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| July/ August 2022 |
| Borough Offices Open by Appointment OnlyThe Borough of Blawnox Offices are open by appointment only and masks are required to enter the building. Newsletter Insert Available for Your EventsIf 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 for more information. |

 |  **Blawnox Borough News** **National Night Out**Come and celebrate National Night Out hosted by the Best of Blawnox, on Tuesday August 2nd from 6 pm to 8 pm at the Blawnox Community Park. The spirit of National Night Out is to build strong, caring communities. The evening will celebrate our emergency responders. Mingle and show your appreciation to the Blawnox Borough Police Department, Blawnox Glenover Volunteer Fire Company, and Parkview EMS. There will be a dog walk starting at Lewis Avenue at 6:00 pm and ending at the Community Park. The first fifty dogs will receive a goodie bag. Come enjoy free ice cream and music.  **Fall Mum and Cornstalk Sale**The Best of Blawnox will be doing a fall mum and cornstalk sale. There will be pink, orange, red, purple, and white mums. The mums must be pre ordered and pre-paid and will be available for pickup on September 17th and also on October 1st at the Harvest Festival. To order or for information about sizes and pricing email bestofblawnox@gmail.com, go to Best of Blawnox Facebook, or call 412-295-1638.  **Harvest Festival**Last year’s Harvest Festival was such a success we have to do it again – even bigger and better. This year’s festival will be held Saturday October 1, 2022, from 12pm to 3pm at the Blawnox Community Park. Doug Oster will be attending to talk about putting your garden to bed. There will be rock painting and balloon art for the children. There will also be a special selection of venders and speakers, including Joe from Country Barn Farms to talk about beekeeping and Jessica from J&J Farms to talk about her chicken and duck rescue. All in all, it will be a day of food, fun and music.  |

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| **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 will be hosting one final free food distribution at the Blawnox Municipal Building on August 19th from 2-3pm. **Memorial Day 2022**Thank you to everyone who participated and all who joined us for our Memorial Day parade. It was a huge success. We look forward to seeing you all next year.  | **Blawnox Centennial Celebration**Blawnox Borough will be celebrating its Centennial in 2025. A Centennial Committee has been formed and is looking for folks who are willing to volunteer their time and support the town we all love. Please contact: BlawnoxCentennialCommittee@gmail.com if you are interested. The Committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm at the Blawnox Borough Building. **Important Information**The Blawnox Borough Offices will be closed September 5th for Labor Day. Trash and Recycling will be delayed until Tuesday September 6th due to the holiday. **Water Tank Repairs**The Borough will be having repairs done to the water tank between August 1st and 5th. During the repairs you may find you have low water pressure. Your water may also look dirty or cloudy. If this happens, run the water until it is clear. The water is safe to drink. **Fire Hydrant Flushing**The fire hydrants will be flushed during the period from August 15th through August 19th. 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. **Water Meter Reads**The Borough is asking for some water customers to read their meters because we are unable to read the meter electronically. The Borough is working to replace these meters but due to supply chain issues we are unable to get the meters at this time. As soon as the meters become available, we will be making arrangements with these water customers to schedule the replacement. If you receive a courtesy hang tag, please promptly read your meter and return to the Borough office.  |

## **Blawnox Seeking Code Enforcement Officer**

### Blawnox Borough is looking to hire a part time Code Enforcement Officer. The job would be approximately 6 hours a week. The Code Enforcement Officer responsibilities include driving around to look for violations in the community, sending violation notices, writing tickets or citations, and attending court hearings. Applicants must have a valid PA Driver License and their own vehicle. For more information, please contact the Borough Office at 412-828-4141.

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 Blawnox Borough Council  Debbie Laskey, President Randy Stoddard, Vice President John Simmons, Council Member Meghan Kennedy, Council Member Katie Coban, Council Member Jessica Dayhoff, Council Member  Elaine Palmer, Council Member Anthony Gross, Mayor Kathy Ulanowicz, Borough Manager Gordon Taylor, Engineer Jack Cambest, SolicitorMallori McDowell, Assistant Manager Jeff Armstrong, Code Enforcement | **LIHWAP**The Borough will be participating in the LIHWAP Assistance Program which is a one-time temporary emergency grant program to help low-income families with overdue water bills. For more information visit: [www.blawnox.com/sites/g/files/vyhlif2826/f/uploads/lihwap\_flyer\_hswa\_2022.pdf](http://www.blawnox.com/sites/g/files/vyhlif2826/f/uploads/lihwap_flyer_hswa_2022.pdf)**Affordable Connectivity Program**The Affordable Connectivity Program is a [Federal Communications Commission](https://www.fcc.gov/acp) program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service. This new benefit provides a discount of up to $30 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to $75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to $100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers. Eligible households can enroll through a [participating broadband provider](https://www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers) or directly with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) using an [online](http://www.affordableconnectivity.gov) or mail in application. You can learn more about the benefit, including eligibility and enrollment information, by visiting [www.fcc.gov/ACP](http://www.fcc.gov/ACP), or by calling 877-384-2575. **Property Tax/ Rent Rebate Deadline Extended**The deadline for older and disabled Pennsylvanians to apply for rebates on rent and property taxes paid in 2021 has been extended from June 30 to Dec. 31, 2022. The rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is $35,000 a year for homeowners and $15,000 annually for renters, and half of social security income is excluded. **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/sites/g/files/vyhlif2826/f/uploads/november_december_treatment_technique_violation_public_notice.pdf>. **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/sites/g/files/vyhlif2826/f/uploads/november_december_treatment_technique_violation_public_notice.pdf>. **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/sites/g/files/vyhlif2826/f/uploads/november_december_treatment_technique_violation_public_notice.pdf>.  |



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