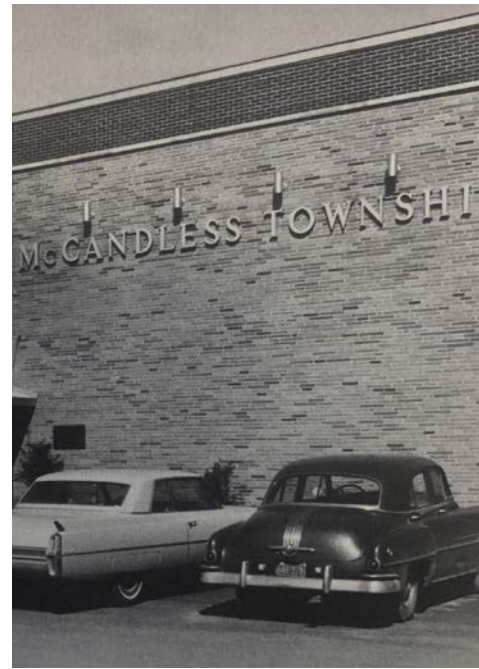
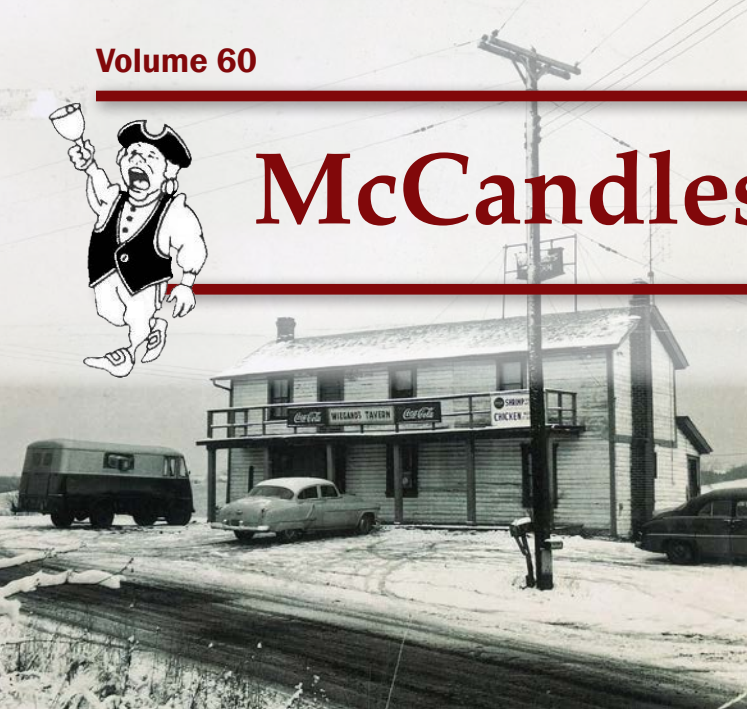
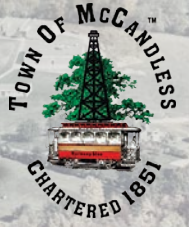




# McCandless Town Crier





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**At our Town Council Meeting on August 25th, Town Council was proud to introduce our 2025-2026 Junior Council members, Arjun Puri and Christian Sperandeo! We look forward to working with them both this year!**

## Meeting Schedule

*Below is a general guide for when public Town meetings take place (there are some exceptions; check the calendar on the Town website for a full listing). **All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.***

- **Meetings of the Town Council:** Second and fourth Mondays of the month
- **Planning Commission Meeting:** First Tuesday of the month at **7:00 p.m.**
- **Zoning Hearing Board Meeting:** Fourth Wednesday of the month
- **Environmental Advisory Committee:** Second Wednesday of the month
- **Heritage Center FDPC:** Third Wednesday of the month at **4:30 p.m.**
- **Personnel Board:** Fourth Tuesday of the month at **5:00 p.m.**

# A message from the Town Manager



Today as I write this message, it's a beautiful, sunny, 80-degree October day in McCandless, and I can only think about one thing – SNOW! I know what's going through your mind, there's "snow-way" that it is time for the fluffy white stuff yet, but preparations are underway to make sure that our snow removal operations are prepared for anything

that winter may bring. Salt has already started to arrive, and the salt barn will be stocked to its maximum capacity before the first flurry falls. In addition, the Town has taken delivery of three new 10-ton dump trucks with new plows and salt spreaders, ensuring that our fleet is safe and in good repair.

