



April 2023 Departmental Dashboard

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Overview – April 2023

- ❖ **Garage/Estate Sale Permits:**
 - ❖ April: 3 issued
 - ❖ Year to Date: 7 issued
 - ❖ April 2022: 1 issued

- ❖ **Passports:**
 - ❖ April: 11 issued
 - ❖ Year to Date: 42 issued
 - ❖ April 2022: 15 issued

- ❖ **Parking Hang Tags:**
 - ❖ April: 24 issued
 - ❖ Year to Date: 91 issued
 - ❖ April 2022: 23 issued

- ❖ **Elm Place Stickers:**
 - ❖ April: 1 issued
 - ❖ Year to Date: 57 issued
 - ❖ April 2022: 6 issued



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Overview – April 2023

❖ OPRA (Open Public Records Act) Requests:

- ❖ April: 47
- ❖ Year to date: 176

❖ Landlord Registrations:

- ❖ April: 0
- ❖ Year to date: 0

❖ Limousine Licenses:

- ❖ April: 0
- ❖ Year to Date: 9

❖ Raffle Licenses:

- ❖ April: 0
- ❖ Year to date: 3

❖ Liquor Licenses:

- ❖ April: 0
- ❖ Year to date: 0

❖ MVC Renewals

- ❖ April: 0
- ❖ Year to date: 4

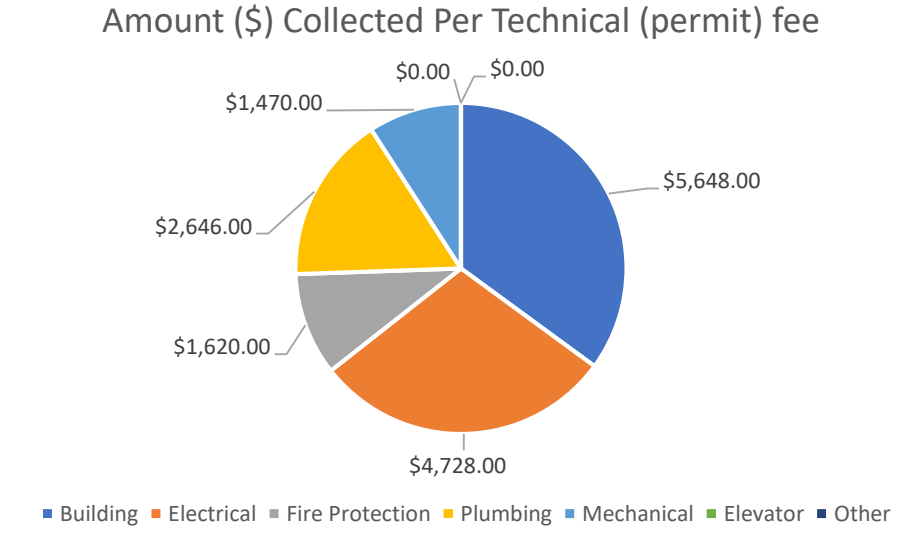
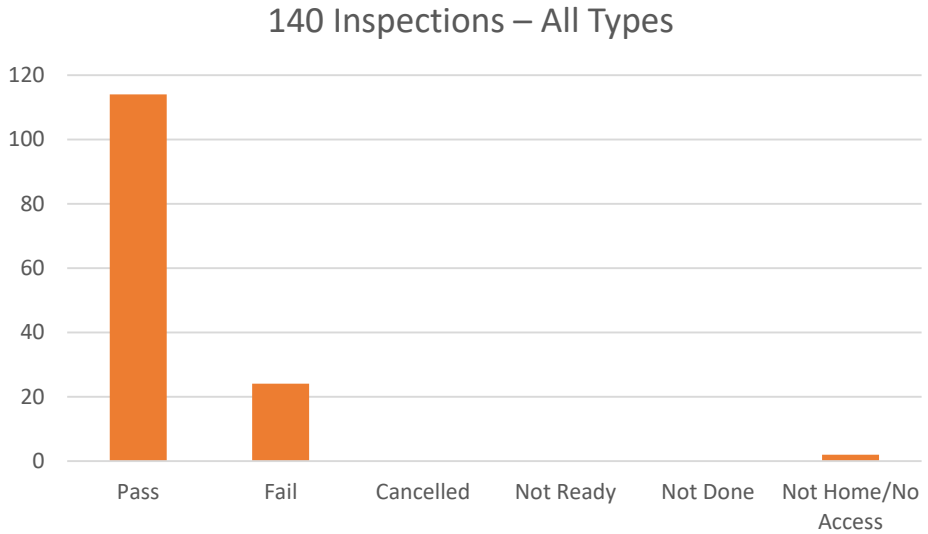
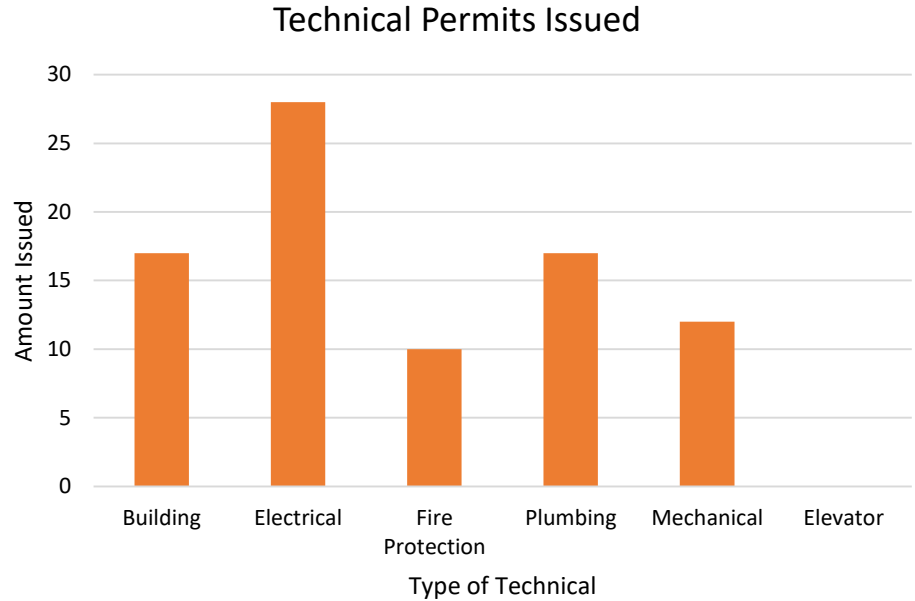


