

LAMBERTVILLE UPDATE

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David M. DeVecchio, Mayor
 Steven Stegman, Council President
 Beth Asaro, Councilwoman
 Wardell Sanders, Councilman
 Elaine Warner, Councilwoman

Dates to Remember

February 21

City Fire Commission Elections
 Union Firehouse

February 28

Dog & Cat License Deadline
 (Forms received on or after March 1 will incur a \$25 late fee)

March 31

Landlord Registration Deadline
 (Forms received on or after April 1 will incur a \$50 late fee)

April 6

Street Sweeping Resumes

Request a Street Tree

Lambertville's streets and parks will soon look a little greener through a local family's anonymous donation of up to 20 new trees to be planted throughout the city.

The City currently is reviewing areas that would benefit from the addition of a tree. To suggest a location, please visit the City's homepage and click on the link for the [Street Tree Request Form](#).

Taxes Stable in City Budget

Proposed City budget will maintain services with no municipal tax increase.

Under a \$4.946 million City budget for 2015 introduced February 10, the municipal tax rate would drop .003 cents to .316 cents per \$100, meaning a house valued at the City average of \$353,768 would be taxed \$1.38 less than in 2014.

Under the proposed fiscal plan, the City is expected to see its "rainy day fund" grow to in excess of \$900,000 by the end of 2015.

"Providing value to taxpayers is one of the most important things local government can do," said Mayor David DeVecchio. "I am very proud that we are going to be able to maintain the high quality of City services residents have come to expect without asking for them to pay more in taxes. The City is on a strong fiscal footing, and that bodes well for our future."

A public hearing on the budget is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 16 at the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center. According to data from the state Department of Community Affairs, Lambertville has the lowest average property taxes of any Hunterdon County municipality with a police force, and the fourth-lowest average property tax burden overall.

City Ordinances and Property Tax Information Now Online

City ordinances and health codes are now searchable from the City homepage. Zoning ordinances are still being consolidated and will be available soon. You may also track your property tax payments online, also through a link available on the City's homepage.

City Boards, Commissions & Authorities

All meetings are held at the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center (25 South Union St.) unless otherwise noted.

Mayor & Council:

3rd Tuesday of each month.
7 p.m.

Environmental Commission:

3rd Mon or Tues of each month,
visit the City's homepage for day
7 p.m.
Meetings at City Hall, 18 York St.

Historic Preservation:

2nd Tuesday of each month
7:30 p.m.

Library Board of Trustees:

2nd Tuesday of each month
7 p.m.
*Meetings at the Lambertville Free
& Public Library, 6 Lilly St.*

Municipal Utilities Authority:

1st Wednesday of each month
6 p.m.
*Meetings at the LMUA Offices,
Lambert Lane Extension*

Planning Board:

1st Wednesday of each month
7 p.m.

Recreation Commission:

2nd Wednesday of each month
7:30 p.m.

Shade Tree Commission:

Last Tuesday of each month
7:30 p.m.

Zoning Board of Adjustment:

Last Thursday of each month
7:30 p.m.

City Recycling Tops 1,000 Tons in 2014

City residents recycled a total of 1,010.58 tons – or 2,021,160 pounds – of glass, paper, and plastics in 2014. The record-breaking recycling haul also produced significant fiscal savings to taxpayers. Given the \$72 per ton “tipping fee” charged at the landfill, city residents saved a total of \$72,762 through recycling alone; the City also received approximately \$12 per ton at the recycling center.

City residents also sent 63.4 fewer tons of general trash to landfills than they did in 2013. The 1,606 tons of trash also equates to a more than 15 percent decrease in total trash tonnage since 2011.

Trash & Recycling Schedule

MONDAY: Food Waste Recycling, Citywide (*Pilot Program Only*)

TUESDAY: Church Street (south side), Bridge Street, Ferry Street, Swan Street, Mount Hope Street, and Canal Street. Also includes Curley Lane, Grants Alley & Washington Street.

WEDNESDAY: Cottage Hill, Connaught Hill & Music Mountain.

THURSDAY: Church Street (north side), Coryell Street, York Street, Delevan Street, and Delaware Avenue (south side). Includes corresponding blocks on Main, Union, Clinton & George streets.

FRIDAY: Delaware Avenue (north side), Perry Street, Buttonwood Street, Elm Street, Cherry Street. Includes corresponding blocks on Main, Union, Clinton & George streets. Lamberts Hill and Blair Tract.

Requirements

Each household is allowed a maximum of four (4) bags or containers of trash per week. Each bag or container must weigh less than 40 pounds. Residents may obtain a permit for a fee from City Hall for the collection and disposal of extra bags or containers, furniture, and other bulk items. There is no limit on the amount of recycled materials allowed. Please clearly mark your recycling can for easy identification. Recycling cannot be placed in bags.

Do not include concrete, grass, weeds, or branches with trash. These may be taken to the Public Works Yard located on Quarry Street, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Electronics (including TVs, microwaves, and computers) are not picked up curbside, and should be taken to Public Works Yard.

Lids are required on all garbage and recycling cans to keep rain and insects out. Thank you for your cooperation!