# Events This Quarter:

## JULY
- **Saturday, July 4th | 10:00AM**
  - July 4th Parade CANCELLED
- **Tuesday, July 7th | 7:00PM**
  - Workshop Meeting
    - Paxtang Borough Building
- **Tuesday, July 21st | 7:00PM**
  - Council Meeting
    - Paxtang Borough Building

## AUGUST
- **National Night Out**
  - RESCHEDULED: Tuesday, October 6th
- **Requests for Road Closures Due by September 14th. Contact Borough Office.**
- **Tuesday, August 18th | 7:00PM**
  - Council Meeting
    - Paxtang Borough Building
  - *(No Council Workshop Meeting for August)*

## SEPTEMBER
- **Saturday, September 12th | 7:00AM**
  - Community Yard Sale
- **Tuesday, September 1st | 7:00PM**
  - Workshop Meeting
    - Paxtang Borough Building
- **Saturday, September 26th**
  - Paxtang Fire Co. Crabfest - CANCELLED

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I-83 BELTWAY PROJECT

PennDOT’s construction project, known as the I-83 Beltway Project, is underway in the Capital Region. Section I (on I-83 near I-81) is currently under construction. Sections II and III (near 283 and the Eisenhower Interchange) are in development and property owners are being contacted about the project and its proposed impacts.

As the project is planned to stay on the South side of the railroad tracks, no houses nor businesses in Paxtang Borough are expected to have any direct impact. 29th Street Bridge (South of Derry Street Intersection), will be reconstructed as part of the project. The Borough is reviewing the borough roads and any parking or traffic issues current and potential traffic impact from the 83 project.

Learn more about the Upcoming I-83 Project: www.I-83beltway.com

PAXTANG CORONOVIRUS UPDATE

We want to thank all Paxtang Residents for their continued patience and understanding as we stay safe together through this global pandemic.

The Borough will continue to monitor the Novel Coronavirus and its impacts on the community relying on reports from the Department of Health and the Centers for Disease control.

Please continue to follow the Borough’s Facebook page and the website to monitor any updates relating to the pandemic. The Borough maintains an up-to-date calendar on the website, including any cancellations that may occur.

Some of the specific measures that the Borough has undertaken during the situation include:

PARKS: The playground equipment and pavilion area at our parks, which were closed to the public during the Red phase, were opened back up to the public since the County entered the Yellow phase. All visitors are asked to follow all Department of Health and CDC guidelines.

BOROUGH BUILDING: The Borough building opened back up to the public on Monday, June 22nd.

COUNCIL MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS: Borough Council has been conducting their meetings virtually via zoom due to the pandemic. These meetings, which have been open to the public, have allowed the Council to continue to conduct business while maintaining social distancing. Starting with the July Workshop meeting, Council will meet once again at the borough building.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE WILDLIFE

Feeding the wildlife can lead to health problems for them and change their behaviors which can become dangerous for both us and our pets. Please ensure food is not left outside and that garbage is properly disposed of in the correct bin. For more information visit the PA Game Commission website: www.pgc.pa.gov
**PAXTANG ROADS**

Please be advised, there is no roadwork (resurfacing) planned for 2020 in Paxtang Borough.

There will be one street cleaning this summer. The street cleaning dates will be announced on Facebook, our website and by automated call. If you do not receive automated calls from the Borough Office, please add your home and/or cell phone number to our list. www.Paxtang.org Click “Emergency Alert System” to register your name, address and phone number(s) or by calling the Borough Secretary and request to be added.

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**BOROUGH OFFICIALS CONTACTS**

**MAYOR**
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**COUNCIL**
Kathy Bloss (717) 564-7605
Chris Spackman (717) 379-2530
Jack Thomas (717) 558-0063
David Gui (717) 576-3141
Tom Wingert (717) 307-1174
Josh Eisner (717) 579-8691
Angel Gonzalez

**SWATARA POLICE CHIEF**
Darrell Reider (717) 564-2550

**MANAGER/RIGHT TO KNOW OFFICER**
Keldeen Stambaugh (717) 564-4770

**SECRETARY/TREASURER**
Faye Clark (717) 564-4770

Answers to many common questions may be found by visiting the Borough’s website at Paxtang.org

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**LENKER MANOR - PAXTANG WOMEN’S CLUB**

The Lenker Manor, Paxtang Women’s Club has rescheduled its annual Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show to Saturday, October 17, 2020. It will be held as usual at the Best Western Central Hotel and Conference Center, 800 East Park Drive.

Ticket price is $30. Fashions by A Touch of Taste located at the Brickerville House Shops, Lititz, PA and includes a served lunch.

Doors open at 10:30 with a Social/Cash Bar from 11:00 to noon. The luncheon and fashion show along with all the raffles runs from Noon to 3 pm. Tickets are in limited supply to this annually sold out event known for fabulous raffle baskets and other prizes along with a 50:25:25 cash raffle.