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[Building Department](#)

Overview – April 2023

- ❖ **April 2023: Total Permits were Issued:**
 - ❖ Permit fees: \$15,237
 - ❖ Other fees: \$0
 - ❖ Penalties Collected: \$0
 - ❖ Total fees: \$16,307
- ❖ **April 2023: Inspections Performed:**
 - ❖ 27 were Building Inspections
 - ❖ 16 were Fire Protection Inspections
 - ❖ 55 were Electrical Inspections
 - ❖ 30 were Plumbing Inspections
 - ❖ 17 were Mechanical Inspections
- ❖ **There were 42 Total Continued Certificate of Occupancy applications this month**
- ❖ **Construction Costs: \$428,294.00**



Overview – April 2023

- ❖ **Applications for Tree Removal Permits:**
 - ❖ April: 6 Applications
 - ❖ Year to Date: 25

- ❖ **Collected in Tree Removal Fees:**
 - ❖ April: \$3,500

- ❖ **New Plantings**
 - ❖ April: 42
 - ❖ Year to Date: 42

[For more Information: Click this Link for the Shade Tree Commission Web Page](#)
Or reach out to EMAIL

Mission Statement

The Leonia Shade Tree Commission is charged with protecting, maintaining and replenishing one of our town's most important qualities: its fabulous population of shade trees. Trees are a natural resource that provide aesthetic, economic, environmental and health benefits to our community and its residents. The treatment of trees on each of our properties can have a significant impact not only on our individual properties, but also on neighboring properties, the town's tree canopy and the entire community.

Overview – April 2023

- ❖ **April:**
 - ❖ 0 Vacant Properties Processed
 - ❖ Vacant Property Fees Collected
 - ❖ April: \$0
 - ❖ Year to Date: \$46,600
- ❖ **2023 Fiscal Year to date:**
 - ❖ **2 Vacant Properties Registered**
 - ❖ **Breakdown of Registrations:**
 - ❖ Registered for their initial year: 1
 - ❖ Registered for their second year: 5
 - ❖ Registered for their third year: 7
 - ❖ Deregistered: 1

Registration Dates and Fees collected for Vacant Properties reflect the date the property becomes Real Estate Owned (Owned by Bank). Alternatively, the "Date Entered" for a Vacant Property application reflects the date the application was entered into the GovPilot system by an external applicant or a Building Department employee.

Ordinance #2021-04 (updated the Vacant Property Fees) - went into effect on March 26, 2021.



