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FREEBURG

2026

Quarterly Newsletter

LSA Grant Award

We are pleased to announce that our borough has been awarded \$464,349 through the Local Share Account (LSA) Statewide program towards lining the sewer mains, laterals, and manholes in Route 35 and connecting mains to Route 35. This sewer lining project will use a poly resin material that will cure to the strength of PVC piping, thus extending the longevity of our system by 50 years. 56 residences will be served through this project which accounts for 27% of our borough.

**Please remember to keep your sidewalk clear of leaves, debris, and snow during the coming months. This will help prevent pedestrian injuries.*

Water & Sewer Rates

Effective 1st Quarter 2026 (Mar. 31, 2026 Bills)
5.6% Increase of Water & Sewer Rates for 2026
Sewer rates will be:

- \$150.00/quarter, effective 1/1/2026

Water rates will be billed on a tiered rate schedule, effective 1/1/2026:

- Base rate for up to 7,000 gallons used will be \$160.00
- Additional water used from 8,000 to 14,000 gallons will be \$15.00/1,000 gallons
- Additional water used from 14,000 and up will be \$18.00/1,000 gallons

For budgeting purposes, the base rate, effective 1/1/2026, will be \$310.00/quarter.

These increases are required to help meet the ongoing operating expenses and to meet debt service obligations of the Authority.

Notice:

There is a locked dropbox available outside of the Borough office to drop off water & sewer payments.

Emergency Water & Sewer Contact Info

First call: (570) 372-0826, Snyder County's non-emergency number

If there is no response after 30 minutes, then call Owens Professional Solutions, LLC: (570) 847-6436

FIRE COMPANY EVENTS



BEEF & HAM POT PIE DINNER
Saturday, January 24th from
4-7 pm - Eat in or take out

CHICKEN & WAFFLES DINNER

Saturday, February 21st from 4-7 pm - Eat in
or take out

SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS DINNER

Saturday, March 21st from 4-7 pm - Eat in or
take out

KIDS GARDEN CLUB

Kids Garden Club
is looking forward
to meeting again
for the third year.
Kids in preschool
through 5th grade



are welcome to join us at the Freeburg
Community Center once a month from April
through September. During these meetings,
kids will learn about growing their own food,
build friendships, and enjoy many fun activities
that are rooted in God's love.



Please visit:
<https://www.cpym.org/freeburg-kids-garden-club>
or email shannonnicolemoyer@gmail.com
for more information.

Community Grant Updates

We are still applying to various local grants to
raise the money needed to replace and install
the Community Center basketball backstops. If
you would like to donate toward this need,
checks should be made out to the **Freeburg-
Washington Recreation Association** and mailed
to P.O. Box 102. Thank you!

State of the Borough Letter

A State of the Borough letter, recapping the
past year and looking forward to what's ahead,
is posted on the Borough's website and
Facebook page.



State of the Borough Letter

Dear Freeburg Residents,

As President of the Freeburg Borough Council for the past two years, it is my privilege to share this
update reflecting on the past year and looking ahead to the future of our community.

In partnership with the Freeburg Municipal Water Authority, the Freeburg-Washington Recreation
Association, and the Freeburg Volunteer Fire Department, we worked to maintain a balanced budget to
ensure fiscal responsibility and sustainability for our borough.

