

BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES

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Mayor's Message

By Mayor Thomas Cranston

It's hard to believe that another wonderful Medford Lakes summer is almost over! Hopefully by now, most everyone has witnessed first-hand the positive changes being implemented in our Public Works department. We have made an investment in experienced personnel and upgraded equipment that will allow us to do many jobs "in-house" that we previously had to rely on an outside contractor to complete. We are confident that these investments will largely pay for themselves through increased efficiency and cost savings.

In addition, our head foreman has been working tirelessly to improve the efficiency of the fall leaf collection process. He has identified new equipment and processes to help streamline collection efforts to reduce delays in leaf pickup. I also ask for everyone's cooperation in this regard by not placing leaves or brush curbside until the fall collection is set to begin. We're looking forward to the prospects of a greatly improved process when the fall collection starts!

Gary Miller Recognized at Pine Barrens Festival



*Pine Barrens Festival 2016
Wednesday, July 27, 2016*
We Welcome
the Borough of Medford Lakes
We recognize
Gary Miller
for his outstanding Service in
the Borough of Medford Lakes



Taxes Due

The grace period for the third quarter property taxes has been extended to September 9th. Please check your new tax bill for due date, and grace period. Pursuant to state statute taxes received after due date are subject to interest back to August 1st.

We have several capital improvement projects set to begin soon, including the replacement of the Cochise pump station and sewer main between Cochise Circle and Chickasaw Trail. We will be resurfacing Chicagami, Huron and Wagush Trails and rehabilitating the Tecumseh bike path. Also, in an effort to keep everyone updated on the status of various borough projects, we are working on the development of a "Project Status" page to be posted on the borough website. Once implemented, progress on various projects will be updated monthly, allowing residents to easily check the status.

Finally, I would like to welcome our newest council member, Bill Fields, who was sworn in on July 1st to a four-year term, along with Kathy Merkh, who was sworn in to her first full-term, and Robert Burton, sworn in to his second term. Bill has extensive municipal government experience, and has served on the borough planning board for several years. I'm looking forward to working with Bill and the rest of council moving forward. As always, if you have any suggestions or feedback, please feel free to contact me through the borough office.

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Reverse 911

The County has implemented a new reverse 911 system, please log on to www.medfordlakes.com and hit the SWIFT 911 to register to receive text messages and emails. Your land line is already registered, but to register a cell phone you must sign up.

SCHOOLS OPEN – DRIVE 25 TAKE EXTRA CARE IN CROSSWALKS

Senior Wellness Checks

The Medford Lakes Police Department offers a Senior Citizen Check Program which provides a weekly check on borough seniors who live alone and/or may need assistance. If you have any questions regarding the program or would like to be added to the program, please call 609-654-2156.

Unused Medication Return Unit

If you have unused prescription medication please dispose of it properly in the return unit located at Oaks Hall. Disposing of medication in the garbage or by flushing down the toilet contaminates our water supplies and environment.



9/11 Remembrance Ceremony

A Remembrance Ceremony marking the 15th Anniversary of September 11th is scheduled to take place in Todd Memorial Park on Sunday September 11th at 4pm. The Cathedral of the Woods will be conducting a prayer vigil beginning at 8:46am and continuing all day. All are invited to join together to honor the victims of 9/11.

Police Department Emergency# 911

Non Emergency County Dispatch 609-267-8300
Medford Lakes Police Non Emergency 609-654-2156
Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Public Works 609-654-9383

(Summer Hours 6:00 am to 2:30 pm)
Sewer/Waste Water 609-654-2013
(Summer Hours 6:00 am to 2:30 pm)

Borough Administration 609-654-8898

The Borough Offices are open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday thru Friday. If you have a payment after hours, please use the green drop off box located to the right of the door to Oaks Hall.

Dog & Cat Licensing

Please remember to license your dog or cat. In order to license your pet you must have a rabies certificate from your veterinarian valid through November 1st of the licensing year. The fee for licensing is \$11.20 per pet, \$8.20 if your pet is spayed or neutered. The Borough will be conducting a mandatory animal census in the fall.

Home Occupation Registration

If you have a home occupation you must register the home occupation with the borough. This requires a completed zoning application and a copy of your floor plan. Home occupations must comply with current zoning regulations. Log on to www.medfordlakes.com or call 654-8898 for registration information.

Commercial Vehicle Parking

Commercially registered vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of over 14,000 lbs. are prohibited from parking overnight in the borough.

Underground Oil Tank Registration

All property owners with a UST **must** register and receive a tag from the borough. Fuel oil distributors will not deliver fuel oil to tanks that are not registered with the Borough. Please log on to www.medfordlakes.com or call 654-8898 for registration information.

Construction & Tree Permitting

If you plan to renovate or alter the appearance of your home, a construction permit may be required. Construction of a shed, installation of fencing, or driveway require a permit. Inside renovations also may require a permit.

In order to cut down trees in Medford Lakes, an application must be submitted and the site inspected prior to the removal of any trees. Applications for the above permits are available at the municipal office.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

The Medford Lakes Fire Department is operated by dedicated volunteers. With the increased demands on today's residents the need for volunteers is critical to maintain the services currently enjoyed. Any resident sixteen (16) years of age or older is encouraged to apply for membership. Applications can be obtained at the Borough Administration Office.