



Mars Borough

Winter 2020 Newsletter

COVID-19 GUIDELINES: We are following the latest Covid-19 guidelines as issued by the Commonwealth.

- 🧐 When visiting the Borough office, facemasks are required.
- 🧐 Facemasks are required when attending council meetings. Seating in our council room has been adjusted to allow for as much social distancing as possible.

BOROUGH MEETINGS

Borough Council meetings are held twice each month in the Borough Building on Spring Avenue starting at 7:00 PM. Upcoming meetings are:

BUSINESS MEETING

October 5, 2020
November 2, 2020
December 7, 2020
January 4, 2020

AGENDA PLANNING

October 19, 2020
November 16, 2020
December 21, 2020
January 18, 2020

BUDGET PLANNING

October 26, 2020
November 23, 2020
December 3, 2020
December 14, 2020

2020 PAVING PROJECTS

The Public Works Department has been attending to potholes on our streets, and patching larger sections where needed.

Several larger paving projects are being prepped: a section of Clay Avenue, and the parking lot on Railroad Street, and several other streets.

Mars Light Up Night!

Mars Borough's ANNUAL Light Up Night is scheduled for

Saturday November 28 at 4:00 PM.



This is also **Small Business Saturday!**

Please visit www.marsborough.com

for more information!

HALLOWEEN



Mars Borough has scheduled 'Trick or Treat' for Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

With Covid-19 concerns, we realize that not all homes in the borough will participate. If you are passing out Halloween Treats, please turn your porch light on💡. Parents are asked to allow children to only visit houses who have their porch lights turned on.



Children are also invited to participate in a Halloween Parade at 2:00 PM at Adams Township Community Park on Saturday, October 31, 2020.



FALL & WINTER REMINDERS



LEAF PICKUP will start in late October and end by our first snowfall. You are reminded to pile leaves on your lawn within 6 ft of the curb. **DO NOT PLACE LEAVES ON THE STREET!**

SNOW... residents are responsible to clear their sidewalks of snow. **SNOW SHOULD NOT BE SHOVELED ONTO STREETS**

CODE RED

Last year, Mars began using the **CODE RED** public alert system. When an emergency occurs, you are alerted by a phone call to your cell phone or land-line phone.

If you haven't received such calls specifically from Mars Borough, it is because we do not have your phone number in the system. To join **Mars Borough CODE RED**, you can sign up on our website (www.MarsBorough.com) or call the borough office @ 724-625-1858.

MARS BOROUGH WATER DEPARTMENT

Payments can be made several ways as described on our website. If you are mailing a check, the correct address is:

**Mars Borough
PO Box 395
Mars PA 16046**

HOME PROJECTS

Before beginning any home improvement project such as a fence, an addition, a backyard shed, pool, driveway, etc., please visit the **ZONING & PERMIT** link on our webpage for information.

Many projects require permits and inspections!

Questions? Please call our office at:
724-625-1858.

SCAMS!

Mars Police are warning residents to keep your data safe by:

1. Not open emails from unfamiliar senders.
2. Hanging up on any unsolicited phone call.
3. Knowing that no government or law enforcement agency will ask for money via phone or email.
4. Never sending money to anyone with whom you are unfamiliar.
5. Knowing that the IRS will not contact you by phone or email asking for payments.
6. Knowing that the Mars Police are available to answer your questions regarding phone and email scams. ASK before you ACT.



SHOPPING IN DOWNTOWN MARS

Our downtown shops, doctors, dentists, barbers, salons, restaurants, and florist are open and welcome your business! Parking is easy on Grand Avenue, and additional public parking can be found in the lot on Railroad Street.

We welcome our two newest businesses: *Grand Avenue Grill* and *Big Shot Bob's House of Wings*

PROPERTY TAX DEADLINE

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the Face Value (regular taxes) for Borough and County Property Tax deadlines have been extended to **November 30, 2020**.

The Penalty Period will be **December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020**.



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8:00-1:00 & 2:00-4:00
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