



October, November, December, 2026



NEWSLETTER

HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving week, Friday, November 27, collection will be on Saturday, November 28. The weeks of Christmas and New Year's the Friday trash/recycle collection will be on Saturday (December 26th and January 2nd).

LEAF DISPOSAL

Are you wondering what you should do with your yard waste as we are in full swing in the season of raking leaves?

As part of the refuse contract, residents are allowed to put out two (2) extra bags of leaves (for a total of four bags) each collection day beginning **NOVEMBER 1 THRU JANUARY 31**. These two extra bags are for leaves ONLY. If there is room in your trash toter, please place them in the toter; otherwise, they can be placed to the side of the toter.

If you simply have leaves and grass, you can use a mulching mower to mulch them. Your back will thank you and the clippings on the lawn will help prevent weeds from germinating. Another option for disposal of grass and leaves is to place them in your garden beds and around trees and shrubs to prevent weed growth. Composting your clippings and leaves is another great way to make use of them.

Hello Shrewsbury Borough Citizens,

As we welcome our fall quarterly newsletter, I am reminded how quickly the summer months have passed! It has been an incredible summer, full of positive and engaging events throughout our community. From the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Company's Carnival, the Lion's Club Parade, Southern Regional Police Department's National Night Out, and the Kickin' Ash Music Bash, and other surrounding municipal events, our Borough has been very busy celebrating together. I hope each of you had a chance to celebrate at least one of those wonderful events. I also had the distinct pleasure of celebrating the 100th birthday of one of our local residents, which was a joyful reminder of our rich history with youthful energy and new ideas. Moments like that remind me that we are such a demographically diverse community, with both a strong tie to residential history and endurance, as well as one full of youth, energy, and new ideas. In light of those thoughts, I am always considering and looking for ways in which to tie our community together better and would love to hear your ideas.

One of the most encouraging developments this year has been the increased attendance at Borough Council meetings. More of our residents are choosing to come forward, share their perspectives, and engage directly with Council members. It is truly inspiring to see citizens dedicating their time to help shape the future of Shrewsbury Borough.

While we may not always be able to meet every preference, we remain committed to continually improving our community. Our Borough is strongest when all voices are heard, and your input plays a vital role in guiding the decisions that affect us all. We may not be able to make everyone happy all the time, but what we can do is always strive to put Shrewsbury Borough first!

The thought I'd like to leave you with is this: building the best possible Shrewsbury Borough is a shared effort. It takes all of us, not just Council members, to move our community forward. Your participation and feedback are essential, and we welcome your continued involvement in shaping our Borough's future.

I hope you all have a great fall season, and I look forward to engaging with more of you in the months ahead!

With respect and gratitude,

Jessica Fisher, Mayor, Shrewsbury Borough

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PUBLIC WORKS CORNER



TREE MAINTENANCE REMINDER FROM PUBLIC WORKS

To keep our streets safe and accessible, the Public Works Department regularly inspects roads and intersections for trees that obstruct traffic or visibility. In accordance with Ordinance 1994-1, all Borough residents are required to maintain trees with a minimum clearance of 14 feet above the cartway and ensure that no branches block sight lines at intersections.

Overgrown trees can:

- Damage snow removal equipment, emergency vehicles, and utility operations.
- Obstruct traffic flow (vehicle and pedestrian).
- Reduce visibility for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians and increase the likelihood of accidents.
- Reduce Street Light effectiveness.

If your trees extend over the curb line or interfere with intersection sight triangles, you'll receive a notification from Public Works. Residents will be given ample time to trim their trees. If no action is taken, the Department will proceed with trimming and branch disposal to ensure public safety.

Let's work together to keep our community safe and our streets clear!

RIGHTS-OF-WAY

A right-of-way is a strip of land — usually along and around our streets — that the Borough is entitled to use for public purposes, even though a private owner may still own the land beneath it. In fact, an owner's title often extends to the center of the adjoining street, but the portion within the right-of-way is subject to the Borough's rights. This is why the zoning ordinance treats the "street line" as the right-of-way line, and why features like decks, fences, and parked vehicles are not permitted within it. Within a right-of-way, the Borough holds a public easement — the right to use, maintain, and control the land for the public. That lets the Borough open, grade, and repair streets, sidewalks, curbs, and drains, and allow water, sewer, gas, and electric utilities within it. Because these are authorized public uses, the owner generally cannot block or remove them. As the adjoining owner, you keep ownership of the land and may use the right-of-way area in any way that does not interfere with public use — but you may not obstruct it. You are responsible for keeping the sidewalk and curb in safe repair and clear of snow and ice, and you are primarily responsible if someone is injured on a defective sidewalk. If required repairs are not made, the Borough may, after written notice (generally at least 30 days), do the work and charge the cost back to you, which can become a lien on the property.

