

Borough of Yeadon

NEWSLETTER

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The Power to Stop COVID-19 is in Your (Clean) Hands

Pandemic Guidelines

We need your help to slow the spread of the coronavirus known as COVID-19. Here are some guidelines suggested by the CDC and Governor Wolf to follow:

WEAR A MASK! Whenever you leave your home, at work, shopping for essentials, or visiting a friend in need PLEASE make sure you wear a mask.

PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING - Restrictions for dining at restaurants, public and private events are constantly changing. However, keep in mind to keep your distance of 6 feet if you participate in social outings, events and

gatherings. *Remember, there are other ways to meet, such as through Zoom or video phone chat apps.

WASH YOUR HANDS/SANITIZE - Try to avoid using commonly touched areas/objects or use a glove or napkin when doing so. Also, when using such objects or areas make sure to wash your hands or use hand sanitizer (containing at least 60% alcohol) afterwards.

Another guideline given is not feasible for everyone, but when possible one should work remotely

Recently, the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) approved the first COVID-19 vaccine under the Emergency Use

REMEMBER WDW

Wear a mask
Distance yourself 6 feet from others
Wash your hands

Authorization (EUA). Due to limited supplies, only healthcare personnel and residents of long-term care facilities will be given the vaccination initially. Keep in mind, even though there is an

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From the Council President

Finding Light in a Challenging Year

Dear Neighbors,

We are quickly approaching the end of what seems like the longest year ever. In this year marked by sickness, separation from our loved ones, and social challenges unlike any we've faced, we've done what we can to keep



LaToya Monroe

our lives and families as close to normal as possible. We've donned masks and homeschooled children to the best of our ability. We've relied on technology like Zoom to experience parties, meetings, and even, sadly enough, funerals.

Yet in this hardest of years that many of us can remember, we've watched heroes emerge. First responders, nurses and doctors, teachers, grocery store clerks, and public works staff all risked everything so that we could be safe. Although social distancing may keep us physically apart, the actions of our neighbors - helping each other - is the greatest evidence of how much we have grown closer as a community.

Working with the mayor and my colleagues on council to keep our borough safe has been the honor of my life. Through collaborations with agencies such as the William Penn School District and The Nile Swim Club, we have worked to ensure that basic needs are met by providing food to those struggling. We brought in the Black Doctors Consortium to provide much-needed COVID-19 testing to our community, and even secured the first health center location in Delaware County right here in Yeadon. We haven't missed a trash day or curtailed our services. Because of our hard work managing the borough's resources, we are not raising taxes, again!

As this year comes to a close, know that I am grateful for all of you and the opportunity to serve. Wash your hands, wear your masks, stay safe and be well.

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Code Department 610-284-3110 Rufus Stokes, Director rstokes@yeadonborough.com

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Recreation Department 610-284-1606 ext. 149 Roy Hunter, Director

recreation@yeadonborough.com Community, Youth & Programs

Events 610-284-1606 ext. 117 Hall Rentals, Block and Park Parties

Tax Collector 610-622-6379

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Magisterial District Court 32-2-47 610-259-8848 The Honorable W. Keith Williams, II

60 West Marshall Road, Lansdowne, PA 19050 Small claims (up to \$12,000)

Felony, misdemeanor, preliminary hearings traffic violations



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Fax: 610-284-2138

Upcoming Events, Closing, and Announcements



Official Closing

The Borough will be closed February 15th in observance of the holiday.

Notices

Illegal dumping at the gateway area where Yeadon and Philadelphia connect should be reported to the Borough and/or the Philadelphia Streets Department. The Philadelphia Streets Department can be reached at (215) 686-5560.

If you, a family member, or even your pet is receiving cancer treatments, please be sure to separate any trash containing body fluids of any kind from the rest of the household trash, and hold it outdoors in a separate can for several days before putting it out for pickup. This includes medications, diapers, pet waste, such as kitty litter, and any other items containing body fluids. These items result in the trash being categorized as a hot load and may result in trash collection delays and thousands of dollars in fines.

Announcements

Jillian Theorgood was appointed as the Deputy Tax Collector for the Borough.

Please report any occurrence of missed trash to the Borough immediately. The trash hauler must abide by its contract with the Borough. In order to ensure compliance, the Borough needs timely notification of any violations.

The Borough received four awards from the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) for the 7,501-plus population category for the following: first place recognition for the newsletter in the PSAB 2020 Borough News Municipal Newsletter Contest, second place recognition for the website in the PSAB 2020 Borough News Municipal Website Contest, and under the PSAB 2020 Borough News Municipal Special Recognition category the Borough received second place recognition for the 2020 Borough Calendar and 2020 Honoree for 2020 Social Media. In addition, Councilor Jones-Waters received a Certificate of Achievement from PSAB; please refer to page six for more details.

Staff Milestone Anniversaries							
DEPARTMENT	NAME	YEARS OF SERVICE					
Library	Janelle Schretzenmaier	20					
Library	Shlonda Mc Crae	5					
Library	Tiffany Simmons	5					
Public Works	Keith Bowler	20					
Police Department	Officer Ronald Kent	15					
Police Department	Nicholas Tokonitz	5					
Police Department	Robert Wellbrock	5					
Police Department	Crossing Guard Sammie Stinson	5 (in 2019)					

Borough Meetings

In accordance with the Phased Reopening Plan and Targeted Mitigation Order by Governor Wolf, all meetings will be held via teleconferencing. Please check the Borough website and social media for more information to join meetings.

BOROUGH COUNCIL CAUCUS MEETING

Second Thursday of each month 7:00 p.m., Zoom teleconferencing

BOROUGH COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Third Thursday of each month 7:00 p.m., Zoom teleconferencing

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Last Saturday of each month

9:30 a.m., Zoom teleconferencing

Please note: All meetings are subject to change. Check yeadonborough.org for updates.



Residents are encouraged to register for the Delco Alert notification system which alerts residents of updates and emergencies. Register at delcopa.gov/delcoalert/delcoalert.html

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From the Mayor's Desk

Looking Forward to the New Year

Dear Fellow Yeadonites,

I am sure that we all agree that 2020 has been one of the most trying years perhaps in our lifetimes. We have experienced a once in a century pandemic; we saw an unprecedented economic downturn; we witnessed a nationwide civil unrest; and we closed out the year with a monumental election - which is still being disputed as we speak. From mask wearing and social distancing to acknowledging election results, it seems that everything is under attack or in radical dispute.

Many families have reached out to me for help and guidance as the ability to raise and educate our children, has never become more difficult. Our stress and coping levels have certainly been challenged during this year of pandemic. And I can say that, "I hear you."

On the local level, we have done all that we can to mitigate the challenges. We had the Black Doctors



Consortium administer COVID-19 testing. We kept the Borough safe by complying to all the Governor's regulations. We also embarked on a series of food distributions for families in need, and provided guidance and assistance for impacted businesses and families via updated information posted on our borough website at yeadonborough.org.

