Residential Complaint
- Seller's License
- Recreation & Entertainment Permit
- Handicap or Disabled Parking Permit
- Ordinances
- Emergency Evacuation
- Right-To-Know Request
- Newsletters

***** IMPORTANT *****

If your construction project falls under the Uniform Construction Code requirements, you will need to obtain a permit from the Borough office AND a permit from Code Administrators located at: 2 W. Market St. Hallam, PA 17406. Please call the Borough office at 717-252-2768 ext 12 or ext 13 to obtain information regarding permitting requirements.

Pursuant to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 7, Part 1, §102, Regulations: Within the Borough limits, no person shall: (A) Ignite or feed an open fire in any public or private place outside any building. (B) Cause, suffer, allow or permit the maintenance of any open fire on any property under his control outside of any building.



Effective Stormwater Management

<p>Wait until winter to begin pruning your flowers and Rain Garden. Pruning too soon can stimulate unwanted new growth.</p>	<p>Minimize the amount of litter making its way into storm drains by always bagging trash prior to placing into trash containers.</p>
<p>Fall is the best time of year to seed and fertilize your lawn.</p>	<p>A great natural fertilizer is the mulch created by mowing over leaves.</p>
<p>Direct downspouts away from hard surfaces and into a grassy area, mulched bed, seepage pit or rain garden.</p>	<p>Keep leaves and grass clippings out of the streets and storm drains.</p>
<p>Do not burn leaves in ditches. Doing so can cause erosion which allows pollution to wash into our waterways.</p>	<p>Keep cracked corn on hand in the event of unexpected ice. Cracked corn is water-friendly and works as an excellent traction agent until ice can be removed.</p>

If you decide to embark upon a do-it-yourself project rather than hire a contractor, take the time to educate yourself on the type of permit(s) that may be required. Residents and business owners should use Best Management Practices (BMP'S) to prevent or treat the water that flows from your property and into the Borough storm drains.

~CHECK OUT THESE LINKS~

WWW.STORMWATERPA.ORG	WWW.EPA.GOV/GREENINGPA/STORMWATER
WWW.CBF.ORG	WWW.SRBC.NET
WWW.NATURE.ORG	WWW.CLEANWATERACTION.ORG



Wrightsville Borough

Municipal Authority



NOTICE

The last pick up for Yard Waste will be on November 5, 2012.

PAPERLESS BILLING:

If you would like to receive your water bill electronically, please email Lorri Harmer at lharmer@wrightsvilleborough.com with the email address with which you would like to receive your water bill. Please include your account number and service address in this email as well.

SWIFT REACH INFORMATION

In our efforts to provide more reliable communication with residents and businesses, we have implemented Swift Reach Networks, Inc. as our Emergency Notification System.

Swift 911 in its simplest form is a system that makes phone calls to specific people or areas in the event of an emergency or for sharing important information. All calls you receive will have the Caller ID of "Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority".

Sign up online at:

www.wrightsvilleborough.com/swiftreach.htm

** A leaky toilet often goes unnoticed. To check for leaks, simply add enough food coloring to your toilet tank to really brighten the water. After 30 minutes, check to see if any of the dye has leaked into the bowl.*

Remaining 2012 WATER BILL DUE DATES

October 10
November 7
December 5

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD

MEMBERS:

PHILLIP LANDIS – Chairman
GARY ISHMAN – Vice Chairman
FRED SMELTZER – Secretary/Treasurer
JOE GIANDALIA
KEN STONER
RON ABEL
LARRY JOE

Remaining 2012 MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MEETING DATES

October 11
November 8
December 13

LORRI HARMER – Office Manager & Open Records Officer
KEITH BRENNER – Finance Officer
BRIAN LYLE – General Manager
TODD NACE – Sewer Plant Operator

Water Department – 252-3711
Sewer Department – 252-3276
Billing Questions – 252-2768 Ext 11

To better serve our residents, we are asking that emergency numbers for the Authority only be used in the event of a water or sewer emergency. Please use 717-252-2768 extension 11 when calling with questions regarding billing.