Maintaining the 115+ miles of Town owned and maintained roads is quite a challenge. A few questions we hear include, "how long does it take to get the roads all clear," followed by "why does it take so long!" Rest assured, that during each winter event the team is working diligently to get everyone to their destinations safely. The time of day (early morning and afternoon rush hour) and severity of each winter event are factors which both play into how long it can take to get all the roads cleared. Main arteries re-

ceive priority treatment, and secondary streets follow suit. Based on mileage and severity, it can take between three to six hours to completely make it through the Town one time both salting and plowing, so being patient, and only traveling during snow if you need to, are two important things that we ask residents to keep in mind.

With that being said, we are continually evaluating our snow removal operation and making improvements. First, if there is a known winter event approaching, we are pre-treating and calling out our Public Works team prior to the event so that they are ready to immediately hit the roads when the weather turns bad. This is especially important in the early morning hours to ensure that the buses can safely get our children to school. Second, for the first time in more than twenty years we will be adding a tenth snow removal route, meaning that more trucks will be on the roads during every event in order to get to secondary streets and neighborhoods more quickly. These efficiency improvements will help us deliver a higher level of service to the residents and guests who travel through McCandless.

**John F. Schwend**  
*Town Manager*

## Seeing too many deer? Get involved



In 2021, Town Council unanimously approved entering into an agreement with Suburban Whitetail Management to conduct a bow hunting program beginning in the fall of 2021.

SWM's controlled hunts run concurrently with the PA Game Commission's regulated deer archery season (which runs on and off from the end of September to late January).

**Hunters can hunt on some Town-owned property and privately-owned land with the owner's permission.** For private property, when a landowner reaches out to SWM, they check the property to make sure it is suitable for hunting, specifically looking for safety distances and hazards.

SWM tries to seek out local hunters, who must pass an archery proficiency test. They are assigned to a specific property that they hunt on

the entire season. Hunters are required to donate every first and third deer they get to the Hunters Sharing Harvest program.

Currently, SWM has more hunters than properties to hunt on, so they are seeking landowners to reach out to them to sign up. Interested property owners can contact them at [suburbanwhitetailpa@gmail.com](mailto:suburbanwhitetailpa@gmail.com). If you are interested in hunting on Town-owned property, fill out the permission request form online at [www.townofmc-candless.org/417/Deer-Management](http://www.townofmc-candless.org/417/Deer-Management).



# From 1851 to Today:



You can call it a “dodransbicentennial” if you want. Or, you can just call it a “175th anniversary.”

Either way, it is what the Town of McCandless will be celebrating in 2026!

“Our Town’s history is rich with family farms, oil, the Harmony Short Line, Brown and Vaughn, Perrysville Road, Pine Creek, North Park, churches, schools, and all the residents who have influenced it along the way,” said Parks and Recreation Director Abby Lucostic.

McCandless Township (as it was called then) officially was born on March 22, 1851. A couple years prior, a petition was started to divide the very-large Pine Township into two separate municipalities (with the north portion retain-

ing the Pine Township moniker and the southern portion to be named Taylor Township). By decree of court on March 22, 1851, the division was finalized and the southern portion instead was named McCandless Township (named after Wilson McCandless, a prominent Pittsburgh attorney and later a federal judge who assisted with the separation of the municipalities).

In 1952, McCandless switched from being a Township of the Second Class to a Township of the First Class, reflecting the municipality’s growth (to become First Class, a Second Class Township must have at least 300 residents per square mile and pass a voter referendum on the topic).

In 1974, another voter referendum allowed McCandless to become a Home Rule Municipality. In Pennsylvania, Home Rule Municipalities are allowed to be governed by their own, custom-designed charter (instead of being governed by the state’s Borough Code or Township Code). On January 1, 1975, the former township officially became the Town of McCandless. An interesting factoid is that, although called the “Town of”



McCandless, it is not formally recognized by the state as a “Town” (Bloomsburg in Columbia County is the only municipality in Pennsylvania to be recognized as a Town due to an unusual boundary situation that existed in 1870).



