

November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## **Scout Drive Methane Levels**

Dear Scout Drive Residents,

On Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, I was notified by Columbia Gas of a potential leak in a residence on Scout Drive. Since that time, we have been working in conjunction with the PA Department of Environmental Protection and Columbia Gas to find more information about the issue. We have confirmed the presence of a small amount of methane gas in two structures on Scout Drive, and we are working to determine the cause. More information can be obtained in the attached Press Release.

Tomorrow morning, beginning at 10am, we will be working in conjunction with the Washington County Department of Public Safety to meter all homes on Scout Drive, so long as the homeowner allows us to enter. We are doing so in an abundance of caution and to determine the scope of the release.

Let me be clear – you are not in immediate danger, and if that were to change, you will be notified **immediately**. If we missed you and you would like to provide your contact information, please email me with your name, address, and phone number at <u>icramer@southstrabane.com</u> and we will provide updates as we work to determine the cause of the leak.

If you are interested in your own in-home detector, you can find combination carbon monoxide and explosive gas meters at local hardware stores. Please note that a simple CO alarm will not necessarily detect methane, it must state "explosive gas"

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at 724-914-5470.

Yours in fire & life safety,

Jordan J. Cramer Chief Department of Fire & Emergency Management