SHREWSBURY AREA CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB

The Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lions Club extends heartfelt thanks for your support. Your generosity, encouragement, and involvement made this year's Lions Parade a great success. Whether you volunteered, sponsored, joined the parade, or cheered from the sidelines, your contribution truly mattered. Special thanks go to our parade judges for sharing their time and expertise, and to Realty ONE Group for graciously hosting the Green Room, helping the event run smoothly and feel welcoming for all. We appreciate your kindness and look forward to celebrating together again next year. Keep an eye on our Lions Facebook Page for upcoming events like the Halloween Bash, Christmas Decorating Contest, and Storytime with Mrs. Claus.

COATS OF FRIENDSHIP

The coats benefit COATS OF FRIENDSHIP which was formed by Friendship Elementary School students approximately ten years ago to keep the unsheltered warm throughout the cold months. Gently used coats, gloves, mittens, scarves, and hats can be dropped off at the Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Building.

FIRST ENERGY LED STREETLIGHT PROGRAM

WHAT? FirstEnergy Pennsylvania (FE PA) Electric Company, locally known as Met-Ed, is upgrading all company-owned streetlights from non-LED to energy-efficient LED fixtures. This initiative follows approval by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PAPUC) of a new LED Conversion Charge, which took effect April 1, 2025, under FE PA's updated base rates.

WHY? Non-LED streetlight fixtures are no longer available because manufacturers have shifted production from sodium vapor, mercury vapor, and other traditional fixtures to LED fixtures. In response, FE PA has begun converting 85,000 company-owned, non-LED streetlights to LED streetlights throughout its service areas.

WHEN? FE PA began converting all company-owned, non-LED streetlights to LED streetlights in fall 2025 and deployment will continue through 2029.

HOW? FE PA streetlighting specialists, along with your Local Engagement Specialist, are collaborating with municipalities and homeowners or community associations that have company-owned, non-LED streetlights to develop LED agreements, create conversion plans, and establish implementation schedules.

BENEFITS: LED streetlights provide advantages over traditional lighting through:

- Greater energy efficiency
- Brighter illumination to improve public safety
- Lower streetlight bills and reduced maintenance costs*
- Sharper, downward directed light to minimize light pollution
- Better reliability minimizing streetlight outages

**Savings depend on LED replacement lamp wattage*

KEY TAKEAWAYS:

- All traditional, company-owned streetlights will be replaced with LED streetlights.
- Community-owned streetlights are not part of this program.
- Outdoor Area Lights (OALs) are not part of the PA PUC approved program.
- Any non-functioning/broken traditional company-owned streetlight will be replaced with manufacturer's recommended equivalent LED streetlight if there is an LED streetlight agreement in place. For example, a 200 or 250-watt high-pressure sodium streetlight would be replaced with a 130-watt LED streetlight.
- If an LED streetlight agreement is not in place, FE PA will replace the broken/non-functioning streetlight with traditional streetlights until inventory is exhausted.

STREETLIGHT REPAIRS — KEEPING SHREWSBURY SAFE THIS SEASON



As fall and winter bring shorter days and longer nights, our streetlights play a vital role in maintaining visibility, safety, and peace of mind throughout the Borough. If you notice a streetlight that's not illuminated or flashing, please report it to the Public Works Department.

Contact:

Email: bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org

Phone: 717-235-1427

Repairs are handled either by the Public Works Department or Met Ed, depending on the location. Please allow up to five days for the issue to be resolved.

Let's work together to keep our streets well lit and our community safe as the seasons change.

OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

Shrewsbury is sparkling—and we want you in the spotlight! This contest is now open to BOTH residents and local businesses based in Shrewsbury and the surrounding areas. Register your residence or business location by December 1, 2026, for a chance to win the title of **"Shrewsbury's Best – 2026"** and encourage your friends and clients to vote. All local judging will take place on the official Lions website. Bring your brightest holiday spirit, whether from your front door or storefront!

The entry deadline is December 1, 2026. After the deadline, all eligible entries will appear on a public map for festive viewing, and community voting will take place on the official Lions website.



ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING

The Annual Tree Lighting will take place on Sunday, December 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Festivities Include:

- A performance by the Susquehannock High School Jazz Band
- Hot Chocolate, cookies, and sweet treats provided by local Scouts
- Santa's arrival at 6:00 p.m. with candy canes for kids
- Story Time with the Shrewsbury Lions Club-Join us at 5:00 p.m. at Realty One Group Generations at 19 West Railroad Avenue.

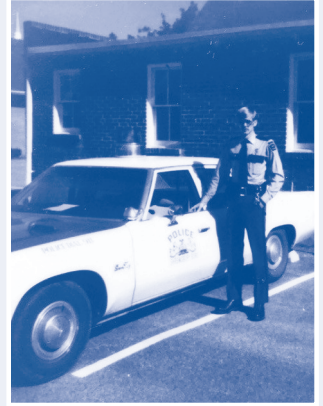


COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



James Boddington, *Southern Regional Police Chief*

Southern Regional Police Chief Jim Boddington was born in York County and graduated from York College with a degree in Criminal Justice. He began his law enforcement career on March 13, 1978, with the Shrewsbury Borough Police Department and received his Act 120 Training at the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in Hershey, Pennsylvania. In 1978, the Shrewsbury Borough Police Department had three officers, two police cars and the Borough's Population was less than 2500 people. He worked full time for the Shrewsbury Borough Police Department through 1992 when the regional department was formed.



Chief Boddington considers the Police Department's regionalization as one of the surrounding communities' greatest achievements that include regionalization of unified departments and expanding 24/7 coverage, improving information sharing, and strengthening community safety. Regional policing began with Shrewsbury and New Freedom in 1992 ultimately leading to policing Shrewsbury Borough, New Freedom Borough, Stewartstown Borough, Glen Rock Borough, Railroad Borough, Southern Schools and Southeastern School District and serving over 10,000 people.

Throughout his career, Chief Boddington has served numerous roles including Patrol Officer, Photographer, Firearms Instructor, Bike Officer, DARE Officer, Community Policing Officer, York County Drug Task Force, Lieutenant, and ultimately Chief of Police. He also simultaneously served as both Lieutenant and DARE Officer, showcasing his dedication to both leadership and youth outreach.

Chief Boddington has witnessed significant technological advancements since 1978. He recalls using typewriters and handwritten daily reports, which have now evolved into computers and printers installed in every police vehicle. Reporting crimes transitioned from the community reporting crimes from phone booths to modern cell phones, drastically improving communication.

Despite decades of change, his greatest satisfaction remains rooted in the people and the community. He believes policing is built on trust, respect, and fairness, all strengthened by meaningful community relationships. Chief Boddington has built up relationships throughout our communities. Chief is able to tell interesting stories with the ability to link the past with current and future policing.

Outside of his professional life, Chief Boddington is a Renaissance man. He enjoys an array of hobbies including hunting and fishing, motorcycles and tractors, firearms instruction, flying ultralights, scuba diving, and photography—ranging from aerial and wildlife to crime scene photography. Chief Boddington's eclectic interests and skills make him very interesting and a great leader with the ability to identify with all community members.

Chief Jim Boddington is set to retire on April 1, 2028, marking the culmination of an exceptional career dedicated to service, leadership, and community engagement. His commitment to regional cooperation, community trust and innovative policing has left a lasting impact on every municipality he has served.

DID YOU KNOW???

The Southern Regional Police Department represents three member municipalities (Shrewsbury Borough, New Freedom Borough, and Stewartstown Borough) while also providing police service to Glen Rock Borough, Railroad Borough, Southern York County School District, and Southeastern School District. SRPD is comprised of a Police Chief, (2) Sergeants, (11) Police Officers (2) are School Resource Officers, and (1) Office Staff Member. Shrewsbury Borough had their own police department until the communities regionalized in 1992 with New Freedom Borough. The Department serves over 10,000 people plus two school districts.

How Well Do You Know Shrewsbury Borough?

Think you're a Shrewsbury Borough history expert? Put your knowledge to the test with this month's **Shrewsbury Borough History Trivia!** See if you can answer all five questions below without looking them up:

- 1 At what address was the Farmer's Hotel established in the early 1800s?**
- 2 What was the name and location of the first bank in Shrewsbury?**
- 3 In what year was the original Shrewsbury Lions Club organized?**
- 4 On what date did the Village of Shrewsbury become incorporated as a Borough?**
- 5 When was the first commercial venture established in Shrewsbury?**

Whether you've lived here for decades or are new to our community, these questions offer a fun opportunity to learn more about the rich history of Shrewsbury Borough.