A lot has changed over the years. The first white settler (James Duff) came here in 1795. Mail service didn’t come until 1801, and a school wasn’t built here until 1802. In 1900, oil was discovered. The Harmony Line trolley service ran through McCandless starting in 1908. Allegheny



# Celebrating 175 years

County purchased the land that was to become North Park in 1927. The North Allegheny Joint High School opened in 1954 (in the location that currently is North Allegheny Intermediate School), LaRoche College opened in 1963 and Passavant Hospital opened in 1964. The population has grown almost exponentially. In 1880, the Town had 1,010 residents. By 1950, it was 6,488 residents. Today, the Town has 28,457 residents.

"In 2026, I'm thrilled to honor our collective history with events and programs highlighting our past and celebrating the future," Lucostic said.

The Town has put together a McCandless 175 Planning Committee to plan, fundraise, advertise, and implement community events and programs to commemorate this momentous occasion.

"Celebrating McCandless 175 is important to me because it is a way to thank and honor those who came before us who helped to shape/form McCandless into what it is today: a place we are proud to call home," said committee member Amy Steele, executive director of Northland Public Library.

In addition to our usual slate of community events (where the anniversary will be part of the theme), the committee is working on other celebrations. Additionally, memorial bricks are being sold in recognition of the anniversary.

"McCandless is our home for lifelong friends, raising a family, attended church, with great schools where we consider everyone our neighbor," said committee member Michael Wholihan, financial coordinator for the McCandless-Franklin Park Ambulance Authority.

The remainder of 2025 will be a time for planning and 2026 will be the year for celebrating.

"Celebrating McCandless 175 is important to me because it honors our community's rich history and the people who make it special, while also inspiring future generations to get involved and make a difference," said committee member Ronit Ginde, a junior at North Allegheny Senior High School.

**Keep an eye and ear out for our ongoing planning! Stay updated on McCandless175 at [www.mccandless175.org](http://www.mccandless175.org).**

## MCCANDLESS175 MEMORIAL BRICKS

\$100



Bricks can be purchased to honor someone special, memorialize the life of a loved one, commemorate a special occasion or share an inspiring quote with visitors. Sale of these bricks will help offset the cost of McCandless175 celebrations and create a lasting memory. The bricks will be installed on the walkway of the McCandless/Northern Allegheny Heritage and Cultural Center.

**Scan the QR code for online ordering. Paper forms available at Town Hall.**





# WINTERFEST!

 **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6**  
**3-7pm**   
Town of McCandless DPW Garage/HCC

Summer has blasted past us and we are in the midst of fall ... which really means that winter is coming sooner than we all expected.

For the fifth year in a row, winter in McCandless will get started with our Winterfest on Saturday, December 6 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Join us for a world of wintry excitement!

The event will kick off with the arrival of Santa Claus on a fire truck (if you can believe such a sight)!

Bonfire and smores, hot chocolate bar, food trucks, winter crafts, character appearances, a holiday light display at Devlin Park and the ever popular name the snow plow contest!

This year, we're partnering again with the North Hills Community Outreach to help our neighbors in need. Please bring an item to Winterfest for their food pantry!

You don't want to miss out on this!





# The Life and Times of the Leaf Pickup Program

The leaves are changing color and falling to the ground.

This indicator of autumn means pumpkin spice, cooler weather and the spooky season to many people. To Town residents, it also means that the leaf pickup program will be starting.

“Residents really enjoy being able to place their leaves right at the curb and have our Public Works staff clean them up in a timely manner,” said Public Works Director Brad Iannuzzi.

Leaf pickup began on Monday, October 13 and will continue **through Wednesday, November 26**.

The Town of McCandless participates in a joint leaf composting program through the North Hills Council of Governments (COG). Out of 19 member communities in the North Hills COG, only five municipalities take part in this program.

“Leaf collection provided from the municipality is a rare asset our Town provides, most communities do not provide curbside pickup,” Iannuzzi said.

Each weekday while the program is running, trucks from the Town’s Department of Public Works cover different routes in the Town to collect leaves. Most Town roads have their leaves collected by a special vacuum truck (where residents pile their leaves to the curb and the truck has a vacuum to suck them up), but some roads are “bag roads” where residents put their leaves in compostable bags to be collected.



Once a truck is full, it has to travel to a drop-off site in North Park before returning to its pick-up route. During the height of the program, this can happen five to six times each day.

There are four vacuum trucks and one dump truck for leaf bags in specific areas. Six employees are assigned to this task.