So, what can we do in the midst of this uncertainty? Well, we are all

happy to turn the page in looking forward to 2021. This New Year seems more promising with a new vaccine in the offing. Many are still skeptical, but I would encourage residents to take the vaccine as it becomes available. And as we look forward to the New Year, we also hold out hope that a new administration in Washington D.C. will provide a shot in the arm with a different approach in leadership. We need a breath of fresh air, and I am sure we're all looking forward to this upcoming change as well.

I believe that this pandemic - though difficult and challenging - has brought us all closer together in many tangible ways. I witnessed neighbors all the more looking out for other neighbors. We've become each other's confidantes as never before. I've witnessed a higher level of caring and community engagement, the pandemic notwithstanding. It appears to have drawn us closer together. And it has served

to usher in a new hope that will be needed to pull us through into a better tomorrow.

I'm praying that as the new year dawns, as the hope of tomorrow springs eternal, and as 2020 finally turns into 2021, that we continue in the disciplined ways that we have learned such as how to live and cope with social distancing...until we experience our impending rescue. The cavalry I believe, is just around the corner for the dawn of a better tomorrow.

As your Mayor, I appreciate your patience, compliance and responsible engagement in response to these crises. Let us continue to be positive as we usher in a new year of hope, of grace, of love and of peace!!

Love you and wishing you all of God's richest blessings in this New Year...

Yours truly, Mayor Rohan Hepkins

Borough Council Meeting Attendance - 2020									
MEETING DATE	Mayor Rohan Hepkins	President LaToya Monroe	Vice President Ronald Francis	Councilor Clara Johnson	Councilor Rafi Cave	Councilor Dolores McCabe	Councilor Taliah Jones-Waters	Councilor Liana Roadcloud	
January 6*	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
January 16	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
February 13	PRESENT	VIA TELEPHONE	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
February 20	VIA TELEPHONE	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
March 13**	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSENT	LATE	
March 19	TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	BRIEF TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
April 1**	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
April 16	PRESENT	PRESENT	TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
May 21	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	BRIEF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
June 18	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
July 16	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	BRIEF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
August 20	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	BRIEF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS	PRESENT	TECHNICAL PROBLEMS	PRESENT	PRESENT	
August 28**	PRESENT	PRESENT	BRIEF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS	BRIEF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS	PRESENT	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT	
September 10	PRESENT	PRESENT	TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	PRESENT	TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	PRESENT	PRESENT	
September 17	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
October 8	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
October 15	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
October 23**	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	BRIEF TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	BRIEF TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES	PRESENT	PRESENT	
November 12	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
November 19	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	LATE	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
December 10	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
December 17	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	LATE	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	
December 23**	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	

^{*} Reorganization Meeting

From the Chief of Police

Faith

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Hebrews 11:1 (ESV).

Faith. A powerful word. Probably not something you ever imagined a Chief of Police talking about as he sits and writes a newsletter article about the year 2020 as it comes to a close. Yet faith drives me because senseless killings, violence, hatred, and the unraveling of who we are has taken its toll on all of us. I would bet that like me you may have lost hope a few times during the year. However, whenever I felt like giving up or felt there was no reason to continue, my faith always fueled my hope for a brighter and better day for all of us. So, while 2020 may be one of those years we might all want to forget, please con-

sider the words of Martin Luther King Jr., "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?" Then, smile and think about the hope burning brightly in this community and look at what WE did as a family through faith to keep that hope and humanity alive here in Yeadon.

COVID-19 hit us hard, but we came together to help those who could not get out to get necessities. We held food drives, giveaways, eased parking restrictions, held free COVID-19 testing sites, and prayed together. We learned to cope, we learned to lean on each other, and we learned that we could do more than we realized (even when we couldn't leave our homes). We didn't like it - but we adapted.

We cared for one another, and that revealed the dynamics and beauty of who we are as a community. I long for the day we can see our faces again and see the expressions that make us human. Seeing each other's faces is something lost to this pandemic, but not lost in the acts of kindness that we all witnessed throughout this community, which helped us see the expressions and emotions that we all miss behind the masks that we wear for protection.

We came together as we witnessed the brutality of the murder of George Floyd and walked/marched

These photos show the faith, hope, and love in this community that I will never take for granted.

HAVE A TIP? CONTACT US!

Tip Line: 610-259-1228
E-mail: tips@yeadonpd.org
Phone: 610-623-1500
Fax: 610-623-3146



together with a unified voice for justice and tolerance making it clear that Black Lives Matter. We were different, we were real, we talked, we didn't fight, we realized that we do need each other, and together we

are incredible. I am forever grateful, and I know I speak for all the officers of the Yeadon Police Department (YPD) in stating that your support for the YPD has made a difference that words cannot come close to expressing.

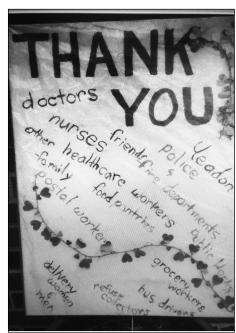
I've added photos from 2020 to this article. The photos speak volumes better than anything I could ever write. The photos show the faith, hope, and love in this community that I will never take for granted. Thank you for keeping hope alive in this chaotic world and thanks for believing in the YPD.

May God bless every one of us and keep us safe. My family and I, and the entire YPD, wish you and yours a wonderful, blessed, safe holiday season, and a safe, prosperous, and healthy 2021.

Stay safe and always remember to look out for one another.

Anthony R. Paparo Chief of Police





From the Fire Department

Smoke Alarms at Home

SMOKE ALARMS ARE A KEY PART of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.

SAFETY TIPS

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom. They should also be outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Install alarms in the basement.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- It is best to use interconnected smoke alarms.
 When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month.

 Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- Current alarms on the market employ different types of technology including multi-sensing, which could include smoke and carbon monoxide combined.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions, yet mitigate false alarms.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall. Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

FACTS

- (1) A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- (1) Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level. Smoke alarms should be connected so when one sounds, they all sound. Most homes do not have this level of protection.
- Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.





NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

Delaware County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Events

Think Globally, Act Locally!

If improperly discarded, household products containing toxic chemicals can be a threat to people, pets and the environment. Never dispose of hazardous materials in the trash as they may harm your sanitation workers or result in a collection vehicle fire. It is also unsafe to pour HHW down a sink or storm drain as it will end up polluting our drinking water.

This program is offered as a community service to the residents of Delaware County and is not open to businesses, institutions or industry.

On the event dates listed below, Only HHW will be accepted. Electronics will NOT be accepted. Registration is required for all events at delcohhwevents.eventbrite.com

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- Flammables
- Oil-based Paint
- Asphalt Sealers
- Paint Thinner
- Gasoline
- Kerosene
- Gas / Oil Mixture
- Aerosols
- Batteries (Non-Alkaline)

2021 HHW Collection Events

Saturday, April 24

Emergency Services Training Center, 1600 Calcon Hook Rd., Sharon Hill (Darby Twp.) 19079

Saturday, June 19

Delaware County Community College, 901 Media Line Road Media PA 19063

Emergency Services Training Center, 1600 Calcon Hook Rd., Sharon Hill (Darby Twp.) 19079

Saturday, October 16

Road., Upper Chichester, PA 19061

- Lead Acid
- Lithium
- Pool Chemicals
- Rust / Paint Remover
- Weed Killers
- Pesticides
- Chemical Fertilizer
- Caustics
- Cleaners / Solvents
- Mercury Containing Devices
- Mercury Thermostats

- Mercury Thermometers
- Fluorescent Tubes

(Compact Fluorescents a/k/a CFL's may also be recycled at any Lowe's or Home Depot)

UNACCEPTBLE ITEMS:

- Electronics
- Smoke Detectors
- Latex Paint
- Asbestos
- Explosives
- Gas or Propane Cylinders
- PCBs
- 50-Gallon Drums
- Pressurized CFCs
- Tires
- Medical Waste
- Alkaline Batteries

Please dispose alkaline batteries and smoke detectors with household trash.