Narcan Kits Available **NARCAN[®] (naloxone HCl) NASAL SPRAY**

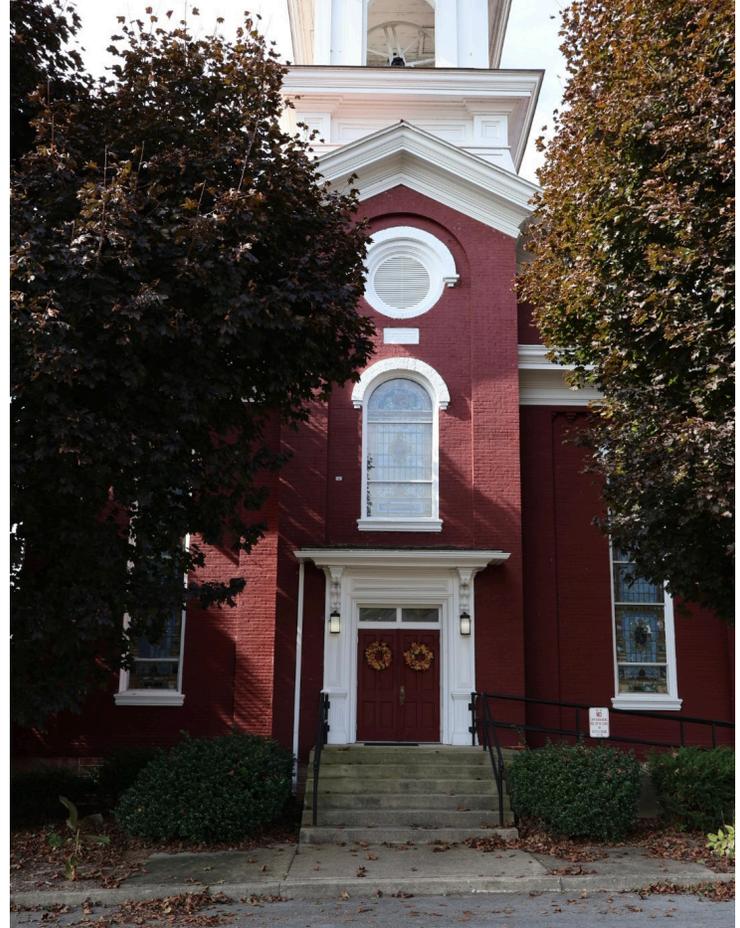
The Borough has received Narcan kits to
distribute to the community. If you would like
to have a Narcan kit, please stop by the
Borough office during regular office hours and
you can anonymously get a kit from the bench
inside the entrance doors.

No Dumping Allowed at the Reservoir & Sewer Plant

To help protect the community's water supply,
Freeburg Borough & Freeburg Municipal
Authority ask residents to no longer dump yard
waste and/or debris at Reservoir Hill or the
Sewer Plant. Signs have been posted, and, if
needed, cameras to monitor the areas will be
installed. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Freeburg Borough Through the Seasons

Fall 2025



Next quarter's "Freeburg Borough Through the Seasons" page will highlight **outdoor holiday decorations** and **winter scenery**. While we can't guarantee that every photo will be featured, we encourage residents to submit their own photography of Freeburg by emailing sierra.freeburgborough@gmail.com by March 15.

Borough Council:

Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Effective 1/1/2026

Tabbatha VanHorn-Price

Catherine Dent

Erica Stephenson

Regina Moyer

Angela Weaver

John Wiegler

Thomas Gingrich

Richard Bickhart, *Mayor*

Municipal Authority:

Meetings are held the Thursday before Borough Council meetings.

Thomas Gingrich

Bruce Blades

John Reichenbach

William Hoffman

John Wiegler

Tax Collector:

Shirley Moyer, (570) 374-5317

Borough Staff:

Wanda Kantz, *Secretary*

Sierra Zeigler, *Assistant Secretary*

Trent Hoffman, *Community Center Coordinator*

Wayne Enders, *Public Works Lead Worker*

Rob Heddens, *Borough Laborer*

Marvin Weaver, *Borough Laborer*

John Stuck, *Borough Laborer*

Property Maintenance



To help maintain health and safety within our community, please keep up with your property maintenance.

The most typical violations are:

- Overgrown weeds and vegetation
- Garbage and junk accumulating on property
- Unregistered vehicles not enclosed in a building

****Violation citations can result in fines if not addressed in a timely manner.***

Go to the “Documents” section of our website and select “CK COG Maintenance Code 2024” to view specific property maintenance requirements.

Reference Chapter 3: General Requirements, beginning on page 26.

Meter Reading Dates



Please be advised that the next meter reading dates are March 16th-19th. Borough employees will be wearing neon yellow clothing.

Community Concerns

If you have a concern regarding an issue in the community, such as barking dogs, parking issues, property maintenance, etc., please fill out a complaint form, found on the borough website under the “Documents” section, and return it to the Borough office with as much detail as possible. Our Borough Council committees will follow up with the concern.

Emergency Alerts Hyper-Reach™

Use the “Hyper-Reach” link on our borough website’s menu to sign up to receive local emergency alerts.

Borough Facebook Page & Website

You can find Freeburg Borough news on our Facebook page: *Borough of Freeburg, Pa* and on our website: www.freeburgborough.com

FREEBURG BOROUGH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 9:30 am to 4 pm, Wednesday by Appointment
(Monday Banking/Lunch Break from 12 pm to 1 pm)