



# SMITHTON BOROUGH GOOD NEIGHBOR



Smithton, Pennsylvania was incorporated in 1901. It is a borough nestled in the Youghiogheny Valley, Westmoreland County of the Laurel Highlands and has a population of around 385.

Smithton's early industry included coke ovens and shipping products on the Youghiogheny River. Stoney's Beer was brewed by Jones Brewing Company from 1907 - 2002 and employed many of the local residents.

Nearby points of interest include the Great Allegheny Passage river trail, Youghiogheny River, Cedarbrook Golf Course, and the site of the Darr Mine Disaster, the worst mine disaster in PA's history with 239 mine workers perishing in 1907. It is also noteworthy that Smithton was home to actress Shirley Jones, granddaughter of the late Jones Brewing Company owners. (Smith, 1950).

Governed by a Mayor and a 7-member Borough Council, the council speaks for the community to the outside world. Smithton provides important community services, such as maintenance of streets and health and safety to protect citizens. Its role includes ultimate responsibility for public safety, including police, firefighting and emergency management.

## How to contact Smithton Borough!

615 Center Street, PO Box 374  
Smithton, PA 15479  
smithtonboro@hotmail.com  
Phone/Fax (724) 872-6406  
Website: www.smithtonboro.us

### Office Hours

Mondays and Thursdays 8:00AM – 4:00PM

### Borough Council Meetings

Second Monday of each month, 6:30PM  
All residents welcome!

Stay connected and informed with activities and updates. Follow us on Facebook!  
www.facebook.com/smithton

## Smithton Borough Police Department (724) 872-5462

Smithton Borough has a part-time police department. It is important to remember this when contacting them. The department's hours vary and you may have to leave a message to receive a call back. In the event of a true emergency, call 911.

## Utility and Service Providers

### Sewage

Municipal Authority of the Borough of Smithton (724) 872-5412

### MABS Board Meetings

Second Tuesday of each month, 7:00PM  
All residents welcome!

### Water Company

Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County (MAWC) 724-755-5800

### Trash Company

Bigg's Sanitation (724) 379-4331  
Garbage day is Friday, early morning

### Cable and Internet Provider

Atlantic Broadband (888) 536-9600

### Phone

Verizon

### Magistrate

Magistrate Charles M. Christner  
(District Court 10-2-06)  
179 Municipal Drive, Belle Vernon  
(724) 633-5105

### Tax Collector

Keystone Collections Group  
(866) 539-1100  
www.keystonecollects.com

### Dog Law Enforcement

Hoffman Kennels (724) 468-5505

### Ambulance Service

Rostraver West Newton  
Emergency Services 911

### Gas and Electric

West Penn Power (800) 686-0021  
Columbia Gas (888) 460-4332

## Ordinances to Remember

**The Borough has a plethora of ordinances. Below is a selection of our most commonly requested. You can always contact the Borough office for full copies of ordinances or with questions on our other ordinances.**

- No burning or open fires - Ordinance No. 167, open burning of any material is prohibited. Small fire pits for recreation and cooking are permitted.
- Grass and Grass Clippings - Ordinance No. 216-2015, be sure to keep grass clippings off of the streets and sidewalks. It is important to follow this rule to avoid buildup and overflow in our catch basins! Grass, weeds, or other vegetation should not exceed 6"
- Snow – Ordinance 186, every property owner has the responsibility of removing snow and ice from their sidewalks within 24 hours after the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain
- Fences – Ordinance 219 of 2018, there are specifications that must be met when installing/updating a fence. The ordinance outlines these specifications. A permit fee of \$20 per \$1,000 in materials is required
- Occupancy Fee – Ordinance 207, owners of real property must contact the Borough any time there is a change in occupancy. This includes owners who lease or rent their properties. A permit form must be completed, with a \$10 fee.
- Dumpsters – Ordinance 219, a permit and fee are required if you need a dumpster for any reason
- Noise – Ordinance 221 of 2019, the Borough does have a noise ordinance, so please be respectful of your neighbors.