Latex Paint: Remove lid and allow to dry or mix with absorbent material until no longer a liquid. Discard lids separately and place with your curbside trash.

Saturday, Sepember. 18

Upper Chichester Township Municipal Bdg, 8500 Furey

- Rechargeable
- Button Batteries

- Antifreeze

Yeadon Public Library Remains Open for Curbside Pickup and Online Programs

Check Us Out! (Pun Intended)

We hope that everyone is doing well and staying safe. 2020 has been a challenging year for all of us and while the Yeadon Public Library remains closed to the public due to COVID-19, we ARE open for curbside pickup of library materials and for fax and photocopy services. Also, we are offering a variety of virtual programs and access to a variety of online resources.

Our hours for curbside pickup of materials are

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.

We are excited to announce partnerships with the Delaware County Office of Services for the Aging (COSA) and Friendship Circle Senior Center. This will allow us to offer a variety of programs for the seniors in our community. In addition, we are giving out meal packs for



children and youth on Tuesdays from 2:30 - 5:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Archdiocese of

Miss Rae will be offering a variety of programs for children and youth including: Story Time; Baby Yoga; Seasonal Arts & Crafts; Virtual After School; Girls Who Code; Rubik's Cube Challenge; and Science Experiments, just to name a few.

For more information about the services and programs of the Yeadon Public Library or to request materials, please call us at (610) 623-4090, visit our website **yeadonlibrary.org** or email us at yeadon@delcolibraries.org

If you need to register for a library card, visit www.delcolibraries.org or email support@ delcolibraries.org.

Since joining the Yeadon Public Library as Executive Director, meeting Yeadon residents is the highlight of my position. I welcome you to reach out with questions, concerns or comments. I can be reached via email at

librarydirector@yeadonborough.com or by telephone at (610) 623-4090.

As we close out 2020, stay well and hopeful. Please know that your Library is here with resources to help you get through these challenging times and we will all get through this together. We wish you a wonderful holiday season!

Clay Payne **Library Director**

Pandemic Guidelines

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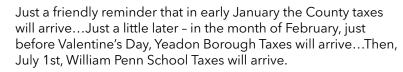
approved vaccine being distributed, that does not mean the COVID-19 pandemic will go away. However, it is a sign that things will get better and hopefully things will return to normal.

I cannot express enough how important it is to follow the safety guidelines that are set in place. Continue to wear masks, continue to practice social distancing, continue to wash your hands, continue to be optimistic and continue to be hopeful. These orders and guidelines are everchanging so please check the Borough website, government sites, and reliable news sources for the most up-to-date information.

> **Danielle Stevens NJN & Associates, LLC** Office Coordinator

YTC Corner

Greetings and Reminders



January 31st marks the deadline for when all employers must send W-2's to their employees. Employed residents should have forms prepared for the 1% Earned Income Tax to be mailed to Keystone Collection.

Happy New Year!

Julianne James, Yeadon Tax Collector





Yeadon's Emergency Management Department

Health Department for Delaware County

County Council Approves Yeadon Site for Health Facility

During the pandemic, Chester County Health Department has been providing Delaware County with assistance because Delaware County does not have a health department. However, in September, the County Council approved and announced a fiveyear lease agreement with the Yeadon Shopping Center for the 1,235-square-foot space at 125 Chester Avenue for a Delaware County Health Department facility. This initiative began with County Council commissioning a Johns

Hopkins University study to determine the need for a health department.

In August, county health figures participated in a WHYY virtual town hall on the study's results. Over 200 people were in attendance. Shortly after this meeting, the process of hiring staff to meet immediate health needs was implemented.

Most recently, the County issued a request for proposals for a financial consultant to conduct an economic impact study. This initiative has progressed in many areas. For example, there have been meetings with borough and township managers on the process, programs and integration of the municipalities so far. Be on the lookout as this initiative continues and the health department develops.

> **Ruby Payne** NJN & Associates, LLC **Administrative Assistant**

A Look Back at 2020 and Tips for Winter front of our lives and actions, we still have other matters that require our attention this winter, such as the advisory tips below: 1. Clear out your gutters before the

- next storm to keep rainwater from damaging your home or property and to prevent ice from building up when it snows; 2. Inspect the electrical wiring on
- your Christmas decorations and tree(s) and do not use them if they are old and brittle; 4. Do not leave your lights on when
- you are not home because the lights may short out and start a fire; and
- 5. If you have a real tree, be sure to water it daily.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

> **Rufus Stokes CFEI Emergency Mgmt.t Coordinator**

2020 resulted in the Yeadon **Emergency Management Depart**ment handling a pandemic of unprecedented proportions. Since the beginning of 2020, we have been tasked with dealing with the COVID-19 Pandemic and our normal duties for the Yeadon Borough. This has been challenging, but we

have persevered. As emergency management professionals, we are used to preparing for and responding to natural disasters, which tend to be contained to a relatively small geographical area. For example, during a winter storm that affects the entire state, we are able to begin cleanup and return to normal living once the snow or ice has stopped falling and the sun comes out. However, this pandemic

Since its beginning, we have kept the Borough officials, Borough Management, the staff, and our resi-

is an entirely different "beast."

dents updated on the news briefings and updates from the Federal **Emergency Management Agency** and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. We assisted many outside agencies and businesses with food giveaways,

COVID-19 testing, and maintaining compliance with the mandates and directives of the federal, state, and local government. Even though the department only consists of a few people, we still have to ensure that our Borough officials and residents are kept up-to-date with all the changes that are occurring every minute and second of the day and we work tirelessly to do so.

We urge you to continue to follow the guidelines and mitigation efforts recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. We must all work together to bring an end to the pandemic. While the pandemic is at the fore-

The Role of a Code Enforcement Officer

A code enforcement officer is responsible for evaluating private properties and public grounds against local codes, responding to citizen reports, answering citizen questions about the codes, issuing citations for code violations, performing field inspections, and evaluating new construction or renovation projects. Some code enforcement officers are certified police or peace officers. Certified or not, code enforcement officers work to maintain an attractive, safe community, which helps improve both property values and the quality of life of those in the commu-

Job duties for code officers can vary dramatically from community to community. Some respond primarily to reports about unsightly lawns, excess signage, nuisance

animals, and illegal parking. Others also verify business permits, condemn unsafe buildings, or enforce zoning regulations. Localities that do not staff building inspectors may use code enforcement officers to offer construction planning and inspection services.

