

# The Borough of Union Beach

# Newsletter

"The Best Little Town in New Jersey"

Winter 2018

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**Congratulations to**  
***Paul J. Smith, Jr.***  
**on His Tenth Year as Mayor of**  
**"The Best Little Town in New Jersey"**

**EFFECTIVE 2018 ALL MONTHLY BOROUGH COUNCIL AND  
AGENDA MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT 7 P.M.**

### Union Beach Clean Communities

We would like to thank the 98 volunteers who participated in our Clean-Up Day on October 7, 2017. This day, which started with breakfast and ended with lunch, was sponsored by the Union Beach Clean Communities Program. All volunteers worked on our beachfront and collectively picked up 20 pounds of bulky waste, 30 pounds of recycling and 300 pounds of trash. That is 350 pounds of garbage that is no longer on our beach! Each volunteer received a goody bag before leaving. At the Borough Council Meeting held on November 20, 2017, mini-grants in the amount of \$100 each, and Certificates of Appreciation, were presented to the four groups that participated — special thanks to Cub Scout Pack #134, Girl Scout Troop #389, Soft Lacrosse and the Union Beach Hericanes. Borough employees who donated their time that day were also presented with Certificates of Appreciation — special thanks to Desiree Durkin, Robert Headden, Mike Kelly, Alice Ostervich, Herb Pumarejo and Ed Walker.

Everyone worked very hard to make this day a success — and it was! Please watch future Newsletters and the Borough web site ([ubnj.net](http://ubnj.net)) for information regarding our next Clean-Up Day which will be scheduled in the Autumn.

### Christmas Tree Pick-Up

The Public Works Department will be picking up Christmas trees beginning on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 through the end of January. The schedule will be the same as it was for leaf pick-ups. Residents in Section B (with regular trash pick-ups on Mondays and Thursdays) will have a pick-up on Tuesdays. Residents in Section A (with regular trash pick-ups on Tuesdays and Fridays) will have a pick-up on Wednesdays. Please make sure all trees are at the curb the night before your scheduled pick-up and that all decorations are removed, including lights. Residents may also bring their trees to the Recycling Center located at 1400 Florence Avenue. Please sign in at the office before disposing of your tree.

## Borough Meetings and Events

### January

- 1 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — New Year's Day  
2 (Tuesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library  
5 (Friday) Annual Reorganization Meeting at 6 p.m. in Borough Hall  
8 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center  
11 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
15 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
18 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Public Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
22 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
22 (Monday) Recreation Commission Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library  
31 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall

### February

- 5 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center  
6 (Tuesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library  
8 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
9 (Friday) Teen Night Dance at 3 p.m. & 7 p.m. in Memorial School APR  
12 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — Lincoln's Birthday  
15 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Public Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
19 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — Presidents' Day  
26 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
28 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall

### March

- 1 (Thursday) Deadline for Submission to 2018 Spring Newsletter  
5 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center  
6 (Tuesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library  
8 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
15 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Public Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
19 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
28 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall  
30 (Friday) Borough Offices Closed — Good Friday

\*\* More information on many of these events can be found throughout this Newsletter

**Please join us at the  
Annual Union Beach Reorganization Meeting  
Friday, January 5, 2018 at 6 p.m.  
Borough Hall, 650 Poole Avenue**

Teen Night Dance in APR at Memorial School on Friday, February 9  
3 to 4:30 p.m. for Grades 3 & 4; 7 to 9 p.m. for Grades 5 to 8

When lifting a home, the sewer line must be "cut and capped"  
**OUTSIDE** the home. The capped sewer line must then be inspected  
by the Department of Public Works. Please do **NOT** cap a sewer line  
inside a house. You may be asked to redo it. You may get the appro-  
priate form at [www.ubnj.net](http://www.ubnj.net) on the Public Works page. Submit the  
form to Public Works after the line is capped. Inspection is usually  
performed within 24 hours. Please call 732-264-1133 if you have any  
questions or require additional information.