RECYCLING



The following can be commingled and placed in your curbside recycle bin:

- Aluminum food and beverage containers with food debris removed. No need to remove labels.
- Glass food and beverage containers with lids and food debris removed. Clear/brown/green labels do not need to be removed.
- Natural and pigmented plastic narrow-neck containers with symbols 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 (milk bottles, water bottles, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, bleach bottles, etc.) Lids and food debris removed. No need to remove labels.
- Ferrous (iron/steel/tin) cans with food debris removed. No need to remove labels.
- Newsprint – black and white or pigmented. Do not put in plastic bags!
- Construction paper, craft paper, cereal boxes, shoe boxes or similar.
- Printer paper, computer paper, copy paper.
- Junk mail, magazines, catalogs and phone books.
- Small corrugated cardboard that fits into the residential curbside recycling bin.

FALL RECYCLING TIPS:



Recycling yard debris by making compost is an excellent way to **Think Green** this fall season. Yard debris consists of leaves, weeds, grass clippings and brush.

Use email rather than paper for announcements. Use central bulletin boards to post flyers when needed.

Leftover fall decorations such as pumpkins, gourds, pine straws and hay bales can be quite beneficial to your yard. Apply hay and pine straw around your trees and shrubs.

Fill your dishwasher and washing machine with a full load. Water is our most abused and wasted natural resource!

Encourage children to make Halloween costumes and decorations from reused materials. Doing so helps the environment and promotes creativity, invention and thriftiness.

DONATE your old clothes, shoes and coats to your local donation center! (Goodwill, Salvation Army, Etc)

**"You must be the
change you wish to see
in the world."
— Mahatma Gandhi**

GIVE & GET stuff for FREE!!
Visit: www.freecycle.org!!

NOVEMBER 15TH IS AMERICA RECYCLES DAY!



RESIDENTIAL SAFETY TIPS

According to PPL in a letter dated 5/23/12:

Please don't assume your neighbor has reported a power outage. PPL Electric Utilities asks its customers to report any outage by calling 1-800-DIAL-PPL or by visiting PPL Electric Utilities' online Outage Center at www.pplelectric.com/outage. Customers need to register their account in advance.

Steps you can take to be ready before a storm hits:

- Prepare for a storm kit: Take a few minutes to assemble supplies you would need in the event of an outage lasting more than a few hours. Examples include canned food and a manual can opener, bottled water, a flashlight with fresh batteries, and a first-aid kit.
- Make a plan: Customers who are elderly, have small children or have special personal needs should plan the actions they would take in the event of an extended outage.

"After a storm comes a calm."

- Matthew Henry

Pick up your Emergency Services Community Newsletter in the Borough lobby or contact the Borough to request one.

CRIME PREVENTION

Thinking "It can only happen to someone else," makes you an easy target for criminals. Keep these safety precautions in mind at all times:

- About ½ of all burglars enter through unlocked doors and windows. Always lock up! Never trust door chains as they can be easily broken. Install a deadbolt.
- Keep any tree limbs that can make climbing to a second story window easy, cut back as far as possible. Trim shrubbery that may be hiding doors or windows.
- Never hide house keys in planters, mail boxes or under doormats. Also, do not put any personal identification on your key rings.
- Replace blown light bulbs promptly. Porches, entrances and yards should always be well lit.
- Never open your door to anyone you do not know. (Installing a peephole or viewer is a great idea.) Insist identity verification for service personnel before allowing them to step inside your home.
- Never offer any personal information to a person calling you regarding a survey or credit check without first checking references.
- Make your home appear occupied when you leave.



2012 UNITED STATES ELECTIONS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012

WHERE TO REGISTER

**York County Office of
Elections/Voter
Registration
28 East Market Street
York, PA 17401.**

The 57th quadrennial presidential election

- Senate elections (33 races will occur)
- House of Representatives elections (election of members for 113th Congress)

According to www.votespa.com:

*Starting with the November 2012 General Election, Pennsylvania law now requires voters to show an acceptable photo ID to vote at the polls.

