

SEWER & REFUSE PAYMENTS

The most important component to paying your sewer/refuse bill is to make your payment on time. Invoices are mailed to property owners at the beginning of every quarter. Payment for the full amount is due 30 days from the billing date on the invoice and must be received by the due date. Post-marked envelopes will no longer be given any consideration regarding lateness of payment.

Payments can be made through the Borough's online system at www.palmyraborough.org. There is also a payment drop box located at the front of the municipal building at 325 S. Railroad Street.

All residents that are having difficulties in meeting their quarterly payments are advised to contact the Borough office to discuss payment arrangements. The Borough will work with residents to help create a payment plan to repay any arrearage.

The Borough is authorized to place municipal liens against property with delinquent balances. In addition, Borough Council has authorized staff to work with the PA American Water Company to shut off water service to delinquent properties. Residents will incur additional costs if the Borough takes steps to discontinue water service. We encourage any resident with a delinquent balance to call immediately.

RENTAL REGISTRATION

2021 Rental Registration applications were due November 30, 2020. Owners of rental properties who did not turn in rental applications for 2021 will need to do so immediately. For information on this requirement, please contact the Borough office at 717-838-6361.

USEFUL WINTER DRIVING TIPS FROM AAA

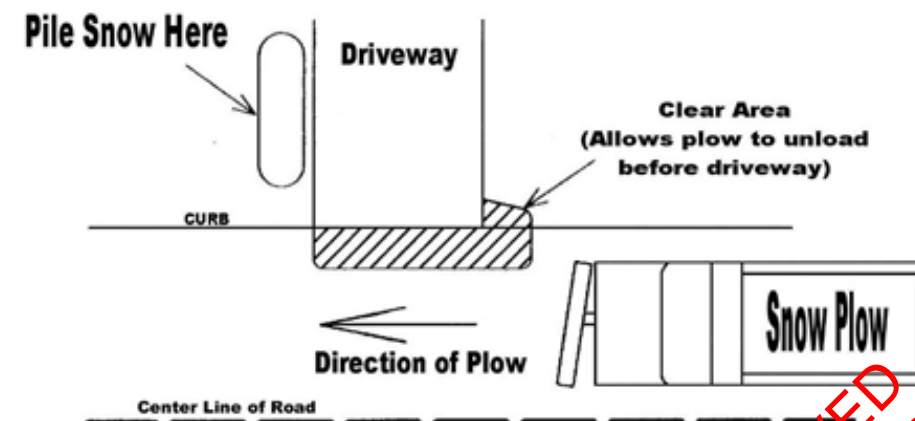
Cold Weather Driving Tips

- Keep a bundle of cold-weather gear in your car, such as extra food and water, warm clothing, a flashlight, a glass scraper, blankets, medications, and more.
- Make certain your tires are properly inflated and have plenty of tread.
- Keep at least half a tank of fuel in your vehicle at all times.
- Never warm up a vehicle in an enclosed area, such as a garage.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface, such as on ice and snow.

Tips for Driving in the Snow

- Stay home. Only go out if necessary. Even if you can drive well in bad weather, it's better to avoid taking unnecessary risks by venturing out.
- Drive slowly. Always adjust your speed down to account for lower traction when driving on snow or ice.
- Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Apply the gas slowly to regain traction and avoid skids. Don't try to get moving in a hurry and take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember: It takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- Increase your following distance to five to six seconds. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.
- Know your brakes. Whether you have antilock brakes or not, keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.
- Don't stop if you can avoid it. There's a big difference in the amount of inertia it takes to start moving from a full stop versus how much it takes to get moving while still rolling. If you can slow down enough to keep rolling until a traffic light changes, do it.
- Don't power up hills. Applying extra gas on snow-covered roads will just make your wheels spin. Try to get a little inertia going before you reach the hill and let that inertia carry you to the top. As you reach the crest of the hill, reduce your speed and proceed downhill slowly.
- Don't stop going up a hill. There's nothing worse than trying to get moving up a hill on an icy road. Get some inertia going on a flat roadway before you take on the hill.

RULES FOR THE REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE



THE FARMER'S ALMANAC 2020-2021 WINTER WEATHER REPORT SAYS:

Remember last year's almost snow-free winter in the Northeast? Well, this year our prediction is very different, with the possibility of a blizzard hitting the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast states during the second week of February. This storm may bring up to 1-2 feet of snow to cities from Washington, D.C. to Boston, Massachusetts!

Whether we have 1-2 feet of snow like The Farmer's Almanac predicts, or just a couple inches all season, the sidewalks will need to be cleared according to the Borough ordinance. Before the next snow or ice event, please read and understand the rules for snow and ice removal from sidewalks. The requirements are as follows:

- The owner of any lot containing, fronting on or abutting on an improved sidewalk shall remove and clear away or cause to be removed and cleared away snow and/or ice from a path at least 36 inches in width from so much of said sidewalk as is within in front of or abuts the lot.
- Snow and ice shall be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours after the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain.
- In the event snow and/or ice on a sidewalk has become so hard that it cannot be removed without likelihood of damage to the sidewalk, the person charged with its removal shall, within the 24 hours mentioned previously, cause enough sand or other abrasive to be put on the sidewalk to make travel reasonably safe. Said person shall, as soon thereafter as weather permits, clear or cause to be cleared a path in said sidewalk of at least 36 inches in width.
- The owner of any building or other structure shall remove and clear away, or cause to be removed and cleared away any accumulation of snow and/or ice on said building or other structure which is liable to fall on any sidewalk, street, highway or other public way. Such work shall be completed within a reasonable time, but not later than 24 hours after the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain.
- No person shall deposit or cause to be deposited any snow or ice on to neighboring properties without the express consent of the neighboring property owner or immediately next to a fire hydrant or on any sidewalk, street or highway or loading or unloading areas of a public transportation system, except that snow or ice may be mounded by the Borough on public cart-ways incident to the cleaning thereof or mounded on curbs incident to the cleaning of sidewalks in the business district.

Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$75 nor more than \$600 plus costs. Each day that a violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.

The Public Works Department recommends that residents wait to shovel sidewalks and driveways until after the plows have passed. If waiting is not possible, then it is suggested to follow the diagram above on preparing for the snowplow to come through each street.

**BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVED
BUDGET WITH NO TAX INCREASE**