## Borough Phone Numbers

<b>FIRE</b>	911
<b>FIRST AID</b>	911
<b>POLICE</b>	(732) 264-0313
Chief Michael Woodrow	
<b>MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR</b>	(732) 264-3026
Robert M. Howard, Jr.	
<b>HEALTH OFFICE</b>	(732) 264-2365
Eileen Balut	
<b>SEWER DEPARTMENT</b>	(732) 264-5657
Alice Ostervich	
<b>FINANCE DEPARTMENT</b>	(732) 264-9029
Michael Pennell	
<b>BOROUGH CLERK</b>	(732) 264-2277
Anne Marie Friscia	
<b>TAX ASSESSOR</b>	(732) 264-2360
Michael DelRe	
<b>COURT ADMINISTRATOR</b>	(732) 264-9098
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	(732) 264-5662
Desiree Durkin	
<b>PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.</b>	(732) 264-1133
Stephen J. Higgins	
Mary E. Mancini	
<b>RECYCLING CENTER</b>	(732) 264-1133
Stephen J. Higgins	
Mary E. Mancini	
<b>PLANNING/ZONING BOARD</b>	(732) 739-1503
Madeline Russo	
<b>CODE ENFORCER</b>	(732) 526-8686
Joseph Crane	
<b>CONSTRUCTION DEPT.</b>	(732) 526-8687
Timothy Davis	
<b>RECREATION</b>	(732) 888-6026
<b>LIBRARY</b>	(732) 264-3792
<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION</b>	(732) 264-3133
<b>MEMORIAL SCHOOL</b>	(732) 264-5400
<b>T&amp;M ASSOCIATES</b>	(732) 671-6400
<b>O.E.M.</b>	(732) 620-5035
Michael Harriott	

**NJ AMERICAN WATER COMPANY**  
1-800-652-6987

**NJ NATURAL GAS COMPANY**  
1-800-GAS LEAK

**JCP&L**  
1-800-662-3115

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Every dumpster, whether in the street  
or on private property, requires a  
proper dumpster permit!

### Newsletter Deadline

Submissions for the 2018 Spring Issue of  
the Borough of Union Beach  
Newsletter are due by March 1. All  
submissions should be sent in writing to  
Mary Mancini, Department of  
Public Works by emailing  
[memancini@unionbeachnj.gov](mailto:memancini@unionbeachnj.gov) or faxing  
732-264-5829.

### **Fall Leaf Collection Program**

We would like to thank all the residents of Union Beach who continue to help make our Fall Leaf Collection Program a huge success! Leaves were collected, in brown biodegradable bags only, curbside on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In addition, many residents brought leaves to the Recycling Center and deposited them directly into the dumpster which we made available. This greatly helped us in complying with NJDEP Regulations. All leaves were properly recycled. We will be collecting leaves curbside again, in biodegradable bags only, next Fall from October 30 to December 26, 2018. The dumpster at the Recycling Center will be available to residents on a year-round basis. You may bring leaves in any type of container and empty them directly into the dumpster. Biodegradable bags are available at the Public Works Department located at 1400 Florence Avenue. Please watch future Newsletters for more information.

### **Board of Health**

It is a New Jersey State Law that all dogs must be registered annually and proof of rabies inoculation must be provided. JANUARY IS DOG LICENSING MONTH. Dog registration will now be done electronically starting in 2018. Go to ubnj.net and click on the "Dog License" button on the left side. Then follow the instructions. To pay (exact change or check only) and pick up dog tag, go to the Board of Health Office at Borough Hall from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Only three (3) dogs allowed per structure.

If you no longer have a dog, for whatever reason, you must notify the Board of Health at 732-264-2365. As of February 1, there will be a late fee of \$15 plus registration fee.

To report animal complaints, please go to ubnj.net and click on "Report a Concern." This way we can ensure that complaints will be on record.

No trapping until further notice.

### **Message from the Code Enforcement Office**

With the colder weather coming upon us, the Code Enforcement Office would appreciate your help in not pumping water out into the street. This creates icy conditions for cars. Please pump all water into your own yard. We appreciate your help in this matter.