All proceeds support LMPWC’s annual community outreach distributions to area charities and non-profit programs. For more information or to inquire about tickets please call Bonnie at 717-564-9141 or Lynn at 717-564-6877.

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For up-to-date information on events, please visit the Society’s website at:

paxtanghistoricalsociety.org

Sign up on-line or see any current member for additional details. Come be a part of history in Paxtang!

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NEWS FROM PAXTANG FIRE DEPARTMENT

Due to the uncertain times we are living in because of COVID-19, the Paxtang Fire Company #1 has decided to cancel its annual Crabfest/Pig Roast on September 26, 2020. This decision was not taken lightly, but our primary concern is for the safety of all involved.

It is our hope that life will resume to normalcy soon, and we will be able to continue this event next September as we have for the last 19 years.

The Paxtang Fire Company is an all volunteer, 100% non-profit organization that depends on fundraisers for its primary source of income. We will continue to be available, as always, to run fire and rescue calls, provide fire police, and administer to various other emergencies. We will also continue to be available to support community events and do so under the Governor’s guidelines.

The Fire Company Crabfest/Pig Roast started in 2001.

Each year there has been a book produced reflecting all the ad and sponsorship supporters of the event for that year.

The Crabfest Committee has a copy of each book for all 19 years the event has been held except for the 2nd year 2002. If anyone has a copy of that 2002 year book and is willing to give it to the committee it would be so much appreciated.

Contact Don Follett follett135@verizon.net or at 717-315-8851

The Paxtang Fire Company received a donation for the canceled Crabfest from Phil’s Body Shop. Phil’s has been a long time supporter of the Fire Company & Paxtang Borough as well.

A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE FIRE COMPANY

PROPERTY TAXES: NO PENALTIES IF PAID BY DECEMBER 31, 2020

Please be advised, of a recent approval of a Resolution that waives the penalties and extends the face period for Borough and County real estate taxes for 2020 only, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Real Estate Tax Payments made through Dec. 31, 2020, will be collected at the face rate, which is the payment amount that would normally be due in April or May.

The resolution does not apply to School Real estate taxes as those taxes are set by the Central Dauphin School District.

The resolution extends the face period through the end of the year for payments received or postmarked by December 31, 2020 and waives the 5% and 10% penalties. Payments that are submitted or postmarked after December 31, 2020, will incur the 10% penalty.

Questions may be directed to Paxtang Borough Tax Collector Joe Spackman at 717-561-9839. or jspack01@verizon.net.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS:
I want to make a statement on behalf of the Swatara Twp Police Department. What happened in Minneapolis was wrong, bad police procedure and should never have happened.

The whole world had to watch a human being killed at the hands of someone sworn to protect the sanctity of life. Every man and woman in the Swatara Twp Police Department offers their condolences to the family of George Floyd. We pledge our support for lawful protesters and we pledge to be part of all dialogue for positive change out of this tragedy. As the leader of the Swatara Twp Police Department I will continue to make it representative of the community we serve. I will continue to use sound hiring practices to make sure we hire intelligent, compassionate public servants. My heart is heavy watching our country go through the grief and anger citizens feel over injustice and police brutality.

We are very appreciative of the support we have from our community.

We will continue to rely on input from our citizens through our established Citizens Advisory Council.

Our department has committed to taking part in efforts to review police policy and procedure. We will continue to work with our elected officials and community leaders to make sure that what happened in Minneapolis will never happen in Swatara Twp.

Sincerely,
Darrell R. Reider
Swatara Township Director of Public Safety

F. Joseph Spackman
3408 Rutherford Street
717.561.9839
jspack01@verizon.net (Best way to contact)

Office Hours
Second and Last Wednesday 3:00 PM. to 6:00 PM. (closed on holidays) and by appointment. Also, the Tax Collectors Office will be opened on August 26, 27, 28 and 31 hours: 3:00 PM. to 6:00 PM.

Face amount for County and Borough taxes (amount originally due by May 31) has been extended to December 31. Deadlines for School taxes, including penalties remain the same. Taxes may be dropped off / placed in a Locked Box located outside the tax collector's office door, at any time.
The Borough of Paxtang Shade Tree Commission inventories and maintains the Borough trees located between the Public Sidewalks and the Curbs. This Shade Tree Lawn is maintained by the Property Owner of the Parcel, however, the tree is Borough Property and may not be trimmed or removed by any resident.

The Shade Tree Commission, Borough Public Works Department and a small group of trained and authorized volunteers, maintain over 600 trees in the borough.

For more information about the Shade Tree Commission, see the “General Code - Ecode” below.

**Paxtang Leaves**

Notes from the Shade Tree Commission

If you are interested in more information about volunteering with the Shade Tree Commission, please leave a message for Jeff Shyck, STC Chairperson., at the Borough office.

The Shade Tree Commission typically meets the third Wednesday quarterly, March 18 (CANCELLED due to Covid-19, June 17, September 16, and December 16, at the Borough Building. Please confirm dates under Calendar, or by calling the Borough Office.

