

JESSUP BOROUGH NEWSLETTER
2021

Message from the Mayor

Joseph J. Buckshon, Jr., Mayor

Welcome to the first Jessup newsletter. I hope you are all well. This newsletter will be one way to communicate with the residents of Jessup. I look forward to seeing you all soon.
Please stay safe.

Borough Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Borough Building Address: 395 Lane St., Jessup, PA.

Borough Website: <http://www.jessupborough.com/>

Borough Website: <https://www.facebook.com/Jessup-Borough-1774208992872639>

DEPARTMENT TELEPHONE NUMBERS/EMAIL ADDRESSES

Borough Office/ Borough Manager	570-489-0411	mstine@jessupborough.org
Borough Police Department	570-489-1810	jwalsh@jessupborough.org
Borough DPW Department	570-489-0411	mstine@jessupborough.org
Borough Tax Collector	570-383-1217	gltax@yahoo.com

BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Mayor	Joseph J. Buckshon, Jr.	Tax Collector	Genevieve Lupini
Council President	Gerald Crinella	Controller	Robert Wasilchak
Council Vice President	Peter Larioni	Police Chief	Joseph Walsh
Council Member	Gregg Betti	DPW Foreman	Joseph Fetcho
Council Member	Roberta Galati	Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer	
Council Member	Joseph Mellado	Northeast Inspection Consultants, Inc (NEIC)	
Council Member	Rella Scassellati	www.neic.com or 570-280-2111	
Council Member	Craig Shander	Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor	
Borough Solicitor	Christopher J. Szewczyk, Esq.	Mara Armezzani Tunis, Esq.	
Borough Manager	Mia Stine	Civil Service Solicitor	Frank A. Marcin, Esq.

MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Borough Council meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Borough Building. Holidays are an exception. Please visit the event calendar on the Borough's web site when there is a holiday.
Borough Work Sessions are held the Thursday before a Council Meeting at 7:00Pm.

JESSUP BOROUGH NOTIFICATIONS

Visit Jessup Borough's Facebook page for the most up to date news, events, and notifications. This is a public access account, you DO NOT have to have your own Facebook account.

All you havet to do is Google: **Jessup Borough Facebook**

Stay smart, stay apart, wash your hands and wear your masks.
Better days will follow if we all work together.

JESSUP BOROUGH BUILDING INSPECTOR / ZONING OFFICER

UCC THIRD PARTY INSPECTOR: Northeast Inspection Consultants, Inc. (NEIC)

John Marino, Chief Executive Officer

Ken Marino, President

Please call the Borough Office (570-489-0411) or NEIC (570-280-2111) prior to beginning any type of construction work to verify whether or not a building permit is required.

www.neic.us

ZONING OFFICER: Ken Marino

You may call the Borough Office (570-489-0411) or Northeast Inspection Consultants, Inc. (570-280-2111) with any questions prior to beginning any project and or construction for clarification on permitting and zoning. Building permit applications are available online at borough website:

<http://www.jessupborough.com/departments/zoning/>

SAFE DIGGING ON YOUR PROPERTY

PENNSYLVANIA 811

Safe digging is no accident! "Call before you dig" is the nonprofit in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. If you plan to disturb the earth with powered equipment, you are required by Pennsylvania law to notify the underground utility companies of your intent to do so. Dial 8-1-1. It is important you know what is below!

JESSUP BOROUGH GRANTS RECEIVED 2020

Department of Community and Economic Development under the Small Water and Sewer Grant Program and the H2O PA grant program.

Jessup Borough received \$225,205 to separate the sanitary sewer and stormwater lines along Bridge St. in the borough.

Department of Community and Economic Development under the Small Water and Sewer Grant Program and the H2O PA grant program.

Jessup Borough received \$319,584 to separate the sanitary and storm water outflows by installing new storm water lines for individual storm and sewer system on Front St. and Ward St.

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 2020 Enacted H.R. 748, 116 Enacted H.R. 748, the "CARES Act".

Jessup Borough was awarded \$35,000 with possibility of additional funds based on expenses and fund balance. This will cover sanitation stations purchased for Jessup Parks among other things.

JESSUP BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION

Chairperson: Paula Nenish

pnenish@jessupborough.org

Jessup meets on Wednesday one week prior work session at 7:00pm in Borough Building.

Jessup Borough Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Map and SALDA Ordinance are available on line at the web address listed below or contact Borough office 570-489-0411

<http://www.jessupborough.com/departments/zoning/>

JESSUP BOROUGH ZONING HEARING BOARD

Chairperson: Ben Cardoni

The Hearing Board Dates will be advertised in legal section of newspaper.

Applications for a Zoning Hearing, as well as the Jessup Borough Zoning Ordinance and map are available on the Borough's website. The web address listed below, or call the Borough office 570-489-0411.