### **Union Beach Recreation**

Thank you to everyone for your support this past year. We are working on a lot for 2018! Please follow the Union Beach Recreation Facebook page to stay up to date on our latest events!

### **A Message from the Union Beach School District**

Dr. Scott Ridley, Union Beach Superintendent of Schools, is pleased to announce that, in September, we were awarded a sizable grant (more than \$325,000) by the New Jersey Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood Education and Family Engagement to build-out our preschool program! As a result, Memorial School has opened two full-day preschool classrooms that are now at capacity. Director of Curriculum, Amanda Lewert, wrote the grant and continues to oversee the program as it evolves. This includes regular follow-up meetings with the State regarding coordination of curriculum, facilities, personnel and timelines. Dr. Ridley notes, "There was significant competition across the State for this grant and because of Mrs. Lewert's expertise and diligence, we were fortunate to be one of the districts selected. It has been an enriching experience for our younger Union Beach students as they begin their educational journey."

### **Disposal of Branches/Brush**

Our garbage contractor will accept branches/brush along with your regular garbage pick-up — preferably on the second pick-up of the week (either Thursday or Friday). Branches **MUST** be bundled. Bundles **CANNOT** be more than 4 feet in length and **CANNOT** weigh more than 50 pounds. If branches are too small to bundle, they should be placed in a can, the weight of which should **NOT** exceed 50 pounds. The contractor will accept only **THREE** bundles or cans at a time.

### Columbia Avenue Park

The Columbia Avenue Park, located at the intersection of Columbia Avenue and Union Avenue is now completed. This park, along with all the others in Union Beach, will be maintained by the Department of Public Works.

### Union Beach PTA

The Union Beach PTA meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center. Meetings are scheduled for January 8 (second Monday), February 5, and March 5. On-site childcare is available.

Upcoming events are the Scholastic Book Fair on March 8 and 9, and a Flashlight Egg Hunt on March 29.

**\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*** for a Masquerade Party Dinner and Dance on March 9 at North Centerville Firehouse for ages 21 and over. More information to follow.

If you do not have children in the school and wish to participate in fundraising opportunities, you can contact the PTA through the district web site or via Facebook.

For more information on any of our events, meetings, or weather cancellations, please visit our web site at Union Beach Memorial School and click on the PTA link; or on our Facebook page at UnionBeachPTA.

The Union Beach PTA works in conjunction with the school to provide support for staff and students. The PTA hosts several events and fundraisers throughout the year, to sustain and promote a conducive learning and family-supported educational environment for all our students. Your support goes a long way in helping us continue our mission.

### Recycling Center Word Search

Can you find 16 items that the Union Beach Recycling Center, located at 1400 Florence Avenue, collects from Union Beach residents in the puzzle below? List of words can be found on Page 9 of this Newsletter.

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# 2018 RECYCLING AND TRASH COLLECTION CALENDAR

Please check the street listing below to see if your address is located in Section A or Section B. Then follow the calendar to locate your trash, recycling, and bulk pick-up days. If you have any questions, please call 732-264-1133. **ALWAYS PLACE TRASH, RECYCLING, AND BULK AT THE CURB THE NIGHT BEFORE A SCHEDULED PICK-UP.**

<u>Section A</u>	<u>Section B</u>
2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, Ash, Aspen, Bay, Bayview (#100-499), Beach, Broadway, Campbell, Center, Central (#100-499), Chingarora, Dock, Edmunds, Ellison, Florence (#100-#1400), Floyd, Front, Gateway, Herbert, Henry, Johnson (#1-99), Kathleen, Locust, Lorillard (#100-499), Maple, Oak, Pine, Park (#100-499), Poole (#100-599), Prospect (#100-499), Raritan, State, St. James, St. Johns, Spruce (#400-799), Victoria, Vista Shores, West	Anderson, Arlington, Asbury, Aumack, Bank, Bayview (#600-999), Beachview, Branch, Brook, Cambridge, Central (#500-999), Chomic, Clark, Columbia (#500-799), Dibling, Donnelly, Fr. Fitzpatrick, Florence (#1500-1799), Harris, Harrison, Haug, Heckelmann, High, Isabelle, Jersey, Johnson (#300-499), Lorillard (#500-999), Morningside, Newark, Ocean, Orange, Park (#500-999), Patterson, Poole (#600-699), Private, Prospect (#500-899), Rose, Route 36, Seagate, Seaview, Scholer, Shore, Spruce (#900-1000), Stone, Sullivan, Sydney, Union, Washington, Wesley, Willow, Wilson.

