



October, November, December, 2023

TRASH COLLECTION REMINDERS



HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving week, the Friday, November 24, collection will be on Saturday. The

week of Christmas and New Year's both collection days will be delayed by one day for Wednesday and Saturday collections those weeks.

LEAF DISPOSAL

As part of the refuse contract, residents are allowed to put out two (2) extra bags of leaves each collection day beginning **NOVEMBER 1 THRU JANUARY 31**. These two extra bags are for leaves ONLY.

CONCERT IN THE PARK

The Shrewsbury Lions Club is hosting a Concert in the Park At the Charles Sweeney Park, Playground Avenue, on Saturday, October 21st from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. A local classic rock and roll band, Ren and the Second Nature, will be performing. The Lions will organize games, food and events including pumpkin decorating and more. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy an afternoon of relaxation and good music.

NEWSLETTER

FROM MAYOR SHARKEY

In early August, we experienced quite a storm that reminded us of nature's power and the importance of being prepared for emergencies. Most Shrewsburyians lost power for anywhere from 2.5 to 4 days depending on where you live. There were at least two confirmed tornadoes, one to the east of us past Felton, and another just to the west of Glen Rock in Glenville. I'd like to thank our Public Works team for working to quickly remove debris from the roads and ensuring backup power to traffic lights. Kudos also go out to the volunteers at Shrewsbury Fire Company and South Central Emergency Management (SCEMA) for their efforts managing the challenges after the storm. Seeing neighbors helping neighbors is what joins us as a community. A special message of gratitude goes out to Mike Webb and his team from M&M Plumbing and HVAC for providing and distributing ice and water and helping clear debris in the Borough.

In mid-July, there was an armed robbery at the Subway restaurant on Constitution Ave. at the south end of the Borough. I'd like to express gratitude and appreciation for the excellent detective work and effort from the Southern Regional Police Department. Two suspects were arrested on August 2nd charged with multiple crimes including; Robbery with Inflict/Threaten Bodily Injury, Simple Assault, Terroristic Threats and Theft by Unlawful Taking. As of the time of writing, both men are currently in the Baltimore County Detention Center waiting on additional Maryland charges for Robbery and extradition back to Pennsylvania.

In the coming months, we have the opportunity and obligation to exercise our citizenship on Election Day, we also have a special day to recognize our Veterans. In early December, we'll celebrate our community tree lighting as we officially kick off the Christmas and Winter holidays. As summer starts to wane and we begin to welcome the colors of Fall it reminds me of Thanksgiving and I'm especially thankful for everyone who helps make Shrewsbury a great place to live.

- Mayor Mike Sharkey

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PUBLIC WORKS



WATER MAIN FLUSHING

The North Water System water mains will be flushed between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. during the week of October 9th. The Public Works Department operates all water valves and hydrants throughout our entire water system.

- The water flushing removes dirt and debris from the water mains.
- Prevents water stagnation and taste and odor problems.
- Verifies fire hydrant operation and water system flow and pressure.
- · Verifies water valve operation.
- · Safe and high-quality water delivered to customers.

Water discoloration will occur during the scheduled times so please avoid doing laundry, using hot water, and drinking tap water until the water is completely clear. If you have any questions with regards to when your neighborhood will be flushed, contact us at 717-235-1427.

October 9th Week-North Water System

The North System will include: East Forrest Avenue, Woodland Drive, Spring Creek Drive, Gatewood Drive, Oaklyn Circle, Valley Road, Asbury Lane, Glenhurst Road, Devonshire Drive, Berkshire Drive, Cassidy Way, Sundance Lane, Holiday Drive, Wineberry Drive, Brookview Lane, Greenview Drive, Plank Road, Foxtail Court, Northbrook Lane, Brook Meadow Circle, Clear Run Drive, McCleary Court, Woodlake Court, and portions of North Main Street, East Clearview Drive, Raypaula Drive, Skyview Drive, Westview Drive, Kelley Drive, Cardinal Drive, Fawn Drive, North Highland Drive, Circle Drive, Playground Avenue, North Sunset Drive, West Clearview Drive, Tree Hollow Drive, Ascot Drive, Cardiff Road, Bedford Court, West Forrest Avenue, Whitcraft Lane, Shetland Drive, Hackney Lane, Kratz Road, Morgan Drive, Bridle Road, Hill Street, Charles Street, South Sunset Drive, Park Avenue, Donald Drive, Ervin Drive, Lillian Court, West Church Avenue, North Main Street, and portions of South Main Street.

TREE TRIMMING

The Public Works Department studies intersection sight triangles and roads for trees obstructing traffic. Ordinance 1994-1 requires Borough residents to maintain trees for clearance of at least 14 feet over the cartway and not obstruct vision on any public street. Trees growing over the curb line damage snow removal equipment, obstruct traffic, and cause accidents at intersections. The Public Works Department will notify residents with trees growing over the curb line or blocking intersection sight triangles. We will allow residents ample opportunity to trim the trees on their own. The Public Works Department will trim the trees and dispose of the branches if there is not any response to our notification.

