

Cressona Borough Newsletter – Fall 2021

FREE FALL CLEANUP

Saturday, October 16, 8 TO 12 pm. Dumpsters will be located at borough hall and all trash must be brought to this location residents are required to unload their vehicles.

RESIDENTS ONLY, ID IS REQUIRED.

PLEASE NOTE: NO CONTRACTORS, TIRES, BATTERIES, PAINT OR OIL will be accepted. Small branches and twigs will be accepted.

TRICK OR TREAT: Sunday, October 31, 6 to 8 pm. Rain date, Monday, November 1.

BOROUGH CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING:

Will be held Wednesday, November 24 at 7 pm. Light refreshments will be served. Please join us for some caroling.

HOMETOWN HERO BANNERS:

Banners will be hung in the new year once the holiday banners are taken down. Please check the website for any updates.

CRESSONA TAX COLLECTOR:

Regina Sonon has been appointed tax collector. Tax payments can be made at Borough Hall during office hours, mailed or placed in the red lock box outside Borough Hall.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

Matt Davenport from SDE is here every Wednesday evening from 4:30 to 6 pm to assist you with building permits or any zoning questions you may have.

QUALITY OF LIFE ORDINANCE:

The borough will continue to enforce the weed ordinance. A courtesy letter will be issued and 7 days will be given to comply. Citations will then be issued with no further warnings. Remember to clear weeds from sidewalks and curbs. The Ordinance can be found on the Borough website.

LEAF PICKUP: The Borough Crew will be picking up bagged leaves every Thursday during October and November, weather permitting. Leaves must be bagged and put curbside, no more than 10 lbs. per bag. Please notify borough hall for leaf pick up. We do not pick up tree limbs or any branches.

SNOW REMOVAL: If you do not remove snow from sidewalks within 24 hours of a storm ending, a citation will be issued.

SNOW EMERGENCY: Will be declared anytime there are 4 or more inches of snow. Cars must be removed from the snow emergency routes or they will be towed at the owner's expense.

CHRISTMAS TREE DROP OFF: The month of January there will be a drop off area behind Borough Hall **for Christmas trees only!** Watch for the sign. You must remove any plastic covering.

SANITATION

PAYMENTS: We are now accepting credit card payments through our website. Click on the payments button on the home page and you will be taken to our third-party processor to make your payment.

LARGE ITEM PICKUP: County Waste will take one large item the first pickup of each month. Some acceptable large items are mattresses, furniture, appliances, etc. Televisions, computers or anything containing Freon is not permitted. Please note they may not pick everything up at the same time. They will send a separate truck to pick up your large item or ashes. If anything has not been collected by the end of the day, please contact Regina at Borough Hall.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS: If a sanitation account is delinquent 2 quarters, service will be **suspended.** Also, a **LIEN** will be placed on your home, if sanitation balance is greater than 2 quarters. Service will not be restored until past due amount **including costs** are paid.

NEWS FROM THE CRESSONA BOROUGH SEWER AUTHORITY

Borough residents should be aware that the sewer plant has experienced two events recently where fuel oil tanks located in the basements of homes leaked and allowed fuel oil to enter the sewer system through basement floor drains. That oil hurts the sewage treatment system and is very costly to clean up.

If you have an oil storage tank in your basement, please check your tank to make sure it's in good condition, and if you can, block off any floor drains that lead to the sewer system with a plug or with concrete. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please feel free to contact the Sewer Authority office (570) 385-1155.

Effective January 1, 2022 residential sewer rates will be increased to \$129.00 per quarter.