

## 2020 Ordinances

The following are recently adopted ordinances. The full text of the Ordinances may be examined in its entirety at the Borough Municipal Building.

Adopted July 9, 2020

Ordinance 2020-06 - Amendment to General Parking Regulations and Parking Restrictions During Heavy Snow Event (Section 420-27 and 383-24 of Borough Code)

- Prohibiting parking on both sides of Race Street between Broadway and Quarry Street at all times.
- Prohibiting parking on both sides of Hill Road between South Avenue and Broadway at all times.
- Prohibiting parking on Quarry Street during a heavy snow event.

Adopted September 10, 2020

Ordinance 2020-07 - Amendment to Fire Department (Chapter 26 of Borough Code)

- Municipal fire department to consist of two fire companies, being the Diligent Fire Company No. 3, now recognized as the West Side Fire Station and the Onoko Fire and Rescue Company, now recognized as the East Side Fire Station.

## Trick or Treat Night

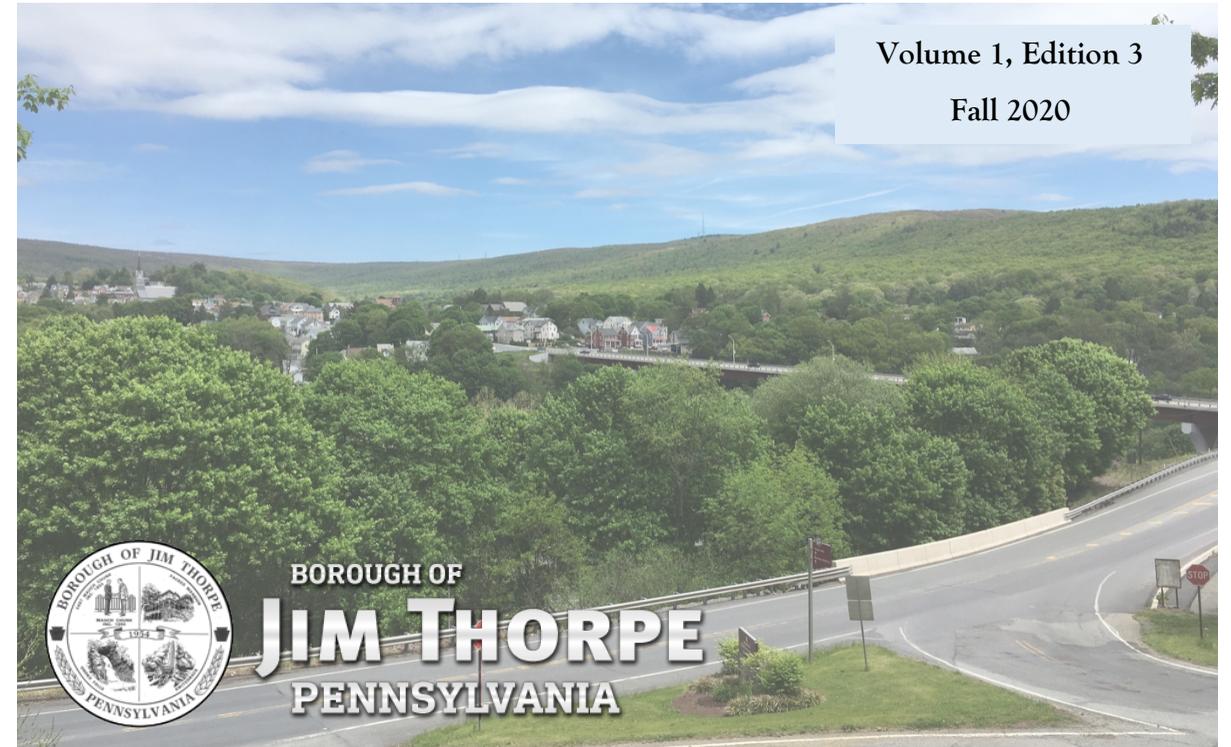
Trick or Treat Night will be held Saturday, October 31, 2020, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Residents are asked to keep everything outside of their homes.