<http://www.jessupborough.com/departments/zoning/>

JESSUP BOROUGH LOCAL WAGE TAX

The Local Earned Income Tax (EIT) sometimes referred to as Local Wage Tax, is collected by Berkheimer Tax Innovations. They were appointed as the collector for Lackawanna County.

If you are a new resident of Jessup Borough, please make sure that your employer has given you a Residency Certification Form to insure that the local tax withheld is remitted to correct municipality.

Jessup Borough PSD Code is 351003

Total EIT percent is 1 % (.5 % is Municipal portion and .5 % is School District Portion)

Berkheimer also collects the Local Service Tax (LST) for the Borough

The LST tax is \$52.00

JESSUP BOROUGH TAX OFFICE

Tax Collector-Real Estate

Genevieve Lupini

Address: 395 Lane Street

570-383-1217 (gltax@yahoo.com)

To all Jessup Property Owners and Renters:

Please register your phone number with the tax office. Your number will be kept private.

You can post the phone number on your tax bill. The tax office may need to contact you for tax related matters and or in the event of an emergency.

****BUSINESSES SHOULD DEFINITELY REGISTER WITH LOCAL NUMBERS AS WELL AS THEIR OUT OF TOWN MAIN OFFICE NUMBERS.**

PLEASE ADD YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER TO YOUR TAX BILL WHEN SUBMITTING PAYMENT

Borough and School District Tax Payments: Please issue separate checks for Borough and Valley View School District realstate tax payments. Do not combine on one check.

Vacancies: Property owners that have vacancies in 2021 must wait until December 2021 to submit a request with proof for refund. **You can not deduct them when you pay your bill.**

JESSUP BOROUGH MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

WATER AND SEWER INSURANCE: ...highly recommended for homeowners

"The Water company sends your water bill each month and there is an option to purchase water and sewer insurance. Everyone should think about getting this coverage. Last year I had a water break between my house and the road. This year I had a sewer back up. They had to dig up my yard and the road both times. Cost to me without the insurance would have been around \$10,000-15,000. I paid nothing. Also, on your homeowners policy you should have the endorsement for sewer back up to cover cost to the damage inside of your home. The endorsement does not automatically come with your policy. You have to ask your agent for it.

Good luck". Pete Larioni

SEWER BACKUPS AND SEWER LINE DAMAGE

Drain pipe or lateral clogging is caused by a mixture of calcium and fat as well. Human urine and corrosion from the pipe(s) produces calcium. When mixed with fats from any source, dense and fairly hard soap takes place. This means that any pipe located in any room inside the property can get clogged by soap formulated by the mixture of calcium and fats on a daily basis.

Grease, oil and fat are common products of foods and or cooking processes. Other daily use products that you may not be aware contain grease; such as fat based soaps and detergents. When cooking or manually washing dishes, do not flush fats, oils, butter, egg shells, and any other greasy substance into the sink. The full article can be found here <http://www.jessupborough.com/public-works/>

Some common items that do cause damage and unwanted sewer backups, put into the trash instead. Although it may advertise 'flushable', it's not. A complete list can be found on the Borough's website .

DO NOT FLUSH wipes of any kind including baby and facial cleansing or feminine hygiene products.

JESSUP BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police: Joseph Walsh

The Jessup Police Department is located at 395 Lane Street.

To reach the police department dial 570-489-1810.

The Jessup Police Department provides 24 hour emergency services to the Borough residents.

The Borough employs 5 full time officers including the Chief of Police, Sergeant, and 6 part time officers.

Support your local police: The Borough has " Support Your Local Police" Yard signs.

Contact the police department to get your sign, There is no cost, simply a donation of \$10.00 is suggested. Please contact the police department at 570-489-1810.

Snow Removal: The Police Department strictly enforces the Borough ordinances pertaining to snow removal, parking on streets and clearing sidewalks.

JESSUP BOROUGH PARK AND RECREATION

Jessup Borough Parks and Recreation Committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the borough building 395 Lane Street Jessup at 7:00 pm.

The Council Committee has worked vigorously this year and is very proud to announce that the Kids Korner Project is expected to be completed this spring.

Grant programs are also being pursued for new bathrooms at Memorial Field, expected 2021.

Sara Bratty Park is getting lighting and additional play equipment transferred from Kids Korner.

JESSUP BOROUGH REFUSE AND RECYCLING

Borough Refuse and Recycling: JP Mascaro and Sons. (1-800-243-7575 or 1-484-243-7575)

If you have any questions or problems, please contact JP Mascaro or Borough Building

Tire Recycling: Will begin in 2021

There will be a recycle fee of \$3.00 per tire. No Tire larger than 19 inches accepted. Tire Coupons will be available at the Borough building.

Public Works staff will pick up couponed tires curbside on designated date, to be announced.

Recycling Bins-Residents wishing to obtain an additional recycling bin can do so, please contact the borough office 570-489-0411

E-Waste Recycling: Still in process

Borough is pursuing options. Residents will be notified if and when event will be held.