Last year, DPW crews collected 10,855.86 cubic yards of leaves. The year before, they collected 9,966.62 cubic yards. A cubic yard basically is a three-foot-by-three-foot-by-three-foot cube (roughly the size of a small washing machine). If you can imagine how much space 10,000 washing machines laid out would take up, then you can imagine how many leaves are collected annually.

This program is extremely popular and well-known by residents. Naturally, it generates a lot of questions and phone calls to Town Hall. To help alleviate this, here are a few tidbits regarding the program:

- All available leaf trucks are out picking up leaves Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- There is no specific day or time the leaf trucks will arrive.
- Every truck has a route and we DO NOT alter any route for any reason.
- Please be patient, as some roads have a huge amount of leaves and a truck can be on one street for two days.

Residents usually are happy to see their leaves go. Curiously, many of them also are happy to get them back (just in a different form). By the time spring rolls around, the leaves have been turned into compost. This compost is placed on the parking lot at the Heritage and Cultural Center for residents to use in their gardens.

Each spring, approximately 400 tons of compost are available for residents.

# Make a Difference: Adopt a Roadway!



In order to rid local roadways of litter and to beautify and improve our community, the Town of McCandless has established an anti-litter program known as an Adopt-A-Roadway program, in which volunteer groups adopt a Town-owned road, or portion thereof or Town park in order to pick up litter.

The Town will provide gloves, safety vests and bags for your litter clean up. Volunteers must fill out a waiver form each time a cleanup occurs and submit it to the Town.

You will receive a notification by e-mail approving the adoption of your road or park. State and county roads may not be adopted through this program.

For more information or to apply, call 412-364-0616 Ext. 118 or email [jbojarski@townofmccandless.org](mailto:jbojarski@townofmccandless.org). You also can visit [www.townofmccandless.org/458/Adopt-a-Roadway](http://www.townofmccandless.org/458/Adopt-a-Roadway).

## HANDS ON HISTORY AT THE HCC

**The McCandless/Northern Allegheny Heritage and Cultural Center** is home to photos, documents, yearbooks, sports memorabilia, artifacts of popular culture and much, much more. Stop in during our open hours through December and explore our local history!

We'll be closed in January to organize and reset our displays. Our **3rd Thursday Lecture** series begins again in March 2026. Each month, a speaker will discuss a different local, historical topic. For more info on our programs and updated hours of operations, visit [www.townofmccandless.org](http://www.townofmccandless.org).

**Want to get involved?** We're always looking for items related to the history of the area. And we're always looking for volunteers! Have something to donate or want a volunteer application? Email [heritagecenter@townofmccandless.org](mailto:heritagecenter@townofmccandless.org).



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# Why I like working in local government ...

## Fun Financial Findings

**Brittany Yavorka**

*Title: Finance Director*

*Length of service: 3 years*

I enjoy working in local government because it gives me the opportunity to make a real difference in the community I live in.



We have lived in McCandless for the past 13 years and my son attends one of the North Allegheny elementary schools. We picked this community to move into long before I worked for the town, so when a position became available 3 years ago, I jumped at the opportunity to apply for it. The work we do directly impacts people's everyday lives, from improving services to creating spaces for residents to enjoy. It's very rewarding to see the results of our efforts and to know that what I do contributes to the well-being and future of our Town.

I enjoy being a part of all the events that the Town of McCandless sponsors from National Night Out to Community Day and Winterfest. It is great to get to volunteer and see everyone enjoy these events. I also love the fact that we are adding more events for the public to enjoy each and every year.

I am extremely grateful to be part of such an amazing team and look forward to a very long career with the Town of McCandless.

## POLICE PERSPECTIVE

**Kyle Lewis**

*Title: Patrolman*

*Length of service: 1 year*



I have always been of the mindset that working for others far exceeds the importance of working for myself. I've been a police officer for 11 ½ years and was also in the United States Army and Air Force for a combined total of 12 years. During my tenure as a police officer in Armstrong County, I had the honor of being promoted to Patrol Sergeant at one department and Chief of Police of another.

Ever since I graduated high school, I knew that I had a calling to serve my community and country. During that timeframe, I've been able to gain the experience necessary to be actively involved in community oriented policing, school events, public relations details and many others. Being a Patrolman for the McCandless Police Department has been extra important to me because of how involved the department is in being active within the community; it's important to have a solid, trusting relationship with the people we serve, and you can only gain that type of relationship by being involved in local government - I am confident that the officers and command staff I serve with share the same sentiments.

