

BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG 2025 FALL NEWSLETTER

Dates to remember

- October 4, 2025 free rabies clinic from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at the Department of Public Works garage.
- October 24th and 25th Sterling Hill Haunted Mine from 5:00pm to 10:30pm.
- November 4, 2025 General Election Day Polls are open from 6:00am to 8:00pm.
- June 20, 2026 Ogdensburg day 2026



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LEAF AND BRUSH PICKUP

NON-BINDING REFERENDUM ON NOVEMBER 4, 2025 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

Leaf and brush pickup The dates for leaf and brush pick up are tentative; any changes will be posted on the Ogdensburg Facebook page and the Borough's website calendar. Leaves will be picked up at the curb on October 30 and November 6, 13 and 20, 2025; leaves must be in brown paper leaf bags. Plastic bags will not be picked up. Brush will be picked up at the curb on October 31 and November 7, 14 and 21, 2025; brush must be cut no longer than 4 feet and no wider than 3 inches in diameter and must be bundled and tied so one man can handle the bundle. Piles of brush NOT BUNDLED will not be picked up. Brush from lot clearing and firewood will not be picked up.

Non-Binding Referendum

The Mayor and Council voted on July 28, 2025 to submit to the Sussex County Clerk a non-binding referendum to be placed on the November 4, 2025 General Election Ballot. The question to the voter is:

"Should the Borough of Ogdensburg sell by way of public auction the Borough owned property located at Block 26.06, Lot 6&8 (commonly known as Willis Avenue) and Lot 9 (commonly known as 8 Willis Avenue) and formally owned and operated by the Ogdensburg First Aid Squad?" The referendum is only to see if the residents are interested in keeping the First Aid Squad building, bring the building up to code and use it

as a community center for activities and events. This building is located on Lot 9 with an address of 8 Willis Ave. Lots 6&8 are additional lots separate from Lot 9 which can be sold separately from Lot 9. According to tax records Lot 6 with the additional lot 8 are to be sold together.

To date there hasn't been a cost analysis done as to how much it would cost to bring the former First Aid Squad building up to code.

Save the date: Ogdensburg Day Committee has set the date for our 2026 celebration— June 20, 2026 to include ending the day with fireworks sponsored by Sterling Hill Mine and Museum.

Tax and Water Payments

In an effort to better service our residents, the Borough has switched payment processors for tax and water payments. The new processor has a much more user-friendly interface and better features to help residents plan for and pay their billings. As always, visit the Borough website at www.ogdensburgnj.org and click on "Useful Links" and then "On-

Line Payments". Residents can now search for their tax and water billings through the system with no need to wait for a paper bill. Residents can either utilize the "Quick Pay" feature to make one-time payments or, they can create an account to unlock many more features. Those residents that choose to create an account can save their payment method,

schedule payments, setup direct withdrawal and more. Unfortunately, pursuant to NJAC 5:30-9, there are some convenience fees for utilizing this service. Bank to bank transactions are charged a \$1.95 convenience fee while credit and/or debit card transactions are charged a 2.95% convenience fee.

BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG

BE AWARE OF PHONE SCAMS



Please be aware of phone scams, most of which target the elderly, such as IRS calling and threatening to arrest you unless immediate payment is made. The IRS only communicates via letters that are mailed. There are also phone scams where the caller says that a loved one has been arrested such as a niece, nephew or grandchild and the caller demands payment to keep them out of jail. That call is a scam, especially if they ask you to wire money and send I-tunes cards. Awareness of these scams

is the best prevention and if you aren't sure, call and ask the Police before doing anything further

Veterans Day November 11, 2025

- Remember our veterans on November 11 and always.

"ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL"



Upcoming meeting dates:

Mayor and Council:

October 15, 2025

October 27, 2025

November 10, 2025

November 24, 2025

December 8, 2025

Land Use Board:

October 28, 2025

November 25, 2025

December—no meeting

Board Of Health:

October 1, 2025

November 5, 2025

December 3, 2025

Pet Owner Information



All dogs and cats residing in the Borough of Ogdensburg must be licensed yearly by January 31 and have a current rabies vaccination that does not expire prior to November 1st of that licensing year.

If you walk your dog please be prepared with plastic bags to clean up after your pet. Pet waste is not only a health hazard, containing coliform bacteria and other pollutants that can contaminate

our streams, lakes and rivers, but also a nuisance in our neighborhoods. **Reminder:** No person owning any animal shall permit such animal to run at large. Animals must be properly leashed on public land and roadways as per Borough Code Chapter 4-7.1.

If interested in volunteering to be a member of the Board of Health call Maria Mascuch, Board of Health Secretary at 973-827-3444.

