OAKDALE TIMES JULY 2026

Council Meeting Minutes Summary

The meeting was called to order. Minutes from May meeting and Treasurer's report were motioned and carried for approval. The following other motions were also carried:

- Motion to approve partial payment No. 1 in the amount of $17,325.00 to Stash Contracting for work performed on the Clinton Avenue Streambank project.
- Motion to adopt Resolution 14-2026 adopting the Allegheny County 2026 Hazard Mitigation Plan as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of Oakdale Borough.

The meeting was motioned for and adjourned.

Next meeting at the community center:
Thursday, July 9, 2026
Agenda Meeting: 6pm
Regular Public Meeting: 7pm

In-Person Tax Collection

At the community center 11:00am -12:00pm
July 8th
July 29th
August 12th
August 26th

Independence Day 250th Celebration

Oakdale will be celebrating America's 250th on July 3rd in the downtown area beginning at 6:30pm with food, fun, and fireworks at dusk. The annual parade will be held on July 4th with the line up at Helicon at 9:30am. More food, fun, raffles and awards following the parade in the downtown area. Come celebrate your independence with us!

Western Allegheny Historical Society

August 14: Findlay Twp 5K & 1 mile fun walk
August 14 & 15: Display at Findlay Twp Community Fair
August 22: Grape Harvest Festival at Old Economy Village
October 17: Road Rally III "Sign of the Times"
Museums: Free admission for members
Forms at Western Allegheny Library
www.wahistoricalsociety.com
Annual membership is just $10 per person!!
Join today and reap the benefits.

Oakdale Fireman's Street Fair

The Fireman's Street Fair will be held Wednesday through Friday, July 15 – 18th in downtown Oakdale at 7pm. Come celebrate with food, drinks, games, live music and more.

Support your local fire department with family, friends and residents too. The parade will be held Friday, July 17th at 7pm.

Wed. July 15: Mansfield 5 & Car Cruise
Thurs. July 16: 4th Gear & Touch-A-Truck
Fri. July 17: Timothy Earl & Parade
Sat. July 18: Artistree & Bike Night

Office Closures

The office will be closed July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

Fireworks

Moon, South Fayette, Upper. St. Clair: July 4
Findlay, Oakdale: July 3
Carnegie: July 5
North Fayette: August 8

Rip Rap Benefits in Waterways

Waterways such as rivers, streams, lakeshores, and coastal areas are dynamic environments that face constant threats from erosion, sedimentation, and habitat degradation. To preserve these vital ecosystems, various protection systems have been developed. One of the most effective and widely used methods is riprap – a construction technique that involves placing large stones or broken rock along the shoreline or banks to prevent erosion. These stones absorb and deflect the energy of flowing water or wave action, reducing the erosive forces acting on the soil beneath. Riprap is a natural material-based solution that integrates well with the environment. Riprap can be constructed from various types of rock. Its effectiveness depends on proper sizing and placement to withstand hydraulic forces while allowing some degree of water filtration.

The most immediate and obvious benefit of riprap is its ability to prevent erosion. Erosion not only causes loss of valuable land but also contributes to sediment pollution in water bodies, which can degrade water quality and harm aquatic life.

Rip rap works by absorbing wave or flow energy, reducing flow velocity (slowing down water flow adjacent to banks), allowing drainage, reducing pressure, and stabilizes banks and prevents further land loss.

Preventing erosion minimizes sediment load in waterways. It prevents loss of fertile topsoil, protects adjacent habitats like wetlands and floodplains, and ensures longevity of infrastructure such as bridges and roads. Riprap allows for vegetation to grow between rocks, providing additional stabilization through root systems. Riprap stabilizes banks against heightened floodwaters by preventing scour and channel widening during high flow events.

These features make riprap a sound choice aligned with sustainable waterway principals.