In whole, working as a police officer in McCandless, and being involved in local government, allows me to make a direct, visible difference and impact in our Town, and fosters a collaborative environment with ethical colleagues focused on public service.

## PUTTING THE 'PUBLIC' AND 'WORKS' IN PUBLIC WORKS

**Brad Iannuzzi**

*Title: Public Works Director*

*Length of service: 2 years*

Hi, my name is Brad Iannuzzi and I currently have the pleasure of serving the Town of McCandless as Superintendent of Public Works. I have held this position since May of 2024; I have worked in local government for thirteen years. I also held positions at Allegheny County and the Borough of Etna.



What I enjoy most about working in local government is the opportunity to make a direct and meaningful impact in our community. Every decision, project, or policy

we work on has a visible effect on the lives of residents. Whether it's improving public spaces, delivering essential services, or supporting local initiatives, I find it incredibly rewarding to be part of something that contributes to the wellbeing and development of the area I serve. I also value the collaboration across departments and with the public —there's a strong sense of purpose and teamwork that makes the work both challenging and fulfilling.

Working in local government is also deeply rewarding because it provides a direct, tangible connection to the community. Unlike a large corporation where impact can feel abstract, your work in local government visibly improves the lives of your neighbors. You might see a new park open, a road repaired, or a local service enhanced and know you played a part in it. This sense of purpose and local pride is a powerful motivator.

# Info from the Tax Office

## Real Estate Tax

The Town collects the real estate tax for both the municipality and the North Allegheny School District for all properties located within the confines of the Town. The tax is calculated by multiplying the tax rate by the assessed value of your home or property.

It is important that you pay your tax by the due dates below, even if you have filed an appeal with Allegheny County. Once a deadline passes, the higher amount must be paid, even if you win your appeal. In addition, failure to pay your tax by December 31 may result in a lien being placed against your property.

## 2025 Real Estate Tax Deadlines

- July 1: Real estate tax bills are mailed
- September 2: Last day to pay real estate taxes at the 2% discount amount
- October 31: Last day to pay real estate taxes at the face amount
- December 31: Last day to pay real estate taxes before they become delinquent

If you choose to take advantage of the installment payment program, the due dates for 2025 follow:

- September 2: First installment due
- October 31: Second installment due
- December 31: Third installment due

## Per Capita Tax

The North Allegheny School District did not levy the per capita tax for the 2025-2026 tax year. Any outstanding taxes from prior years remain due.

## Earned Income and Net Profits Tax

Keystone Collections Group collects the earned income and net profits tax for both the Town and the North Allegheny School District for all residents of McCandless. The tax is based on salaries, wages, and net profits earned throughout the year. This tax is withheld by employers and forwarded on a quarterly basis. If you are self-employed or receive compensation for which taxes are not withheld, you must file and pay the tax quarterly.

Under this law, employers are required to have Certificate of Residence forms on file for their employees. When filling out the form, please note that the Town of McCandless PSD code is 710704.

You can contact Keystone by phone: 866-539-1100; mail: 546 Wendel Road, Irwin, PA 15642; or online: [keystonecollects.com](http://keystonecollects.com).

## Local Service Tax

Keystone Collections Group collects the local services tax for the Town. This tax applies to any individual who works in the Town at any time during the calendar year, and the rate is \$52 per calendar year.

The tax is withheld by employers and forwarded on a quarterly basis. If you are self-employed or receive compensation for which taxes are not withheld, then you should forward \$13 per quarter.

## Business Privilege Tax

The Business Privilege Tax is a gross receipts tax levied for the privilege of doing certain types of business in the Town. New businesses in the Town must register and obtain a license. New business profile forms are available on the website or contact the tax office. The tax return and payment are due on May 15. The tax office will accept returns as timely if postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before the due date. All returns postmarked after the due date will be considered late and subject to penalty and interest.

## Drop Box Procedures

Please note that tax payments placed in the drop box or hand delivered are accepted as timely for the following 2025 tax deadlines: May 15 (Business Privilege Tax), September 2 (Real Estate Tax at discount) and October 31 (Real Estate Tax at face).





# Sign up for the “No Solicitation” list

Town of McCandless residents now can ask to be placed on a “no solicitation” list.

Last month, Town Council voted on Ordinance 1560, allowing property owners to be placed on a list of addresses that door-to-door vendors are to stay away from.

Transient vendors (all of whom are required to have a permit from the Town) who enter or attempt to enter properties on this list can be fined up to \$1,000.