Regular trash pick-up is scheduled for <b>Tuesdays</b> and <b>Fridays</b> . You may place up to 3 cans/bags at the curb the night before a pick-up. Each can/bag may not exceed 50 pounds. There will be no pick-up on Tuesday, December 25.	Regular trash pick-up is scheduled for <b>Mondays</b> and <b>Thursdays</b> . You may place up to 3 cans/bags at the curb the night before a pick-up. Each can/bag may not exceed 50 pounds. There will be no pick-up on Monday, January 1, or Thursday, November 22.
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<u>Section A — Recycling</u>	<u>Section A — Bulk</u>	<u>Section B — Recycling</u>	<u>Section B — Bulk</u>
Pick-up is scheduled on the following Wednesdays:  January 10 & 24 February 7 & 21 March 7 & 21 April 4 & 18 May 2, 16 & 30 June 13 & 27 July 11 & 25 August 8 & 22 September 5 & 19 October 3, 17 & 31 November 14 & 28 December 12 & 26  Includes cans & bottles, bundled cardboard, bundled newspaper	Pick-up is scheduled on the following Wednesdays:  January 3, 17 & 31 February 14 & 28 March 14 & 28 April 11 & 25 May 9 & 23 June 6 & 20 July 4 & 18 August 1, 15 & 29 September 12 & 26 October 10 & 24 November 7 & 21 December 5 & 19  Includes wooden furniture, mattresses, couches, other plastics (3 items per pick-up)	Pick-up is scheduled on the following Wednesdays:  January 3, 17 & 31 February 14 & 28 March 14 & 28 April 11 & 25 May 9 & 23 June 6 & 20 July 4 & 18 August 1, 15 & 29 September 12 & 26 October 10 & 24 November 7 & 21 December 5 & 19  Includes cans & bottles, bundled cardboard, bundled newspaper	Pick-up is scheduled on the following Wednesdays:  January 10 & 24 February 7 & 21 March 7 & 21 April 4 & 18 May 2, 16 & 30 June 13 & 27 July 11 & 25 August 8 & 22 September 5 & 19 October 3, 17 & 31 November 14 & 28 December 12 & 26  Includes wooden furniture, mattresses, couches, other plastics (3 items per pick-up)

Leaves will be picked up curbside in the Fall — Section B on Tuesdays/Section A on Wednesdays. Please use paper bags only. Do **NOT** mix in other types of debris, including branches. Branches/brush will be taken with regular garbage but **ONLY** when properly bundled. Appliances, electronics and metals will be picked up curbside by appointment only. Please call 732-264-1133 for information regarding any of this. If you are putting out a refrigerator, all doors must be removed.

