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| November/December 2020 |
| Helping HandIf you or someone you know need a helping hand, please contact the Borough Office at 412-828-4141. Any information provided will be kept strictly confidential. The Borough office has some non-perishable food items available in an emergency.Borough Council MeetingsBorough Council monthly meetings are being held via Zoom through December. Information to attend is available on our website: Blawnox.com. |
| Facebook PageBe sure to check out our new Facebook page [www.facebook.com/blawnoxborough](http://www.facebook.com/blawnoxborough) |

 |  **Blawnox Borough News** **Borough Offices Closed to the Public**The Borough of Blawnox Offices are closed to the Public until further notice. Payments can still be dropped off in the drop box located to the right of the front door. Please call 412-828-4141 or email blxoffice@blawnox.net with any questions or concerns.**Santa to Light Up the Community**On December 3rd be on the lookout for Santa around the community. Instead of our typical celebrations, which had to be canceled due to the pandemic, Santa will Light Up Blawnox at 6:30 pm and then proceed to spread his Holiday Cheer as he is escorted around the community by the Blawnox Volunteer Fire Company. If you plan to decorate this year, Santa would love to see your decorations up and your lights on in time for his arrival.  **Trash Reminder**As a reminder to all residents, your trash may not be put out before 5:00 pm the day before trash day and it must be put out in garbage cans with lids. **Important Information**The Borough of Blawnox Offices will be closed Thanksgiving Nov. 26th, the Day After Thanksgiving Nov. 27th, Christmas Eve Dec. 24th, Christmas Day Dec. 25th, and New Year’s Day Jan. 1st, 2021. Trash pick up will not be delayed due to any of the holiday closures.  |

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| **Parking in Front of Small Businesses**As a friendly reminder, on street parking is limited. Please encourage your employees to utilize side streets or another form of parking so that customers can use the spaces in front of the businesses.**Borough Business are Reopening**The businesses in Blawnox have begun to reopen. Restaurants are open for takeout and some may have limited seating available. Please support your local businesses!**Borough Food Drive**The Borough would like to extend a big thank you to Christa Coban, the Young Professionals at Giant Eagle, and the residents of Blawnox for another very successful food Drive.  | **A Word from the Chief** The Blawnox Police would like to remind everyone to make sure to lock your car doors upon exiting your vehicles at night. The department has taken reports of car break ins. The Blawnox Police would also like to remind everyone to stay vigilant about Covid-19 and follow the recommended safety precautions. **Little Free Library** Blawnox Borough is officially the home to a Little Free Library. The library is located at 301 Freeport Road near the Monument. It is filled with books for all ages. Make sure to stop by and take a book to read and leave one behind if you have books to spare. **Best of Blawnox Announcement**We will officially be launching our community service organization Best of Blawnox, LLC in 2021. Best of Blawnox is a non-profit whose goal is to stimulate interest in our community through programs and events. We are excited to announce out flagship program: Snow Angels.Snow-covered sidewalks can be hazardous for everyone. The Snow Angels Program pairs elderly residents and residents with disabilities with nearby neighbors who volunteer to assist them with snow removal on their sidewalks and walkways. This is just one of the many exciting programs we will be rolling out through the year. If you are interested in becoming a member of Best of Blawnox, LLC or participating in the Snow Angels program, as volunteer or requesting a Snow Angel, please email thebestofblawnox@gmail.com or call (412) 295-1638. For more information about Best of Blawnox, LLC and our programs and events please visit our website bestofblawnox.com.  |

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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 | **2021 Rates**The 2021 rates for water, sewer, and trash plus the tax millage will be set at the December Council Meeting. There will be no change to the tax millage for 2021 it will remain 9.85. Beginning January 1st the water rate for 2021 will raise to $9.79/ 1000 gallons with a minimum use of 3000 gallons. Trash will raise to a rate of $61 per quarter for 2021. The sewer rates will increase to $11.30/ 1000 gallons and the per bill fee will increase to $19.11. These rates reflect a direct pass through of the increases the Borough will be receiving from ALCOSAN for processing our sewage. The line fee will remain at $45 per quarter. **Thank You!**Blawnox Police Department and Borough would like to thank the following people/ businesses for their generous support of our Halloween Festivities this year. Thanks to: Riverview Product Services Inc., N Stuff Music LLC, Tower Auto Sales Inc., Tower Tire Inc., Overbeck’s Nursery & Landscaping Inc., Blawnox Industrial LLC., Blawnox Glenover Volunteer Fire Department, Blawnox Auxiliary Police, Blawnox Sportsman Club Inc., and Howard Hanna Real Estate Services. **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 [www.blawnox.com/water-division/files/blawnox-borough-public-water-system-public-notification](http://www.blawnox.com/water-division/files/blawnox-borough-public-water-system-public-notification).  |



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