

# Borough Services Schedule July - September 2022

## YARDWASTE COLLECTION

PLACE YARD WASTE CONTAINERS OUT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE FOLLOWING WEEKS BEGIN:

July 11th	July 25th
August 8th	August 22nd
September 12th	September 26th
October 10th	October 24th

### Yard Waste Guidelines

Waste Management provides yard waste services two weeks per month through the summer/fall months. These yard waste guidelines still apply:

- No bags or boxes will be accepted – only open containers not exceeding 33-gallons in size
- Yard waste containers may not have lids and must be marked

with the complete word “yard waste” in large letters on all sides of the can. Stickers are available at the Borough office at no charge.

- All yard waste containers must have drainage holes in the bottom of the can and must have graspable handles of adequate strength for lifting.
- Plants, twigs, and any bush trimmings smaller than 1” diameter, must be placed in open containers not exceeding 45-pounds, or, bound together in bundles not exceeding 4-feet in length or 45-pounds in weight using cotton or sisal twine only. Bagged items and unbound loose piles will not be picked-up!
- Pumpkins, gourds, hay bales, and other vegetation used for seasonal decorations will be collected as yard waste.

25-gallon blue recycling and yellow yard waste cans are available for purchase at the Borough office for a cost of \$15.00 each. The Borough also sells 32-gallon red refuse cans for \$20.00 each. Have your own can? The Borough offers free stickers to highlight recycling or yard waste cans for easier identification.

### WEEK OF:

July 25th
August 22nd
September 26th
October 24th

### CHIPPING

The Borough will continue to provide chipping service the last full week of the month beginning in April. There is no need to contact the Borough office and register for chipping service. The Public Works crew asks that all residents place their chipping out for collection by Monday morning at 7 AM during the designated weeks. Collection is for limbs 1”-12” in diameter and more than 4 ft. All branches must be neatly stacked in the regular refuse collection area with cut ends facing one direction towards the street or alley. The Borough will no longer collect tree stumps.

### STREET SWEEPING - Begins in April & Ends in September

Street sweeping will start the first weekday of every month for a one-week period of time.

### WASTE MANAGEMENT HOLIDAY TRASH DELAYS

Waste Management holidays are Independence Day (July 4th) and Labor Day (September 5th). Collection will shift by one day depending on the day in which the holiday occurs.

If a holiday is on Monday, then Monday collection moves to Tuesday, Tuesday collection moves to Wednesday, Wednesday collection moves to Thursday, Thursday collection moves to Friday, and Friday collection moves to Saturday. If the holiday occurs on any other day of the week, then the collection day moves by one day from that day.

**Please contact the Borough office at (717) 838-6361 if you have any questions.**

Summer 2022



*Working Together for a Common Cause - a Better Community!*

# Our Town News

## A Message From The Citizen's Fire Company #1

The fire and EMS service is one of the most diverse and challenging vocations today. It is this diversity that attracts most men and women to join our ranks. Different people volunteer for different reasons. Action oriented people enjoy the excitement and adrenaline rush that emergency services has to offer. Some see the volunteer fire service as an alternative to 'driving a desk by day' – by allowing them to 'drive a fire truck at night!'

Many like the feeling they get when they help people in their time of need and some feel it's their obligation to serve the community. Yet others just want to belong to the team. Whatever motivates you to volunteer – everyone gains the self-satisfaction of being at their best when others are dealing with what is often the worst that life has to offer.

Imagine having to prepare yourself to cope with situations that range from structure fires to childbirth to hazardous chemical spills to heart attacks to almost any imaginable emergency in between. This diversity is coupled with the fact that these skills may be needed at any time of the day or night, seven days a week, in any kind of weather, and very often under potentially stressful and emotional circumstances. Yet these same factors contribute to our profession being so personally rewarding.

We realize that firefighting & EMS is not for everyone, but we believe that volunteering can be. There is plenty of work to be done on or behind the scenes – including running the business behind the front lines.

The personal rewards and satisfaction received from what we do is often beyond description. There is the sense of accomplishment when you control a building fire, joy and elation when a child is born, compassion for accident victims, and fulfillment from teaching fire safety.

The bottom line in our business is measured by the loss of life, pain and suffering, and the property damage we have prevented and reduced.

Volunteering in emergency services is one of the most important decisions you may make. We hope that you give this decision the time and serious consideration it deserves and decide to join our ranks. For more information, please contact the Palmyra Fire Department at 717-838-1421.

