

## STATEMENT ON CURRENT POLICE SERVICES

For the past year, the Borough Council of Seven Fields has been working with the administration to secure new and proper police coverage for our residents. The current Evans City/Seven Fields Regional Police Department has long failed to meet its requirements; with only a chief and sergeant remaining, the level of police coverage is unacceptable.

Seven Fields is now very close to securing both a temporary patrol coverage partner, and a new long-term contract for law enforcement services from a neighboring department. In preparation, the Council recently passed a resolution authorizing withdrawal from the regional police department and dissolution of its commission.

However, as we prepare for this new future in policing, unfortunate obstacles remain. Our efforts to secure cooperation to contract separately for uncovered patrol shifts have been met with unreasonable demands for “buyouts” – demands from the two remaining members of the police department.

The sergeant is represented by a union which negotiates wages and benefits for officers. He is the only member of the union. The chief does not have union representation, but has taken no steps to support our need for coverage. He has not hired nor arranged for any alternative police support except the Pennsylvania State Police. We expect more from our officers, and for our community, but have received no support from the department or from Evans City to solve this immediate problem.

Instead, we have received demands including full salary payouts totaling more than \$410,000 over the next two years. The bargaining unit is also requesting family healthcare coverage for the sergeant until 2029. All told, the cost of funding these dead-weight demands approaches \$600,000 with Seven Fields covering nearly two-thirds – in addition to paying for our new police partner.

Unfortunately, the other municipality in this agreement appears to be siding with the officers. As the Cranberry Eagle noted in its August 9 report, Evans City’s council president is “anxious for the issue to be settled” with a buyout and doesn’t “want to stretch it out anymore.” However, her own taxpayers are likely to be responsible for more than \$200,000 to pay out these same demands.

We urge our counterparts in Evans City to assist us in recognizing that the time for making concessions is over. The Borough Council of Seven Fields intends to secure temporary patrol services as soon as possible. If we do not, the current contract will run through 2025, and no borough should wait that long with only a two-person police department.

The short-term solution is clear: the remaining officers need to prioritize public safety and service, as their solemn oath requires, and sign to allow supplemental patrols to begin. Furthermore, Evans City needs to assist in getting this done for the benefit of all our residents.

A new patrol partner will ensure Seven Fields is able to properly protect and serve its residents. As long-term negotiations continue, we expect the two members of the Evans City/Seven Fields Regional Police Department to uphold the public’s safety and security, and authorize temporary patrol assistance for the good of our people.

Signed,

Kimberley Regan-Koch-Council President

Dawn Servello-Council Vice President

Morgan Hardesty-Council Member

Michael Trotta, MD- Council Member

Dean Galitsis, Mayor of Seven Fields

# 2023 FOOD TRUCK NIGHTS





**On behalf of Seven Fields  
Borough and Residents!  
Thank you Constable Rob  
Sims for your service at all  
of the 2023 Community  
Events!**

*Photographs By Mish & Gordon Ovenshine*

# Thank You 2023 Event Sponsors

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**DRESS IN YOUR FAVORITE COSTUME FOR A**  
**Seven Fields Spooktacular Stroll**

**OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>**  **2PM - 4PM**  
**SEVEN FIELDS TOWN PARK**

Come out for a bewitching journey through the park, where you will encounter spooky surprises and delightful treats along the way. Visit the pumpkin patch, play games, and have fun in the bounce house. Don't forget your trick-or-treat bags to collect goodies from various stations throughout the park.

-  **Seven Fields Residents** can register starting **September 1<sup>st</sup>**  
(Must live **WITHIN** Seven Fields Borough)
-  **Nonresident** registration opens **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Recommended for children ages 12 and under. **Registration is REQUIRED.**

Visit the Borough of Seven Fields Facebook page or Sevenfields.org under the News tab for more information and a clickable link.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/708527804737?aff=oddtcreator>



# IMPORTANT DATES

## *Monday, September 4th:*

- Borough Office Closed in observance of Labor Day Holiday

## *Monday, September 11th:*

- Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers

# Pickleball

Seven Fields Borough purchased a Pickleball Net & Lines.

Located behind the Seven Fields Community Center, 390 Castle Creek Drive.

