

# St. Clair Borough News Bulletin

## January 2024

The official site of the Borough of St. Clair is [www.stclairpa.gov](http://www.stclairpa.gov) for information concerning the Borough. The website includes links to register for CodeRED and to pay your electric bill. It also includes a list of public officials, local ordinances, forms, a copy of the monthly newsletter, and council meeting minutes. The agenda for the council meeting will be posted on the web page 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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**The large item collection date is Wednesday, January 17, 2024.**

Each large item is \$5. Place a check, the name, address and phone number where the large item is to be collected in an envelope. 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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**ATTENTION DRIVERS: Please be observant of the school crossing guards and children at all times. Be mindful especially when visibility is diminished. Safety is everyone's responsibility!**

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The **Schuylkill County Reassessment** project is underway. The data collection phase is currently taking place within the Borough. Please see our website or visit [www.vgsi.com/Schuylkill](http://www.vgsi.com/Schuylkill) for more information or stop in the Municipal Building for an informative pamphlet.

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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 2022 is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Municipal Building.

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**Stray animals** are becoming a problem in the Borough. Please DO NOT feed the stray animals.

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Contractors will be in town implementing *Make Ready Work* for Comcast's arrival. **Alerts will be issued to residents of when power outages will occur due to this Comcast project.**

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>> The **drop box for electric & sewer payments** and other documents has been replaced <<  
>> by a *secure drop off slot in the wall* of the Municipal Building for your convenience. <<

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We are in need of **substitute school crossing guards** for the 2023-2024 school year. Applications are available at the St. Clair Municipal Building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Call the Municipal Building if you have any questions. 570-429-0640.

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All of the **Hometown Hero Banners** around the borough have been taken down and are stored at the Municipal Building for pick up. If you are coming to pick one up, please call 570-429-0640, so it can be ready.

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To further serve our community, a **food cupboard** has been erected at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church at 307 E. Hancock Street for people in need. *"Take what you need, and leave what you can."* If dropping off, please only leave non-perishable, non-expired food. Thank you.

The **St. Clair Area Food Pantry** offers a *drive thru pick up* on N. Mill Street on the third Wednesday of the even months from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the First Primitive Methodist Church, 115 N. Mill Street, Saint Clair. The pantry serves St. Clair, New Castle Township, Arnot's Addition, Mill Creek and Dieners Hill. The next food pantry will be held February 21.

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**New for 2024 Saint Clair's Winter Walks.** There will not be a set schedule for the walks, but they will be based on the weather forecast with an approximate 3-day notice. Check out the website, facebook page, or send an email to [walksaintclair@gmail.com](mailto:walksaintclair@gmail.com) to be added to an email list for Winter Walk updates beginning in January.

### **Mayor's Report**

1. Vaccines for Covid, Flu and RSV are available. Residents are urged to consult with their doctors as to the feasibility of obtaining the vaccine.
2. If residents see suspicious activity around vacant properties – notify the St. Clair Police Dept. at 570-429-2240 or 570-429-3050.

### **Historical Note**

The first means of transportation in the area of what is now St. Clair was by horseback. The roads were narrow and rough making horseback the only way to travel.

The first improved road was the Sunbury Road or the "King's Highway" which was established in 1770. The road connected Reading and Sunbury. The road we know as the "Peach Mountain Road" was part of this early turnpike. This road allowed wagons to be used. These wagons were covered with canvas and drawn by four horses.

**The February issues, review and finance work session** will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2024, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The **monthly council meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2024, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meetings will be held in Council Chambers, St. Clair Municipal Building. For additional methods to provide public comment for the council meeting, comments can be 1.) emailed to [rprice@stclairpa.gov](mailto:rprice@stclairpa.gov), 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.**

