



# Stewartstown Borough 1st Quarter Newsletter



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## Proposed Borough Budget Summary General Funds 2008

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### Operating Revenue General Funds

Real Property Taxes	\$ 369,008.00
Act 511 Taxes	\$ 270,850.00
Licenses & Permits	\$ 25,499.00
Fines	\$ 21,980.00
Interest Earnings	\$ 10,000.00
Rents & Royalties	\$ 29,760.00
General Government	\$ 2,000.00
Public Safety	\$ 58,210.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 140,949.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 928,256.00</b>

### Operating Expenses

Salary & Wages	\$ 389,199.00
Benefits	\$ 150,818.00
Other Services & Charges	\$ 35,194.00
Solicitor /Legal Service	\$ 18,000.00
Supplies	\$ 4,250.00
Engineering Services	\$ 10,750.00
General Gov't Build	\$ 60,363.00
Police Expenses	\$ 102,657.00
Code Enforcement /Planning	\$ 16,500.00
Emergency Management	\$ 44,720.00
Streets/ Roads/ Storm Water	\$ 51,905.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 43,900.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 928,256.00</b>

### Water Funds

Revenue	
Interest	\$ 45,000.00
Meter Sales	\$ 566,000.00
Other Revenue	\$ 45,502.00
Transfer from Reserve	\$ 151,379.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 928,256.00</b>
Expenses	
Salary/Wages/Benefits	\$ 188,248.00
Supplies	\$ 39,724.00
Professional & Other Serv.	\$ 35,800.00
Printing & Insurance	\$ 20,750.00
NG Pump & Bulk Water	\$ 159,400.00
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 28,500.00
Rent/Conferences/Training	\$ 18,750.00
Electricity—Wellhouses	\$ 25,559.00
Wellhead Protection	\$ 1,000.00
Construction	\$ 236,000.00
Equipment Purchases	\$ 541,500.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 807,881.00</b>

### Operating Revenue Garbage Funds

Interest	\$ 850.00
Act 101 Recycling	\$ 750.00
Garbage Billing Revenue	\$ 210,816.00

**Total Revenue \$ 212,416.00**

### Operating Expenses

Postage	\$ 2,750.00
Advertising	\$ 4,512.00
Court Costs	\$ 1,425.00
Payment—Garbage Contractor	\$ 203,729.00

**Total Expenses \$ 212,416.00**

### LIQUID FUEL/STATE AID

#### Operating Revenue

Interest	\$ 1,200.00
Motor Veh. Fuel Taxes	\$ 40,107.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 41,307.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 41,307.00</b>
Motor Veh. Fuel Project	

### Sewer Funds

Revenue	
Interest/Grants	\$ 45,000.00
Sewer Use Charge	\$ 806,500.00
Other Revenue	\$ 36,607.00
Transfer from Reserve/Loan	\$ 3,025,837.00
Pennvest Reimbursement	\$ 344,795.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,258,739.00</b>
Expenses	
Salary/Wages/Benefits	\$ 278,653.00
Supplies	\$ 89,374.00
Professional & Other Serv.	\$ 57,450.00
Printing & Insurance / Bonding	\$ 32,400.00
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 56,400.00
Rent/Conference/.Training	\$ 33,350.00
Electricity—Pump Stations	\$ 83,628.00
Bio-Solids	\$ 60,125.00
Construction	\$ 3,306,189.00
Equipment Purchases	\$ 118,800.00
Debt Service	\$ 142,370.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,258,739.00</b>

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### Shrimp Feed

Eureka Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Co. will be having a shrimp feed on Sunday, February 17th. Contact Richard Gibbs 993-6856.

### Fire Donation Drive

Eureka Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Co. will be sending out donations forms in February to all residents in Stewartstown Borough, Hopewell Township, East Hopewell Township and Crossroad Borough. This donation is for the Fire Division of Eureka. As always Eureka thanks you for your generous support.

### Fish Fry

Eureka Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Co. will be having a fish fry on March 08, 2008. at 5pm. Questions contact Ira Walker Jr. 324-6521

## Tenant Registration

Attention Landlords , per Ordinance 2007-004 you are required to notify the Borough Office in writing of any tenant changes. This Ordinance requiring dwelling unit owners to submit in writing within 14 days whenever there is a change in tenants, and provide a separate mailbox for each apartment or unit of a multi-tenant dwelling. Any person (s) violating this Ordinance is subject to a fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00.) This Ordinance is enforced by our Police Department.

## Borough Residents -Curb Side Recycling



To help keep costs down for borough trash service please take part in our recycling program. The Borough applies for a recycling grant each year and the money the borough receives is based on the recycling we collect. If you cannot get to the borough office before 3pm, please call 993-2963 and we can make special arrangements to drop a recycling bin off. Please be sure to put your address on your bin.

Borough Resident Trash Pick Up Holiday Schedule Change	
Holiday	Change Date
Easter	No schedule change

## Notice: Increase in Sewer Rates.

The Stewartstown Borough Authority (Authority) is continuing progress with the construction of the sewer treatment plant expansion. The expansion was required due to the sewer plant being at capacity and also to comply with the requirements of the Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategy. It is anticipated that construction will end in May 2008.