*All IDs must contain a NAME, a PHOTO, and an EXPIRATION DATE that is CURRENT, unless noted otherwise. Acceptable IDs include:

Photo IDs issued by the U.S. Government or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, including:

- Pennsylvania driver's license or PennDOT photo ID card (valid for voting 12 months past expiration date)
- U.S. passport
- U.S. military ID (active duty and retired military IDs may designate an expiration date that is indefinite). Military dependents' IDs must contain a current expiration date.
- Employee photo identification issued by Federal, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania County, or Pennsylvania Municipal government
- Photo identification issued by an accredited Pennsylvania public or private institution of higher learning.
- Photo identification issued by a Pennsylvania care facility, including long-term care facilities, assisted living residences and personal care homes.

*A person who is registered to vote, but does not have an acceptable form of ID, may obtain a FREE PENNDOT PHOTO ID for voting purposes at a PennDOT Driver's License Center.

*Starting with November 2012 General Election, Pennsylvania law now requires voters to provide proof of identification with an Application for Absentee Ballot.

For more detailed information, visit www.votespa.com

Always vote for principle, though you may vote alone, and you may cherish the sweetest reflection that your vote is never lost.

- John Quincy Adams

MAP INSET #3: WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH AREA



Wrightsville Borough Voting Locations:

1st Ward	Municipal Building	601 Water St.
2nd Ward	Wrightsville Presbyterian Church	205 N. Second St.
3rd Ward	Eastern York School District Admin Building - Elementary	S. Third St.



PHONE NUMBERS AND LINKS TO KEEP HANDY

Columbia Gas	1-888-460-4332
Comcast	1-800-XFINITY (1-800-934-6489)
Direct TV	1-800-370-3587
Eastern York Rotary Club	854-7842
Historic Wrightsville	252-1169
NewPA	1-866-GO-NEWPA (1-866-466-3971)
PA Dog Licenses Online	www.padoglicense.com
PA Fish & Boat Commission	705-7800 www.fish.state.pa.us
PA Game Commission	787-4250
PA Historic Sites	www.worldweb.com
PA Senate	www.pasen.gov
PennDOT	787-2838
Pleasant Acres Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	840-7100
PPL	1-800-DIAL-PPL (1-800-342-5775)
Rabbit Transit	846-RIDE (7433)
Verizon	1-800-VERIZON (1-800-837-4966)
Visit PA	www.visitpa.com
York County 911 (Non-Emergency)	840-2971
York County Archives	840-7222
York County Area Agency on Aging	771-9610
York County Court Administrator's Office	771-9234
York County Court-Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA)	771-9754
York County Divorce Masters	771-9333
York County Domestic Relations	771-9605
York County Drug & Alcohol Program	771-9618
York County Health Choices Management Unit	771-9900
York County Human Services	771-9347
York County Mental Health/Mental Retardation Program	771-9618
York County Parks & Recreation	840-7440
York County Prison	840-7580
York County Probation (Adult)	771-9602
York County Probation (Juvenile)	771-9567
York County Prothonotary	771-9611
York County Recorder of Deeds	771-9295
York County Register of Wills	771-9607
York County Solid Waste Authority	845-1066
York County SPCA	764-6109
York County Veterans Affairs	771-9218
York County Elections/Voter Registration Office	771-9604
York County Youth Development Center	840-7570



"Men exist for the sake of one another.
Teach them then or bear with them."
- Marcus Aurelius Antoninus

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MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

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~BOROUGH OFFICIALS~

Mayor Neil Habecker

Council President Janelle Hobbs
1st Ward

Council Vice-President Greg Scritchfield
1st Ward

Councilman Ed Sipes
2nd Ward

Councilwoman Crystal Bolton
2nd Ward

Councilman Alan Nelson
3rd Ward

Councilwoman Kathy Abel
3rd Ward

LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf Collection will begin in the latter part of October. For more information regarding leaf collection, please contact the Streets Department at 252-4559.



Reminder from the Streets Department:

Low hanging tree limbs should be trimmed back to avoid hitting large trucks driving on streets and alleys. Failure to maintain your trees and limbs is a violation of the Borough Code of Ordinances, Chapter 25, Part 1.