



Bridgeville Borough

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JULY—SEPT, 2021

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

**Hard to Recycle:
Electronic and
Chemical Collection
Event**, Saturday, August
7th, 9-1 at the Fire
Station, Registration
Required by calling 412-
567-6566

**Labor Day,
September 6th,**
Borough Offices closed,
and trash collection
postponed until
Saturday, 9/11/21

**Real Estate Tax
discount deadline is
August 31st**

Street Sweeping is
performed the third full
week of each month

**Did you know you
can safely dispose of
unused medications
for free** – collection
box in Police Station
Lobby

**Please do not put
your trash and
recycling cans out** for
pickup until 6PM on
Thursdays for Friday
Pickup

McLaughlin Run Park Reopens, Investments Being Made to Local Parks

Construction on the many improvements to McLaughlin Run Park have been completed. Improvements to the park, made possible with state grant funding, include an improved entrance, parking areas, paved access road and trail, two new picnic shelters, new skate park equipment, landscaping, and other site amenities such as a water fountain and flagpole. Borough Council recently authorized the rental of the two new picnic shelters. They are at a reduced rate of \$35 for residents as they currently do not have electric service like our other shelters.

McLaughlin Run Park has a basketball court, tennis / pickle



ball court, skate park, playground, volleyball court, restrooms, horseshoe court and three picnic shelters.

Coupled with the recently installed trash rack within the stream, the former baseball field has also been lowered to serve as a flood mitigation tool to

serve the community. Once the grass grows in completely later this year it shall serve as a passive all-purpose field.

Plans are now being advanced to significantly rehabilitate Chartiers Park. A project that will restore the sliding streambank along Chartiers Creek and install a new ADA-accessible playground by Shelter No. 1 is about to get started. This work should be completed by the end of the fall season. In early 2022, the park's roads and parking lots will be reconstructed and paved. It is the goal of the Borough's Parks and Recreation Committee to have the improvements to Chartiers Park completed by early next summer.

Fireworks and the Law

Which fireworks are Pennsylvania residents now allowed to purchase and use?
Consumers can now purchase and use "Class C" or "consumer-grade" fireworks that include firecrackers, Roman candles, bottle rockets, and similar fireworks that contain a maximum of 50 milligrams of explosive material. The expansion includes those fireworks that were previously only available to out-of-state residents. **NOTE: "M-80, M-100, Blockbusters, Cherry Bombs, quarter or half sticks" are illegal!!**

"Display fireworks," which are classified as including salutes that contain more than two

grains or 130 milligrams of explosive materials, and professional-grade aerial shells containing more than 60 grams of pyrotechnic compositions, are still only to be used by professionals with a permit from the Borough.

Who can purchase fireworks?
Anyone 18 years of age or older can purchase them.

What are the restrictions on where they can be used?

They cannot be discharged within 150 feet of an occupied structure, whether or not a person is actually present.

They cannot be ignited or discharged on a public or private property without express

permission of the property owner.

They cannot be discharged from or within a motor vehicle or building.

They cannot be discharged toward a motor vehicle or building.

They cannot be discharged while the person is under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance, or another drug.

Per Chief King, Officers responding to fireworks complaints will explain the law. Violations could result in a \$100 fine and confiscation of the fireworks. Minor violations with cooperation may be resolved with a warning.

What's Going on Around Town



New Flower Planters on
Washington Avenue

**Happy 120th Birthday
Bridgeville!**

Founded July 27, 1901

Learn More at:

www.BridgevilleHistory.org



Mayor Copeland and
Debbie Massetti celebrating
LaBella Bean's 20th Year
Of Business

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

Boro. Council 2nd Mon. 7p
Parking Auth. 3rd Mon, 7:30p
Planning Comm. 4th Mon,
7:30p

Have you seen what is new on the Avenue? Thanks to the efforts of Councilwoman BJ Schneider and the Bridgeville Lion's Club there are several large new flower baskets showcasing our central business district. We thank these volunteers for planting and maintaining them. It is our hope to add more and create a sponsorship program next spring.