SNOW REMOVAL ORDINANCE

On the first day when a snowfall event is forecast of three (3) inches or more, no motor vehicle as defined under the Motor Vehicle Code of the Commonwealth of PA shall be parked on the even-numbered side of the street between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. or other hours as deemed appropriate by the Mayor or the Borough Manager. This area will be designated as a "No Parking Zone" for the purpose of cleaning snow.

The following day, parking shall be prohibited on the odd-numbered side of the street which will be designated as a "No Parking Zone" for the purpose of cleaning snow.

Vehicles not removed on designated days for snow removal as stated in Ordinance 3-2021 will be ticketed and/or towed at owner's expense.

Notice of snow event parking restrictions is deemed accomplished when posted on the Jessup Borough Facebook Page and/or communicated by local print, radio, or television media.

Any person who shall violate any provision of this article shall be fined as follows:

- a. First offense of the winter snow season - \$25.00
- b. Second offense of the winter snow season - \$50.00
- c. Third or more offense of the winter snow season - \$100.00.

No person shall throw, shovel, cast or otherwise move, place, pile, deposit or dump snow or ice removed from sidewalks, driveways, or other areas into the street, public highway, cartway or passageway. Any owner, agent, or tenant of premises in violation shall, upon conviction, be fined twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and be responsible for the costs of prosecution.

The Borough or its agents shall not be responsible for snow which, through the process of plowing, has been pushed into the entrance of driveways and sidewalks. Each owner, occupant, or tenant of every property fronting upon any street shall be responsible for removing such accumulated snow from the entranceway to such property, subject, however, to Section Four of Ordinance 3-2021. Complete ordinance can be found on the Borough's website.

FIRE AND AMBULANCE

Give thanks to your volunteer emergency responders and frontline volunteers!

Jessup Hose Company #1 632 4th Ave Jessup, PA 18434 (570) 489-3100
<https://www.facebook.com/31Fire/>

Jessup Hose Company #2 & Ambulance Assoc. 333 Hill St, Jessup, Pennsylvania (570-489-1141)
<https://www.facebook.com/JessupNo2/>

Please reach out to one of the Hose Companies for help obtaining smoke detectors for your home.

Get involved with your community, become a volunteer. **Kids, looking for a fun, and safe place to go after school, meet new friends? Become a Junior Firefighter. All are welcome!**

The fire departments are always looking for volunteers, not just to help run ambulance calls or put out fires, but as support staff. Volunteer your time at one of their fundraiser events. Can't volunteer? That's okay, come support them at their many community fundraising events.

JESSUP BREAD BASKET

316 1st Avenue Jessup,

570-489-8861

Donations to the Jessup Bread Basket are always needed and accepted all year.

LOCAL NON PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Your donations provide the much needed support these organizations require to continue providing you and your community with cultural events, family fun events, food and clothing drives, and much more. Choose an organization to join that suits your personality, your interests, or your schedule.

Whatever your reason, come join us! Your fresh ideas and volunteerism are welcome.

Jenny's Closet

tina@jennyskloset.org

Jessup 21st Century Association 2nd Monday at 7 pm at Jessup Borough Building 570-881-3393

Knights of Columbus 2nd Wednesday at 8 pm at St. James Church 570-299-0485

Jessup Lions Club Check the Advantage for meeting dates 570-489-3929

Jessup Youth Association 4th Sunday at 6 pm at the American Legion 570-489-0040 / 570-687-4735

VFW 3rd Tuesday at 8:00 pm at VFW 570-489-7070 / 570-489-6166

American Legion Post 411 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Legion 570-383-1557

The Saint Ubaldo Society www.saintubaldosociety.org Meets the 1st Thursday every month at The St Ubaldo Cultural Center at 7:00 P.M. President Scott Hall 570-766-0736

The Family of Sant' Ubaldo Meets the 2nd Monday every month at 8:00 P.M. Please visit their Facebook page for more information.

The Family of San Giorgio Facebook: Meets the 3rd Thursday every month at 8:00 P.M. Please visit their Facebook page for more information.

The Family of Sant' Antonio Facebook: Meets the 1st Tuesday every month at 7:00 P.M. Please visit their Facebook page for more information.

Citizens for a Healthy Jessup 1st Wednesday at the Case Quattro Winery

Nadine Cenci Marchegiani Fund. <https://www.facebook.com/NCMFoundation>
570-383-0783

SUPPORT THE LOCAL BUSINESSES

Shop Local. Eat Local. Spend Local. Enjoy Local!. It takes you to start a trend.
Support the local businesses that support the area where you live, work and play.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Gerald Crinella

I hope you enjoyed the first edition of our Jessup Borough Newsletter. Please let us know if you have any ideas for items that you would like to see included in our next edition.

Please remember that your council is here to serve you.

Stay safe and healthy.