The following is a list of items that the Yeadon Borough Code Department handles:

- 1. All property issues reported to the Borough;
- 2. Any grass, trash, snow or complaint that is reported;
- 3. Any wintertime snow issue, such as sidewalks that are not cleared of snow within 24 hours after a snowfall ends;
- 4. Any issues on any private property or business property; and

- 5. Any abandoned vehicle on private property, which means any vehicle without legal tags or upto-date inspections, as well as any vehicle with flat tires, damaged windshields, and containing any damage that results in the vehicle being unroadworthy.
 - *Please note that any issue on the roadway/ street falls under the investigatory review of the Yeadon Police Department not the Code Department.

The Code Department depends on your reports to aid us in our effort to keep Yeadon safe and improve its quality of life. We look forward to continuing to fulfill our roles in 2021 with your help. Until then, we wish you a Wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

> **Rufus Stokes Code Director**



Jones-Waters Completes PSAB Program for Borough Officials

Yeadon Borough Councilor Taliah (Tomeka) Jones-Waters received a 2020 Certificate of Achievement from the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs for completing the Certified Borough Officials (CBO) Program. The CBO designation is a voluntary educational achievement program for borough officials. It is designed to promote continuing education for borough officials and excellence in local government service. The CBO designation signifies a commitment to education, leadership, and staying informed on the important issues that affect borough communities.

Keep Your Trash Free from Contamination

Waste Disposal Guidelines for Cancer Patients

ATTENTION! The Borough trash collector, B&L Disposal, recently reported that radiation was found in Yeadon's trash by the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority on two separate occasions. This means the County tested the trash trucks by running them through a radiation detector, radiation was detected, hence the trash tests resulted in "hot loads". When a trash truck contains a hot load, the truck is held for at least a day (until the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) inspects and releases it). This in turn causes a hardship to the trash collector and the munici-

palities in which the company collects trash, affects timely collection of future trash pickups, and results in additional bills and fees totaling over \$1,500.

If you, a family member, or even your pet is receiving cancer treatments, please be sure to separate any trash containing body fluids of any kind from the rest of the household trash, and hold it outdoors in a separate can for several days before putting it out for pickup. This includes medications, diapers, pet waste, such as kitty litter, and any other items containing body fluids. Failure to comply may result in trash collection delays and thousands of dollars in fines.

A notice regarding hot loads has been mailed

to all residents. Additionally, investigations will be performed to determine who is responsible. Please follow the proper disposal procedures and be sure to pass this information on to your family, friends, and neighbors.

General Disposal Tips for Body Fluids and Medications

Throwing the body fluids away.

Do not throw away trash containing body fluids of any kind if you, a member of your household, or your pet is receiving cancer treatment. Instead, separate any trash containing body fluids from the rest of the house-

hold trash and leave it outside for several days before putting it out for pickup.

Throwing the medication away. If you cannot take your medication to a disposal location, you may need to put it in the trash. Do not throw away oral chemotherapy (see below). Before throwing away medication, follow these important steps*:

- Take all of the medication out of its container;
- Put the medication in a sealable container, such as a plastic bag or coffee can;
- Mix the medication with an undesirable substance, such as cat litter or used coffee grounds. Do not crush pills, tablets, or cap-

sules;

- Seal the container and be sure to put it in the trash, NOT the recycling; and
- Remove the label or completely cross out any personal information before throwing it out (This will help protect your identity).

Participating in a local drug take-back program. Prescription medication take-back programs allow people to bring any unused or expired drugs to a central location to properly dispose of them. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) sponsors national prescription drug take-back days every 6 months, with collection sites around the country. Contact your local law enforcement office and your pharmacist about take-back programs in your community.

Compliance is a collective effort. The Borough is depending on you to continue to follow the mandates given by the DEP and County. We thank you in advance for your cooperation in keeping Yeadon free from hot loads.

*General disposal tips provided by cancer.net

Danielle Stevens, Office Coordinator Mironda Presswood, Borough Manager NJN & Associates

Winter News from Yeadon Public Works

Leaf Season

The leaf collection season will begin on Monday, October 18 and continue through December 23. The leaf machine will follow the same route as the street sweeper. Residents are asked to rake their leaves to the curb, not into the street. Please be reminded that no trash, twigs, or branches are to be mixed in with the leaves. Any piles of leaves contaminated with these items will be left at the curbside. The Borough is fined extra when leaves are contaminated with trash and foreign debris. We thank you for your cooperation!

Street Sweeping

Reminder to all residents that the Borough street sweeper will continue on its daily schedule throughout the winter months (weather permitting) so please be aware of your day and time posted on the signs of your block. Thank you for your cooperation.

E-Waste

E-Waste events will now be held monthly at the Public Works Yard located at 1115 Baily Rd (across from Kerr Field). Events will take place on the last working Friday of each month between the hours of 8 am and 3 pm. We ask all residents to please stop into the office when arriving, have a form of ID that shows Yeadon residency and to wear proper COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment. Someone from the Public Works Department will assist in unloading any items you may have for disposal during this time. If you have a question in regard to what you can dispose of please contact the Public Works Department.

Accepted Electronic Waste (Any electronic device with a cord):

- Computers/Laptops
- TVs
- Printers, Scanners, Fax Machines
- Monitors
- DVDs/ DVRs/ VCRs
- Gaming Consoles
- Telephones, Cell Phones, Cameras, Camcorders
- Microwaves

Upcoming E-Waste Collection events will take place 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the last Fridays of the month: January 29th, February 26th, and March 26th, 2021

Bulk Trash Collection:

To arrange pick up of "white goods" large items, such as washing machines, dryers, refrigerators, freezers and hot water heaters (remove or secure doors) please call the Public Works Department at 610-623-3636. Any items containing Freon will include a \$10 charge which must be paid on the 3rd floor of the Borough Hall before being picked up (due to COVID-19 please contact the Borough building in regard to payment). Other household items such as sofas, beds, and furniture can be placed out for regular trash collection, but is limited to one large item per trash collection. Rugs must be rolled and tied and be put out for regular collection. Mattresses and box springs MUST be encased in a plastic industrial bag.

Snow Emergency Routes/Friendly Reminders

Borough Ordinance 470.02 - Parking prohibited and driving restricted on snow emergency routes during a declared snow emergency. After a snow emergency is declared, no person shall, at any time during the continuance of the snow emergency, park a motor vehicle or allow that vehicle to remain parked anywhere on any snow emergency route. All snow emergency routes are clearly posted with no parking signs that prohibit parking during the declared snow emergency.

Yeadon Borough Residents living along the snow emergency routes are permitted to use the municipal parking lots located on Church Lane and Myra Avenue; Church Lane and Guenther Avenue and on the old Yeadon Theatre Lot on Holly Road, behind the Quality Gas Station. Parking is free during the emergency.

