



WINTER 2019 BOROUGH INFORMER

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HATFIELD BOROUGH Citizen of the Year for 2018,

Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf

WHEREAS, Stewart J. Greenleaf was first elected to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives in 1976. He continued his political service in the Senate and has represented Pennsylvania's 12th Senate District for 40 years, since 1978. He also served as an Upper Moreland Township Commissioner, as an Assistant District Attorney, Chief of the Appeals Division for the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office, and as an Assistant Public Defender in Bucks County; and

WHEREAS, Senator Greenleaf has passed more legislation than any other member of Pennsylvania's 253-member General Assembly. He has been the prime sponsor of over 160 bills signed into law, and the driving force of many other measures that didn't carry his name. In addition to his interest in criminal justice and judicial law issues, Greenleaf has sponsored numerous consumer protection initiatives relating to telemarketing controls, octane level testing, the travel industry and the expansion of the Lemon Law to leased vehicles; and

WHEREAS, over his career, Senator Greenleaf has been awarded several honors. Some of them include the 2002 Clean Water Fund Leadership Award, the Pennsylvania Legal Services Ambassador for Justice Award, the Montgomery County Bar Association Outstanding Service Award, the Vince Fitzpatrick Humanitarian Award, the Fraternal Order of Police Award, the Matty Muir Award from the Victim Services Center of Montgomery County, and the Conservation Legislator of the Year Award by the Pennsylvania Wildlife Federation. He was selected Man of The Year by the Willow Grove Chamber of Commerce and the Ukrainian Educational and Cultural Center. He has also received the B'nai B'rith Humanitarian Award, the North Penn Korean Association Community Award, the Boy Scouts of America Community Service Award has most recently been presented with the William E. Zeiter Award from the Statutory Law Committee of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute for his efforts to update and consolidate Pennsylvania's statutory law.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatfield, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, take great pride in recognizing Stewart J. Greenleaf for his contributions that have shaped our Commonwealth's history, cultivated tradition, and created an excellence in community life. It is with great pleasure that the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatfield recognize The Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf as Citizen of the Year 2018.

TAKEN UNDER OUR HANDS this 21st day of November 2018.



Borough Council, Staff & Mayor

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX UPDATE

2019 BOROUGH PROJECTS

Hatfield Borough Council is proud to announce the new Municipal Complex is on target for completion in the summer of 2019. The East School Street Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project will be completed in the spring of 2019. Final trench restoration will be completed and any outstanding items on the final punch list will be resolved. Hatfield Borough has been awarded a DVRPC (Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission) Bridge Retro Grant to replace the East Lincoln Avenue Bridge. Planning and permitting will take place in 2019 with construction anticipated in early 2020. The Borough has budgeted for several projects in 2019 including road resurfacing, electric meter upgrades and improvements to the sanitary & storm water systems.

GREAT NEWS FOR BOROUGH RESIDENTS!

THE 2019 BUDGET IS COMPLETE AND WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT THERE WILL BE NO TAX INCREASE, NO ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE & NO SEWER RATE INCREASE WITH NO REDUCTION IN SERVICES!

Looking forward to 2019:

- . Half a million dollar Borough Electric Meter System Update
- . Over \$150,000 in Road Improvement Projects
- . Completion of the new Municipal Complex
- . New Public Works Dump Truck
- . Replacement of the East Lincoln Avenue Bridge
- . Updates to Liberty Bell Trail... and more!



STAFF UPDATE

HATFIELD BOROUGH IS NOW ACCEPTING DEBIT and CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS FOR UTILITY BILLS and REAL ESTATE TAX PAYMENTS! You will also have the option of paying with e-check online. Please take advantage of e-billing for your Borough utility bills. Sign up at the Borough office, call 215-855-0781 extensions # 100 or email utilitybilling@hatfieldborough.com.



Important Information

Hatfield Aquatic Center 2019 Prices

If you are a non-resident of Hatfield or have additional questions, please call the HAC at 215-362-2685 or Hatfield Township at 215-855-0900

Daily Admission Fees for 2019

Weekday (Monday-Friday)

| Pass Type | 1:00pm | @ 5:00 p.m. (Twilight) |
|--------------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Regular (ages 5 to 59) | \$15 | \$7 |
| Junior/Senior (ages 1-4 & 60+) | \$10 | \$5 |

Weekend & Holidays (Saturday-Sunday)

| Pass Type | 1:00pm | @ 5:00 p.m. (Twilight) |
|--------------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Regular (ages 5 to 59) | \$25 | \$15 |
| Junior/Senior (ages 1-4 & 60+) | \$10 | \$5 |

Season Pass Pricing for 2019

10% discount applied at time of registration through Friday, March 8th at 12:00pm. On Friday, March 8th at 12:01pm the prices will increase.

