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Last Weekly Yard Waste Pick Up: 10/6

Fall Leaf & Yardwaste Pick up: 10/20; 11/3; 11/17; 12/1; 12/8

White Goods & Tire pick up: 10/15/16—tags must be purchased by 10/13

Halloween Trick or Treat: 10/31; 6 to 8 p.m.

Thanksgiving Trash Pick Up: 11/25

Council Meetings—1st Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall. The public is invited.

Sidewalk & Curb Replacement Continues

The community sidewalk and curb replacement program continues. Additional areas are still being scheduled. Affected owners will be notified. You may call and request to be placed on the program if you have a bad section and have not yet been notified. The Boro is continuing to use its no-interest loan program for residential property owners to assist with this important safety, property value and community esthetics matter. A low cost contractor is being used by the owners for the work.



Water Rate Phase-In Reminder

As reported last year, there will be a 5 percent increase in water usage rates for Boro water customers, the second (of three) similar increases. This 5 percent will take effect with this year's October/December usage period; showing on the January 1, 2017 bill. The additional 5 percent increase will take place in the same cycle for 2018. The current usage rate of \$3.68 per 1,000 gallons used, will rise to \$3.87 per 1,000 gallons in 2017.

Building Permits

No work should be done on your structure or property without first contacting the Boro Office to see if a Building Permit is required.

Christmas on Main December 3

A day of old fashioned fun sponsored by the NH Business Assoc. will include Breakfast with Santa, a Christmas farmers market, carriage & hay rides, an ice carving demonstration, music performances, Santa's arrival by fire truck at 5 p.m. and the lighting of the Community Christmas Tree at

7 p.m. Many businesses will be open. All Saturday activities are free.



For a complete list of times & events please visit www.christmasonmain.com.

Voices from the Past October 8

The NH Area Historical Society is presenting the stories of six New Holland citizens who lived during the Civil War, along with a display of an actual Civil War Era Medical Tent on October 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. at St. Stephen's Church. The New Holland Band will provide music from the Civil War Period. Suggested donation is \$6 per person. Any questions, contact Mitch Dissinger: 354-0858.

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2017 Longvic, France Delegation Plans Progressing

Mayor Wilbur Horning has extended an official invitation to the citizens of Longvic to visit New Holland on October 27-29, 2017. Presently, 36 Longvic citizens are interested in visiting. Community support is vital to create a memorable experience on the 50th Anniversary of this relationship. Host families will be needed to provide a place to stay and a few meals for these guests. Volunteers will be needed to help at planned activities. To learn more, contact Mayor Horning at 717-575-3148 or email whorning118@comcast.net. The next planning meeting is 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 6 at the New Holland Historical Society Museum, 210 E. Main Street, New Holland.

2015 Water Consumer Confidence Report

The 2015 Water Consumer Confidence Report is available at: newhollandborough.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/2015-CCR-Groundwater.pdf. Printed copies are available in the Borough Office.

Bamboo Removal & Elimination Program Continues

Owners have been responding well to the Boro goal of removing long existing bamboo which in most cases has overgrown its initially intended decorative fencing concept and continues to grow onto other properties. For those who may still have bamboo on their property, you can contact the Boro Office and a process of removal assistance can be requested. Bamboo is no longer allowed to be planted unless it is in an above ground solid container.

Credit Card Payment Program Discontinued

The credit card payment program for water/sewer bills will no longer be available after December 31, 2016. The program provided is planning an \$8,000 increase in licensing costs and this is far too much to pass onto the few customers who use it. The Boro will continue to search for a reasonable cost system replacement.

Boro Office Drop Box

Boro Office Hours are: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is a drop box for payments next to the front door. If a bill is due on a Friday or over a weekend, be sure it is in the drop box before 7 a.m. Monday morning or it will be delinquent.

Pet Owners

Dogs and cats are not allowed to be loose off of an owner's property, & must be cleaned up after when walked. ATTENTION: If you are feeding a stray cat, you will be held responsible for that animal & be considered its owner.

Storm/Emergency Home Kit

With the winter storm season fast approaching, people are reminded that whether it be from ice and/or wind damage or other catastrophic events affecting public services or private utilities, it is wise to have an in-home emergency supply kit including items such as some bottled water, non-perishable food, flashlight and any particular family needs which would be impacted by a power outage. The usual cautions remain for those with alternate heating systems or an emergency generator. The Federal Department of Homeland Security has an emergency planning website: www.ready.gov where other suggestions can be found.





What Can I Recycle?

Plastics 1-7; tin, aluminum & aerosol cans, glass, all cardboard i.e.: food, tissue boxes etc., phone books, magazines, junk mail, shredded paper, paperback books & newspapers. Take TVs & computers to the LCSWMA.

Snow Removal

Snow and/or ice must be removed from sidewalks within 12 hours after a snow fall. Vehicles must be removed from the end of a cul de sac during a snow fall so that plowing may occur.

Street Lights

If a street light is not working properly, write



down the address where the pole is, along with the two sets of numbers on the pole and call the Boro Office. We will then contact PPL to repair it.