## What is pickleball and why is it called that?

### How Pickleball Got Its Name.

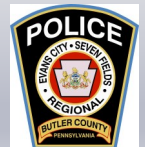
In the summer of 1965, pickleball was founded by Joel Pritchard, Bill Bell and Barney McCallum on Bainbridge Island, Washington. Within days, Joan Pritchard had come up with the name “pickle ball”—a reference to the thrown-together leftover non-starters in the “pickle boat” of crew races.



## EVANS CITY/SEVEN FIELDS REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

The July report provided to Council on Monday, August 28th indicated 4 incidents in Seven Fields.

*Residents are reminded to call 911 for ALL police matters*



## COUNCIL NEWS / BRIEF



### *August 28th, 2023 Borough Council Meeting*

**Amendment of Ordinance 83**-Establishing the Evans City/Seven Fields Regional Police Department-Borough Council authorized amending in part and repealing in part Ordinance No. 83 of 2013, to authorize the dissolution of the Evens City and Seven Fields Regional Police Department, revising the attendant police jurisdiction thereby assigned and otherwise amending the intergovernmental cooperative standards.

**Legal Ad for RFP for Seven Fields Stormwater Retention Pond Remediation Project**-Borough Council authorized the legal advertisement for RFP for the Seven Fields Stormwater Retention Pond Remediation Project.

**Seven Fields Storefront/Entry Renovation Project**-Borough Council awarded the Front Entrance Glass Replacement Project to DiSalvatore Group LLC in the amount of \$123,884.88.

**2023 Speed Plateau Installations Payment**-Borough Council authorized payment in the amount of \$90,000 from Liquid Fuels to Shields Paving for nine of the ten speed plateaus.

**Southridge Drive Paving Payment**-Borough Council authorized payment in the amount of \$21,885.65 from Liquid Fuels for the paving of Seven Fields portion of Southridge Drive.

**2023 1<sup>st</sup> Half Budget & Water Analysis**-Borough Council reviewed the 1st Half Budget & Water Analysis noting total revenues have increased year over year by \$138,532. The General Fund ended the first half with a \$322,563 surplus. Water Fund revenues increased by \$28,562. The Water Fund ended the first half with a \$119,779 surplus.

**Seven Fields Community Center Front Door Software**-Borough Council authorized payment in the amount of \$2,155.95 to North Hills Lock & Safe to install a new Emerge Access System for the programming of the Community Center Doors.

**Hillvue Drive Tree Removal**-Borough Council authorized payment in the amount of \$2,400 to RB Tree Services for removal of a two-stalk Willow Tree at the entrance of Hillvue Drive that was clogging the 24" storwater drainage system.

## Dog Walking & Pet Waste Reminders



Residents are reminded that Ordinance #40 mandates that pet owners must pick up their dog feces when walking their dogs through the community.

Please note that pets are NOT permitted in the Town Park. This includes the entire park, playground, pool, fields, etc.

Not only is it a violation against Ordinance #40, it is also a safety hazard for children playing in the playground area.

*Individuals are encouraged to call 911 to report offenders to the Evans City / Seven Fields Regional Police Department.*

## Labor Day Holiday Waste and Recycling Collection

Please note that Vogel Disposal Service will be collecting trash and recyclables one day later due to the Labor Day Holiday.

*Saturday, September 9th 2023*

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*Mark your calendars for Bulk Trash  
Pick-Up Friday October 13th 2023*



WE WILL BE  
**CLOSED**  
ON  
**LABOR DAY**

Our offices will be closed on Monday 09/04/23







# Borough of Seven Fields CUSTOMERPORTAL

The Customer Portal provides you with the opportunity to access your account information and activity. In addition, you will be able to pay your bills using the portal.

## the many benefits of **eBilling**



- Create your own portal account through self-registration
- Sign up for eBills
- View or print your bills (current or previous)
- View your billing, payment, and adjustment history
- View your usage history
- Pay your bills via Electronic payment

## Go Green, Save a Tree

If every American household used eBills and online bill pay, it could reduce solid waste in U.S. landfills by more than 800,000 tons a year and help curb the release of greenhouse gases by 2.1 million tons, according to Javelin Strategy and Research. This could also save an estimated 18.5 million trees a year!



