

Police Community Watch Schedule

The following are the 2020 meetings for the Community Watch. The meetings will take place at 7:00 P.M. in the Memorial Hall. Anyone who needs information should contact Chief Schatz.

April 16, 2020

- Carbon County District Attorney Michael Greek

May 21, 2020

- Carbon County Emergency Management

June 18, 2020

- Meet & Greet with Jim Thorpe Borough Council

August 20, 2020

- Meet & Greet with Police Chief Joseph Schatz

September 17, 2020

- Lehighton Ambulance Association

October 15, 2020

- End of the Year Gathering

2020 Budget Summary

The 2020 budget was adopted on December 12, 2019. The following is a brief summary.

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| • General Fund.....\$3,242,844.00 | • Sewer Capital Reserve Fund.....\$2,208,655.00 |
| • Water Fund.....\$1,614,314.00 | • Sewer Fund.....\$1,406,504.00 |
| • Sanitation Fund.....\$816,227.00 | • Sanitation Capital Reserve Fund...\$807,475.00 |
| • Water Capital Reserve Fund.....\$492,195.00 | • Liquid Fuels.....\$327,315.00 |
| • General Capital Reserve Fund.....\$233,779.00 | |

The 2020 Budget totals \$11,149,308.00

Monthly Meeting Schedule for 2020:

- Council Workshop Meetings – first Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Memorial Hall.

- Council Regular Meetings – second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Memorial Hall.

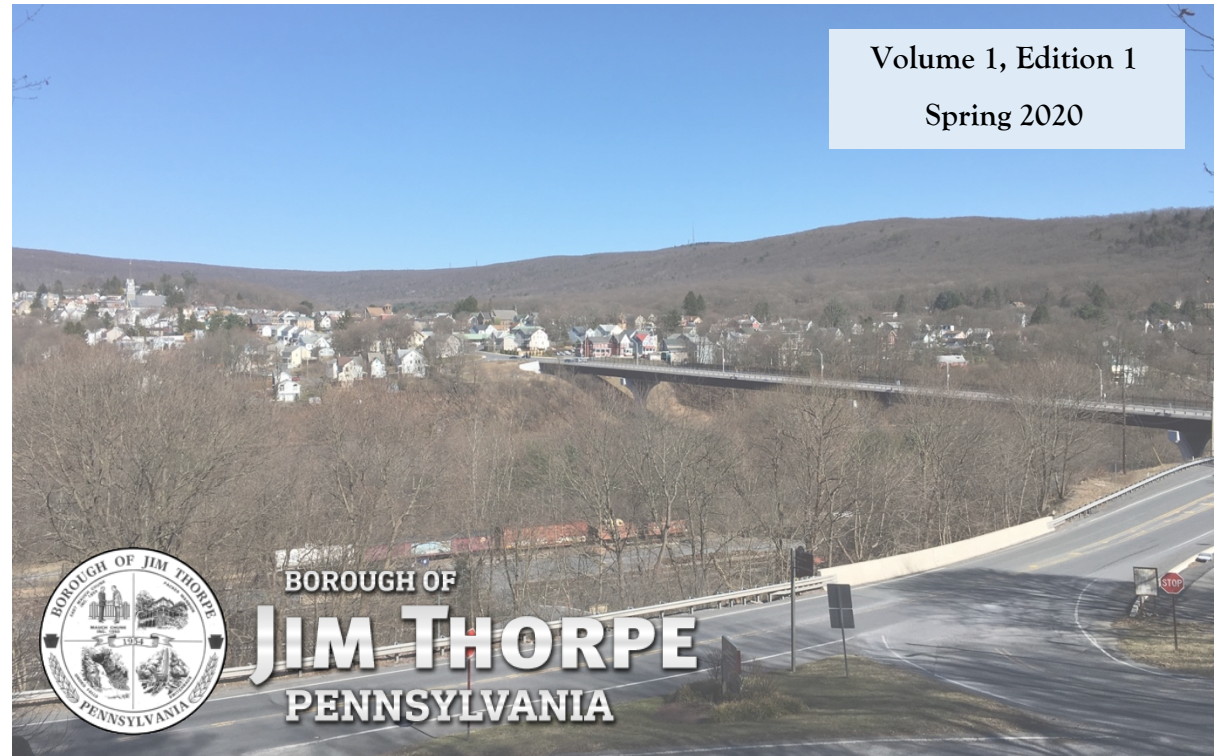
- Planning Commission Meetings – third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in Borough office.

