

Borough Tax Collection

Previous Borough Tax Collector Harvey Lieberman passed on October 12, 2021. Mr. Lieberman was a devoted family man who lived in Dormont with his wife, Barbara, for forty-four years and they together raised four children, three grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. Mr. Lieberman served as the Borough of Dormont Tax Collector for eight terms, a total of thirty-two consecutive years and loved serving as Tax Collector for the Borough of Dormont. He was a fierce advocate for the residents of our community and made sure to always help others and showed compassion to all, especially senior citizens and residents who were having financial difficulties.

In light of Mr. Lieberman's passing, the Borough accepted letters of interest for the position from residents. Vickie McGurk, longtime Borough resident and retired employee of the Borough, was appointed to fill the vacancy of the position of Tax Collector by Borough Council at the January 3, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. This is a routine and legal practice upon vacancy of said office in the State of Pennsylvania. Vickie will fill the first two years of the normal four-year term. The final two years will be filled through the 2023 election.

Ms. McGurk has worked to come aboard as quickly as possible, applying her administrative skills from her experience here at the Borough. However, this is new territory for her, as well as that of many of our longtime residents given the length of Mr. Lieberman's tenure. To assist in this transition, we have provided for you below a list of frequently asked questions that may resolve your issues both now and in the upcoming school tax season:

1. Will I be charged late fees or penalties if my check has not been cashed ahead of the due date?

No. The Tax Collector will honor the date post marked on the envelope/date received if dropped off in person.

2. Will I still have the discount if I paid before the discount deadline but my check has not been cashed?

Yes, the Tax Collector will honor the date post marked on the envelope/date received if dropped off in person.

3. My check has not been cashed and it was mailed weeks ago. Should I mail a new check?

Not necessarily. The Tax Collector will process payments in the order that are were received and makes deposits on a regular basis. Please allow 3-5 business days for the receipt of your payment via U.S. Mail (or current processing times) and up to 3 weeks for deposit. You are free to call and confirm receipt of payment, but please understand that it may take a while for the Tax Collector to return your call.

4. I mailed my taxes with a return envelope, but have not received a receipt. How do I obtain this?

Please allow 3-5 business days for the receipt of your payment via U.S. Mail (or current processing times), up to 3 weeks for deposit of funds, and an additional 3-5 business days to receive your receipt via U.S. Mail. You are free to call and confirm receipt of payment, but please understand that it may take a while for the Tax Collector to return your call.

5. I have left multiple messages and emailed the Tax Collector but have not heard back

The Tax Collector is both new and handling a large influx of payments, phone calls, and e-mails due to the end of the regular payment period. Please be patient and she will try to get back to you as soon as possible. If you have left a voicemail or sent an e-mail, please wait 5-7 business days before reaching back out. The more voicemails and e-mails the Tax Collector receives, the longer the delay will be to provide return messages. When leaving a voicemail or e-mail for the Tax Collector, please be sure to provide the following:

Your Name

The property address and lot/block number for which you are calling

The best number to return your call/reach out

The reason for your call/e-mail

6. If the Tax Collector is not available, can someone else in the office help me?

No. The Tax Collector's office is a separate entity from that of the Borough Administrative Offices. Employees of the Borough do not have access to any tax information and cannot assist with tax related questions.

7. Why is the Tax Collector only working two days a week?

The hours the Tax Collector has listed are that in which she is available to the public. Ms. McGurk does work other hours, but these are not hours that she is available to the public. Elected officials determine their own hours and these cannot be set by the Borough. The Tax Collector does provide additional public facing hours prior to some of the listed deadlines.

8. What are the Tax Collector office hours?

Tuesday and Thursday 10am-12pm

The last two weeks of April (annually): Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am – 12pm

9. Where is the Tax Collector's office located?

On the main floor of the Borough Building:

1444 Hillsdale Avenue
Suite 12
Pittsburgh, PA 15216

The office is located to the left of the main entrance of the Borough Offices.

For additional information, please visit <http://boro.dormont.pa.us/tax-collector/>