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**KNOW THE CODE**

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAXTANG BOROUGH BURNING ORDINANCE**

**Burning**: the igniting of any material to cause flame, smoke, embers, hot ash or residue, in combination or individually.

**Burn Container Cover**: metal screen with spaces not more than ½ square inch, covering the entire burn container opening.

**Permissible Burnable Materials**: Propane, natural gas, charcoal, and wood (paint free, chemical free wood. Note: wood products such as composition board or flakeboard are NOT permissible for wood burning)

- No burning of any kind shall be conducted within the Borough unless that burning has as its expressed purpose either cooking, food preparation, leisure or recreational enjoyment.
- The burning of paper, grasses, green twigs or leaves is prohibited. Also prohibited is the burning of any materials that give off any acid, obnoxious or toxic odors, or emit heavy smoke. Any other materials that do not comply fully with the intent of this chapter or otherwise create a nuisance to people or animals are strictly prohibited.
- No burning permitted on a “red flag day” as defined and designated by the National Weather Service.
- Burning shall be attended at all times by a responsible individual 16 years of age or older until all combustion is extinguished.
- No burn container shall be used with 15 feet of any building or structure. No burn container shall be used with 15 feet of any property line or public sidewalk area. No burn container shall be used without the proper cover in place.
- No burn container designed for food preparation shall be used under a roof or building protrusion, such as but not limited to a deck porch, overhang, or soffit or within six feet of any building or structure.

Additional details about this Chapter 151 (Open Burning) of the Paxtang Borough General Code, including enforcement, violations and penalties, may be found at www.Paxtang.org, under Council Documents.
MS4: MUNICIPAL STORMWATER

What is a MS4?
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) are conveyances or systems of conveyances including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, man-made channels, or storm drains that are owned or operated by a public entity, are designed or used for collecting or conveying stormwater, and are not a combined sewer or part of a publicly owned treatment works.

A municipality is bound by US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations for an MS4 when all or a portion of a municipality lies within an urbanized area (UA), as determined by the US Census Bureau.

Why are they regulated?
Because MS4s are separate storm sewer systems, stormwater is directed from our Borough’s streets and properties directly into our streams which lead to the Susquehanna River and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay. Since rainwater is left untreated when it discharges, municipalities are required to implement a stormwater management program for minimizing the impacts from runoff.

How does this affect the Borough?
Some of the steps the Borough has taken to reduce runoff is through two water basin projects. Funded in part through grant from DEP, Paxtang has completed both the first water basin project between Park Terrace and the Greenbelt and a second smaller project in the area of Brookwood and Park Terrace.

Both projects will detain water runoff from the west side of the borough, delaying and filtering the water entering the creek and reducing flooding downstream.

What role do residents have in minimizing runoff?
Residents are encouraged to prevent excess runoff into our stormwater system including grass clippings, dirt and other yard waste, oil, antifreeze, paint, household chemicals. Car washing should not take place on borough streets as the dirt and soap can enter the stormwater system. If you witness or become aware of an illicit discharge, please contact the Borough Office at 717-564-4770.

PAXTANG BOROUGH CONSUMER FIREWORKS ORDINANCE

Consumer Fireworks:

A. Conditions: A person who is at least 18 years of age and meets the requirements of this section may purchase, possess, and use consumer fireworks. A person under 18 years of age may intentionally ignite or discharge consumer fireworks only when under the direct supervision of a parent, guardian, or responsible adult acting in loco parentis.

B. Prohibitions. A person may not intentionally ignite or discharge:

1. Consumer fireworks on public or private property without the express permission of the property owner.
2. Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices within, or throw consumer fireworks or sparkling devices from, a motor vehicle or building.
3. Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices into or at a motor vehicle, building, or another person.
4. Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices while the person is under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance, or another drug.
5. Consumer fireworks within 150 feet of an occupied structure.
6. Consumer fireworks between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00 a.m. between January 2 and December 31.
7. Consumer fireworks between the hours of 12:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on January 1.
8. Consumer fireworks on a date that is not within seven calendar days of a recognized federal holiday.

Violations and penalties.

A. A person using consumer fireworks in violation of the provisions of the chapter commits a summary offense and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than $100.

B. A person using display fireworks in violation of the provisions of this chapter commits a summary offense and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than $2,000.

C. The improper storage, sale or use of consumer or display fireworks may be prosecuted under state and/or federal regulations.

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Ordinance from Fireworks Chapter 210 of the Borough Ordinances which may be found on the borough website under “ECode”.

Permit requests for Display or Event Fireworks, may contact the Borough for application of Permit.
EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

Don’t miss important information.

Visit Paxtang.org to add your cell phone, VOIP or other phone number to the Paxtang Borough Alert system or call the borough office. Receive notifications of important information for borough residents.

PAXTANG BOROUGH OFFICE
3423 Derry Street
Harrisburg, PA 17111
(717) 564-4770

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
The first and third Tuesdays of the month, we are open until 6:00 p.m.

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