



Bridgeville Borough

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STAY INFORMED ON COMMUNITY NEWS, EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Shovel Your Sidewalk!
Sidewalks are to be cleared of snow and ice within 12 hours of the end of a winter storm.

Bridgeville Park Shelter Rental Reservations open for the 2026 season to residents on **March 2**. To reserve please visit the Borough office.

Presidents Day, Feb. 16, Borough Building closed, **No Delay** in trash collection.

Good Friday & Easter Monday, April 3 and 6, Borough Building closed, **No Delay** in trash collection.

Sign up for Text Message Alerts: text "Bridgeville" to 313131 or visit our website.

Trash and Sewer Payments are accepted online. Visit our website, links provided at the top of the homepage. Service charges apply. Save time and money by signing up for recurring automatic electronic bank payments from your account. The form is available on the Trash and Recycling page of the website. You can also sign up for E-Bills and have them emailed to you. Give us a call at the office and we will be happy to add your email address to your account.



Help Us Celebrate Bridgeville's 125th Anniversary

The Bridgeville Community Association (BCA) is excited to begin planning a community-wide celebration honoring Bridgeville's 125th Anniversary! **This milestone event will take place July 18-26, 2026, and will feature activities and events designed to bring neighbors together and celebrate our rich history.**

To help make this celebration a success, we are reaching out to all Bridgeville residents for support. Contributions of any amount are greatly appreciated, and all donors will be recognized in the official event program. Your generosity will help ensure this anniversary is truly special for our entire community.

If you are interested in contributing, please mail your donation check to:
Bridgeville Community Association, 447 Washington Avenue, Bridgeville, PA 15017

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a meaningful impact. Together, we can create a memorable celebration that honors our past and strengthens our community bonds for the future.

As part of the anniversary festivities, the **Roaring Twenties Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, July 18, 2026**, at the Chartiers Room of the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department. Tickets will be available for purchase at the Bridgeville Borough Building.

Borough Council Adopts 2026 Budget with No Tax Increase

Borough Council has adopted the 2026 Budget, approving a balanced spending plan totaling \$7,533,058 across all Borough funds. The budget includes no increase in Real Estate Taxes, with the millage rate remaining at 10 mills on land and 6.5 mills on buildings. One mill represents \$1 in taxes for every \$1,000 of a property's assessed value.

The quarterly refuse collection fee has increased to \$83 due to increases in year 3 of 5 of the County Hauling contract. In addition, sewer rates are increasing to reflect a seven percent rate increase from ALCOSAN. Effective January 1, monthly sewer fees will increase from \$18.65 to \$19.48 per thousand gallons, along with an increase in the ALCOSAN service charge from \$8.35 to \$8.93 per month. The Borough's portion of the sewer rate remains unchanged at \$6.73 per thousand gallons. The General Fund, which supports essential Borough services, totals \$3,907,088.16 in the 2026 Budget.

Key projects and investments included in the 2026 Budget are:

- \$300,000 for road resurfacing, with plans to repave at least two larger streets
- Replacement and construction of a new picnic shelter at Chartiers Park
- Active Transportation improvements, including new sidewalks on Chartiers Street in partnership with PennDOT
- Purchase of a new Public Works dump truck equipped for snow removal
- Investments in the sanitary sewer system, including extensive pipelining, stormwater infiltration repairs, and contracted cleaning and inspection services
- Planning consultant services to develop a traffic improvement and revitalization strategy for the north end of Washington Avenue, from Bower Hill Road to the Collier Township border
- Continued increases in municipal support for the Bridgeville Public Library, Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company, and SouthBridge EMS

Many of these capital projects and improvements are supported by awarded grant funding. The 2026 budgets for other funds include \$2,361,488 for the Sanitary Sewer Fund, \$437,800 for the Capital Projects Fund, \$687,281 for the Garbage Fund, and \$139,400 for the Liquid Fuels Fund. The full 2026 Budget Report, along with a summary of 2025 projects and progress, is available at www.bridgevilleboro.com/budgets/.

Borough Receives Funding to Improve Field Lighting at Chartiers Park

With support from Senator Devlin Robinson, Representative Anita Kulik, the Bridgeville Athletic Association, and other community partners, Bridgeville received a \$150,000 Local Share Account grant to upgrade field lighting at both baseball fields in Chartiers Park. The project includes replacing outdated electrical components, removing deteriorated wooden poles, installing durable metal poles, and upgrading to energy-efficient LED lighting. These long-needed improvements will enhance safety and reliability while reducing maintenance and energy costs. Construction is expected to begin later in 2026.



EFFORTS TO MAKE BRIDGEVILLE A GREENER COMMUNITY

The Bridgeville Shade Tree Commission would like to thank the community volunteers who helped plant new street trees along Baldwin Street and within McLaughlin Run Park on November 1. The trees are located on Borough-owned properties along Baldwin Street and are positioned near the park meadow's educational signage and benches.

Planning is currently underway for this year's tree planting project, which will be discussed at the next Shade Tree Commission meeting. The Commission meets on the first Monday of February, May, August, and November at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Borough Building, the public is welcome to attend and participate.

Residents interested in learning how trees benefit the community or in gaining hands-on experience in tree planting and care are invited to attend a Tree Pittsburgh Tree Tender Course hosted by the Bridgeville Shade Tree Commission. The course will be held on Saturday, February 28, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Borough Building. Registration is required and limited to 25 participants. To register, please email Joe Kauer at jkauer@bridgevilleboro.com.

