

Winter 2009



**COUNCIL
CONNECTION**

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Dear Residents:

As we enter the year 2009, I can tell you that this will be one of the busiest for the Borough Council and myself in recent memory. We will not only be dealing with our annual budget, but will also be working to offset the increase due to our tax reassessment finished up by our Assessor in November and renegotiating a contract for police protection here in our Borough.

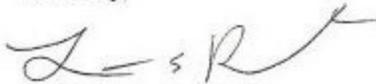
During the summer months, I had the opportunity to meet with many of you. During part of the meeting, I discussed our ongoing reassessment and its' impact on our community. We were informed that Audubon Mutual Housing Corp. went from an assessed value of approximately 9 million to 23 million dollars. Although this may sound like it will increase in your taxes greatly (in particular the County tax rate), I can assure you, that the Council and myself are working diligently to cut our budget while protecting the services you've come to expect from our governing body. I hope to have a much more detailed report to you over the next four to six weeks.

We are also in the middle of renegotiating the police protection here in the Borough. Our current contract expires on August 31, 2009. I've personally made it a point to listen and address all your concerns about our police coverage and look to implement these into our next contract at the best price. We hope to have this process wrapped up by the spring.

Last but not least, many of you have asked about the Senior Housing Complex. We continue to gather information and look to provide you with more information in the coming weeks. I have enclosed in this issue of the Council Connection a copy of our first proposal for the Senior Complex. **THIS IS JUST A PROPOSAL!!!!!!** We will be receiving more proposals; we felt it was important to you, the residents, and the contract holders of the Audubon Mutual Housing Corp. to see our vision for the project. I am personally grateful for the time so many of you took this past summer to spend with me and your overwhelming support for this project. It is very much appreciated.

Thanks again for all your support and I look forward to serving you in the up coming year.

Sincerely,



LAWRENCE E. PENNOCK,
MAYOR



Residential Units (S.F.)	63,000
Average Size (S.F.)	1,050
Multi-Family Units	60
Total Residential Units	60
Commercial (S.F.)	20,000
Parking	
Parking Required (1/unit and 2/1000 SF)	100
Surface	64
On-Street	16
Garage	-
Total Parking Provided	80

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Land Use: Primarily Residential (age-restricted housing)

Design:

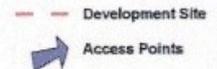
- The overall form and scale of the potential development takes into account the built form of the existing neighborhood
- This 4 story development sits comfortably into the existing context without over dominating it
- The development will create street frontage and interesting architectural / landscape features at the junctions of Road C and Kennedy Drive and at Black Horse Pike and Kennedy Drive
- The potential development will be set back to create a landscaped open space

Circulation: The potential vehicular access points to the development will be provided from Black Horse Pike and Road C

Landscape: Landscaping will form an integral part of the development

- The proposals will also include landscaping the traffic island at the junction of Kennedy Drive and Black Horse Pike and also the traffic median on Black Horse Pike

Parking: The parking area will be landscaped



QUICK NEWS

January 24, 2009
8 AM – 9:30 AM
Rabies Clinic at Audubon Park Fire Co.

January 24, 2009
7 PM
Ceremonial Bonfire at Roads “A” & “B”
Refreshments at Audubon Park Fire Co.
(immediately following)

January 27, 2009
New Library Evening Hours
Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings
5 PM until 9 PM

January 31, 2009
Dog/Cat Licenses
Last day to purchase before late fees apply

Mayor and Borough Council
Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Mondays
of each month

AUDUBON PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

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Kim Young Secretary

21 January 2009

Well, it's been quite a while since we were mentioned in the Park Reporter. Let's start out with a recap of emergency calls during the year 2008. We responded to over 45 emergency calls within our town. You may think this was a lot of calls. We think it's GOOD! Compared to other fire departments we attribute this to your diligence in keeping your homes safe. Obviously each and every one of you practices good fire prevention techniques. Keep up the good work!!!!

Within that year 1 of our fire fighters successfully completed the New Jersey Fire Fighters 1 Course Scott Young Congratulations. We would like to welcome our newest member Mike Brunick who will soon be starting the Fire Fighter 1 Course, Good Luck Mike. Also, we would like to welcome our newest Jr. Firefighter to our program Tom Przybszewski. We have many hours of training. You should be proud that these individuals take their valuable time to become one of the elite. Their dedication to the residents of Audubon Park is more than you will know.

Dedication to the community is a required trait in order for any community to survive. We desperately need men and women who are willing to protect their community. You can make a difference. Many contract holders will read this and forget about their sons and daughters. Ask them if they are willing to help their community. The state requires you to be at least 18 years of age, physically and mentally fit. We also have a Jr. Firefighter program that children at the age of 14 may become a member and will learn from State certified Firefighters within our department to become a firefighter and at age 16 they may be eligible to attend the Jr. Fire Fighter program at Camden County Fire Academy, this program will give them the knowledge of what they need to know for when they enter the Firefighter 1 program. We need you to make the commitment to your community and become a fire fighter.

Please stop by the Community Hall each Thursday night we have BINGO and ask to speak to one of the officers. We look forward to meeting you.

Some Tips to stay safe:

Make sure to **CHANGE THE BATTERIES** in your smoke detector.

CHANGE THE AIR FILTER in your heaters MONTHLY and while you are at it Vacuum the dirt that accumulates in it yearly.

Every Home also should have a **CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR** in it, with our heaters always on the detector could save your life.

And whenever you have an Emergency do not hesitate to call **911**. It starts help coming immediately and the **911** operators will help you by phone to get a handle on the situation. If the emergency is a fire, get out of the building and call **911** from a safe distance, **DO NOT RE-ENTER THE BUILDING.**

The Fire Department would like for you to know their newly elected officers:

Chief:	Richard Pritchard
Asst. Chief:	Dave Laird
Captain:	John Terruso
First Lieutenant:	Scott Beswick
Second Lieutenant:	Kim Young
President:	Rudy Young
Vice President:	Nick Lepone
Treasurer:	Scott Young
Secretary:	Kim Young
Trustees:	John Terruso, Scott Beswick and Dennis Stanton

Sincerely,

Audubon Park Vol. Fire Dept.

Hope to see all of you at our annual tree burning on Saturday January 24th at 7:00pm