

October Borough Manager's Report:

Code Enforcement:

In the month of October, just 39 fines for code enforcement violations were issued to Borough residents. This is largely because tall grass and weeds are no longer as constant of a problem. As of my writing this, only 3 fines have been issued for the month of November however this number is likely to be significantly higher and these may only represent one day's worth of violations.

As always, I would like to encourage residents to contact the Borough at (610)522-1305 or email me personally at manager@folcroftborough.org if they would like to discuss or dispute a fine or if they can commit to help correct a situation. Residents who would like to report a violation or for general questions can do so anonymously at the same number and email.

Highway:

Leaf collection has begun for the year and will conclude on or by New Years. Soon, we will begin accepting yard waste (branches, brush and leaves) on a monthly basis on Wednesdays at the pumping station to comply with requirements about recycling. This information will be promoted to residents via our new, annual calendar as we are required to do.

COVID 19:

The Chester County Health Department's site is no longer providing data about Delaware County or any local Municipalities. According to the most recent date from the State Department of Health, Pennsylvania is currently experiencing an average positivity rate for tests issued of 8.9%. In Delaware County, the number is hovering around 4.9% which represents a slow increase. According to the Montgomery County Health Department, anything below a 5% positivity rate represents suppression of the virus. Right now, there are 12 new cases per 100,000 Delaware County residents per day. This number is substantially lower than the previous 20-30 cases the County has been experiencing however more of the cases are testing positive, which might imply that fewer people are being tested unless they have symptoms. Right now, 63.1% of Delaware County residents have received at least 1 dose of a COVID 19 vaccine. This number has remained surprisingly consistent over the past few months.

OTHER:

A total of 883 annual parking permits have been issued to Borough residents. Just a few (at most) permits are being issued on a daily basis at the moment. We are issuing substantially more monthly guest passes than initially anticipated with several being issued each day.

I'm currently looking at applying for grant funding for a boat launch grant from the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. This is a matching grant that could give us thousands of dollars to put in a boat and/or kayak launch in Montgomery Park.