## **SMITHTON BOROUGH LIBRARY**

**(724) 872-0701**

**Located at the Borough building, 615 Center Street**

Smithton Public Library has joined with 20 other libraries in Westmoreland County to create the Westmoreland Library Network (WLN). As a result of the WLN project, you have access to materials from participating libraries through one on-line Catalog. You can search, place requests, have items sent to a library of your choosing, and keep a reading list. Among other things, the library has public access computers, story time, monthly kid's night, large print books, Smithton Historical Collection, video tapes and college catalogs!

The Library is staffed by volunteers, so hours are limited.

**Smithton Volunteer Fire Department** was founded in 1913 and chartered in 1927. The department's 30 active firefighters respond to in excess of 200 calls in an average year.

SVFD holds several fundraisers throughout the year and is always looking for members. Members come in the form of:

- Regular Membership 18+ years old - Fire, Rescue and Driver Training
- Associate Membership 18+ years old - NO Fire Fighting, Fundraising
- Junior Membership – Ages 14-17

Contact the SVFD if you are interested in joining! (724) 872-5111  
For Fire Hall rentals: smithtonvfd17@yahoo.com (724) 872-9201

**BASEBALL FIELDS** - If you are interested in baseball in Smithton Borough, they are owned and operated by the Smithton Athletic Association. smithtonbaseball@gmail.com

➡ To receive mail in the Borough, you must have a PO Box!

➡ Please be sure to clearly display your house number for Emergency personnel!

## **BUSINESSES IN THE BOROUGH**

Adele's Bed & Breakfast, 138 First Street  
Bed and Breakfast with overnight accommodations

Advanced Gas Engine Solutions, 608 Center Street  
Provider of engine accessories for industrial prime movers;  
test, repair and overhaul services

Bill Manack's Barber Shop, 230 Second Street  
Barber Shop

Dale's Place Pub, 127 First Street  
Bar, restaurant, take-out, overnight accommodations

Federer Machine LLC, 260 Second Street  
Fabrication Shop

Greg's Pub and Grub, 707 Peer Street, Smithton  
Bar, restaurant, take-out

## **YEARLY EVENTS IN THE BOROUGH**

### **Annual Clean-up Day**

Each year in late April, residents volunteer to participate in "Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Great American Cleanup!" Volunteers can pick trash along the roadways or donate food for our volunteer luncheon.

### **Fireman's Fair**

Second Saturday in July, good food, live entertainment, games!  
Spend an evening in the Borough with friends, family, and the community! The night ends with fireworks!

### **Memorial Day Parade**

Each Memorial Day PA American Legion Post 790, Smithton honors our Veterans with a beautiful parade and ceremony

### **Community Day**

First Saturday in October, a perfect day to be out and about  
Yard sales, flea markets, crafts and food booths!

### **Halloween Parade**

Halloween Parade and Trick or Treat!  
It usually falls on the Saturday before Halloween

### **Christmas Light the Night Celebration and Parade**

Our magical Light the Night is the first Saturday of December.  
Celebrate with a parade, Christmas carols, cookies,  
hot chocolate and Santa!

### **Local Organizations**

American Legion Post 790, Smithton  
American Legion Auxiliary  
Marconi Club

### **Local Churches**

Hope Memorial Lutheran Church  
Winnett United Methodist Church  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Smithton

Harry's Auto Service, 605 Center Street  
Auto repair, inspection

Jack's Supermarket, 711 Peer Street  
Groceries, hot foods, lottery, candy, ice cream and more!

Just Hair by Dwight, 717 Peer Street  
Hair Salon

L L Barthels Funeral Home, 227 Second Street  
Funeral Home

Robert J. Specht, 717 Peer Street  
Attorney

Triple Tree Saloon, 133 First Street, Smithton  
Bar, restaurant, take-out, overnight accommodations

United States Post Office, 222 Second Street