[Vacant Properties \(Borough Website\)](#)

Overview – April 2023

- ❖ **Initial Inspections**
 - ❖ April 2023: 6 Inspections
 - ❖ Year to date: 33 Inspections

- ❖ **Reinspections**
 - ❖ April 2023: 4 Inspections
 - ❖ Year to date: 14 Inspections

- ❖ **Complaint Investigations**
 - ❖ April 2023: 1 Inspection
 - ❖ Year to date: 4 Inspections

- ❖ **Other Inspections/Reviews**
 - ❖ April 2023: 10 Inspections
 - ❖ Year to date: 21 Inspections

- ❖ **Violations Issued**
 - ❖ April 2023: 66 Violations
 - ❖ Year to date: 191 Violations

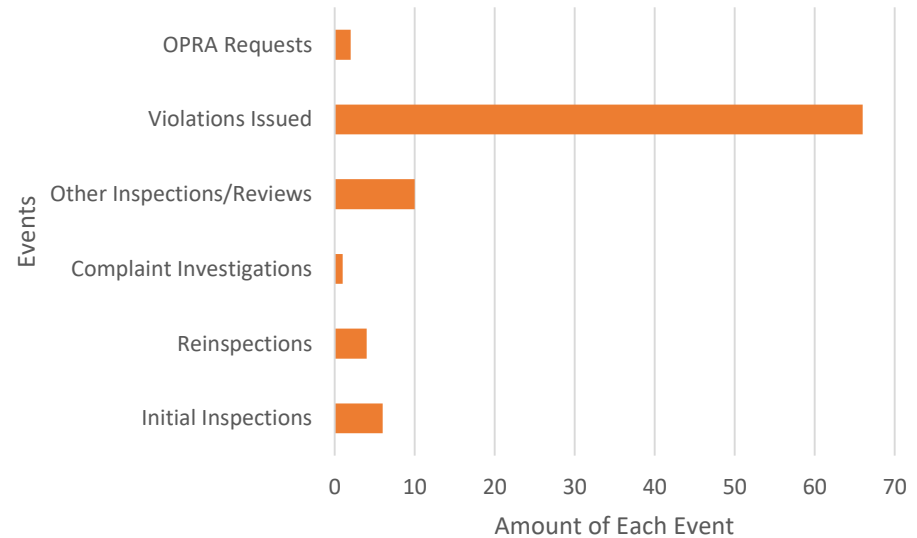
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Overview Cont.– April 2023

- ❖ **OPRA Requests**
 - ❖ April 2023: 2 Requests
 - ❖ Year to date: 7 Requests

- ❖ **Collected Fees**
 - ❖ April 2023: \$6,879
 - ❖ Year to date: \$46,167

Violations and Inspections (April)



Overview – April 2023

- Swim Club and Spring program registration began on April 1st.
- Our registration numbers for our Spring programs this year were 423 registrants. That is about 50 registrants higher than in Spring 2022.
- Our Swim Club early discount registration ended on April 30th and we had an income of \$211,000 which is \$11,000 higher than in 2022.
- On April 9th we held our annual Spring Celebration. Unfortunately, it rained and we had to move it inside but it was well attended with well over 100 participants.
- New Senior Programs include "New Time", Morning Tai Chi, Senior Exercise, Healthy Stretch and Strengthening, Chair Yoga, "The Power of Calligraphy, Get Physical with 80s music, Tour of Bristol in Englewood, Senior Dinner at the Leonia HS, and a trip to Fort Lee for food tasting.

[Recreation Department](#)

Upcoming Events/Programs:

- ❖ Leonia Day will be May 21st
- ❖ Swim Club preseason begins May 15th to get the pool ready for the 2023 season
- ❖ Opening Day of the Swim Club will be May 27th.
- ❖ New Senior Programs include Julie's Music and Movement, Game Day in the lower level of the Senior Center, Karaoke and Lunch, Upholstery, Sleep is Medicine, ACS Concert in the Sculpture Garden, Rhubarb a new way recipe, and annual Senior BBQ/Health Fair on Wednesday, May 31 in Wood Park



Overview – April 2023

During the month of April 2023, the Department of Public Works continued its regular programs of garbage and trash collection, recycling, street and road repairs, sewer services, tree maintenance, and repairs.

Yard Waste

Yard waste collections started on March 6th, 2023. All yard waste must be bundled and tied together with branches no longer than 4 feet in length. All other debris must be put in ridged 32-gallon or fewer containers or brown biodegradable paper bags. No items can be more than 50 pounds in weight. No plastic bags can be used yard waste will not be collected.

All items MUST be out for collection before 7:00 am the day of its scheduled collection day.

