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| |  | | --- | | September/  October 2020 | | Helping Hand  If 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 Meetings  Borough Council monthly meetings are being held via Zoom through December. Information to attend is available on our website: Blawnox.com. | | Facebook Page  Be 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](mailto:blxoffice@blawnox.net) with any questions or concerns.**Important Information**The Borough of Blawnox Offices will be closed Columbus Day October 12th, Veteran’s Day November 11th, Thanksgiving November 26th and the Day After Thanksgiving November 27th. Trash pick up will not be delayed due to any of the holiday closures.**Blawnox Community Park Open**The Blawnox Community Park is now open to the public! The playground has reopened at this time as well but will not be sanitized daily, please play at your own risk. The bathrooms remain closed. Please remember to follow CDC Guidelines:  * If you are feeling sick, please stay home * Maintain social distancing * Wearing a mask is strongly encouraged * Refrain from group activities * Wash your hands before and after visiting * Avoid touching surfaces |

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| **Census 2020**  If you have not yet taken the opportunity to fill out your 2020 Census, be on the lookout for Census workers coming to your door to count you and your family. The worker should have ID. It is very important that we are all counted!  **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! | which can be picked up during trick or treating at the Fire Department. Masks and social distancing will be mandatory when picking up bags. The borough recommends that children and parents wear masks, social distance and follow CDC guidelines whenever possible while trick or treating. Plans are subject to any further guidance or restrictions from the county and state. The Borough will have a flyer available outside the front door or on the website for people to hang at home if participating in trick or treating.**Pennsylvania General Election**The Pennsylvania General Election will be held on November 3rd, 2020. For this election Blawnox Borough will be voting at the Blawnox Fire Department at 366 Freeport Road, Blawnox, PA 15238. The polls will be open from 7:00 AM through 8:00 PM.**Food Drive**Blawnox Borough will be hosting a food drive to help local families for the Thanksgiving Holiday. People who wish to donate non-perishable food items or gift cards, may drop them off at the Borough by November 20th.**Little Free Library Coming to Blawnox**Be on the lookout for a Little Free Library Coming to Blawnox soon. The Little Free Library will be located at 301 Freeport Road, near the Monument. There will be books for all ages. |

## **Halloween**

### Blawnox Borough will be holding Trick or Treating on Saturday October 31st from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. There will be no parade this year, however there will be bags for the children

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