## **2018 STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE**

**April 1 - November 1  
(weather permitting)**

First Monday	First Tuesday	First Thursday	First Friday
Florence (#100-1400) Front Dock Locust Second Third Fourth Beach Vista Shores Gateway	Union Brook Shore (#100-899) Prospect (#700-899) Bayview (#600-999) Lorillard (#500-999)	Spruce (#400-800) Center Kathleen Fifth Sixth Seventh Eighth Ninth Oak Prospect (#300-499)	Park (#500-899) Beachview Central (#500-999) Seaview /Private Columbia (#500-799) Ocean (from Columbia To Bayview)
Second Monday	Second Tuesday	Second Thursday	Second Friday
Park (#100-499) Maple Central (#100-499) Ellison Pine Lorillard (#100-499) Bayview (#200-499)	Jersey Rose Harris Asbury High Willow Isabelle Wesley Patterson	Tenth St. James Floyd Edmunds Bay Raritan Campbell (#100-299) Herbert Henry Chingarora	Ocean (Rt 36 to Jersey) Cambridge Sydney (#500-899) Clark Aumack Washington Sullivan Fr. Fitzpatrick Seagate Shore (#900-1499)
Third Monday	Third Tuesday	Third Thursday	Third Friday
Poole (#100-599) Victoria St. Johns State (#90-199) Campbell (#400-499)	Sydney (#100-199) Morningside Spruce (#900-1000) Wilson Scholer Chomic Anderson Haug Heckelmann Donnelly Dibling Stone (#600-1000)	Broadway Johnson (#1-25) Ash State (#200-399) West Aspen	Poole (#600-699) Stone (#100-599) Newark Orange Harrison Arlington Johnson (#300-499) Branch Bank Florence (#1400-1799)

Please remove all vehicles, trash cans, and basketball hoops from the street on your scheduled day. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Union Beach Library

Library Association Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Library. Winter dates are: January 2, February 6, and March 6.

Our regular Story-Time with Children's Librarian, Miss Val, is held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Baby/Toddler from 2:15 to 2:45 p.m.; and School Age from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Upcoming dates are January 13 and 27, February 10 and 24, March 10 and 24. The program is free and no registration is required.

Kids Yoga with Yoga Instructor Alice will be on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4 p.m.; \$20 per 4-week session. Session I: January 10 to January 31; Session II: February 7 to February 28; Session III: March 7 to March 28. Space is limited and registration is required. Boys Yoga for sports conditioning will begin after the new year. Please call for more information.

Adult Yoga with Yoga Instructor Alice will be on Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.; \$25 per 4-week session. Session I: January 11, 18, 25 and February 1. Space is limited and registration is required.

Free Crochet and Craft Club with Miss Pat: Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon on January 13 & 27, February 24, and March 10 & 24.

Nintendo Gaming Club for ages 10 and up will be on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on January 24, February 28 and March 28. Wii consoles/screens will be available for gaming. Don't forget to bring your DS!

Poetry Workshop — Writers can bring in one work of previously written, original art to share for peer feedback. They will be held on Mondays from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on February 5 and March 5. Poetry and Punch — Presenters will show a form or two of poetry to an active audience. Attendees will have an opportunity to write and share the piece they write that evening of the poetry form presented. Poetry and Punch will be held on Fridays at 7 p.m. on January 19, February 16, and March 16. The Poetry events are for ages 16 and up.

The Community YMCA is utilizing the Library as an outreach location providing services for the community. The "Y" provides traditional outpatient counseling in a private environment for adults 18 years of age and older, addressing a variety of life stressors. Areas of counseling include, but are not limited to: Anger Management, Independent Life Skills, Anxiety, Parenting Skills, Bereavement, Relationship Issues, Depression, and Employee Assistance. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please call Community YMCA Counseling and Social Services Outpatient Office at 732-290-9040 or email [outpatient@cymca.org](mailto:outpatient@cymca.org)

For more information on any of our Library programs, you can call us at 732-264-3792, or check our web site and/or Facebook page for more details.

The Library will be closed on January 15, February 19, and March 30 through April 2.

Check our Facebook at [ublibrary07735](https://www.facebook.com/ublibrary07735) and our web site [www.sites.google.com/site/ublibrary07735](http://www.sites.google.com/site/ublibrary07735) for weather-related closings.

## Bayshore Family Success Center

Free tutoring at the Union Beach Library is hosted by the Bayshore Family Success Center on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. No tutoring on February 17, March 31, or April 7. Registration is required.

Book Club with Bayshore Family Success at the Union Beach Library is on Thursdays at 6 p.m. — January 25, February 22, and March 29.

Fifth Annual Free Family Valentine's Day Dance will be held on February 9 at 7 p.m. at Union Gardens Firehouse, 235 Park Avenue, Union Beach. Registration is required.

