

# Jefferson Borough News Winter 2013

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"The policy of the American government is to leave their citizens free, neither restraining nor aiding them in their pursuits." Thomas Jefferson

## Winter Calendar

### Cancellation Information

WSBA 910 AM WARM 103 FM  
WHVR 1280 AM WYCA 98.5 FM  
WGET 1320 AM WGTY 1027 FM  
WGAL TV Channel 8  
cancelations.com

### Council Meetings

February 4, 2013  
March 4, 2013  
April 1, 2013

### JCJSA Meetings

February 6, 2013  
March 6, 2013  
April 3, 2013

## Winter Weather...BBBBRR!

New stakes have been placed at rolled curbs to protect new street work from snow plowing, please allow the stakes to stand until collected in the spring. Cinder barrels are in place for resident use in slippery spots. Council urges residents to use kitty litter or cinders on sidewalks as salt causes cracking on walkways. Please remember to shovel walks within 24 hours of snowfall, and to check-in with neighbors, lending a helping hand where possible. **If any concerns arise please call the Committee Chair Dave Loeffler** to express your needs. (229-2033)

## 2013 Budget

The total operating budget for Jefferson Borough in 2013 is \$236,965.00. The tax rate remains at 4.2 mills. Anyone interested in a copy of the Borough budget may obtain one in the Borough office for \$.25 a page. A copy of the budget may also be

found on our website. Council welcomes all insight and feedback and will commence 2014 budget process in August of 2013.

## JCJSA

The Jefferson Codorus Joint Sewer Authority starts the new-year with office hours Tuesday and Thursday 9:00-4:00p.m. & Wednesday 9:00-1:00 p.m. All meetings are held in the Borough Council Chambers on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. **A warm welcome to Jim Sanders to the sewer Authority as a representative from the Borough!** New EDU fees are slated for discussion during the February JCJSA Meeting. The new rate of \$2,000.00 per EDU will be proposed. For Sewer questions please call the Sewer Authority Secretary Janny Graham at 744-5234.

## Newly Appointed Members

We are happy to announce the Appointment of Mr. Richard Yingling to the Zoning Hearing Board. The Borough of Jefferson would like to thank all sitting Board Members. Your volunteerism has been the fuel that helps keep our town operating smoothly. Many of you have spent years and countless hours helping the citizens of our community. **Thank You!** A list of all Council and Board Members is attached to this Newsletter.

## Legislation

The Borough of Jefferson passed five Ordinances and six Resolutions in 2012.  
R-2012-1/Annual Appointments  
R-2012-2/Emergency Operations Plan Adoption  
R-2012-3/Carnival Police Services  
R-2012-4/ YATB Representative and 2<sup>nd</sup> Delegate  
R-2012-5/Delegate to Enact Burn Bans  
R-2012-6/Update of Fees for Stormwater Plans  
Ord. No. 2012-1/ Stormwater Management  
Ord. No. 2012-2/ Vacation of North Cherry Street  
Ord. No. 2012-3/ Non-Use of Truck Engine Brakes  
Ord. No. 2012-4/ Street Plan Amendment  
Ord. No. 2012-5/ Tax Rates for 2013

## JVFC

The Jefferson Volunteer Fire Company meets on the **second Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.** The Jefferson Carnival now has a web site: **Jeffersoncarnival.com** with basic information, list of events and contact numbers. Mr. Troy Snyder

and the members of the Fire Company would like to extend thanks to all who donated to the solicitation drive. The JVFC is always looking for volunteers to perform a variety of functions. Please call President Pat Reachard at 781-4798 if you are interested in volunteering.

#### **Safety tips from your friendly Fire Company;**

- \*When using a wood or a pellet stove remember to clean the chimney/exhaust pipe.*
- \* Make sure furnace/ hot water flue is not blocked by debris.*
- \* Keep items clear of all heating equipment and leave plenty of clearance.*
- \*Make sure smoke and carbon monoxide detectors have new batteries and are working. If they are over 10 years old think about replacing them.*
- \*Please assist in making sure your neighborhood fire hydrant is clear of snow and easily accessible.*

#### **Refuse**

New legislation will **not allow** Penn Waste to collect any **electronic waste** as of January 24, 2013. Please contact The York County Solid Waste Authority at 717-845-1066, or [www.ycswa.com](http://www.ycswa.com) to get information about where and when to recycle electronic equipment. A comprehensive list is located in the Borough Office for your convenience. Trash collection will continue to occur on Wednesday mornings. **Unlimited recycling can be placed in a regular size garbage can and labeled with stickers available for free in the Borough Office.** Please call Penn Waste 767-4456 before pick-up of refrigerators and other large metal appliances such as treadmills, lawnmowers, washers and dryers. To view Penn Waste's web site, go to [www.pennwaste.com](http://www.pennwaste.com)

#### **Flood Insurance**

All residents are now able to obtain flood insurance. Those structures within floodplains that have federally backed mortgages are required to have flood insurance. Those residents outside the floodplain that want flood insurance can obtain it as well; but there is no requirement to do so. The basics of it are if a structure is, or will be, in a floodplain, the higher the first floor is elevated the cheaper the insurance will be. Residents should inquire with their house insurance agent for details of the new availability for this insurance.

#### **Development**

The Jefferson Borough Planning Commission has been approached about the development of the north-east corner of the square by CFR Development, Inc. The new plan is to construct a set of five townhouses facing York Street. The public Planning Commission meeting detailing this development plan shall be held February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Council Chambers.

#### **Ladies Auxiliary**

The Ladies Auxiliary meets the **first Tuesday of every month at 7:30p.m.** in the Fire Hall.

#### **Tax Time**

Tax returns will not be able to be submitted until January 31, 2013. The IRS is encouraging electronic filing. As tax forms are no longer mailed forms can be found in our local post office lobby. Anyone with escrow accounts attached to their mortgage for the payment of local property tax take note: though this money has been set aside by your mortgage company, you **must submit your property tax bill to your mortgage company for payment.**

#### **Primary Elections**

Jefferson Borough has three Council seats and the Mayor seat up for election in the 2013 year. The Borough Council is slated to have a one member reduction in the 2013 elections reducing from seven members to six. The Council will then have another one member reduction in the election year 2015 and will reduce from six seats to five. Anyone interested in running for the three Council positions or the Mayor position may float a petition to appear on the primary ticket. The Borough Office will have petitions forms available on February 4, 2013. The petitions are due March 12<sup>th</sup> in the York County Board of Elections Office, 28 E. Market St., York PA 17401 in the Old Courthouse. Democrat and Republican candidates must have 10 signatures on the petition form for our Borough population size. If you are registered with another party you must contact the Elections Office at 717-771-9604 for the particular signature requirements for a municipality of 635 residents. We welcome all interested residents to get involved in local government!