## Blight Remediation Program

On July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Jim Thorpe Borough Council passed Resolution 2020-11 to apply for the Blight Remediation Program Grant of up to \$300,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for blighted properties repairs, refurbishment, and/or demolition within the borough. Council voted a match for the project of 20% of the Borough's share of the project. Borough Council also voted to work with Lehighton and Palmerton boroughs for this program.

### Notice:

The UCC Joint Board of Appeals has one (1) member vacancy. The candidate must be a resident of the borough. Letters of interest should include any pertinent information; resumes are suggested.



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Welcome:

This is the third newsletter publication designed to provide information on various matters throughout the borough.

We hope you enjoy this and take advantage of the Borough of Jim Thorpe Newsletter.

*Connor Rodgers, Junior Council Person*

Budget Workshop Meeting Dates (Memorial Hall, 6:30 PM)

- Thursday, October 29
- Wednesday, November 4
- Thursday, November 19
- Wednesday, November 25

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Message from the Manager

Zoning & SALDO Ordinance Updates in Progress

The Borough was recently awarded funding for updating our Zoning Ordinance and our Subdivision & Land Development (SALDO) Ordinance. We have partnered with Summit Hill Borough on this project.

We were awarded a Municipal Assistance Program (MAP) Grant from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) in the amount of \$30,070.00. Natural Lands Trust, through Audubon Pennsylvania has awarded \$15,000.00. Jim Thorpe Borough and Summit Hill Borough will each contribute \$7,535.00. The total project budget is \$60,140.00 for updating four (4) ordinances.

Subdivision, land development, and zoning are ever-evolving land-use tools utilized by municipalities to guide development in the manner a municipality wishes to grow. While these tools vary from borough to borough and township to township, there are some aspects that can be useful to neighboring communities. Definitions and some regulations are examples. Working together eliminates double work on these items. Other items must be more tailored to each community based on the type of community and the goals and desires of the residents.

As the PA Municipalities Planning Codes states, these provisions are intended to protect and promote safety, health and morals; to accomplish coordinated development; to provide for the general welfare by guiding and protecting amenity, convenience, future governmental, economic, practical and social and cultural facilities; development and growth; guide uses of land and structures, and more.

We encourage all residents to send in their thoughts, concerns, ideas, and wishes on these ordinances. Let us know what you want and how you envision the borough moving forward with zoning and development. Let's all work together for our future!

Email comments to: secretary@jtborough.org  
Mail to: Jim Thorpe Borough, 101 East 10th Street, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229  
Deliver to Borough office during working hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm)  
Place in the drop box at the office building

Maureen Sterner, Borough Manager

Tire and Electronic Recycling Event

Every year the Borough offers two events for residents to dispose of electronics, TVs, and tires. They are held in the Spring and Fall at the Public Service garage near Memorial Park.

This year's Fall event took place on September 26, 2020, from 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM.

This event is for borough residents only.

Spring/Fall 2020 Events by the Numbers: 

Tires (from residents).....	428
Televisions.....	318
Electronics.....	416
Tires (from Flagstaff Road).....	132

Permit Parking Ordinance Tabled

The West Broadway Parking Permit Ordinance is still under discussion. This several-year-old project was advertised and considered for adoption on October 8<sup>th</sup> at the regular meeting. After hearing residents for and against the project, borough council decided to table the ordinance in order to gather additional public input.

If adopted, the proposed ordinance would take effect on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. The borough finds that certain residential areas in the borough are subjected to parking by non-residents. The ordinance is considered to assure primary access to available spaces by neighborhood residents. Under the proposed ordinance, vehicles without a parking permit would not be able to park in the designated areas between the hours of 5 PM to 8 AM Monday through Friday and all day on Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays. Any vehicle without a permit, would be subject to additional citation(s) or ticket(s) if the vehicle is parked illegally for each eight hours after the first ticket is issued.

The full Ordinance may be examined in its entirety at the Borough Municipal Building.

Ideas or suggestions to assist with our parking issues are encouraged, accepted, and appreciated. A public meeting will be held on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Memorial Hall for residents to make suggestions and comments.