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and click on **Set Up Online Access**

# THE SEVEN FIELDS 2023 POOL SEASON HAS COME TO AN END



As the 2023 Seven Fields Pool Season wraps up, we say farewell to all of the lifeguards who worked diligently this summer ensuring the safety of everyone who visited the Borough Pool. The lifeguard staff, under the direction of Pool Manager Emma Wise did an admirable job! As a Community we extend our thanks and appreciation to each lifeguard and wish them all the best in their studies in the upcoming year. Thank you again for a great season! See you all in the Summer of 2024!

*Residents may have noticed the Weeping Willow Tree at the corner of Caste Creek Drive & Hillvue Drive has been removed.*

*Unfortunately, during construction, the Developer planted the tree in the public right of way, and the root system had completely clogged the stormwater drainage system.*



# Seneca Valley SD 2023-24 Student/Teacher Calendar

Board Approved 2-13-23

August 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	IS	A80	19
20	A80	FD	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

11 Staff Days; 8 Student Days (10 w/A80)  
Aug. 22 - First Student Day

September 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	H	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	A80	26	27	28	29	30

20 Days  
Sept 25 - Yom Kippur (Act 80)

October 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	A80	28
29	30	31				

22 Staff Days

November 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	IS	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	H	H	H	25
26	H	28	29	30		

18 Staff Days; 17 Student Days  
Nov. 10 - IS/Staff Clerical Day

December 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	H	H	H	H	H	30
31						

16 Days

January 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	H	H	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	IS	13
14	A80	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

21 Staff Days; 20 Student Days  
Jan. 11 - End of First Semester  
Jan. 12 - In-Service/Clerical Day

February 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	SM	17
18	IS	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

20 Staff Days; 19 Student Days  
February 19 - IS/Staff Clerical Day

March 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	A80	16
17	SM	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	H	30
31						

19 Days

April 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	H	H	H	H	H	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

17 Days

May 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	A80	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	H	28	29	LD-S	31	

22 Days  
May 30 - Last Day for Seniors (Grad. Day)

June 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	LD	IS	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

5 Staff Days; 4 Student Days  
June 6 - Last Day for K-11 Students

191 Work Days for Teachers

### Snow (Emergency) Makeup Days:

- #1 - Feb. 16, 2024
- #2 - March 18, 2024
- #3 - Remote Learning
- #4 - Remote Learning
- #5 - Remote Learning

### District Local Holidays:

- Nov. 22, 2023
- Nov. 27, 2023
- Dec. 25, 2023
- Jan. 1, 2024
- April 1, 2024

### KEY

A80 - Act 80-Prof. Develop. Day (No school for students)

H - Holiday (No school)

IS - In-Service Day (No school for students)

FD, LD & LD-S - First Student Day, Last Student Day & Last Day/Graduation Day for Seniors

SM - Snow Makeup Day (this day becomes a holiday if no snow make-up days are needed)

Remote Learning - Flexible Instructional Day/Students engage in remote learning from home

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### Borough of Seven Fields

#### Mayor:

Dean Galitsis

#### Council Members:

Kim Regan-Koch  
Brian Trimble  
Michael Trotta, MD  
Dawn Servello  
Jeff Smouse

#### Borough Manager

Thomas B. Smith

#### Police Department



All Emergencies: Dial 911

Evans City/Seven Fields  
Regional Police Department  
2200 Garden Drive, Suite 200A  
Seven Fields, PA 16046

#### Fire Department



All Emergencies: Dial 911

Adams Area Fire District  
645 Route 228, P.O. Box 232  
Mars, PA 16046

## Welcome to the Borough

If you have purchased a new home, are moving into a rental home or are a landlord with a new tenant within the Borough, you will need to complete the following forms:

- ◆ Application for Residential Water Service
- ◆ Application for Residency Permit-\$35 Fee
- ◆ Earned Income Tax (EIT) Information

Please understand that it is very important for all of the proper paperwork to be submitted in a timely fashion to the Borough Office. Failure to do so may result in an interruption of water service.

All forms can be found at [www.sevenfields.org](http://www.sevenfields.org) or you may call the Borough Office at 724-776-3090 with any questions.



# PEDESTRIAN SAFETY



Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available.

If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.



Keep alert at all times, don't be distracted by electronic devices.



Whenever possible, cross streets at crosswalks or intersections, where drivers expect pedestrians.



If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic.

Be visible at all times. Wear bright colored clothing during the day, At night wear reflective materials or use a flashlight.

