



ADAMSTOWN BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

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deLyn Alumbaugh Randell Weaver
Jerry Thomason

Upcoming Council Meetings: Feb 4, Mar 3 & Apr 7. All meetings are held in the Borough municipal building unless otherwise advertised beginning at 7:00PM and the public is encouraged to attend.

Rental Property Owners – Please see that your tenants receive a copy of the quarterly newsletter. Extra copies are available at the borough office. Newsletters can also be viewed on the borough website.



Adamstown Fire Company

We would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to all the volunteers of our fire company for the many hours of service they unselfishly dedicate to keeping not only our community but those around us safe. A special thank you to Steve Roth, who served as Fire Chief for the past 8 years! His replacement will be former Assistant Chief, Derek Miller. Derek has grown up and lived in this area his whole life. Aside from being a volunteer at the Adamstown Fire Company for 19 years, his fulltime job is working as a fire fighter for the Anne Arundel Fire Department in Maryland which is where Steve is also employed.

Welcome New Mayor and Council Members!!!

With the resignation of Mayor Dean Johnson and Councilwoman Cindy Schweitzer in addition to Jessica Kelly and Shad Lewis's terms ending, John Schmidt was appointed to replace Mayor Johnson and deLyn Alumbaugh was appointed to replace Cindy Schweitzer. Jerry Thomason and Randell Weaver were elected to fill the other two positions. A little background about each:

- John Schmidt – John has been living in Stoudburg Village for 12 years and served as HOA President for two terms (4 years total). He has been running his own business for 12 years teaching CPR and first aid, the majority of which

is with the Commonwealth and some with childcare centers. Prior to that he was a supervisor for the Red Cross in Philadelphia, a fire fighter and an EMT.

- deLyn Alumbaugh – deLyn has lived in Stoudburg Village for 12+ years and served as advertising chair there. He also served on Adamstown Borough's Zoning Hearing Board as well as Planning Commission.
- Jerry Thomason – Jerry has lived in the Brookview Development for 10+ years. He has been working for M&T Bank in the Commercial Division for the past 24 years and is on several committees for State conservation organizations including Pheasants Forever. He also serves on the shooting committee at the Adamstown Rod & Gun Club and Mohnton Fish & Game.
- Randell Weaver – Randell formerly lived in Lebanon and owned his own business. After selling his business he found a job opportunity in Ephrata and moved his family to Adamstown. He and his wife have a son and a daughter. Their daughter is currently a student at Adamstown Elementary School.

Adamstown Borough would like to welcome them aboard!

Protect our Watershed

Storm water originates from rain or melting snow/ice that runs off surfaces such as rooftops, streets, construction sites, lawns, and fields. Storm water runoff can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants as it makes its way to storm drains and natural waterways. What can you do to help? Stop by the borough office to pick up a copy of The Homeowner's Guide to Stormwater. This helpful brochure will show you ways to develop and implement a stormwater management plan for your property which will in turn help the environment!



Christmas Tree Drop-Off

The Borough is accepting used Christmas trees at the Adamstown Community Pool parking lot now through January 31st. They must be clean trees containing no ornaments, tinsel, lights, stands, artificial trees, plastic bags or other coverings. The trees will be recycled.

Borough Complaints

Please be aware that the borough addresses issues on a complaint-basis. If you see a property maintenance violation, please fill out a complaint form and submit it to our office. The form must be signed and dated - anonymous complaint forms will not be addressed. Complaint forms can be found in the brochure rack in the foyer of our building as well as on our borough website at the following link:

<http://adamstownborough.org/DocumentCenter/View/154/Complaint-Form?bidId=>

If the complaint involves vehicles illegally parked, noise, nuisance or disturbance issues, please contact the Ephrata Police Department.

Grove Rental

The calendar is beginning to fill up for rental of the community grove for the summer of 2020. The cost is \$100 for the entire day (non-refundable) plus a \$10 key deposit (refundable). There is no charge for borough non-profit organizations. Contact Sam Toffy at the borough office for more information.



Winter Maintenance

With winter upon us, here are a few helpful reminders and tips!

- ❄ During a plowable snowfall of approximately 2" or more, all vehicles **MUST** be moved from the snow emergency routes. Be conscious of the weather forecast and prepare accordingly. **Violators will be fined.**
- ❄ Residents and property owners are required to remove snow & ice from sidewalks within 24 hours after the precipitation stops.
- ❄ Snow or ice that cannot be removed without injury to sidewalk should be treated with sand or other abrasive material.
- ❄ A shovel width path is all that is required to be cleared so that pedestrians can walk safely.
- ❄ Snow should not be thrown back into the streets. Pile snow at the curb line where it will not impede clearing operations or traffic movement.
- ❄ Residents can help avoid street flooding and freezing by clearing snow, leaves and debris from storm drains and away from gutters.
- ❄ Shovel driveway aprons last to avoid having to re-shovel after snowplow passes by.