Take a moment to test your knowledge, discuss the answers with family and friends, and see how many you can get right!

The answers to all five trivia questions will be revealed in the next edition of the Shrewsbury Borough Newsletter. Until then, happy guessing—and enjoy discovering more about the fascinating history of our Borough!

SHREWSBURY VOTER UPDATE

Election Day: Tuesday, November 3, 2026 Polls Open: 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Location: Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Building 35 W. Railroad Ave, Shrewsbury, PA 17361

Important Deadlines

Task	Deadline
Voter Registration	Deadline is October 19th, U.S. Citizen, Pennsylvania Resident, and 18 years of age.
Mail-in/Absentee Ballot Application	Tuesday, October 27th
Ballot Return Deadline	Tuesday, November 3rd by 8 PM

Voting Options

- **In-Person Voting:** Head to your local polling place on Election Day
- **Mail-In Voting:** Application for Mail-In Voting Receive by Oct 27 at 5PM. Mail ballot must be received by 8PM November 3rd.
- **Absentee Voting:** Available for eligible voters away from home.

Apply online at: PA Voter Services

Preview your sample ballot at: York County Elections

Need Help?

York County Office of Elections & Voter Registration 28 E Market St, York, PA 17401 (717) 771-9604

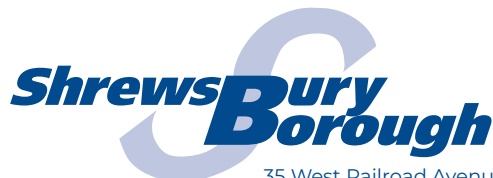
Mon–Fri, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Stay informed. Stay engaged. **Your vote shapes Shrewsbury.**

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

Subdivision and Land Development Business occurs when a property owner splits a parcel of land into two or more lots. Land Development Business refers to constructing buildings, roads, and utilities on a parcel. The following Shrewsbury Borough properties have been reviewed by Staff and in different stages of proposed change.

- **Shaub Development-** 16.865 Acres (Cloverdale Avenue)- Design/Review by Staff, Planning Commission, York County Planning Commission, and Borough Council
- **Timber Valley-** 11.5 Acres (Valley Road)- Design/Review
- **Gateway Logistics-** 21.0 Acres Warehouse (Mount Airy Road)- Small Portion in Shrewsbury Borough-Design/Review
- **Rutters (249 North Main Street)-** Liquor License Application denied by Borough Council on August 19th.



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FROM THE SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

Please join us for our annual Fall Fest on Saturday, October 3rd, from 10:00-4:00. There will be over 40 vendors, food trucks, bounce house, goat snuggling, beer garden and more!

Our annual Open House will be held on Friday, October 9th, from 6:00-8:30. Please join us and check out the fire station. We will have engine rides for kids of all ages! More information will be posted on our Facebook page.

NOVEMBER

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS--

Fall Back Sunday. November 1st at 2:00 a.m. clocks move back one hour. **THIS IS A GREAT TIME TO CHANGE THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS!!**

DECEMBER

We have heard Santa will be coming to ride with our volunteers to see who has been naughty or nice!!

Santa and the volunteers love cookies! Please check our Facebook page for more information.

Sunday, December 13th

Monday, December 14th

Tuesday, December 15th

Wednesday, December 16th will be a make up evening in case it is needed

On behalf of all our volunteers, we would like to thank our community for your support! We wish everyone a very MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH REMAINING MEETING DATES 2026 35 WEST RAILROAD AVE. SHREWSBURY, PA 17361

Borough Council Second Wednesday each Month 7PM
•Traffic Calming..... First Monday (As Needed) @ 7PM
•Zoning Hearing Board..... Second Thursday (As Needed) 7PM
•Wellhead Protection Third Thursday (As Needed) 7PM
•Planning Commission..... Fourth Monday (As Needed) 7PM
•Municipal Authority..... Fourth Wednesday (As Needed) 7PM

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OFFICE CLOSED

Thanksgiving Day Holiday (November 26th and 27th)

Christmas Eve (December 24th) - Office Closed at Noon • **Christmas** (December 25th)

New Years Eve (December 31st) - Office Closed at Noon • **New Years Day** (January 1st)

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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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