| RESIDENTS Season Pass | Resident Season Pass Fee | Resident 10% Discount Price |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Jr/Sr. (1-4 & 60+) | \$81 | \$73 |
| Individual | \$113 | \$102 |
| 2 Member Family | \$227 | \$204 |
| 3 Member Family | \$340 | \$306 |
| 4 Member Family | \$395 | \$355 |
| 5 Member Family | \$443 | \$399 |
| 6 Member Family | \$498 | \$448 |
| 7 Member Family | \$508 | \$457 |
| 8 Member Family | \$519 | \$467 |
| 9 Member Family | \$530 | \$477 |
| 10 Member Family | \$540 | \$486 |
| Twilight Season (Individual) Pass - After 5pm | \$65 | \$59 |
| Babysitter Rate | \$113 | \$102 |

Electric Payment Reminder ALL ELECTRIC PAYMENTS ARE DUE MONTHLY BY THE 15th.

Should the 15th fall on a weekend day, ALL payments must be put in the door mail slot located at the Borough Office (37 N. MARKET ST.) by 8am Monday morning to be considered on time.

Payments may be dropped off during regular business hours or put in the door mail slot during off hours. Payments sent by mail adhere to the same guidelines as listed above. A postmark is not considered as "payment received".

Please note that ALL electric and sewer payments must be presented with your payment stubs in order to ensure your account is properly credited. Failure to comply may result in improper application of payment.

Please do not put cash in the overnight box.

Borough of Hatfield Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00am-4:30pm.

Earth Day Recycling Event

Saturday, April 13, 2019

8:00am - 12:00pm

Township and Borough residents will be able to recycle hazardous household materials, appliances, shred personal documents, recycle old tires and volunteer their time to clean up the community. This event is free to Township and Borough residents and is not for commercial use. Volunteers can assist with community service projects that include cleaning up stream banks and trash removal at parks throughout the Township.

LOCATION 1

Hatfield Township Public Works Complex
2590 Unionville Pike, Hatfield, PA 19440

- Yard waste & cardboard
- Tree Branches (**LIMIT 1 LOAD**)
- Tires (**LIMIT 4**)
- Air Conditioners, Refrigerators, Small appliances, Car/ Truck Batteries, Metal Pots and Pans, Paper Shredding

LOCATION 2

Republic Environmental Systems /Stercycle
2869 Sandstone Drive, Hatfield, PA 19440

- Electronics (i.e. Computers, Monitors, TV's, etc)
- Batteries
- Almost all household hazardous materials **except: explosives, biological / medical waste and radioactive material**

For more information call 215-855-0900



Public Power

This page is from “The Amplifier” November 2018. For more information on how Public Power works for you, check out <https://www.amppartners.org/>.

An infographic titled "THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC POWER" centered around a lightbulb with the AMP logo. The infographic is divided into four quadrants, each with an icon and text describing a benefit of public power. The word "POWER" is written vertically on the left side.

THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC POWER

Transparency
Public power utilities are subject to public records rules and decisions are subject to input from the general public.

Local Ownership
Public power utilities are community owned, meaning they mirror local traditions and values.

Economic Development
Public power utilities are localized, therefore economic benefits translate directly to the local community.

Reliability
Public power utilities are more reliable when it comes to outage rate and recovery time.

Municipally-owned electric utilities have been an important part of America for more than 135 years. Since 1880, thousands of public power utilities of all sizes have formed and thrived across the country. With the intention of supplying their communities with electric services, public power utilities have a long tradition of providing reliable, high-quality service to their communities.

Public power utilities are owned by their respective communities and are operated as not-for-profit entities. Electricity is not the only value public power systems provide to their communities, they also provide a long-term source of economic development, extremely reliable service and increased accountability, just to name a few of the benefits.

American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) is a nonprofit corporation that owns and operates electric facilities with the purpose of providing generation, transmission and distribution of electric power and energy to its members.

By coordinating, negotiating and developing power-supply options and interconnection agreements, AMP is able to purchase wholesale electric power and energy and sell it to members at rates based on the cost and dispatch fees. The organization also develops alternate power resources to best meet members' short- and long-term needs. Operating an energy control center 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, AMP is always on demand to serve its member communities. AMP provides a wide range of other services on a cooperative, nonprofit basis for the mutual benefit of all member communities. Learn more about AMP: <https://www.amppartners.org/about> (Article excerpt from AMP website)



Stormwater



Diagram courtesy of www.manassascity.org/DocumentCenter/View/22744

Does this fish look familiar? He should. His image appears on storm drains in your neighborhood. He wants you to know that your creeks and rivers ~his home~ are being contaminated by pollution from our streets, sidewalks, parks, and yards. Rain and melting snow collects pollutants from these surfaces and washes them into storm drains. Many storm drains empty directly into our local waterways.

