

ATGLEN BOROUGH NEWS

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THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE WINTER WONDERLAND LIGHT AND DECORATION CONTEST

The winners are:

- 1st Place: Focht Family
- 2nd Place: Orcutt Family
- 3rd Place: Sullivan Family

2019 BUDGET

Borough Council approved the 2019 Budget which calls for the water, sewer, and trash fees to remain as is – no change. The property tax rate increases by .3 mills – the first jump since Year 2016 – to 5.5 mills. The Budget funds a truck replacement, technology upgrades, MS4 (Stormwater) Policies and Procedures Manual, a turbine pump at the Water Plant, the completion of the remote read water meters, emergency enhancements at the Water and Sewer facilities, and our grant match for the Well #4 Nitrate Removal System and Ridge Avenue Water Line Replacement project.



PA DCNR MASTER PARK SITE GRANT

The Park and Recreation Commission spearheaded the filing of a Master Parks Planning grant with the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The application is for the development of a Master Site Plan for four Borough owned park parcels. In November we were awarded a \$ 31,000 PA DCNR grant. The Borough will match the State funding making the total project value \$ 62,000.

COMPREHENSIVE AND REVITALIZATION PLAN ADOPTED NOVEMBER 2018

In Year 2016 the Borough received a Chester County Vision Partnership Program grant to update our Comprehensive and Revitalization Plan. Borough Council appointed a Task Force to work with the Chester County Planning Commission in drafting the plan. Over the next two years the Task Force held frequent committee meetings, met with stakeholders, and did two public outreach meetings. In August 2018 the Borough's Planning Commission recommended approval. Council approved the Comprehensive and Revitalization Plan in November 2018.

The plan is a blueprint for our future with one chapter devoted to action items. The plan is available at Borough Hall and soon on our website at www.atglen.org.

CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION HAS ENDED

We have completed the Fall curbside leaf collection service. Thank you for your cooperation and participation.

WINTER MAINTENANCE

Help us in keeping the streets and community safe.



- During a snow event do not park your vehicles on the local roads. This allows us to plow the traffic lanes without interference from vehicles.
- When you are clearing your driveways and sidewalks do **not** put the snow in the street. Keep the snow on your properties. When you shovel the snow into the street you create an icing and unsafe condition.
- **Clear the sidewalks from snow and ice within the first few hours after the weather event. The law mandates a 2 hour response.**
- Place your trash and recycling containers out of the path of the snow plow.



SINGLE STREAM CURBSIDE RECYCLING WEDNESDAY COLLECTION

If you reside in a single family home you should have two trash totes (containers). The smaller tote is for recyclables. Go ahead and toss all the recyclables into the same container. If you need a second recycling container purchase one at the local hardware store. There is no restriction on the number of recycling containers placed out for pick-up.

Items that are recyclable are plastic items # 1 to # 5 and # 7, glass bottles and jars, metal cans, aluminum, newspaper, mixed paper, cereal type cardboard, and cardboard. Be sure to rinse the food containers prior to recycling.

EMERGENCY WATER AND SEWER REPAIRS IN THE PUBLIC LINES

If you detect an issue with the Borough's public sewer or water lines call us during business hours at 610.593.6854. If it is after business hours, including weekends and holidays, call 911. The 911 dispatcher will contact the Borough workforce.

RENTAL PROPERTIES

All rental properties must register with the Borough annually. The form is on the Borough website at www.atglen.org or contact us at 610.593.6854.

SWIFT 911™ EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM



The Borough uses the Swift911™ system to advise the community of an emergency. We need your help in maintaining a current database of cell phone and landline phone numbers. Update your contact information by going on-line to the Borough website. Found on the right hand side of the Borough's home page is the Swift911™ icon. Click on the icon and follow the instructions.

If you do not have access to a computer please call us at Borough Hall, 610.593.6854.

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