Flood Mitigation projects continue to be advanced. Recently the Public Works crews removed large gravel dunes from the Chartiers Creek Back Channel. There have been several recent severe storms that have tested the new trash rack and lowered ballfield at McLaughlin Run Park. The improvements have worked as designed and appear to be mitigating these severe summer storms.

Other infrastructure improvements in town recently completed was the repaving of Ramsey Avenue, Church Street, Terrace Street, Calvert Street and the trail within McLaughlin Run Park. We thank those who were affected during the construction for their patience and cooperation.

The 30-year-old roof on the Borough Building was recently replaced. The \$70,000 project was completed by S&N Industries.

To improve pedestrian, bicycle and trail connectivity in town, the Borough was awarded a \$22,000 grant from the Active Allegheny Program to complete an Active Transportation Plan. Borough Council and Planning Commission have partnered with local firm, Traffic Planning & Design for this project. There will be a series of upcoming public meetings so that as a community we can improve mobility within Bridgeville together.

As stewards of your tax dollars every effort is being made to secure grants to help advance improvements within the Borough. Recently the Borough was awarded \$74,520 from the State to demolish blighted and condemned properties, \$23,000 to replace catch basins on Station Street and Darby Way, \$10,000 for improvements to the fitness trail at Chartiers Park and \$513,193 in American Rescue Plan funding that will improve storm sewer infrastructure.

Mayor Copeland and Council presented several proclamations

recently recognizing Dylan Chappel and Steven Gubinsky upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout and declared July 2nd as LaBella Bean Day in Bridgeville as they recently celebrated twenty years in business. Congratulations!

Bridgeville VFD is having Food Truck Thursdays, 4-8PM at the Fire Station. Each week is a different food vendor. The BVFD also continues their special tip-board raffles, please continue to visit their Facebook page (@BridgevilleVFD) and support this great cause.

Parking Authority has recently changed the hours metered parking is enforced. Meters now operate 10AM to 8PM, Monday-Saturday. They are offering free parking between 6-8PM in July for those who use the Park Mobile app with the code "dinnerinbridgeville." It is a one-time validated parking promotion using this app.

July 4th Decoration Contest winners were: 1) John Schneider, 2) Muraco Family, 3) Denise Sarnowski. Congratulations!

The Bridgeville Library has resumed Saturday hours being open 10AM to 4PM. The Summer Reading and Learning Program has started. There is weekly outdoor story time each Thursday at 11AM and a monthly book club for adults on the first Tuesday of the month.

Actions of the last Borough Council Meetings

April 12, 2021

The Council:

- *Adopted an updated Emergency Operations Plan for the community.
- *Authorized applying for grants to complete blight removal projects.
- *Created a policy to create a No Parking Fire Lane Zone on McMillen Street for Goodwill Villa.
- *Awarded the 2021 Road Paving Program to Youngblood Paving Co.
- *Authorized the Engineer to prepare plans and project specifications to make improvements to Chartiers Park that includes streambank repairs, a new playground and reconstruction of the park's roadway and parking lots.

***Awarded contract to S&N**

Industries to replace the Borough Building Roof.

May 10, 2021

The Council:

- *Authorized applying for a grant that would construct a fitness trail with exercise stations at Chartiers Park.
- *Awarded contract in the amount of \$157,125 to Osiris Enterprises to complete the Sanitary Sewer Backflow Valve Phase 4 Project. Work to be completed along McLaughlin Run and Bower Hill Roads.
- *Awarded contract in the amount of \$74,855 to Independent Enterprises to complete the Stormceptor Improvements Project.

June 14, 2021

The Council:

- *Held its first public meeting back in Council Chambers while also live streaming the meeting on Zoom and Conference Call.
- *Adopted an Ordinance that changes the hours door to door solicitation is permitted.
- *Adopted a Resolution that updates the fees to rent the new shelters at McLaughlin Run Park and for solicitation permits.
- *Adopted an updated Borough Sewage Facilities Plan for the Commercial Street Plan of Lots Subdivision.
- *Approved Change Orders to the McLaughlin Park Improvements Project
- *Approved a Change Order to the 2021 Road Program that will complete roadway base repairs and patching on Bower Hill Road.