Residents may sign up online to be put on the list.



SCAN THE CODE  
TO SIGN UP



## New ordinance requires dog owners to keep pet under control

If you are out and about with your dog, keep them on a leash.

On September 8, Town Council passed Ordinance 1559, creating rules requiring dog owners to keep their pets under control.

Under this ordinance:

- Dogs are not allowed to be running at large on public or private property. When on their owner's property, dogs must be reasonably contained to that property. Reasonably contained to the property means that you need to keep your dog on your private property (whether by fence, e-collar, lead, leash, verbal commands, etc.)
- Dogs owners must keep their dogs on a leash (and clean up after them) when on public property. The leash cannot be longer than 10 feet.
- Dogs must be licensed and vaccinated when on public property.
- Dogs are allowed to be unleashed at dog parks, provided that the dog is licensed and vaccinated, and the owner is carrying a leash and has verbal control of the dog.



Please note, any parts of this ordinance that would hinder the services of a guide dog or a dog used by emergency personnel do not apply.

Violators can be sentenced to 30 days of imprisonment or up to \$600 in fines.

Please, be a good neighbor!



# All about

## Dedicated website for McCandless

Waste Management has set up a new, dedicated website for customers in the Town of McCandless!

The website — [home.wm.com/mccandless-pa](http://home.wm.com/mccandless-pa) — is meant to be a one-stop resource for everything related to trash and recycling, including guidelines, pickup schedules (regular and holiday), and quick access to submit service requests and get in touch with WM.

Our community's dedicated local site is the launching point for residents to do more with Waste Management, anytime, anywhere. Customers can access these simple self-service options 24/7. The site also includes helpful tips on proper recycling and other resources. Residents still have the option of calling 1-800-866-4460 for service as well.

## Bulk items and extra bags

Residents can put out one bulk item each week at no charge. **Residents need to schedule their item** so drivers are aware they will be out for pickup. Any additional items past the one free one also need to be scheduled and prepaid for.

If you have extra bags that won't fit in your cart, the cost is \$6 per bag. Like bulk items, this can be scheduled online through the residential hub.

## Glass is back in your recycling cart

Residents are able to dispose of glass bottles and jars in their blue-top recycling cart again. Also recyclable: paper (including cardboard), metal cans and plastics #1 and #2. When preparing items for recycling, please rinse your cans, bottles and jars, and break down/flatten cardboard boxes.

## Got TVs or chemicals to get rid of?

The At Your Door HHW and E-Waste Special Collection program through Waste Management allows residents to easily dispose of these often difficult-to-recycle items at no additional charge.

First, you need to schedule your collection, which can be done either online at [wmatyourdoor.com](http://wmatyourdoor.com) or by calling 1-800-449-7587.

The call center operators will guide you through the steps toward a safe and successful collection. You will be asked several questions, including your address and the type and amount of materials available for the pickup. You will be provided a convenient collection date and information about where to place your items for collection.

For more information (including what items can be disposed of this way), go to [wmatyourdoor.com](http://wmatyourdoor.com).



# Trash and Recycling

## Yard waste continues until December 5

Waste Management will continue collecting yard waste in your green-top cart and/or in up to three paper compostable bags through December 5. Yard waste collection then will resume March 2, 2026.

## What holidays cause delays?

If a holiday falls on a regularly scheduled workday, collections for the holiday and each day thereafter will be delayed one day and Friday’s material will be collected on Saturday. If the holiday falls on a weekend, there is no delay. The holidays that affect pickup are New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

## Senior and annual pay discounts

Did you know: McCandless senior citizens age 65 or over that are the financial head of household qualify for a 10% discount on their trash bill? To get signed up, drop by Town Hall (9955 Grubbs Road) with proof of age (valid driver’s license or other recognized photo ID) and documentation of financial responsibility for the household (i.e., a utility bill with your name on it).