Municipal Park Area

Please help keep Ogdensburg Municipal Park clean by not littering the area. Place all litter in the appropriate receptacles located at the park.



Borough Updates

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)

- In July, 2022 the Borough received a certified letter from NJDEP notifying the Borough of reassignment from a Tier B permit to Tier A permit. There is a dedicated stormwater page on the Municipal website, which includes Ogdensburg Stormwater Management Documents, Stormwater Management Ordinances

and Stormwater resources. All ordinances can be found on the Borough's website.

Ogdensburg School is excited to continue offering their free full-day preschool program. Children must be three years old by October 1st. Please call the main office at 973-827-7126 as soon as possible to reserve your spot

Lead Line Replacement Survey: If you haven't completed the lead line replacement survey go to

the Borough website, useful links, click on forms. Complete the form and return to Borough Hall.

Communication System The Mayor and Council have approved and set up a Borough wide notification system. If you would like to receive notification texts, emails or voice messages regarding emergency and non emergency notification log onto <https://asp.schoolmessenger.com/ogdensburgnj/subscriber> Click on "sign up now"



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Police Department Reminders “Snow Removal”

The Police Department would like to remind everyone to facilitate snow removal, no person shall park a vehicle on any street in the Borough when streets are snow covered and when the Borough is in the process of removing or cleaning the streets of snow. Borough Code Chapter 7 10.1. Any unoccupied vehicle stopped or standing in violation of this section, shall be deemed a nuisance to the safe and proper regulation of traffic, and any Police Officer or member of the Borough of Public Works Department

may provide for the removal of such vehicle. The owner of such vehicle shall be responsible for the cost of removal and storage before regaining possession of the vehicle. Borough Code Chapter 7 10.2.

Please ensure you lock your vehicle and residence doors; if you notice any suspicious or criminal activity, contact the Borough Police Department. Remember if your car has a push button start remember to remove your key fob from the car.

With school back in session for our children's safety, obey all the speed limits and remember to lower your speed during inclement weather. **Reminders:** Basketball Goals should be removed from street for snow removal purposes. The Borough will not be responsible for damage done during plowing.



Garbage and Recycling Information

Every Tuesday—Household Garbage—limited to (2) 32 gallon containers. If you have additional trash and need to place more household garbage out for pickup, you will need to purchase a sticker at the Borough Hall at \$2.00 per sticker and place one sticker on each additional bag of garbage. The first Tuesday of the month one bulky item is permitted to be left at the curb. Residents

are permitted to put out a washer, dryer, dishwasher, carpet, furniture, treadmill, microwave or refrigerator. A refrigerator and/or any item that contains Freon must have a certified Freon free sticker on it before Blue Diamond can take it. Construction material will not be picked up. Recycling pickup is every other Thursday.

Electronic waste will not be picked up, televisions, desktop or

laptop computers, monitors etc.

The Borough's Recycling Center on Brooks Flat Road is open Saturday mornings from 8:00am to noon; if the dumpsters are filled up before noon the recycling center will close early. Reminder all cardboard must be broken down, no plastic bags, cans and bottles rinsed clean.

Free E-Waste Events

SCMUA sponsors free e-waste events to all

Sussex County

Residents. Call

SCMUA at 973-579-6998 for information

Haunted Mine Event - Ogdensburg Historical Society Events

Water Quality Report can be found at www.ogdensburgnj.org on the home page. **Clean Communities News;** If you need reusable shopping bags, insulated grocery bags or car litter bags pick them up at Borough Hall. **Free Rabies Clinic** will be held on October 4, 2025 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at the Ogdensburg Department of Public Works.

Sterling Hill Haunted Mine Event: The Annual Sterling Hill Haunted Mine hosted by the Sterling Hill Mining Museum will be held October 24 and 25 from 5:00pm to 10:30pm. From 5:00pm to 6:00pm “Scary but not so scary” tour for kids. From 6:00pm to close “very scary, my heart just exploded” tour for all others.



Ogdensburg Historical Society events: The museum is open Sunday October 26 from 1-4pm, December 11, 2025 there will be a Holiday Ethnic Dinner/Cookie exchange at the Ogdensburg School cafeteria. For additional information contact the Ogdensburg Historical Society at oburghhistoricalsociety@gmail.com

Tax and Water Billing Dates

Taxes are due:

February 1st

May 1st

August 1st

November 1st

Water Bills:

Mid-March

Mid-June

Mid-September

Mid-December

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ough of Ogdensburg
would like to wish
everyone a Happy
and Safe -

Holiday Season.



2025 Governing
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