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#### Borough Council

- Beth Shearer, President
- Tom Miller, Vice President
- Don Barry
- Anthony Catalani, II
- William Garber, II
- Jane Quairol
- James Tesche

#### Mayor

- Fred Carpenter

#### Borough Management

- Roger Powl, Borough Mgr
- Brenda Pera, Asst Borough Mgr

#### Codes Enforcement

- Michelle Bowman

#### Public Works

- Scott Plouse, Superintendent

#### Police

- Andrew Winters, Police Chief



**The Borough office will be closed on the following holidays:**

***Independence Day - July 4th***

***Labor Day - September 3rd***



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## Mattress or Box Spring Disposal

Waste Management has issued guidelines for the disposal of mattresses and box springs. A twin mattress or box spring will be considered a large item which is included in your weekly collection. However, the mattress must be wrapped in plastic for disposal.

A double/queen/king mattress or box spring will require a large item tag. The tags are available at the Borough office at a cost of \$10 each.

The requirement to wrap the mattress in plastic is in response to the possible infestation of bed bugs. Refuse workers need the protection even if you know there are no bed bugs.

**Suggestion:** All new mattresses and box springs come wrapped in plastic on delivery. Save the plastic to wrap your old mattress for disposal.



## Important Reminder About Grass

It is against Borough Ordinance to blow your grass into the street. The Borough is obligated to operate under the Department of Environmental Protection's municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) permit designed to protect the storm sewer system. Chapter 310 of the Borough's ordinance states:

*No person shall discharge, deposit, place, or drain any substance or item into the Borough's municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), and no person shall discharge, deposit, place, or drain any substance or item onto any street which can directly or indirectly enter the MS4. Such prohibitions include, but are not limited to, the following:*

- A. No persons shall sweep in to or deposit into any street or any portion of the MS4 grass clippings. This prohibition shall include blowing of grass clippings from a property onto a street or portion of the MS4. If a person accidentally sweeps, deposits or blows grass clippings into a street or portion of the MS4 and promptly removes such grass clippings, there shall be no violation of this chapter.*
- B. No person shall sweep into or deposit in any street or portion of the MS4 accumulations of litter or other waste materials from any building or lot or sidewalk or driveway. Notwithstanding the foregoing, leaves may be placed at curbside of a street for collection in accordance with Borough regulations.*
- C. No person shall discharge or allow to be discharged any stones, gravel, mud, dirt, or other substances onto any Borough street or into the MS4.*

*For each violation of the provisions of this chapter, the owner, agent, lessee, or contractor or any other person who commits, takes part in, or assists in any such violation shall be liable upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding to pay a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000 for each offense, together with the costs of prosecution. In accordance with Section 3321(6) of the Borough Code,[1] any person found guilty of violating this chapter may be assessed reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the Borough in the enforcement proceeding. Each day or portion thereof in which a violation exists shall be considered a separate violation of this chapter, and each section of this chapter which is violated shall be considered a separate violation.*

## Watch Out For Scammers!

Scammers make unsolicited calls claiming to be IRS officials. They demand that the victim pay a bogus tax bill. They con the victim into sending cash, usually through a prepaid debit card or wire transfer. They may also leave "urgent" callback requests through phone "robo-calls," or via a phishing email.

Many phone scams use threats to intimidate and bully a victim into paying. They may even threaten to arrest, deport or revoke the license of their victim if they don't get the money.

Scammers often alter caller ID numbers to make it look like the IRS or another agency is calling. The callers use IRS titles and fake badge numbers to appear legitimate. They may use the victim's name, address and other personal information to make the call sound official.

**Here are five things the scammers often do but the IRS will not do. Any one of these five things is a tell-tale sign of a scam.**

The IRS will never:

1. Call to demand immediate payment, nor will the agency call about taxes owed without first having mailed you a bill.
2. Demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe.
3. Require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card.
4. Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
5. Threaten to bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested for not paying.

**If you get a phone call from someone claiming to be from the IRS and asking for money, here's what you should do:**

**If you don't owe taxes, or have no reason to think that you do:**

- Do not give out any information. Hang up immediately.
- Contact the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) to report the call at 800-366-4484 or use their "IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting" web page at [https://www.treasury.gov/tigta/contact\\_report\\_scam.shtml](https://www.treasury.gov/tigta/contact_report_scam.shtml)
- Report it to the Federal Trade Commission. Use the "FTC Complaint Assistant" on FTC.gov. Please add "IRS Telephone Scam" in the notes.

**If you know you owe, or think you may owe tax** - Call the IRS at 800-829-1040. IRS workers can help you.

Stay alert to scams that use the IRS as a lure. Tax scams can happen any time of year, not just at tax time. For more, visit "Tax Scams and Consumer Alerts" on IRS.gov.



### **Plan To Attend** **2022 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME!**

**Tuesday, August 2, 2022 • 5 PM – 8 PM**  
(Raindate: Thursday, August 4, 2022)

**Buck Swank Stadium**  
**Palmyra Middle School, 50 E. Cherry Street**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.