You can help protect his home & your drinking water supply by doing the following:

- Service your car regularly to prevent oils and other fluids from leaking onto the pavement so they don't wash into the storm drains. Recycle motor oil and antifreeze at local service stations.
- Choose water-based paints and wash brushes in your sink with water. Reuse and recycle paint thinner, which is a hazardous material. Do not pour it down your drain or into a storm drain.
- Bag or compost leaves and other yard waste. Don't allow leaves to collect in the street. Besides being a driving hazard, wet leaves clog storm drains causing local street flooding.
- Minimize the use of toxic substances such as mothballs, drain and oven cleaners, insect sprays & many other products. Substitute with products that use natural ingredients whenever possible.
- Put dog wastes in a trash can or toilet, not in the street or down a storm drain. Dog waste introduces disease-causing bacteria into our water supply.
- Keep litter off the street. Put trash in trash cans and clean up litter so it doesn't wash into storm drains and end up in our streams and rivers.



These simple actions can help improve the quality of our streams, creeks, and rivers, benefiting both human and animal life. So please do your part in keeping our waterways healthy and safe.



Important Information & Dates

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS

PLANNING COMMISSION- 7:00 pm

March 4th
April 1st & 29th
June 3rd
July 8th
August 5th & 26th
September 30th
November 4th
December 2nd

REGULAR MEETING & WORKSHOP- 7:30pm

March 6th & 20th
April 2nd & 17th
May 1st & 15th
June 12th
July 17th
August 21st
September 4th & 18th
October 2nd & 16th
November 6th & 20th
December 4th & 18th

All meetings are held at the Hatfield Volunteer Firehouse until further notice, 75 N. Market St.

All are welcome to attend!

UTILITIES

Electric-
Hatfield Borough
215-855-0781 option 4

Sewer-
Hatfield Borough
215-855-0781 option 4

Gas-
PECO Energy
1-800-494-4000

Water-
N. P. Water Authority
215-855-3617

HATFIELD ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

(HERC) 8:00am

If you are a Borough Business Owner or a Borough Business Employee and are interested in joining the HERC Committee, please contact Lindsay at lhellmann@hatfieldborough.com Or 215-855-0781 option 9.

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| March 27th | April 24th |
| May 22nd | June 26th |
| July 24th | August 28th |
| September 25th | October 23rd |
| November 28th | December 18th |

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HATFIELD BOROUGH OFFICE CONTACTS

Phone- 215-855-0781
Fax- 215-855-2075

Options:

- 1- Borough Manager
- 2- Public Works Director
- 3- Zoning Officer
- 4- Utilities Coordinator
- 5- Assistant Secretary/
Human Resources
- 6- Treasurer
- 7- Tax Collector
- 8- Fire Marshall
- 9- Public Information
Coordinator
- 0- Operator

2019 EVENT DATES

BOROUGH ROLL & STROLL

MAY 13th- 5-8pm

FOUNDER'S DAY

JUNE 17th- 5-8pm



SEPTEMBER 28th-

3-7pm



DECEMBER 7th- 6:30pm

If you would like to volunteer at these events please email lhellmann@hatfieldborough.com



Hatfield Borough Office

37 n. Market St,
PO Box 190
Hatfield PA 19440

Tax Collector's Corner- "From the desk of Nancy DeFinis"

Happy New Year! Thank you for another wonderful year. Good news, we have NO tax increase for the Borough or County in 2019. Please watch your mail for your tax bill to arrive in late February. If you do not receive one please contact me by mid-March. For your convenience you may pay your real estate taxes by credit card on MuniPay or in the Borough Office. To pay online go to www.hatfieldborough.com. Look for the "payments" option on the top of the home page. Click on the link to be directed to the MuniPay website.

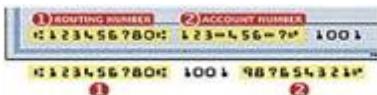


Hatfield Borough also offers the convenience of accepting MasterCard, Discover, American Express and Visa credit cards. There is a convenience fee of \$3.00 for bills less than \$113.00. Bills over \$113.01 will have a fee of 2.65% attached to their total. Stop by my office on tax collection days printed on your bill or schedule an appointment. Additionally, you have the flexibility to go online to use your MasterCard, Discover Card, American Express or Visa.



Electronic Check Payments

Hatfield Borough now accepts electronic check payments using our online payment service. Payments will be charged to your checking or savings account at your bank. You will need your 9-digit routing number, as well as your account number from your personal checks (see example below). A per transaction service fee of \$1.50 will be charged by the payment processing company for this service.



I can be reached by email ndefinis@hatfieldborough.com or by telephone at 215-855-0781 x 7. Leave me a detailed message with your name and phone number and I will get back to you as soon as I'm able. As always, thank you for allowing me to be your tax collector in our town that we love.

Nancy DeFinis, Tax Collector