



Borough of Chambersburg

*A full service municipality in Franklin County
celebrating over 65 years of consumer owned natural gas service
over 120 years of community electric and a
regional wastewater, water, and municipal solid waste utility*

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CHAMBERSBURG JUNIOR COUNCIL PERSON SEARCH

Chambersburg – The Borough of Chambersburg is looking for a young ambitious student to serve as a junior council person during the 2016-2017 school year. This is open to both high school and college students. The Junior Council Person serves as an advisory member of Chambersburg Borough Council. This position provides an opportunity for the voice of our youth to be heard and Borough Council greatly values the insight offered by the young men and women who have served in this capacity.

Although they are prohibited from voting on issues, they are encouraged to join in the council discussions. It is an experience that can give these young people real life experience in executive, and legislative decision making. It can be especially helpful for, but not limited to, students who aspire to obtain political office. Even if they desire another route, employers may be impressed to see this on a resume. No prior experience is necessary. Junior council persons are expected to attend every meeting, which are typically held the second and fourth Mondays of each month. They begin at 7:00 PM and have sometimes ended as late as 11:00 PM.

The Borough of Chambersburg first adopted this program from the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) in 2013. Since that time we have had three participants. They were Mikayla Pellerin (2013-2014), Robin Shillock (2014-2015), and Haley Frey (2015-2016). All three of whom were from the Chambersburg Area Senior High School. However this program is not limited to just one school but all high school and college students who reside within the Borough of Chambersburg. This includes home school, cyber school, Montessori Academy, Cumberland Valley Christian School, Shalom Christian Academy, Career Magnet School, and Wilson College.

Applicants need to fill out the PSAB Junior Council Person Application and return it to Chambersburg Borough Hall (100 South Second Street). Applications will be considered soon. Call (717) 264-5151 for more information.

Along with myself, here are two other contacts for members of the press.

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Attached is a PDF version of this email and the PSAB Junior Council Person Application also in PDF format.

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Chambersburg is a unique community. Chambersburg supplies more services than any other municipality in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In addition to typical town functions, Chambersburg is Pennsylvania's only municipality supplying electric & gas. Chambersburg is 1 of 35 Boroughs to operate a municipal non-profit electric utility. Chambersburg is the largest municipal electric utility in the State, twice as large as the second largest, Ephrata, Lancaster County; and, the only one to operate generation stations. Chambersburg is 1 of 2 municipalities in PA to operate a natural gas utility. The other is Philadelphia, which does not operate an electric utility. Nationally, Chambersburg is 1 of 2,000 communities to have its own electric system and 1 of 800 communities to have a natural gas system but 1 of only about 50 to operate both. Chambersburg manages a regional water system, a regional sanitary sewer system (not through an independent Authority), and a new storm sewer utility; one of the first storm sewer utilities to form under the new Federal mandate to regulate stormwater. Chambersburg currently has 20,360 residents (2012). www.chambersburgpa.gov