In order to finance the sewer plant construction, a bond issue for \$2,900,000 and a PennVest grant and loan were obtained. Due to the cost of the debt payments, the Authority was required to pass a Resolution in 2007 raising rates in 2008 and 2009 to ensure PennVest that the debt payments could be covered. Sewer plants throughout the Chesapeake Bay Tributary will need to meet the DEP requirements and many will have to raise rates to meet the new limits.

The debt payments for the PennVest loan will be approximately \$26,000 per year and the debt payments for the bond issue will be approximately \$216,000 per year. The total debt service is then approximately \$242,000 per year and will come from user fees. The Authority raised the fixed portion of the quarterly sewer rates from \$68 per unit to \$85 per unit in 2007. The fixed portion of the quarterly sewer rate will be increased to \$95 per unit in 2008 and \$105 per unit in 2009.

The sewer rates for 2008 will be effective for the billing received February 2008.

The new sewer rates for residential customers will be:

A minimum fixed charge of \$95.00 for each EDU per quarter PLUS \$2.25 per 1000 gals for all use over 3,000 gallons that quarter. For homes not connected to the public water system and with private wells, the charge will be \$95.00 plus \$46.86 per quarter.

A sampling of sewer rates (per quarter) is:

Use (gals per quarter)	Minimum fixed charge	Variable charge (\$2.25/1000 gals) for use OVER 3,000 gals	Total charge
3,000	\$95.00	\$0.00	\$95.00
6,000	\$95.00	\$6.75	\$101.75
10,000	\$95.00	\$15.75	\$110.75
14,000	\$95.00	\$24.75	\$119.75
18,000	\$95.00	\$33.75	\$128.75
20,000	\$95.00	\$38.25	\$133.25

**Having problems with a stray dog or cat?**

Contact the Animal Control Officer , Terry Hemler /ACS 717-235-6213. If you think your animal may have been picked up by the Animal Control Officer please call the Red Lion Animal Rescue at 717-244-9749.

Please remember to have your pets spayed and/or neutered.

**Identification Tags:** All dogs, cats and other common household pets are now required to wear an identification tag indicating the owners name, address and phone number. In addition, as required by PA State law, all dogs must be wearing a valid dog license and rabies vaccination tag. All cats must be wearing a current and valid rabies tag. Without these identification tags our Animal Control Officer may not be able to return your pet to you. The Animal Control officers when contacted will have the authority to seize any animal that is not properly tagged and found to be running at large.

**It's that Time of Year!**

**Snow Removal from Sidewalks**

- A path at least 24 inches in width is required on each sidewalk.
- The removal of snow/ice needs to take place no later than 24 hours after the cessation of any fall of snow , sleet, or freezing rain.
- Ordinance 2002-004.

**Clear the Way to Your Hydrant.**

A safety precaution you can take is to clear the way to the fire hydrant closest to your home. Although the Water Dept. makes its way around to clear the hydrants, you may save a lot of time in the event of a fire by keeping it clear after each snowfall.



The Stewartstown Borough Police Department welcomes Officer Shannon Hilliard. Originally from Melbourne Florida, Officer Hilliard grew up in York County and continues to live there today. Officer Hilliard attended school in the Eastern York School District and graduated in June 2003 from Eastern York High School. Officer Hilliard graduated from the 90th Police Academy at Harrisburg Area Community College in November 2006. Officer Hilliard began his career as a Police Officer , May of 2007 in Cumberland County with the Shiremantown Police Department as a Patrolman. When the opportunity presented itself, Officer Hilliard made the move to Stewartstown Police Department on September 19, 2007.

**Ordinance Reminders**

**Ordinance No. 2007-06**

In July, the Borough Council revised the violations and penalties section of Ordinance 2005-04. The height limitations for tree limbs, branches of hedges, bushes or flowers which extend over sidewalks or the street right of way was also changed. To read the changes this ordinance is available at the Borough office.

**Winter Weather Advisory**

**During** a Winter Weather Advisory which is issued by the Office of Emergency Management of York County, residents of the county are recommended to limit your automobile travel during the winter storm as much as possible.



**A winter** weather advisory means that periods of snow, sleet or freezing rain will cause travel difficulties. Motorists should be extra cautious and prepared for slippery roads and limited visibility. All motorists should have a winter emergency kit in their vehicle.

**The kit should include:**

**A Shovel** ,Windshield ice scraper, Flashlight, Battery powered radio ,Extra batteries,Water, Snack food , Extra hats and mittens , Blanket, Tow chain or rope ,Road salt or sand , Booster cables ,Emergency flares ,A fluorescent distress flag.



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PERMIT NO. 26**

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billing@stewartstown.org  
General Questions Ext.- 201  
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Missed Trash Service Ext.- 280  
Emergency Water/Sewer Ext.- 204

**Phone: 717-993-2963  
Fax: 717-993-2131  
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Email: office@stewartstown.org**

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

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**Calendar of Meeting Dates**

**Council :** Jan. 7 Feb. 4 Mar. 3

Meetings held— first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

**Sewer & Water Authority:** Jan. 16 Feb. 20 Mar. 19

Meetings held— third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm

**Planning Commission:** Jan. 8 Feb. 19 Mar. 18

Meetings held— third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm

**Zoning Hearings:** Jan. 17 Feb. 21 Mar. 20

Meetings held— third Thursday of each month if needed

**Council Workshop:** Jan. 21, Feb. 18, Mar. 17

Meetings held— first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

**Stewartstown Borough  
wishes you happy holidays &  
a very happy new year !**

