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Spring 2022

Tax sitting dates and times – Tax Collector Bobbi Daley will be at the Borough office to accept tax payments on the following dates in April: 4-7-22 (6-8 pm), 4-8-22 (11-1 pm) & 4-12-22 (6-8 pm). You can contact her at 717-819-1760.

Windsor Lions Club & Windsor Fire Co will host a Grocery Bingo on Sun April 10th at the fire house. Doors open at noon & games begin at 2:00. Advance tickets are \$15. Tickets at the door are \$20. Call Penny Dzubinski 717-586-2372 for questions or tickets. See back page for more activities sponsored by the Lions Club.

Garbage Fee – The Borough had to recently renew the garbage contract. Garbage companies significantly increased their fees due to higher operating costs (fuel, labor & repairs). <u>As a result, **the quarterly garbage**</u> <u>**fee was increased to \$112** for the next 3 years.</u> Trash pickup days and amounts remains the same from last year.

Street Sweeping will occur on April 20th - April 21st between the hours of 8 am to 5 pm. **Owners of cars parked on the street during street sweeping will receive a fine in the amount of \$50.** "No Parking" signs will be posted on designated streets several days in advance to remind residents <u>not to park on the street between the hours of 8:00 am -5:00 pm.</u> Dates may be changed depending on weather conditions.

Due to delivery problems with the postal service, residents are advised to mail payments for quarterly water, sewer and garbage bills <u>at least 7-10 days prior to the payment due date</u>. Payments made through your bank should be <u>scheduled at least 7-10 days prior to the due date</u> to allow enough time for the check to be mailed & received at the Borough office. The post office sends all mail to the Harrisburg office first then it comes back to the Borough. **Late fees cannot be waived for mailed payments that are received after the payment due date**. You can also place payments in the Payment Drop Box which is located to the left of the office front door.

Sidewalks – Homeowners/tenants are responsible for maintaining sidewalks and the curbs/street area by trimming weeds, keeping debris off of sidewalks and keeping bushes & tree limbs from hanging over sidewalks. Sidewalks must be passable for pedestrians, strollers, wheelchairs, etc.

Tall grass & maintenance of yard – grass must be cut (not to grow beyond 6 inches), junk, litter, trash and unwanted items are not allowed to accumulate in yards. Dog owners are responsible for properly disposing of dog waste on a daily basis.

Annual Community Yard Sale will be held on <u>June 9th through June 11th from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm</u>. A second Community Yard Sale will be held on <u>August 11th through August 13th (8-5 pm</u>). A permit is not required for individuals who want to participate in the Community Yard Sales. Please remember to remove all yard sale signs once the sale is over.

Main Street Parking – Residents/tenants who live on Main St need to use all available parking areas <u>behind</u> <u>their house</u> in order to free up parking spaces for people who do not have a parking area behind their house. Please be considerate of neighbors by parking only 1 vehicle on Main St. Placing objects in the road to save parking spaces is not allowed.

Fireworks – <u>Fireworks are not permitted to be set off/discharged in the Borough at any time.</u> PA State Law prohibits the use of fireworks within 150 feet of an occupied structure or within any public right-of-way. State

Police advise that if you see anyone setting off fireworks, video record the activity and report it to the State Police.

Open Burning is not permitted in the Borough due to close proximity of houses. This includes the use of fire pits and burning barrels.

Playground Rules – Please help keep the park, playground and ball field area clean and safe for residents by observing the following:

No dogs/pets allowed

- * No weapons of any kind are allowed
- No smoking, alcohol and drug use
 * No vandalism
- Clean up all trash use provided trash receptacles

Building permits – all construction including repairs to sidewalks & driveways, additions to a house/shed, placement of pre-built structures (such as sheds), new patios, fences and decks require that a permit be obtained before any work can be started. Please call the Codes Enforcement Officer, Bob Huska at 717-578-3010 to obtain a permit.

Street light outages – Residents should report street light outages by calling 800-545-7741 and follow the automated prompts. You will need to provide the closest street address, cross street info and the pole number.

Effects of Pollution on your Sewer bill - A portion of your sewer bill pays for upkeep and repairs to wastewater treatment plants and sewer lines. Wastewater is used water. It includes substances such as human waste, food scraps, oils, soaps and chemicals. In homes, this includes water from sinks, showers, bathtubs, toilets, washing machines and dishwashers.

Treatment plants treat water to reduce and remove pollutants in wastewater to a relatively clean and safe level for people and wildlife. Much of the water used by homes, industries, and businesses must be treated before it is released back to the environment.

You can do simple things to reduce pollution which then decreases the amount of polluted water that treatment plants have to treat. The following are just a few examples:

Clean up after your pet. Pet waste left on the ground gets carried into streams by storm water and pollutes the water with bacteria, parasites and viruses that are harmful to people and wildlife.

Don't flush "unflushable" items such as baby and adult wipes, feminine products, rags, paper towels, cat litter, cigarette butts, bandages, diapers, Q-tips or unused medicine. Flushing these items down the toilet will not only pollute the water but <u>will also cause damage to sewer lines</u>.

Take care of fluids that are leaking from your car. Vehicles that drip fluids such as oil, grease, gasoline, antifreeze and brake fluids contribute to polluting the water because the fluids gets washed into the water system by rain water. Dispose of fluids by taking them to an auto store to be recycled. Oil and other petroleum products are toxic to people, wildlife and plants. Used motor oil is the largest single source of oil pollution in our lakes, streams and rivers. Americans spill 180 million gallons of used oil each year into our waters.

By reducing pollutants, waste water treatment plants can work more efficiently and will have fewer repair costs to equipment.

Recycle Containers – are available at the Borough office. **25 gallon round trash can style containers cost \$5** and **32 gallon round trash can style containers cost \$10**.

Council meetings are held the 1st Monday of each month at <u>6:00 pm</u>. Authority meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month at <u>6:00 pm</u> in the Borough office. If you need to address any issues with the Council or Authority members, please call the Borough office in order to be placed in the agenda.

Windsor Borough Officials

Mayor – Larry Markel (160 W Main St) Matthew Dietz – (33 W High St) Brenda Kramer – (6 Wellyn Dr) Ron Deckman – (76B W Main St) Penny Dzubinski – (133 W First Ave) Rich Mitzel – (100 W Main St)