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.

Please submit your letter of interest to Borough of Jim Thorpe, attn: Borough Manager Sterner
101 E. 10th St., Jim Thorpe, Pa. 18229

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Welcome:

This is the first newsletter publication that is designed to provide information on various matters throughout the borough. This will include information on items such as borough announcements, new ordinances, projects, and messages from officials. From this Spring forward, a similar newsletter will be issued four times a year for the residents of Jim Thorpe.

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

Connor Rodgers, Junior Council Person

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Message from the Borough Council President

Welcome to the first edition of The Borough of Jim Thorpe’s quarterly Newsletter. A special thanks to Junior Council Member Connor Rodgers, who is responsible for coming up with the idea for this Newsletter and for his time in putting it together.

I would like to update and inform residents about three upcoming projects that will serve the needs of the borough for many years to come. The three projects center around the transformation of the Memorial Park complex. The Public Service Department will be vacating the grounds of Memorial Park and will move to a new building on the west side of town on borough lands across from the water treatment plant. The borough is also currently preparing a master site plan for Memorial Park that will encompass the current Public Service Department area. Grant funding will provide new equipment and upgraded facilities for this undertaking. The central theme of the park complex upgrades will be to honor the namesake of the park, our Veterans. The third project involves much-needed repairs and upgrades to Memorial Hall. The Police Station will be moved into the lower level of the Hall. The borough Administrative Offices will move into the front portion of the Hall, with the remaining area maintaining a 200-300 seat open space for community use. The building which currently houses these two offices will be offered for lease by the borough. The building projects are planned to be out for bid this spring.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable spring and summer!

Gregory Strubinger, Borough Council President

Garbage Collection Date Changes

The following are the remaining changes to the garbage and recycling pick-up for 2020.

Memorial Day
• Pick-up will be Friday, May 29th
Labor Day
• Pick-up will be Friday, September 11th
Thanksgiving
• Pick-up will be Friday, November 27th

Tire and Electronic Recycling

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 Spring event will take place on May 9, 2020, from 7:00 AM – 11:30 AM.

The goal of having these events is to promote disposing directly to the haulers rather than creating a nuisance with dumping sites. This event is for borough residents only. Please provide proof of residency. Acceptable forms are utility bills or a driver’s licenses.

Fall 2019 Event by the Numbers:



Tires (from residents).....	221
Televisions.....	135
Electronics.....	188
Tires (from Flagstaff Road).....	70

Delaware and Lehigh Trail Project

In 2018, work began to complete the section of the Delaware and Lehigh trail on the east side of Jim Thorpe near the sewage treatment facility. The work included building a retaining wall and a trail connector from the existing trail, just south of the sewer facility, to the 255’ feet county-owned bridge, completed in 2018. The D & L retaining wall and trail, also near the historic lock one of the canal, was \$1,198,272.00. The trail was connected to the Mansion House Bridge after the bridge was closed for nearly a year. The trail opened on August 12, 2019. An official opening ceremony was held in late August 2019 for the project.

Delaware and Lehigh Trail Fence



After the trail was open for a few weeks, it became clear that additional fencing was needed on the trail connector due to a steep embankment on the river side of the trail. The DCNR grant covered \$36,167.00 for building the fence. Both projects were contracted by Don E. Bower, Inc. With this completion, Carbon is the first county to have a completed trail through the corridor.