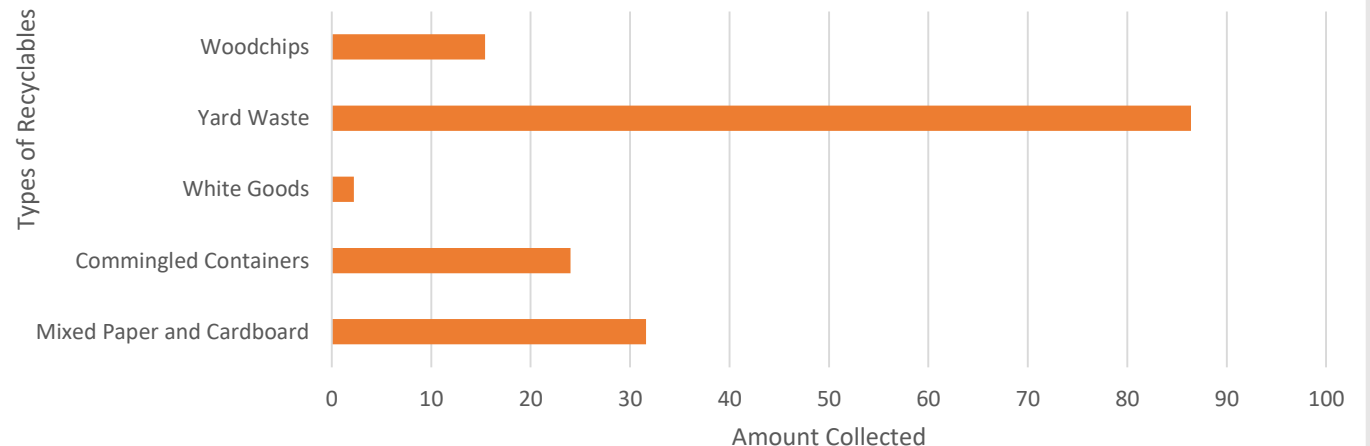
- ❖ **In the month of April, there were/was:**
 - ❖ 4 Sewer Emergencies
 - ❖ \$401.78 Received by the Borough for the collection of White Goods
 - ❖ 15.42 tons of woodchips collected
 - ❖ 178.56 tons of garbage collected
 - ❖ 91.30 tons of trash collected

[DPW Webpage](#)

Overview – April 2023 (continued)

- ❖ The department continued to work with the representatives from the Mental Health event to be held in Wood Park on May 7, 2023.
- ❖ Also, we have been working with the Fire Department with their 125th Anniversary event to be held on May 6th.
- ❖ Baseball season has begun and the department is maintaining the ballfields weather permitting.
- ❖ The department welcomed back employee Adam Jurek who returned from family leave after the birth of his daughter.
- ❖ The department assisted with a paper shredding event at Borough Hall which included documents from Borough Hall, Recreation Department, and Public Works approved for removal from the records.
- ❖ Superintendent Villareal and Assistant Superintendent Malloy attended a webinar on Storm Water training on April 21st, 2023. This class covered a vast amount of information on Storm Water regulation, the inspection process, and design aspects of the construction of various water retention systems.
- ❖ Superintendent Villareal submitted the 2022 Recycling tonnage report to the NJDEP for last year's tonnage amounts.

Recyclables by Tonnage



Overview – April 2023

❖ Total activity of the Police Department (October):

- ❖ 816 Calls for Service
- ❖ 16 Motor Vehicle Crashes
- ❖ 2 Residential Burglary
- ❖ 1 Motor Vehicle Burglaries (including attempts)
- ❖ 6 Arrests (all types)
- ❖ 543 Written Citations (including warnings)

❖ Property Maintenance:

- ❖ 9 Total Property Maintenance Complaints
- ❖ 6 initiated by the Police Department
- ❖ 3 initiated by the public.
- ❖ 4 current pending cases
- ❖ 5 cases referred to other departments

Training – April 2023

- ❖ Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents, Sgt Chung
- ❖ Firearms Training, Sgt Chung
- ❖ Report Writing Instruction, Det Goodell
- ❖ The Department completed Attorney General mandated training on Use of Force.
- ❖ April 10th, active shooter training was conducted at the Leonia Middle School with Ridgelyfield Police Department and Bergen County Regional SWAT. Leonia School Acting Superintendent Xanthy Karamanos was also in attendance.

Community Outreach

- ❖ April 22nd, Leonia Police Department participated in the DEA’s National RX Takeback program. The Department accepted unwanted prescription medication from the public. The collection helps prevent the abuse of medications and protects the environment from improper disposal.
- ❖ PO Cho has been instructing the LEAD program to 5th grade classes at Leonia Middle School.

Additional News

- ❖ The Leonia Police Department received a grant in the amount of \$7,000 from the NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety. From April 1st to April 30th, the Department participated in the statewide distracted driver enforcement campaign, “UDrive. UText. UPay”. 100 hours of extra patrols were scheduled for every Sunday during the month of April resulting in 182 summonses and 2 arrests.
- ❖ On January 18th and January 26th, two robberies were committed in Leonia. The robberies were almost identical, the victims were selling Rolex watches on a Chinese website and the suspect met the both victims in Leonia. The suspect pepper sprayed the victims and robbed them of their watches. After a thorough investigation, a warrant was issued for the suspect’s arrest. The suspect, Zeyu Ding (19yr old male from Queens, NY) was arrested last month in Pennsylvania. He was extradited to New Jersey on April 21st and released pending Court. The robberies are still under investigation and additional arrests are pending.



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