STORM DRAIN MAINTENANCE

The Public Works Department cleans all storm drains prior to rain events. Fallen leaves are a major problem this time of year and cause flooding. The Public Works will clean any drain in Shrewsbury Borough to prevent flooding. Do not hesitate to contact us at <u>bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org</u> or 717-235-1427 if you notice a drain that needs cleared.

STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE

The Fall/Winter diminishing daylight is upon us. Where do the seasons go? Our streetlights become very important for sight, safety and security. If you have a street light that is not lit, flashing, or just not bright enough, please contact the Public Works Department at <u>bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.</u> <u>org</u> or 717-235-1427. Repairs are made by the Public Works Department or Met Ed depending on location. Please allow for 5 days for the repair.

THANK YOU MIKE WEBB AND M&M PLUMBING

In the aftermath of the storm that visited us on August 7th, we saw the frailty of electricity distribution via overhead lines. At least two major incidents kept us without power for an extended period of time. M&M Plumbing and HVAC owner, Mike Webb, considers our area home. I had the opportunity to meet with him and his sister/assistant Sierra to express the Borough's thanks and to get to know them. He explained how he got his start providing service to a local real estate management company and feels a special connection to our area, in addition, half of Mike's workforce call Southern York County home. He explained that he likes to get to know his customers and it was clear to me that treating people fairly and providing service with honesty and integrity are among his most important values. Mike is an Army veteran and most of employees are also veterans, so it's easy to understand where his dedication to service comes from.

When Fire Chief Brad Dauberman put out a request out for help with transporting a donation of ice, Mike answered the call. He later responded by providing multiple loads of ice and bottled water to us in the Borough as well as to Glen Rock and Fawn Grove. All in all, Mike and M&M Plumbing donated and distributed over 20,000 pounds of ice and more than 325 cases of bottled water. His employees also helped clear debris from several people's yards around our area. If you'd like to reach Mike to express your thanks, the business address is 630-B Lowther Road, Lewisberry, PA 17339, or you can call him at 717-819-6930 or email mandmplumbingandhvac@gmail.com.

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Trick or Treat will be on October 31 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please turn your porch light on if you'd like to participate.

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING

Our annual tree lighting will take place on **Sunday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m.** The Susquehannock Jazz Band will participate as well as area Scouts providing hot chocolate, cookies and other sweet treats. Santa will also be arriving at 6:00 p.m. to hand out candy canes. Please come out and join the fun.

TRASH CONTRACT RENEWAL INFORMATION

As you know, the current trash contract ends on January 31, 2024. The Borough received two bid submissions on August 8. One hauler stated that they were not submitting a bid. There was one bid and that was from our current hauler, Penn Waste. The bid contains options for once a week collection (4 bags), twice a week collection (4 bags each day), toters or no toters. Trash toters would be either a 96 gallon or a 35 gallon toter. Recycling would either be a 64 gallon toter or a 35 gallon toter. If the option that includes toters is awarded, all residents would need to use a toter, no loose bags would be permitted unless extra bags are chosen as an option. If you would like to see the size of the toters, stop by the Borough office. All toters would be blue with different color lids. The current rate is \$340.00 a year. A survey is available for you to complete as part of the newsletter or by using the QR code below or this link <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LJYV8XG</u>. If you prefer to respond to the survey in writing, please complete the enclosed insert and either mail it or drop it off at the Borough office. The cut off to respond to the survey is October 9 at 1:00 p.m.

DID YOU KNOW???

According to the National Weather Service, the August 7th storm recorded 85+ MPH winds. Category 1 hurricane wind is classified as winds of 74-95 MPH. The National Weather Service is investigating tornadic activity in the area with a confirmed EF1 tornado in a nearby community. (Emergency Management Director Stanton Walters)





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On behalf of the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Company, we would like to thank our community for your support throughout the year! Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Welcome in 2024!

FROM THE SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY | 21 WEST FORREST AVENUE

OCTOBER

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention week is October 9th thru the 13th. We will be visiting Shrewsbury Elementary on Thursday, October 12th.

LAST FOOD TRUCK/TRUNK OR TREAT

Last Food Truck of the year will be on Friday, October 13th. The food trucks will be having a decoration contest. Let's see who the winner is this year!!

This will also be our OPEN HOUSE FOR Fire Prevention week from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. There will be engine rides. Please come out to support our local food trucks and tour your fire station.

Trunk or Treat will also be available for kids 12 and under. Please register your vehicle beforehand. Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Company's Facebook page will have the vehicle registration information.

NOVEMBER DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Daylight savings time is Saturday, November 4th. This is a great time to change out the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors!!

DECEMBER SANTA VISITING

Santa will be visiting the residents of Shrewsbury on the fire engine, along with volunteers from the Fire Company. Santa will start on Sunday, December 17th through Tuesday, December 19th. If needed, he will also be available on Wednesday, December 20th. We have heard he loves cookies!!



As always, the Fire Company is looking for volunteers in all capacities. Please stop by the Station and pick up an application.

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