ZONING TIDBIT

If you are planning to construct a fence on your property, please be sure to consult with the Borough before starting work. A Zoning Permit is required for all fence installations. The permit process ensures that the fence's location, height, and gate width comply with Borough ordinances. In general, fences up to six feet in height are permitted in rear yards, while fences in front yards are limited to four feet in height. Additional restrictions and exceptions may apply for corner lots and properties located near intersections. The fence permit application is available online at bridgevilleboro.com/permits-and-applications/. The permit fee is \$20.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

In person and virtually on
www.zoom.us

Borough Council: 2nd Mon, 7p

Parking Authority: 3rd Mon, 7p

Planning Comm.: 4th Mon, 7p

What's Going on Around Town

The Bridgeville Historical Society's Monthly Speakers Program will be held on Sunday, January 25, at 1:30 PM in the BVFD Chartiers Room. The program, "Overlooked Threats: A History of Presidential Assassination Attempts," will be presented by Layla Ashbury.

Are you engaged and ready to get started planning the wedding of your dreams at a price you can afford? Be sure to stop by the award-winning Chartiers Room, 370 Commercial Street, on Sunday February 1st from 1p -5p for the Wedding Open House. Vendors will be on hand to showcase their goods and services. There is no charge for this event. For more details, please call Ray at 412-266-1043.

The Borough is pleased to welcome Matthew McDanel and Brayden Fedorek as new full-time police officers with the Bridgeville Police Department, which now consists of nine full-time officers. We also welcome Jeremy Haffenden, who has joined the Borough as a Laborer / Equipment Operator in the Public Works Department.

Three new Council members took office on January 5. Judge Desmet administered the oath of office to Joseph Colosimo, Nick Ciesielski, and Nino Petrocelli Sr. Council also held its reorganization meeting, during which

Justine Cimarolli was elected President and Nick Ciesielski was elected Vice President. Board appointments were made as follows: Jen Brilmeyer to the Shade Tree Commission; Paul Cengia, Karen Taylor, Zack Braley and Rick Ruffennach to the Civil Service Commission; Joseph Chabala to the Zoning Hearing Board; and Deb Colosimo as Vacancy Board Chair.

Construction of the new Chartiers Park Picnic Shelter is underway and remains on track for completion in early spring. The project includes a new 30' x 52' shelter with a concrete floor, utility connections, picnic tables, buffet tables, and trash receptacles.

Efforts continue to secure the funding needed to construct Phase 1 of the McLaughlin Run Flood Control Project. Recently, \$305,000 in state funding was secured to help offset the cost of replacing the Commercial Street culverts. Additional efforts are underway to reestablish lost FEMA funding, with hopes for progress early this year.

Do you need an additional recycling cart or a replacement? If you do, recycling carts can be purchased at the Borough Office for \$50. There is no limit on the amount of recyclables put out for biweekly collection.

The 2026 Biweekly Recycling and Garbage Collection Calendar is now

available for download and printing at bridgevilleboro.com/trash-recycling or stop by the Borough Office to obtain a copy. Pickup day remains on Fridays.

Community Events at the Bridgeville Library

- TweenTastic for ages 10-12, Tuesdays at 4:30 pm
- Teen Hangouts for ages 12-18, Thursdays at 5:00 pm
- Cooking with Eric workshop, 2/1, 5:45PM
- STEAM Club for kids in grades 1-5, Wednesday, 2/18 & 3/18 at 6:00 p.m.
- Local Author Talk with Mark Berton, Wednesday, 2/25 at 6:00 pm
- Basic Stitches: Book Nook Embroidery for Adults, Monday, 3/1-3/30 at 6:00-8:00 pm
- Knee Pain Workshop with Hess Physical Therapy, Wednesday, 3/11 at 6:00 pm
- Save the Date: Adult Battle of the Books Fundraiser Saturday, 5/30 6:00-9:00 pm Location: Dee Jay's BBQ Ribs and Grille Collier, More details on the library's website

Registration required for all programs. More information and to sign up for events, please visit the circulation desk at the library. Email us at friendsofbpl@aol.com

Actions of the last Borough Council Meetings

October 13, 2025

The Council & Mayor:

- Conducted a public hearing to consider and granted a conditional use permit to Mosebach Manufacturing Co., to operate a light manufacturing facility at 1124 McLaughlin Run Road.
- Conducted a public hearing to hear testimony regarding the upcoming renewal of the Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement
- Approved a lot consolidation plan of 501 and 511 Washington Avenue.
- Reappointed Turnley, Roberston & Associates to complete the 2025, 2026 and 2027 Borough Audits.
- Authorized the Manager to apply for a CDBG grant to make ADA accessibility improvements within the parks.

- Donated \$2,331 to both the Bridgeville Public Library and SouthBridge EMS from the proceeds generated by this year's Day on the Avenue event.

November 10, 2025

The Council & Mayor:

- Adopted a Zoning Ordinance Amendment that created the Downtown Zoning District for properties along Washington Avenue.
- Authorized the Manager to apply for a State LSA Grant to upgrade the field lighting at Chartiers Park.
- Accepted the resignation of Michael Meglen from the Public Works Department.
- Authorized hosting a Tree Tender course in 2026.

December 8, 2025

The Council & Mayor:

- Recognized outgoing Councilman

William Henderson's 22 years of service, Councilman Bruce Ghelarducci's 22 years of service and Councilman Joseph Verduci's 10 years of service.

- Adopted 2026 Budget, tax rates remained the same, sewer rate passed along the ALCOSAN fee increase as the Borough's portion remained unchanged and garbage fees increased \$5 per quarter to \$83 / quarter.
- Hired Matthew McDanel and Brayden Fedorek as full-time police officers.
- Approved a minor subdivision of a vacant lot at the corner of May Avenue and Crestvue Drive.
- Purchased a new dump truck.
- Authorized PENNDOT to construct new sidewalks on the south side of Chartiers Street that will connect Bank Street to Chartiers Park.