For more information on Bayshore Family Success Center, or to register for any BFSC sponsored events, visit our web site at <http://cymca.org/locations/bayshore-family-success-center>, call 732-497-3811, or email [familysuccess@cymca.org](mailto:familysuccess@cymca.org).

## **Engineer's Corner**

Borough Engineer, Edward Broberg, P.E., provided the following information concerning the status of ongoing construction projects:

### **FY 2017 Monmouth County Open Space Grant Program**

The Borough has applied to the Monmouth County Open Space Grant Program for the installation of Sports Lighting at the Helen Hayes Park Soccer Fields. If successful, we anticipate construction to begin in the Spring/Summer of 2018.

### **2017 Roadway Improvement Program**

The 2017 Roadway Improvement Program included the Reconstruction of Harrison Avenue from Johnson Avenue to Stone Road; Reconstruction of Bayview Avenue from Union Avenue to Ocean Avenue; Reconstruction of Ocean Avenue from Bayview Avenue to Lorillard Avenue; Improvements to Scholer Park; and the construction of the Columbia Avenue Park. All the improvements are now completed.

### **FY 2017 New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Application**

The Borough was recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$210,000.00 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Program for the Reconstruction of Arlington Avenue and Newark Avenue from Johnson Avenue to Stone Road. The improvements will include new concrete curbs and sidewalks, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. The project will be constructed as part of the 2018 Roadway Improvement Program. We anticipate construction to begin in late Spring/early Summer of 2018.

### **2017 Monmouth County Community Development Grant Application**

The Borough was recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$173,636.00 from the Monmouth County Community Development Grant Program for the Reconstruction of St. James Avenue from Poole Avenue to Tenth Street. The improvements include new concrete curbs, drainage and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. The project will be constructed as part of the 2018 Roadway Improvement Program. Depending on the release of funding, we anticipate construction to begin in the Spring/Summer of 2018.

### **Army Corps of Engineers Flood Control Project**

The Governing Body continues to work closely with the State and Army Corps representatives to keep this most important project on its current projected schedule. The Project Planning Agreement (PPA) has cleared Corps headquarters and is now before the Assistant Secretary of the Army for review and approval prior to final acceptance between the Federal Government and the State. The design funds for the Phase I design have been approved and the preparation of plans and specifications are currently underway with anticipation of starting the project mid-year 2018. The Phase I design consists of the beach fill element of the project extending from the westerly most end of the shore front (point) to Flat Creek.

### **Electronics Recycling**

Public Works will continue to accept electronics from Union Beach residents ONLY. Each address will be restricted to the disposal of three television sets per calendar year. Proof of residency must be provided.

### **October 2018 "Sandy" Mitigation Deadline**

For Borough property owners whose property falls under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the Borough has been asked by FEMA and NJDEP to communicate the above impending deadline for "substantially damaged" or "substantially improved" properties. Any questions can be directed to the Borough's Floodplain Manager, Tim Davis, in our Construction Office at [732-526-8687](tel:732-526-8687). The FEMA and NJDEP correspondence containing a link to additional information can be reviewed by using this site: [www.nj.gov.dca/divisions/codes/publications/pdf\\_ccc/CCC\\_2017\\_Summer.pdf](http://www.nj.gov.dca/divisions/codes/publications/pdf_ccc/CCC_2017_Summer.pdf)

To review more FEMA information, including the letter, please go to [ubnj.net](http://ubnj.net).



## Snow Removal/Deicing Policies and Procedures from the Department of Public Works

The removal of snow, and deicing of Borough roads, is performed by the Department of Public Works. All snow equipment is deployed by the Director, as needed, after reviewing current conditions and forecasts made available by electronic media and in working closely with the Police, Fire, and First Aid Departments, the School Superintendent, and the Office of Emergency Management by two-way radio communication and cell phones to ensure that our road system is made as safe as possible in a timely, cost effective, and efficient manner for the residents we serve.

It is during these times that our roads are prioritized to always allow Emergency Services (Fire, First Aid and OEM) safe travel to help residents during a situation requiring the transportation to a local hospital, a household fire or other emergency where the Office of Emergency Management is needed.