List of Snow Emergency Routes:

 Baily Road - (NS) - West Cobbs Creek Pkwy to Lansdowne Avenue

EMERGENCY

ROUTE

- Chester Avenue (NS) West Cobbs
 Creek Pkwy to
 Darby Borough
 Line
- Church Lane (both) Upper
 Darby Line to
 Philadelphia Line
- Cypress Street (ES) Baily Road
 to West Cobbs Creek Pkwy
- Lansdowne Avenue (both) Lansdowne Borough Line to Darby Borough Line
- Longacre Blvd (both) West Cobbs Creek Pkwy to Church Lane
- N. Longacre Blvd (both) Philadelphia Line to West Cobbs Creek Pkwy
 MacDade Blvd - (both) - West Cobbs Creek
- Pkwy to Darby Borough Line
 West Cobbs Creek Pkwy (ES) Longacre Blvd
- to the Philadelphia Line
 Wycombe Avenue (both) Lansdowne Bor-
- ough Line to Darby Borough LineYeadon Avenue (ES) Baily Road to Chester Avenue

Yeadon residents are requested to:

- Not throw nor place shoveled snow into the roadway;
- Not plow their driveways onto the road surface;
- Not place household items in streets to reserve parking spaces; and
- Remove snow from their sidewalks within 12 hours after snowstorm has ended.

Jeff Wilkinson Director of Public Works

Yeadon Borough 2020: A Year in Review

Even though in-person

Borough is utilizing

meetings and certain services

have been suspended, the

technology to hold meetings

and to perform business.

During the COVID-19 stay-at-home order, the Borough remained dedicated and actively working. This effort included updating the staff and residents of new orders and guidelines from the Federal, State, and Local Governments, Governor, and Mayor to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus. This effort also included run-

ning the Borough's normal business operations within the permissible parameters given. For example, for a period of time, the Borough operated with only essential personnel and closed the doors to the public.

Having limited staff and ceasing certain operations was not ideal, but it was necessary. This year was filled with these types of chal-

lenges and unprecedented situations. Nevertheless, the Mayor, Council, and staff worked together to persevere and keep the Borough moving forward during the pandemic. This included everyone participating in virtual meetings via Zoom.

In continuing the Borough's business, Council and the staff were also able to secure and approve several grants and grant funded projects, several of which will help improve the Borough's infrastructure. For instance, \$39,230.21 was awarded to the Borough from the Low Volume Road Grant, which will be used to improve the inlets and water quality near Park Place, Maple, Hazel, and Walnut Avenues. In addition, \$112,200 was awarded to the Borough to make improvements to the Yeadon Community Park from the Community Conservation Partnerships Program administered by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR).

The Borough was further awarded \$378,820 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant. These funds will be used to replace approximately 480 linear feet of sanitary sewer main and related activity along Yeadon Avenue.

The Police Department was awarded \$3,075 for bullet proof vests from the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership. The Fire Department also secured several grants. For instance, a grant for \$185,000 was obtained from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. This award will be used to purchase self-contained breathing apparatuses. There is a 5% match that will be funded through the Fireman's Relief Association.

The Fire Department obtained additional grants from the State Fire Commissioner's Office. One was in the amount of \$14,248 for the purchase and installation of turnout gear racks for the station as well as \$9,192 for the purchase of automated external defibrillators for all apparatuses and the station. Additionally, the Fire Department was awarded \$38,476, under the State Fire Commissioner's COVID-19 Grant for personal protective equipment for both the Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

It should also be noted that Yeadon along with East Lansdowne and Upper Darby joined with Lansdowne regarding the Eastern Delco Bikeway Prioritization to obtain an \$85,000 grant. This grant will be used to conduct a feasibility study that builds on the work of Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission's Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress report. This study will aid in defining a subregional bicycle network with implementation priorities and bicycle ridership strategies.

Another grant obtained by the Borough was the annual 904 Performance Recycling Grant in the amount of \$5,379. The Borough is expecting funding related to COVID-19 as well. Many of the emergency services provided during the pandemic are likely to be reimbursed to the Borough.

In order to obtain certain grants, the work on other grant projects must be concluded timely. As a result, the granting of new projects, led to the conclusion of old projects. For instance, the

> Redwood Avenue project funded by the Community Development Block Grant was completed.

However, the Borough not only received the aforementioned grants, it also gave them to a few non-profit organizations. These awards included \$500 to Men of Action Brothers of Faith, \$7,500 to Senior Center Services, and \$10,000 to the Yeadon Education Athletic As-

sociation. In addition, the Borough donated a total of \$5,250 to the Nile Swim Club for discount vouchers towards memberships for seniors, teens, and families for the 2020 pool season.

The Borough was also approved to receive funds to place a rain garden at Guenther Avenue and Church Lane for 2021, the cost of which will be covered by the Eastern Delaware County Stormwater Collaborative (EDCSC). The Public Works Department will assist with building the rain garden, which will reduce Yeadon's annual contribution to the EDCSC.

Speaking of the rain garden, the Borough is happy to report it won an award for the rain garden. Back in the late spring, the EDCSC entered our rain garden located at the Yeadon Public Library in the Philadelphia Horticultural Society gardening contest, for which the Borough received an award for Garden of Distinction.

The Borough also received four awards from the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) for the 7,501-plus population category for the following: first place recognition for the newsletter in the PSAB 2020 Borough News Municipal Newsletter Contest, second place recognition for the website in the PSAB 2020 Borough News Municipal Website Contest, and under the PSAB 2020 Borough News Municipal Special Recognition category the Borough received second place recognition for the 2020 Borough Calendar and 2020 Honoree for 2020 Social Media. In addition, Councilor Jones-Waters received a Certificate of Achievement from PSAB; please refer to page six for more details.

The Borough continued working on improving not only the infrastructure but also its facilities. For instance, the Small Business Direct Install LED lighting improvements through PECO were performed throughout Borough Hall and the Public Works Garage. In addition, sections of the Hall's roof were replaced. Moreover, the second floor of the Hall was equipped with a new sound system, the elevator repairs were completed, as well as Phase A of the Surveillance Camera project.

The Borough also focused on its interest rates. Management worked closely with Councilor Cave to ensure that the Borough was able to lock in a low interest rate for its outstanding 2010 debt. Management was able to negotiate a 0% increase in health insurance rates for 2021. In addition, the Borough received the annual Workplace Safety Committee certification making it eligible for a 5% premium discount.

COVID-19 had many negative effects on businesses. Many vendors had to change or cease operations. Fortunately, the Borough was able to secure Southwest Metals to hold E-Waste events at the Public Works Department after one of our vendors decided that they could no longer offer this service.

Although many operations were slowed or ceased, many others continued. For example, the \$830,000 Aqua PA Water Main Replacement project was completed on Baily Road between

Church Lane and W. Cobbs Creek Parkway. This project involved the replacement of 2,088 feet of aging 8-and 6-inch water mains with new 8-and 6-inch ductile iron water mains and was part of Aqua's continuing infrastructure improvement program. The purpose of this project was to reduce the potential for main breaks and discolored water and improve water flow in the area.

In addition, several Borough projects were completed. For example, the upgrades to the Library's heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, windows, and lighting were finalized. Inlets were repaired at Baily Road, Lansdowne Avenue, Church Lane, Yeadon Avenue, Pleasant Road, Darnell Avenue, West Cobbs Creek Parkway, Connell Avenue, and Cypress Street. Sanitary sewer repairs were also performed throughout Yeadon, which included Yeadon Avenue, West Cobbs Creek Parkway, Cypress Street, Parmley Avenue, East Providence Road, Redwood Avenue, Duncan Avenue, Church Lane, and Holly Road.

