

**July/  
August 2023**

**Borough Offices  
Open by  
Appointment Only**

The Borough of Blawnox Offices are open by appointment only and masks are required to enter the building.

**Newsletter Insert  
Available for Your  
Events**

If you are having an event, please let the Borough know so that we can add it to our newsletter insert for you. We would love to share what you are doing with the community.

If you're interested in having your business spotlighted in our newsletter, please email [blxoffice@blawnox.net](mailto:blxoffice@blawnox.net) for more information.

# **Blawnox Borough News**

## **Blawnox Food Pantry**

Blawnox Borough Administration is working to construct a Food Pantry at the Borough Building to help support the Fox Chapel Area School District communities with food insecurity. If you are interested in making a donation of nonperishable food items, paper products, personal hygiene items, or gift cards to local supermarkets they will be accepted at the Borough Office from 9am to 4pm, Monday through Friday. If you or someone you know are in need of help feel free to contact the Borough so we can let you know when the Food Pantry will be officially open.

## **Fire Hydrant Flushing**

The fire hydrants will be flushed during the period from August 21<sup>st</sup> through August 25<sup>th</sup>. You may have reduced water pressure. Your water may be dirty or cloudy. If this happens, run the water until it is clear. The water is safe to drink.

## **Clean up After Your Pets**

Please be a courteous neighbor and help keep Blawnox a clean and safe community by cleaning up after your dogs. The Borough has adopted the International Property Maintenance Code which requires that all properties be kept in a safe and sanitary condition.

## **Important Information**

The Borough of Blawnox Offices will be closed September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in observance of Labor Day. Trash and recycling will be delayed until Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The office will reopen Tuesday for regular business hours.



## Summer is Here

Summer is here, which means the grass and weeds continue to grow. Don't forget the Borough has an ordinance that grass and weeds must not be more than six inches high. Please keep your grass and weeds cut! Don't forget the weeds and grass along your sidewalks.

## Food Distribution

North Hills Community Outreach continues to host free food distribution at the Blawnox Municipal Building on the third Friday of the Month from 2-3pm. The remaining dates are August 18<sup>th</sup>, September 15<sup>th</sup>, and October 20<sup>th</sup>.

## A Note from the Tax Collector

The Fox Chapel Area School District taxes have been mailed to all Borough Residents. Tax Collector Office Hours will be held at the Borough Building, **Wednesdays 11:00am to 1:00pm** through the School bill discount period. Please be advised, as of July 1, 2023, the tax bills you receive will have a new look. An example can be found at <https://www.fcasd.edu/Page/77>

## Notice from the Blawnox Police Department

Residents/ Motorists:

Many Residents/ Motorists have been parking ILEGALLY along the streets of the Borough of Blawnox. It is important to keep the walkways and roadways clear for travel throughout the borough to allow access for everyone in our neighborhood.

The department asks for your cooperation in alleviating this problem. Residents and motorists should be mindful of not parking in or on:

**Sidewalks, Crosswalks, Yellow Lines, Handicap Parking Spaces, Fire Hydrants, and where official signage prohibits parking.**

**Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.**

## News From Blawnox VFC

Blawnox Volunteer Fire Company is holding Sure Tip Raffles. To participate visit [www.blawnoxvfc.square.site](http://www.blawnoxvfc.square.site).

The Blawnox Volunteer Fire Company Golf Outing will be held Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 10:00am shotgun start, visit [www.blawnoxvfc.com/golf](http://www.blawnoxvfc.com/golf) for more information.

## Memorial Day 2023

Thank you to everyone who participated and all who joined us for our Memorial Day parade and picnic. It was a huge success, and we look forward to next year.

## Contact Us

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Blawnox Borough

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### Facebook

[www.facebook.com/blawnoxborough](http://www.facebook.com/blawnoxborough)

Be sure to check out our new Facebook Page!

### Blawnox Borough Council

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Lou Ann Wright,	Code Enforcement

## Visible Address Numbers

The Borough of Blawnox would like to remind all homeowners of the importance of having visible address numbers on your houses (front and back). Having a visible street address is a requirement of the International Property Maintenance Code which the Borough adopted in 2017. In addition, it is essential for first responders in case of an emergency. We would like to encourage homeowners to make sure you have visible address numbers and if not to fix the issue as soon as possible.

## Annual Water Quality Report

The Blawnox Public Water System is required annually to produce a Consumer Confidence Report about the quality of our water. This year's report can be found at [https://www.blawnox.com/sites/g/files/vyhlf2826/f/uploads/2022\\_consumer\\_confidence\\_report\\_final.pdf](https://www.blawnox.com/sites/g/files/vyhlf2826/f/uploads/2022_consumer_confidence_report_final.pdf)

## LIHWAP Re-Opening

Are you at risk or having your water shut off? Help is available. The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is available to help families who have overdue water bills or are at risk of losing water service for their home. Applications will be accepted July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 through August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Learn more about if you qualify at [www.dhs.pa.gov/waterhelp](http://www.dhs.pa.gov/waterhelp). Apply for LIHWAP online at: [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us).

## Blawnox Borough Public Water System

Blawnox Borough Public Water System has been working with the DEP to resolve some treatment technique violations that have occurred. Please know that there have been no issues with any of our bacteria samples and there is nothing you need to do at this time. The public notifications for the treatment technique violations can be found on our website <https://www.blawnox.com/water-division/pages/public-notice-blawnnox-borough-public-water-system>.



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