



St. Clair Borough News Bulletin December 2022

The official site of the Borough of St. Clair is www.stclair-gov.org for information concerning the Borough. Such information includes a list of public officials, local ordinances, forms, a copy of the monthly newsletter, council meeting minutes, and links for CodeRED and to pay your electric bill. The agenda for the council meeting will be posted on the web page 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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**In observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays, Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2, the Borough office will be closed. Sanitation collection for Monday will occur Wednesday.**

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When **paying your bill on-line**, make sure your on-line electric bill payment reaches the Borough in a timely manner. **ONLY** use the St. Clair Borough website. Go to www.stclair-gov.org. Click on the RED button that says "Pay Electric Bill," and follow instructions. Reminder: The borough office will no longer be taking credit card payments over the phone.

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**The large item collection date is Wednesday, December 21, 2022.**

Each large item is \$5. At this time, place an envelope containing the check, name, address and phone number where the large item is to be collected. Place the envelope in the drop off box in front of the Municipal Building. Please no cash. No sticker will be issued and collections will be assigned based upon the addresses listed. Large item collection is always the third Wednesday of the month.

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Thank you to the St. Clair Women's Club and Rescue Hook & Ladder Fire Company #3 for hosting our Annual **Christmas Tree Lighting and Festival!** Many thanks also to the Borough employees, the vendors, food trucks and of course to Mr. and Mrs. Santa Clause, and the Grinch who made this a very fun filled event!

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**ATTENTION LANDLORDS:** Rental Ordinance #398 requires a Rental Registration Form completed at the beginning of each year. Please complete your Rental Registration form along with fees and return to St. Clair Borough. The form is on the St. Clair Borough website under "Documents and Forms." All renters are required to be registered. **IT IS A REQUIREMENT.**

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The **CPA Audit of the Borough of Saint Clair** for the fiscal year 2021 is available for inspection during normal business hours at the Municipal Building.

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**The Electric Light Department is requiring, BEFORE an Electrical Service Upgrade is done on your home, to contact the St. Clair Electric Light Department at 570-429-0640. They will meet with your qualified electrician that will be doing the work to confirm the following: meter location, placement of weather head, date that the work will be done, inspection agency contact number and to also answer any questions that your qualified electrician may have.**

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Applications for part time **school crossing guards** are being accepted. Applications are available at the St. Clair Municipal Building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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The **Hometown Hero banners** along Second Street that were taken down can be picked up at the Municipal Building. Remaining banners around town can be taken down by calling the Municipal Building. If you are coming to pick one up or would like a banner taken down, please call 570-429-0640, so it can be ready.

**Recycling Reminder** – Please use the blue recycling 25-gallon container provided to you to recycle and any additional recycling material can be placed in another container. The following items are recyclable: card board, boxes, mixed colored glass containers, tin & aluminum cans, plastics #1 through #7, magazines, newspapers & inserts, office and school paper. **ITEMS SHOULD BE CLEANED; CANS AND BOTTLES SHOULD BE RINSED. DO NOT RECYCLE THE FOLLOWING:** garbage, food waste, film, plastic bags, plastic wrap, waxed cartons, foam cups or containers.

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Walk Saint Clair's upcoming walk:

*Saturday, December 17 – **Annual Christmas Walk** - begins at 6 p.m. at the Historical Society. For more information visit www.walksaintclair.com, follow us on Facebook, or call 570-429-1161.*

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*The St. Clair Area Food Pantry serves St. Clair, New Castle Township, Arnot's Addition, Mill Creek and Dieners Hill from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at St. Clair-Wade United Methodist Church, 23 N. Front St., St. Clair. The next food pantry will be held in February .*

### **Mayor's Report**

1. Many thanks to Holy Apostles Episcopal Church and the Pottsville Knights of Columbus for providing free Thanksgiving dinners to those who found themselves alone on Thanksgiving.
2. Residents are urged to not allow packages delivered to their porches to remain too long as they are targeted by "porch thieves."
3. Holiday revelers are advised to use designated drivers if celebrations involve the use of alcoholic beverages.
4. On behalf of myself, the Borough Council, Borough Officials, and Borough employees – we wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

### **Historical Note – December 2022**

In 1829 the Mill Creek Railroad was extended from Port Carbon to what is now St. Clair. This first railroad consisted of cars drawn by horses on wooden rails and did much to open up the interest in coal mining in this community.

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The **January monthly council meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, January 3, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, St. Clair Municipal Building. For additional methods to provide public comment for the above meeting, comments can be 1.) emailed to rprice@ptd.net, 2.) mailed to the Borough Secretary at 16 S. Third Street, Saint Clair, PA 17970 or 3.) placed in the drop box in front of the Municipal Building. **In order for an item to be discussed at the council meeting, it must arrive to the Borough Secretary at least 48 hours before the meeting commences in order for it to be part of the agenda.**