The Borough was also diligent in efforts to aid the community during the pandemic by providing residents with food from the County and organizations. For example, Staci Scott, a Yeadon resident and the President of Health Partners Plans, worked with Representative McClinton, Mayor Hepkins, Council, and the Borough to host an event in July which provided 10,000 bags of fresh groceries to people in need. The Borough also provided COVID-19 testing through the Black Doctors' Consortium in May at St. Louis Parish, and then again in June at the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. In keeping with their tradition from past years, Council suspended parking meter payments from the end of November 2020 through the beginning of January 2021.

COVID-19 did not prevent the need for or hiring of new personnel hence the new faces added to the Library and Public Works Departments. Library Director, Clay Payne, and Public Works Director, Jeff Wilkinson, have proven to be assets to each department respectively. Additionally, Michael Diienno, became the Fire Chief for the second time. Chief Diienno has held numerous positions within the Fire Department and has served as a Yeadon volunteer since 1998.

With new faces comes new ideas and fresh perspectives. We are looking forward to seeing what these gentlemen add to the Borough. We are also looking forward to the current revamping of many of the departments, such as Code and Public Works.

As you can see, the Borough has continued working hard for the community. Even though inperson meetings and certain services have been suspended, the Borough is utilizing technology to hold meetings and to perform business. The Borough even installed a locked mailbox at the Borough Hall street entrance for those who prefer to drop off items in person.

Please be reminded that the Borough is currently open to the public under the guidelines, which means a mask must be worn, you must stay six feet away from others, and you are not to visit in-person if you are sick. Although we are open, we encourage you to use other means to contact the Borough such as by telephone, fax, and email. You also may obtain important information on the Borough website, marquee, cable channel, My-Civic App, Delco Alert, and the local news.

The pandemic is still a threat. While efforts are being made to create vaccines and guidelines to deal with this global health threat, the Borough is also making efforts to keep things running accordingly. The Mayor, Council, and Borough staff will continue to work diligently and strive to move Yeadon forward. We ask that you call or email us with any concerns and questions you may have. Remember we are all in this together and we are depending on you to stay safe and compliant.

Mironda Presswood NJN & Associates, LLC Borough Manager

Public Works Year in Review

The year 2020 started like all past years as we prepared ourselves for winter, getting ready for the falling snow and ice we know that will be just around the corner. However, mother nature had other plans. With above average temperatures and limited snow events the Public Works department stayed busy in the streets. During the winter months, the team was able to get a jump on a lot of street maintenance activities that would usually get placed on the back burner until early spring when the weather breaks. Tasks completed during the winter months; included but are not limited to, sign maintenance, pothole repairs, sewer maintenance, street light conversions (high pressure sodium fixtures to LED fixtures), tree pruning and tree maintenance, street sweeping, storm inlet cleaning, and maintenance. Along with outside activities the Public Works Department was also busy inside of all Borough facilities managing and maintaining the daily upkeep of all buildings. Projects included converting old light fixtures to LED in the Borough Hall, carpet cleaning, painting and daily cleaning and disinfecting of all

The spring months of 2020 can be defined as the months of change. First and foremost, the COVID-19 pandemic took the nation by storm. This brought about many changes and obstacles to Yeadon but with great diligence and teamwork the Borough was able to adapt and overcome the challenges this pandemic presented. The Public Works Department was operating as normal during the entire pandemic to assure the town didn't miss a beat and was up and running as normal. Our cleaning efforts of all Borough facilities was increased and new disinfecting procedures were rolled out to combat the virus keeping it out of our facilities and keeping our essential employees safe. Social distancing rules were also put into place Borough wide to keep all employees safe as well. All while the pandemic was going on the Public Works Department was still busy at work getting the community ready for the warmer months. All snow equipment was broken down and we began to gear up for grass cutting season.

In early April, former Public Works Supervisor Dan Wright retired after 30 years at the helm of

the Public Works Department. Jeffery Wilkinson took over as the Director of Public Works in mid-April and hit the ground running. During April, the Public Works Department made necessary repairs to the Myra Ave parking lot. This is one of the largest concrete projects completed inhouse to date. Over 20 yards of concrete was ripped out and replaced, lights were repainted as well as all parking lot lines, and meters. Along with the major concrete project all 15 Borough owned plots were re-mulched, cut, pruned and sheared, and weeded. Cutting and maintaining these plots occurred weekly during the months of April through October. Our first round of abatement properties was assigned to us by the Code Department and completed during April

Despite Flag day being canceled due to COVID-19, the Public Works Department still set out American flags along Church Lane and the parade route in order to keep spirits high during the height of the pandemic. During the late spring and early summer months, the Public works department kept busy by maintaining all Borough-owned plots, abatement properties servicing all Borough sewer lines and storm lines, keeping the streets swept, painting all cross walks and other traffic devices, fixing and replacing street signs and fulfilling any other request that was asked of us.

The month of August really tested the Public Works Department. First, Tropical Storm Isaias hit town and packed a serious punch. Yeadon experienced localized flooding, large power outages and severe tree damage. Clean up efforts post-storm took days, but the Borough of Yeadon was one of the first in the area to have all streets opened and operations around town resuming as normal. Weeks later we experienced a large sanitary sewer overflow in the Cobbs Creek Woods located off Chester Avenue. This was a direct result of the localized flooding from tropical storm Isaias. The storm clogged our main sewer line in the middle of the woods with debris, dirt and rocks causing the back up. We managed to stop the overflow of sewage from reaching the creek bed by deploying our backup pump and running over 800 feet of pipe to redirect the sewer surge to the

next manhole. With the help of the Code Department, Fire Department, and A to U Services, we were able to free the blockage in three days.

The summer heat continued into the early fall months. We worked together with the Code Department to complete yet another round of violations related to property maintenance ordinances. In addition, we completed painting of all street crosswalks for the upcoming school year, checked and tested the outfalls part of MS4, and cleaned out inlets and sewers as part of our preventive maintenance program. Moreover, street/traffic signs were posted, straightened, or replaced, and meters were checked and fixed as needed.

Fall leaf season began on October 15th, during this time the leaf crew followed the street sweeper route (Monday to Thursday) and collected residents' leaves that were placed at the curb. Leaf season lasts until late December/early January weather depending. Once November hit we then prepared and prepped all vehicles for the upcoming winter months, and all vehicles are dressed with plows and salt spreaders. Holiday lights were placed around town despite everything being shut down due to COVID-19. We hope we brought some light to the residents during the holiday season by continuing with the tradition of lighting up the town for the holidays.

Year after year the success of the Public Works Department would not be made possible without those who make up the department. A huge shout out goes out to Mike Pozzuolo, Keith Bowler, Sean Murphy, Oscar Lawrence, Arthur Wisseh and Georgios Sigalas for all of their hard work and dedication to the Borough of Yeadon. Another thank you goes out to all Borough Officials for directing and guiding the residents of Yeadon through this tough time. On behalf of the Yeadon Borough Public Works Department, I would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy holiday season and a Happy New Year!

