

# BOROUGH OF EDGEWORTH

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**Winter 2019**

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Dear Residents,

As we prepare for another snowy winter, Edgeworth Borough would like to wish all residents and their families a very joyful holiday season. Please keep in mind the following reminders as you begin to settle in for the winter months. If you have any questions or need more information, please feel free to contact the Borough Office.

## **No Increase in Property Tax Rate**

Edgeworth Borough Council will set the property tax millage rate and adopt the 2020 budget at their regular monthly meeting on December 17th. There will also be a public hearing on the proposed budget scheduled for 6:45 pm on December 17th. A copy of the proposed budget is available for inspection in the Borough Office during regular business hours: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on weekdays. For the seventeenth consecutive year, the tax rate for 2020 will be unchanged and remain at 4.15 mills (\$4.15 for each \$1,000 of assessed valuation).

## **Edgeworth Employees Holiday Fund**

In recognition of the efforts of our Borough employees (police, public works and office staff) throughout the year, Mayor Gary Smith would like to ask any residents wishing to contribute to the *Edgeworth Employees Holiday Fund* to either mail their checks to the Edgeworth Borough Building, 301 Beaver Road, Edgeworth, PA 15143, or drop them off at your convenience. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated!

## **Holiday Garbage Collection**

Garbage collection will be delayed by one day for the weeks of Christmas and New Year's Day. Residents should expect garbage collection to take place on Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please keep in mind that garbage may not be placed at the curb for collection more than twenty-four hours in advance. Due to the large volume of waste generated during the holiday season, it often takes longer to complete collection of the entire Borough, particularly the week after Christmas. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and patience.



## Recycling Information Event

Do you have questions about recycling? Edgeworth Borough will host a Recycling Information Session on January 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Edgeworth Elementary School. This session will detail what is and is not recyclable, where to take hard to recycle materials, how to reduce waste, and more. Representatives from the Borough, Waste Management, and the Pennsylvania Resources Council will be on hand to present information and answer any questions. We hope to see you there!

### Glass Recycling Dumpster

Starting in January, a glass-only dumpster will be placed at the Edgeworth Recycling Center at 101 Chestnut Road. This dumpster will be available to all residents to recycle glass bottles, jugs, and jars in lieu of placing them in curbside recycling. Glass will not need to be sorted by color or size. No stemware, vases, lightbulbs, window glass, or ceramics will be accepted in this dumpster. If you wish to bring your glass in plastic bags, please do not throw the plastic bag into the dumpster with the glass. **Due to Waste Management no longer accepting glass in recycling, we ask all residents to utilize this service instead of placing glass products in your curbside recycling can.** Please call the Borough office with any questions regarding glass recycling.



### Recycling Center: Holiday Do's and Don'ts

The holiday season is bound to create an abundance of joy for Edgeworth residents, but an abundance of waste will also likely be generated from shipping and packaging. Please keep in mind that if your recycling bin is filled to capacity during the holiday season, any excess recyclable material can be taken to the Edgeworth Recycling Center, which is open 24/7 and intended for all Borough residents. Please keep the following in mind when utilizing the Recycling Center:

- **Do** break down all cardboard boxes when placing them in the dumpsters. This allows for more space to be filled with other recyclables.
- **Do** rinse out plastic, aluminum and tin containers to reduce left over debris.
- **Do** place your recyclables into the dumpster that is marked to be filled first.
- **Don't** put any plastic bags into the dumpsters! Plastic bags are not recyclable and anything in them will be sent straight to a landfill during the sorting process.
- **Don't** include wrapping paper, tissue paper, ribbons, and glitter in your recycling. Most of these products are made of plastic and will contaminate other recyclables.
- **Don't** put anything into the Recycling Center dumpsters that is not recyclable. This includes electronics, bags of trash, food waste, shredded paper, and Styrofoam. Refer to the posted signs around the Center for any items you may be unsure about.

Recycling right is the most important way to ensure the recycling process remains efficient and sustainable! For more information regarding recycling, please visit the Waste Collection and Recycling page on our website.

## Welcome Peter!

The Edgeworth Public Works Department recently hired Peter Kovacs to fill the position of full-time laborer. Peter has fourteen years of previous public works experience, and has called the Quaker Valley area home for the past twenty-seven years. He enjoys hiking, camping, and spending time with his two children. Peter is looking forward to a long and distinguished career in Edgeworth, and working hard to serve all of our residents. Welcome to Edgeworth, Peter!

## Leaf Collection



We ask that all residents have their yards raked and have leaves ready for curbside pick-up in order for the leaf truck to make its final pass along each street beginning the week of December 16th - weather permitting. Remember to separate leaves from branches and brush – they are collected with two different machines. The Borough will again collect leaves in bulk in the spring for a two-week period beginning April 2020. In between these times, leaves can be bagged and placed at the curb for Waste Management's regular pick-up on Wednesdays.

## A Message from the Police



The Edgeworth Police Department would like to remind all motorists to exercise increased caution during wintry conditions in the upcoming months. Be sure to slow down, and give plenty of stopping distance between other vehicles to reduce the risk of accidents. Additionally, if you plan on going away for the holidays, please remember to call the Police Department at 412-741-9400 and place your residence on the vacancy list.

## Reining in Stormwater Runoff

Pittsburgh winters bring a great deal of snow that can make a big impact on water runoff. Help to prevent stormwater pollution by shoveling snow into areas that can absorb water, and where water does not typically pond. Be sure to never pile snow on top of catch basins, where debris caught up in the snow can enter the drain, or the snow can freeze over the grate. Consider limiting heavy amounts of salt, sand, or kitty litter that will wash away with melt or rain.

***Edgeworth Borough Wishes Everyone a  
Happy Holiday Season!***

