

# SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH

April 2016

## Spring Newsletter

**Borough-Wide Yard Sale – Saturday, July 9, 2016**

**Primary Election April 26, 2016 – Fire Hall**

From Recent Borough Council Meetings:

- Ordinance #1-2015 An Ordinance setting fourth certain minimum requirements for new construction and development within areas of the Borough of Seven Valleys which are subject to flooding.
- Ordinance #2-2015 An Ordinance setting the Real Estate Tax Rate at 1.2 mils. That rate has not changed since it was set first the 2010 Tax Year.
- The 2016 budget calls for revenues of \$95,090.00 along with cash and investments to total \$271,823.00 available in the General Fund and revenues of \$15,359.43 along with cash and investments to total \$25,169.43 available in the State Highway Aid Fund. Total expenditures of \$95,025.01 in the General Fund and \$11,650.00 in the State Highway Aid Fund.
- Council has taken action to authorize First Energy to convert the existing Borough center street lighting to LED lighting. The change is expected to provide better lighting while saving the Borough \$2,760.00 per year in electric costs.

### **PRIMARY ELECTIONS**

Please vote in the Primary Election on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at the Seven Valleys Fire Company, 35 Main S, 7:00 am – 8:00 pm. You can view the specimen ballot for Seven Valleys Borough two to three weeks before the Election at [www.yorkcountypa.gov](http://www.yorkcountypa.gov)

### **STREET SWEEPING**

Cleaning of all Borough Streets has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 20, 2016, weather permitting. The work will begin at 7:00 AM. Please **park off-street** until the street sweeper has passed your home. You can also help by having your sidewalks cleared of any anti-skid materials left from winter snow/ice control.

### **WEST NILE VIRUS**

You can help reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home and neighborhood by eliminating standing water in which mosquitoes can breed.

During the mosquito season the County routinely covers areas of the Borough performing surveillance and control. Additional information is available at [www.westnile.state.pa.us](http://www.westnile.state.pa.us) or by calling the Thomas Smith at the York County West Nile Virus Program - York County at (717) 840-2375.

### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Many residents may be making plans for spring and summer projects. Most of these projects will require some type of permit. These permits are for safety and to insure proper set backs so as not to infringe on your neighbors. The best thing to do if you are planning any type of project that involves a repair, replacement, addition or alteration is to call the Borough Zoning Officer Wayne Smith (717) 225-0650 and discuss the scope of your project. An early phone call can make the process much smoother and easier.

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## FAQ

### 1. Am I responsible for clearing grass and weeds growing in my sidewalk and between the sidewalk and the street?

**Yes** The presence of this vegetation, at any time of year, is unlawful according to the Seven Valleys Borough Code.

### 2. Must I replace broken or missing clean out caps? Would I be responsible for repairs to the sewer main due to damage from my open pipe?

Yes, missing or broken clean out caps can result in an open pipe on your property that would allow storm water as well as the possibility of debris and other items entering the sewer line that may cause damage, blockages and back ups

### 3. When is burning allowed in the Borough?

Burning Out-of-Doors is allowed in Seven Valleys Borough only on the third Saturday of each month between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

Any such permitted fire shall be burned in and maintained within a burn container and shall be attended at all times by an individual 18 years of age or older until such time as the flame, embers and smoldering had been extinguished.

Any person or entity desiring to burn any burnable materials out of doors within the Borough of Seven Valleys which cannot otherwise be burned within a burn container may request such special burning permit from the Fire Chief who may issue such permit if, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Fire Chief, the Fire Chief determines that the circumstances of such request justify the issuance thereof and that such fire will not constitute a hazard. Any fire burned pursuant to such special burning permit shall be attended at all times by an individual who is 18 years of age or older, and shall be subject to the regulations applicable to an otherwise permitted fire.

The Fire Chief may establish conditions upon any special burning permit issued, including but not limited to the condition that the fire under such permit may not be ignited or maintained unless and until the fire company, in such strength and array as the Fire Chief may determine, is in attendance.

\* For Further Information please check the **Borough Code Section** on the **Seven Valleys Borough Website** or call Wayne Smith (717) 225-0560

## HERITAGE RAIL TRAIL COUNTY PARK

The Borough is fortunate to have the Rail Trail pass through the Borough. Please check [www.yorkcountypa.gov](http://www.yorkcountypa.gov) for available activities or call (717) 840-7440.

One Trail Activity is the Annual York 10-Miler, a ten mile road *race* on the Heritage Rail Trail that starts in Seven Valleys and ends in York each August. Check [www.thearcofyorkcounty.org](http://www.thearcofyorkcounty.org) for details. (717) 846-6589

## WINDY HILL ON THE CAMPUS

Windy Hill on the Campus is a drop-in activity center for adults age 60 and older. The center is open Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., and offers a wide range of activities including educational and fitness classes, social programs, and a fitness room. The center is located on the Spring Grove Area School District campus in the former middle school building at 1472 Roth's Church Road. In addition, a hot meal is served at noon each day for a donation. There is no membership fee to join Windy Hill, and RabbitTransit provides door-to-door bus transportation at no charge for those older than 65. For more information, contact the center at 717-225-0733 or the website at [www.WindyHillontheCampus.org](http://www.WindyHillontheCampus.org).

## BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Borough Council meetings are public meetings and always open to the public. The meetings are typically held the first Monday of the month at the Community Fire Hall, at 7:00 pm. Your attendance is welcomed at any time.