Stay safe and be kind to one another!

Jeff Wilkinson Director of Public Works

Act 106 Permits Autonomous Delivery Devices in Pedestrian Areas and Roadways

PDDs: Coming Soon to a Sidewalk (or Street) Near You

On November 1, 2020, Senate Bill 1199 (Personal Delivery Devices) was enacted without Governor Wolf's signature. It is now Act 106 of 2020 and will go into effect on January 30, 2021. Pennsylvania is one of 20+ states that allow for Personal Delivery Devices (PDD).

What is a PDD?

A PDD is groundbased delivery device that is manufactured for transporting cargo or goods and is operated by a driving system that allows for autonomous and/or remote operations.

Per the Pennsylvania vehicle code, PDDs are classified as pedestrians and are afforded the same rights. PDDs must operate like a pedestrian with three exceptions:

- 1. PDDs must yield the right of way to all pedestrians and pedalcyclists in a pedestrian area.
- 2. PDD must travel in the same direction of traffic when traveling on a roadway or shoulder/berm.
- 3. In specific circumstances, a PDD may operate within the travel lane of a roadway.

Where can a PDD Operate?

PDDs are permitted to operate in any pedestrian area (i.e. sidewalk, crosswalk, safety zone,



pedestrian tunnel, overhead pedestrian crossing or similar area for pedestrians), and on a roadway or shoulder/berm of a roadway posted at 25mph or less.

Assuming there are no limiting safety restrictions and use is practicable, PDDs shall operate using the following priority:

- 1. Utilize the shoulder or berm of a roadway.
- 2. Utilize a pedestrian area such as a sidewalk.
- 3. Utilize the roadway as practicable to the outside edge.

Additional Information

Additional information can be found at **www.penndot.gov/pdd**. If you have any questions, please email **pdd@pa.gov**.

Ode to Yeadon

Yeadon O Yeadon
when skies are blue
you shine through
when the lights are dim
you find a way to brighten them
no matter what comes your way
you never fall or sway
as you resolve the issues of the day

Mironda Presswood NJN & Associates, LLC Borough Manager

2020 Resolutions

1/16/2020

Resolution #2020-001 extended the current PA Ordinary Street and Sewer Maintenance (OSM) contract with A. Garguile & Sons that expires Feb. 8, 2020 for an additional three months to May 8, 2020, per the current OSM contract provisions.

Resolution #2020-002 related to the sale of the 2019 Tax Claims to Public Asset Management, Inc. which includes the purchase, sale and assignment of the anticipated 2019 Tax Claims.

Resolution #2020-003 adopted the Rules of Council and decorum for public meetings.

Resolution #2020-004 authorized a sixty-day amnesty period for parking ticket violations, which was effective February 1st through March 31st.

2/20/2020

Resolution #2020-005 established a complete count committee to support the U.S. Census Bureau in fulfilling its requirement to conduct an accurate population count.

Resolution #2020-006 committed Yeadon Borough as a partner with the U.S. Census Bureau in fulfilling its requirement to conduct an accurate population count.

Resolution #2020-007 related to a multi-municipal application for Transportation & Community Development Initiative Grant.

Resolution #2020-008 approved the 2020 County Aid Application to Delaware County Council in the amount of \$12,353.00 to be used for 2020 roadway/street improvement program.

Resolution #2020-009 approved the 2020 Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Park Rehabilitation and Development Grant. **Resolution #2020-010** authorized to purchase a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe from Whitmoyer Ford, Inc.

3/19/2020

Resolution #2020-011 extended the Mayor's Emergency Proclamation.

4/1/2020

Resolution #2020-012 extended the deadlines to qualify for a discount and face amount for 2020 property taxes.

6/18/2020

Resolution #2020-013 granted the conversion of sewer notes to a fixed loan rate.

Resolution #2020-014 designated Juneteenth as a Borough Holiday.

8/20/2020

Resolution #2020-015 authorized the Borough to enter into a Master Casting Agreement with PennDOT.

Resolution #2020-016 authorized the Finance Director, Nafis Nichols, and the Borough Manager, Mironda Presswood, to be signers on the accounts at WSFS Bank (formerly known as Beneficial).

11/19/2020

Resolution #2020-017 designated the Borough Manager as the agent authorized to execute on behalf of the Borough for assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Mitigation Assistance (FEMA FMA) program.

Resolution #2020-018 authorized the application to the 2020 PECO Green Region Open Space Program for the Yeadon Community Park Recreation and Trail Improvements.

12/17/2020

Resolution #2020-019 related to the DELCORA Asset Transfer Act 537 Plan, which addresses the requirements for the public-to-private wastewater

disposal system transfer of the DELCORA system to Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc.

Resolution #2020-020 authorized the application for projects chosen at the Community Development Block Grant Hearing for 2021.

12/23/20

Resolution #2020-021 authorized Final Budget for the Borough of Yeadon Fiscal Year 2021.

2020 Ordinances

12/23/2020

Ordinance #2020-1396 Tax Levy for The Fiscal Year of 2021.

All real property within the Borough of Yeadon is subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2021, at a total of 5.582 mills for general purposes; all transfer of Real Estate within said Municipality for the fiscal year of 2021 at a rate of one (1) percent of the gross consideration for the sale of real estate being transferred; there is a \$52 Local Services Tax for the year for engaging in an occupation with a primary place of employment within the Borough of Yeadon; and a fee shall be levied for Sewer Use and Refuse Collection as follows:

Trash Fee: \$260 per household (for every parcel containing a structure.)

Sewer Fee: \$8.00 per 1000 (of water used) + \$50.00 a unit annual for PENNVEST service fee.

Ordinance #2020-1397 Amending Section 285 of the Yeadon of Borough Code and entitled, "The Maintenance of Junked and Abandoned Motor Vehicles and Accessories Within and Providing for Penalties for Violations Thereof."

Borough Council Meeting Votes for 2020 Finance Committee Reports

JANUARY 16, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor McCabe
Seconded By: Councilor Johnson
Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Councilor McCabe

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: Unanimous

FEBRUARY 20, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor McCabe

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Jones-Waters
opposed

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Jones-Waters opposed

MARCH 19, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Jones-Waters abstained

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Jones-Waters abstained

APRIL 16, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Councilor McCabe

Motion Passed: Unanimous

MAY 21, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passad: Unanimous

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson **Motion Passed:** Unanimous

Moved By: Vice President Francis

JUNE 18, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson

Motion Passed: Unanimous

JULY 16, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Vice President Francis
Seconded By: Councilor Johnson
Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Roadcloud opposed

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson

AUGUST 20, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson

Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Roadcloud opposed

Motion Passed: 6-1 Councilor Roadcloud opposed

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report. **Moved By:** Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson **Motion Passed:** 6-1 Councilor Roadcloud opposed

SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor McCabe

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor McCabe

Motion Passed: Unanimous

OCTOBER 15, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor McCabe

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: Unanimous

NOVEMBER 19, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor McCabe

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson

Motion Passed: Unanimous

DECEMBER 17, 2020

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson

Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Johnson

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Recreation Department Remembers William "Bill" May



The Borough of Yeadon was saddened by the passing of William "Bill" May on October 25, 2020. Bill was 86 years old and a resident of Yeadon for more than 60 years.

