# THE ENLIGHTENER

## **Recent Refuse Ordinance Updates**

At the Lewisburg Borough Council meeting on November 19th, 2024, Borough Council approved changes to the Borough's refuse ordinance and rates. Letters were immediately sent out to residents and property owners regarding the new updates. Rates have increased for residential and commercial collection: \$1.00 per month per dwelling unit and \$0.50 per cubic yard per pickup, respectfully. With these changes, it's important to note:

- **ALL** refuse/rubbish must be bagged and placed inside a water-tight container.
- Residential units will now be limited to no more than 192-gallons per week. Any refuse/rubbish that exceeds the 192-gallon limit will be billed to the property owner \$2/extra bag or \$5 per extra container.
- Failure to comply with the updated refuse ordinance may result in penalties, including but not limited to fines and further action from Borough officials.



The Lewisburg Borough requires the separation of recyclables from refuse/rubbish at all residential, commercial, municipal, and institutional properties. Residents and property owners have several options for recycling in the Borough. Curbside collection of aluminum, glass, and newsprint only is conducted on the first Saturday of each month. The items must be separated by material type. Residents also have the option to contact a private hauler to collect recycling. Several local garbage collection companies offer single stream recycling services for a fee. The Lewisburg Borough operates a Recycling Center in the Wolfe Field complex on St. Anthony Street. Source-separated recyclable materials can be brought in on Wednesdays from 8am-4pm & Saturdays from 8am-12pm.

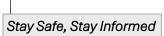


#### Want the latest Borough News and Updates?

Visit Lewisburg Borough's website: lewisburgborough.org for more information on parking, refuse, parks & rec, Borough codes, etc. You will also find forms, applications, and council meeting minutes on the website along with the latest news and information.



Like us on Be sure to follow Lewisburg Borough on Facebook for updates on Facebook holiday trash collection, road closures, and other Borough-related news.



96-gallon "tipper" can



Sign up today for emergency and non-emergency alerts from Lewisburg Borough. Critical information such as street closures, emergency weather warnings, and most importantly, flood warnings can be relayed via cell, text, email and landline.

To enroll, text LewisburgPA to 99411 or scan the QR code.

If you do not have internet service, you may call the Borough Office at (570)523-3614 ext.314 for assistance.



#### Flood Insurance

Flooding causes more property damage every year in the United States than any other type of natural disaster. Don't forget that most standard homeowner's insurance policies do not cover floods. Flood insurance is administered by the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Contact your insurance provider for assistance with flood insurance questions. You can also call SEDA-COG at (570) 524-4491.



### **Flooding**

The Borough of Lewisburg wants to remind its residents that flooding is a real threat for many of its residents. As such, through participation in the Federal Community Rating System (CRS) program, residents receive a flood insurance discount. The Borough is currently a Class 8 community through CRS and as a prerequisite of this program the Borough of Lewisburg recently passed a new ordinance requiring all mechanical equipment to be elevated 18 inches above the 100-year base flood elevation. This means that if your mechanical/electrical equipment is affected by a flood and needs to be replaced to reoccupy your residence or business, those mechanical/electrical equipment systems will need to be relocated at that time. It would be best to plan this work be

fore the next flood event. Additionally, if you are considering replacement of mechanical/ electrical equipment because of age or disrepair and you live in in the floodplain, that equipment must be relocated 18 inches above the 100- year base flood elevation.

Flood information is available online at <a href="https://www.lewisburgborough.org/zoning/flood-information/">https://www.lewisburgborough.org/zoning/flood-information/</a> and also in the Lewisburg Borough Office and the Public Library for Union County. Library hours are 9:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturdays (closed Sundays).

For more information, contact Borough Manager William Lowthert at 570-523-3614.

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#### Safe Streets for All

Addressing Roadway Safety Concerns in Lewisburg Borough In 2024, Lewisburg Borough was awarded Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding to develop a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. The SS4A program supports the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Roadway Safety Strategy and goal of zero roadway deaths. The Borough has been working on the development of this Safety Plan with the help of Kittelson & Associates and HRG. In addition to analyzing crash data from the past ten years, the Borough is ensuring input from the public is included in the Safety Plan's recommendations. The development process includes two public forums to be held to receive input from all interested people. The first public meeting was held in February 2025 and attracted a great turn-out and gave residents and business owners the opportunity to discuss safety concerns they see in the Borough. The second public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 21st from 7:00pm-8:30 pm. At this meeting, we will review the outcome of the previous public engagement and the potential recommendations that will be part of the final Safety Plan. The final Safety Plan will be presented to and approved by Lewisburg Borough Council in the fall at one of their regularly scheduled council meetings. Follow the Borough's Facebook page (Lewisburg Borough) or check the Borough's website at www.lewisburgborough.org for posting of this meeting date and location in the near future, as well as other updates on

the development of the Safety Plan.

## Important Updates and Information

#### Animal Waste

As responsible pet owners, it's important to keep our community clean and enjoyable for everyone. When walking your pets, please be sure to carry waste bags and clean up any animal waste along the way. Not only does this help maintain the beauty of our Borough, but it also contributes to a healthier environment for all residents. Let's work together to keep our streets clean, safe, and welcoming for both people and pets.

#### • Brush Collection

Spring brush collection will occur April 7th to April 11th and follow the normal street "no parking" schedule. Tree trimmings should be bundled. Trimmings must be no larger than two inches in diameter and four feet in length. All other tree trimmings can be taken to the brush pile during normal hours of operation. Please remember to bring identification showing you are a Lewisburg Borough property owner/resident when using the brush pile.

#### • Contact Information

The Refuse Department is requesting all residents/property owners update their contact information (phone number, email address, etc.) so that we're better able to assist you if issues arise with your refuse account. Please contact Emily at your earliest convenience with your updated contact information: email <a href="mailto:ehontz@lewisburgborough.org">ehontz@lewisburgborough.org</a> or call 570.523.3614 x315.

#### Holiday Refuse Schedule Memorial Day May 26, 2025

Monday pickup Tuesday, Tuesday pickup Wednesday

#### July 4, 2025

Friday pickup Thursday, Thursday pickup Wednesday

## Upcoming Council Meetings 6:30 PM

April 15, 2025 May 20, 2025 June 17, 2025 July 15, 2025