



Lewisburg Enlightener SPRING 2019



WELCOME TO THE BOROUGH

Kim Wheeler, AICP. *Special Projects Coordinator/ Grants Manager.* Kim was hired in January to manage projects such as the Bull Run Greenway and work with funding agencies to seek, acquire and manage grant awards. She is a certified planner and long-time resident of the Borough.

Robin Bieber. *Accounting Clerk.* Robin was hired in March to fill a vacancy. Jacqueline Anders was promoted to Borough Secretary when Pat Garrison retired after 14 years. Robin lives in Winfield and has 21 years of experience in municipal finance.

Isaac Ramer, Jr. *Mechanic/Operator.* Isaac was hired in January. He previously worked for Penn Township, Snyder County.

Brush Pile



The Borough's brush pile is provided for Borough residents and Borough property owners (while working on their Borough properties) to dispose of leaves, branches, and other brush materials. It is posted for use by Borough residents only. However, we believe many residents of our neighboring municipalities, as well as local landscape/ tree trimming contractors are also using the Borough's brush pile to dispose of materials. Unfortunately, the costs to manage, process, and dispose of brush materials fall to the taxpayers of Lewisburg Borough only. In an effort to ensure brush pile costs are shared by non-Borough residents who use this service, the Borough has instituted a fee system. Residents and Borough property owners (while working on their Borough properties) will still be able to use the brush pile at no cost, with proper identification. If you have a contractor working on your property and they wish to dispose of their materials at our brush pile, please come into the Borough Office to get a preapproval receipt, which will allow them to dispose of approved materials at the brush pile.

BRUSH PILE & RECYCLING CENTER

The Brush Pile and Recycling Center remain open every Wednesday from 8 AM to 4 PM and every Saturday from 8 AM until noon. Both are located in the Wolf Field Complex.

Curbside recycling is the first Saturday of each month.

Additional information on recycling can be found on the Borough's website: www.lewisburgborough.org

SCHEDULED 2019 COUNCIL MEETINGS

6:30 PM

April 16

May 21

June 18

July 16

August 20

September 17

October 15

November 19

December 17

OFFICE HOLIDAYS

May 27 — Memorial Day

July 4 — Independence Day

September 2— Labor Day

November 28 — Thanksgiving Day

November 29— Day After Thanksgiving

December 25 — Christmas

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MARKET STREET CORRIDOR TRAFFIC STUDY

The Borough has hired an engineering firm to complete a study to analyze the effects of heavy vehicle traffic along Market Street which encompasses nine blocks of Lewisburg's Historic District. The study will evaluate the impacts on the public's safety and health, the environment, economy, and on the transportation circulation through the downtown business district.

RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) INFORMATION

Residents are reminded that no matter where your property is located, there is bound to be a public ROW somewhere on your property. Sidewalks are usually found within the public ROW.

A public ROW is exactly what it states: a right-of-way for driving, walking, riding, construction, maintenance and upkeep. Residents are reminded that the public ROW exists "forever" and can never be claimed as one's private property.

Residents should be aware of any ROW that exists on their property. It is your responsibility to maintain this ROW, but by State Regulation you cannot prohibit a public service from accessing the ROW to provide municipal services. Please keep this in mind when planning fences, landscaping, tree planting, etc. In addition, please make sure the condition of your sidewalks within the ROW comply with Borough Ordinances. Finally, please make sure trees, bushes and plants on your property do not interfere with the public's right to use the sidewalks, alleys and roadways.

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Although, the Duke Street Reconstruction Project in Northumberland and the nearby Central Susquehanna Valley Bridge and Thruway Project (CSVT) have contributed to a sizable portion of the increased traffic through the Borough, the Valley is expected to continue to face an annual 3-percent increase in truck freight traffic until at least 2040.

The engineering firm, Traffic Planning and Design (TPD), is based in Pottstown, PA. They will be conducting the following types of studies for the Borough:

- Traffic Data Collection
- Field Observations
- Seismographic and Noise Analyses
- Pavement Condition Analysis
- Traffic Signal Phasing Analysis
- Crash Data Analysis
- Economic Impact

A project Steering Committee, made up of citizens and a variety of professionals, including: engineers, architects, planners, business owners, Bucknell, SBDC, SEDACOG Transportation Dept, Fire/EMS, and elected officials are helping to guide the consultant team.

A public meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30pm** on the 3rd Floor of 434 Market Street (Chamberlain Bldg @ Iron Front Works) to provide preliminary results of data collection and to collect public feedback and questions/concerns.

The report is expected to be presented to Borough Council at their June work session on Tuesday, June 11th. This is a public meeting and will be the only full presentation of the report's findings.

This project was funded in part by the Borough along with donations from Evangelical Community Hospital, Geisinger, Bucknell University and many community residents and businesses.

For more information, contact Kim Wheeler, kwheeler@lewisburgborough.org.