Bill was an age group Champion Race Walker and established the Yeadon Flag Day Race/Walk event. He spent countless hours teaching new race walkers and casual walkers how to get the most out of their workouts. This annual event was held for 17 years with many residents and the general public cruising around our beautiful Borough during the 5-mile event. News of this event traveled. Three years ago, two families from Indiana heard about the event, and came to participate while vacationing in Philadelphia.

Bill also, officiated at the Penn Relays and the Philadelphia Public Schools cross country meets at Belmont Plateau. He further competed in many Masters' events. He once came within 24 seconds of the United States age group record for 72-year olds in the 40-kilometers walk (that is 24.855 miles folks) in 2006.

Thank you, Bill. We will never forget your efforts to make Yeadon a better place.

Roy Hunter Recreation Program Coordinator

The Year of the Quarantine: How We Coped in 2020

Saying the year 2020 was an unprecedented year is an understatement. We were challenged in ways we could not foresee. However, WE PERSEVERED through all the orders and quarantines, toilet paper shortages, lack of work, and working or schooling remotely. If anything can be taken away from this past year, it is our will to keep going no matter what. Here are some of the trends that developed during 2020 to keep our minds at ease.



Puzzles made a big comeback during this pandemic. It is a quiet, stress-free activity to do alone or share with family.

Baking

Most folks were unable to work, go to school, or travel. So, what is the next best thing to do at home with a lot of time on our hands? Bake! Specifically, Sourdough bread, which is said to be one of the easier breads to make.



Tik Tok became so famous the U.S. President tried to ban it.



The power of giving came through greatly in our time of need. Assistance with money, food, shelter. etc. The list goes on and on. Thank God we live in a world where people are willing to help those in need.



Many people took advantage of time spent at home to do much-needed repairs and organizing.



Virtual tours made it possible for us to visit a museum, the zoo, or even an open house for sale.

William Penn School District News

First Quarter Honor Roll

Yeadon Students at Penn Wood High School and Middle School

Penn Wood Middle School

Tenneson Abdulai Taji Abdur- Rasheed Omolola Ajiboye Haji Ali Amon Alsbrooks Makaiya Alston Ademola Awobaikun Jaden Barron London Beck Zyherra Bey-Smith Toni Brice Tamara Brown Ty'Mir Brown Ty'rese Brown **Emmanuel Browne** Isiah Campbell Kevin Canales-Aguilar Isha Chesson Samba Cisse Rikaya Clark Christopher Cloud Quiana Cloud Fatima Cole

Tianya Coley-Graham

Symone' Cooper

Rajaee Dotson

Maya Duren

Erinma Ebo

Lanard Davenport

Bianca El-Amin Evangelia Eliades Ashley Eskridge Robyn Fletcher Kadlim Fofanah Joali Frisby Moiyatu Gbow Emmanuella Gyebiri Jalil Hall Marquee Hampton Kai Henry Aleece Hodge Faith Hope Aris Hunter Rhyain Jackson Chernoh Jalloh Tahleem Jefferies Maximus Johnson Badara Kamara Victory Kelechi-Nwaogu Khadija Kiadii Ny'asia King

Hawa Konate
Aaliyah Loatman-Vereen
Semaj Lopez
Artur Louis
Jemima Louis
Hamid Mamo
Joel Manjo

Ciara McClarin James McKnight Ziyahh McLean-Dixon Jozelyne Moise Vargas Christian Moya-Frith Samuel Obeng-Bonah Elliot Pope Shakera Ray-Williams Mariah Releford Michael Richard Ameen Rone Nayeli Saetama-Arevalo Danny Saeteros-Gonzalez Samuel Sesay Fanta Sissoko Fatoumata Sissoko Kevin Smith Ruth Smith Milan Spivey Isaiah Swain Alex Taylor Carley Thomas Zy'ere Turner Jomair Watson Mark Williams **Amaury Womack**

Penn Wood High School Cypress Street Campus

Jada Austin
Joi Austin
Tolulope Awobaikun
Boubacar Bari
Tanerah Brown
Tykerah Brown
Rose Civil
Angel Davies
Morgan Duren
Saniya Eskridge
Simiat Fatokun
Aniyah Frazier

Mariatu George Kareem Gonzalez Trinity Graves Makayla Green Meshach Hallowanger Fatma Kamara Kathy Keita Abass Koroma Josephine Kpakah Tia Little Ramatu Lumeh Alfonza Miller Hayat Mohammed Johnette Morris Harlensky Nerett Michelle Owens Camren Packer Kofi Sarpong Dulce Serrano Reginald Slappy Gianna Taylor Julian Williams Lakaijah Womack

Ronaldo Pompey

Mariah Wright

Richard Wright

Penn Wood High School Green Avenue Campus

Siani Jackson

Amadu Jalloh

Emmanuella Abdulai Ayden Abdul-Rahman Taelor Adams Mohammed Ali Jedidah Owusu Antwi **Emmanuel Asante** Joel Austin **Anthony Barnes** Rjay Bennett Jehrad Bonsu Tyheerah Brown David Campbell Naimah Carrington Ashley-Kay Cephas Layla Coleman Kelvin Crawford **Burnice Davies** Serena Davis **Bethuel Decius** Alpha Diallo Oyejadesola Diya Shaun Douglas Maimouna Doumbouya Semirah Downard-Wright Teresa Dunlap

Serena Ewan

Avery Fisher

Eli Glasco

Jaicir Hall

Josh Holder

Yatta Holder

Godwin Gilman

Myles Gregory

Patricia Hampton

Mekhylah Jefferson Gabriel Johnson Malaysha Johnson Zainab Kakay AbuBakar Kamara Iyeshatu Kamara Mark Karikari Michael Keene Mariama Kiadii Madelyn Kieh Joseph Kpakah Daisha Little Kendy Louis Alhaji Mansaray Marissa Martin Nahquierah Martin Vernado Matthews Tamar McDermott lesha McFarline Lumesha McFarline Pearl Mensah Jeremiah Michel Victoria Monroe Javon Moore-Harrod Xavier Moya-Frith Kayleb Myricks Nadasia Myrie Brian Nerett Gaudensiah Otieno Juvenshiah Otieno Samir Outen Mekhi Perry

Anirah Porterfield Bria Pratt Amy Pugh Desmond Randall Mark Ray King Reddick Victoria Roberts Maria Santos George Shockley-Morgan Arianna Singleton-Keyes Ne'Regah Slappy Akeirah Smith Olu Smith Morravy Soeung Yahirah Spencer Magdaline Stevens Nasharie Stewart Bryan Thelisma Ashia Thomas Kiara Torres Nahom Tsegaye Fafali Tsiseglo Jennifer Udeh Favour Uzoma Kellyion Wallace Beyan Washington Dion White Jewel Williams **Quaday Williams** Khalil Wilson

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Colwyn Elementary

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