First priority roads would include roads that directly connect to County and State roads such as Poole, Park, Morningside, Front, etc. with secondary roads being Central, Center, Lorillard, and so on. We also assist with the County roads that run through the Borough, as needed, to improve conditions for our residents.

Following these additional guidelines will also help us in serving the residents in a more effective manner during any snow or ice emergency:

- Please do not pass our snow plows during any emergency snow operations.
- Please park all vehicles off the street whenever snow is in the forecast.
- Basketball hoops should be removed from the street in front of your house.
- As you stand in front of your house looking at it, please shovel or plow any snow you remove from your driveway to the left side so when one of our snowplows comes down your street, the snow you have shoveled is taken away from your driveway, not put back in it.
- After any plowable snowfall we receive, please keep your garbage and recycling cans out of the street.

**Please do not shovel/plow/blow snow back into the street.**

### Recycling Center Word Search — List of Words

The following is a list of items for the Word Search Puzzle located on Page 4. These are items that are accepted at the Union Beach Recycling Center located at 1400 Florence Avenue. This facility is for Union Beach residents **ONLY**. If you have any questions, please call 732-264-1133.

- Appliances (all types accepted; refrigerator doors must be removed)
- Car Batteries (truck batteries also accepted; household batteries should be disposed of in regular garbage)
- Bottles (glass and plastic with recycling symbol and a "1" or a "2" inside — only type of plastic accepted)
- Cans (aluminum soda cans and food cans — must be rinsed out first)
- Cardboard (does not need to be bundled or broken down)
- Clothing (Salvation Army box available for clothing only)
- Concrete (accepted in limited quantity, i.e., a wheelbarrow full)
- Electronics (by law, televisions & computer components must be recycled — three TVs a year per address)
- Ink Cartridges (name brand only)
- Junk Mail (considered "mixed paper")
- Leaves (collected in the Autumn, but accepted year-round — brown biodegradable bags **ONLY**)
- Metal (as long as an item is 60% metal or more, it is accepted)
- Mixed Paper (accepted with cardboard)
- Motor Oil (must be in a closed container)
- Newspaper (must be bundled — no bigger than 12 inches high)
- Tires (no bigger than 17"; must be off the rim; 4 per address)

**A Message from Mayor Paul J. Smith, Jr.**

I hope that everyone had a very happy holiday season and had a chance to spend at least a little time celebrating with friends and family.

As we enter into the New Year, it gives us a chance to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and look with anticipation towards the goals of the coming year.

**Highlights of 2017**

- Road Reconstruction projects along parts of Harrison, Bayview and Ocean Avenues.
- Construction of a pocket park at Union and Columbia Avenues. This is part of the Commercial Corridor Redevelopment Plan.
- Completed Phase VII of Scholer Park improvements providing additional parking and landscaping.
- Our Army Corps of Engineers flood protection project moving closer to construction with the signing of the Project Participation Agreement planned for December or January and Phase I out to bid by the end of March 2018.
- Began the planning and architectural phase of our expansion project for Borough Hall.

**Plans for 2018**

- Road Reconstruction Projects for parts of Arlington and Newark Avenues (partially funded by NJDOT Grant) and St. James Avenue, from Poole Ave to Tenth Street (partially funded by a Community Development Block Grant).
- Renew contract for turf maintenance at our parks, ball fields and municipal lands to provide safe and beautiful playing areas for all of the residents.
- Construction of the USACE & NJDEP Flood Protection Project begins.
- Groundbreaking for the expansion of Borough Hall should take place in late March/early April.
- We will continue to address the remaining abandoned properties in the borough.

So as we look back, 2017 was a productive year. We hope that 2018 will bring continued construction projects having a long term effect on making Union Beach a strong community for its residents.

I want to thank the entire Council along with all of our borough employees and professional staff for their hard work and dedication each and every day to make Union Beach the Best Little Town in New Jersey!

I wish each and every one of you a happy and healthy 2018.

Keep Smiling!  
Paul

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