Also: if you pay your bill annually (by paying for the entire year on the bill that comes out in December/January), you can get a 5% discount! **Please note: you cannot make your annual payment until after December 19, 2025.**

# TRASH PICKUP RATES IN 2026

<u>Standard rate in 2026 (billed every 4 months)</u>		<u>Standard rate with annual pay discount</u>	
35-Gallon Cart for \$74.56		35-Gallon Cart for \$212.50	
65-Gallon Cart for \$84.88		65-Gallon Cart for \$241.91	
95-Gallon Cart for \$95.16		95-Gallon Cart for \$271.21	
<u>Senior rates in 2026 (billed every 4 months)</u>		<u>Senior rate with annual pay discount</u>	
35-Gallon Cart for \$67.10		35-Gallon Cart for \$191.25	
65-Gallon Cart for \$76.39		65-Gallon Cart for \$217.72	
95-Gallon Cart for \$85.64		95-Gallon Cart for \$244.09	

# Parks Master Plan Update

Thanks to the active involvement of residents, the Town is making exciting progress on the Comprehensive Parks Plan. The Steering Committee and Town staff have been working closely with community members and subject matter experts to better understand local needs, concerns, and opportunities.

Pashek+MTR, the consulting firm supporting this effort, has led several successful outreach activities. These include hosting a booth at Community Day on September 13, meeting with DCNR Forestry representatives, coordinating with Public Works and Public Safety officials, and organizing a public open forum scheduled for October 9 at Town Hall.



With input from the public and expert partners, the Steering Committee has identified a set of draft priorities aimed at balancing active and passive recreation, improving connectivity, and expanding programs and events across the Town. Pashek+MTR is now working to compile these recommendations into a draft report, which will be presented to Town Council for review.

Your voice continues to shape this plan — thank you for being part of the process!

For more information you are welcome to contact Heather Cuyler, Pashek+MTR at [hcuyler@pashekmtr.com](mailto:hcuyler@pashekmtr.com).

## SIGN UP FOR MCMAIL



Since 2013, the Town has put out the McMail™ e-newsletter once per month. If you want to stay up to date, sign up today! Go to [www.townofmccandless.org/334/McMail-E-Newsletter-Sign-up](http://www.townofmccandless.org/334/McMail-E-Newsletter-Sign-up) or scan the code



# Town Contact sheet

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412-364-0616

412-364-5066 (fax)

## Extension list

Administration .....	Ext. 0
Building/Fire Marshal .....	Ext. 128
Parks and Rec .....	Ext. 124
Manager's Office .....	Ext. 120
Planning and Zoning .....	Ext. 129
Public Works .....	Ext. 184
Trash and Recycling .....	Ext. 110
Tax Office .....	Ext. 127

## Police Administration

412-369-7992

*(Please note, if you have an emergency or require the response of an officer, you **MUST** call 911)*

**Web:** [www.townofmccandless.org](http://www.townofmccandless.org)

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*Questions for the Fire Marshal*

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*For Municipal Separate Storm Sewer questions*

[policeadministration@townofmccandless.org](mailto:policeadministration@townofmccandless.org)

*For non-emergency Police questions*

[public.works@townofmccandless.org](mailto:public.works@townofmccandless.org)

*For Public Works questions (i.e., plowing, paving, etc)*

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*For residential recycling questions*

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*For tax-related questions*

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*For building and zoning questions*

## Volunteer Firefighters Needed

The Town of McCandless is protected by three volunteer fire companies operating out of four stations located throughout the Town. The fire companies provide fire suppression, rescue, and EMS support services. The fire companies respond to approximately 1,000 fire and rescue calls and 700 EMS calls annually.

Over the years, the number of fire and rescue calls have increased, while the number of new recruits has decreased. Volunteer firefighters are always needed. If you have ever thought about becoming a firefighter, there is no better time to Step Up and join our ranks.

We provide everything. The protective gear, the training, and the experience of a lifetime.

So, what are you waiting for:

Be part of the tradition...

Be part of the excitement...

Be part of the community...

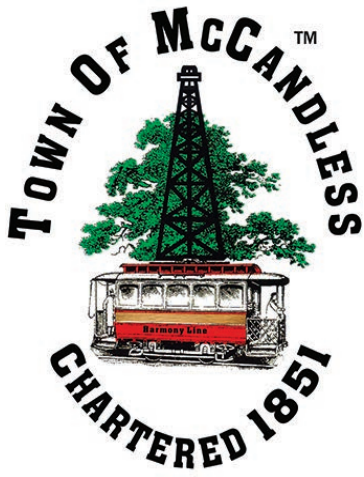
Be a volunteer firefighter!

For more information on becoming a firefighter, contact any of our fire companies:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Highland Volunteer Fire Company | 412-366-3443 | <a href="https://www.highlandfire.org/">https://www.highlandfire.org/</a>           |
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