



# WEST HEMPFIELD Township

## Board of Supervisors

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### SPRING INTO WEST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP!



We're excited to bring you our Spring 2026 Newsletter, packed with everything you need to know about what's happening in our community! Inside, you'll find contact info for all your municipal offices and services, updates on the great projects we're working on around the township, plus helpful tips and interesting news you won't want to miss.

A huge shout-out goes to our amazing local businesses and professionals who sponsored this newsletter—thanks to their support, it comes to you completely free! When you're out and about, please show some love to these hometown businesses that make West Hempfield Township such a wonderful place to live and work.

### WELCOME TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS!



Jim Stuckey didn't set out to enter the world of politics—he simply wanted to continue serving the community he's called home for over 26 years. Now, thanks to the support of West Hempfield voters in the recent election, he's bringing his wealth of experience to the Board of Supervisors.

Jim and his wife Lisa have deep roots in West Hempfield Township. His professional background as a registered professional engineer and consultant has already left a lasting mark on our community. Early in his career, he led two significant local projects: the widening of Stoney

Battery Road between Marietta Pike and Donnerville Road, and the transformation of Lake Grubb into the cherished public park residents enjoy today.

His commitment to West Hempfield extends well beyond his engineering work. Jim has served as a Township auditor and, for the past 9 years, has been a dedicated member of the Planning Commission, helping to shape the thoughtful development of our community.

As he steps into this new role, Jim is energized by the opportunity to help ensure West Hempfield remains an attractive, vibrant place to live for generations to come. Please join us in welcoming Jim to the Board of Supervisors!



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## THANK YOU KENT!

On December 31, 2025, Kent Gardner retired from the West Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors after eighteen years. Prior to his retirement from the Board, Mr. Gardner served in many community roles, including as a teacher with Hempfield School District, a volunteer with the Hempfield Fire Company, a Representative to the Lancaster County Clean Water Consortium, a Representative to the Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance (CCWA), a Representative to the CDBG Advisory Board, a Representative to the Lancaster Intermunicipal Committee (LIMC), a long-time member of the Lancaster Conservation Foundation Board, and a member of the West Hempfield Township Board of Auditors.

Mr. Gardner is responsible for many notable accomplishments, including, but certainly not limited to, his leadership roles with the above organizations, work creating watershed best management strategies, leading the “Don’t Lose a Drop” campaign, contributions to the “Growing Together Regional Comprehensive Plan,” and leadership of a long-running Clean Water Golf Tournament fundraiser.

Mr. Gardner is known and adored by many in the community. Some of the many descriptions of his outstanding service include “truly instrumental,” “well-connected to the community,” “passionate,” “a force to be reckoned with in the face of any challenge,” and “a desire to make a difference to every task he takes on.”

West Hempfield Township will miss Kent. We thank him for all he has done to make this community a better place!



## Emergency News

### PENN STATE HEALTH



Penn State Health is an integrated academic health system whose mission is to improve health through patient care, research, education, and community outreach. Life Lion, owned and operated by Penn State Health, provides prehospital basic through critical care and community paramedicine services across a seven-county region in central Pennsylvania, including Lancaster, York, Dauphin, Lebanon, Cumberland, Perry, and Berks Counties. Our team of over four hundred EMS clinicians, overseen by board-certified EMS physicians, staff thirty stations serving more than sixty municipalities. In 2025, Life Lion responded to 68,204 calls for service, supported by a fleet of 58 ambulances, 22 specialty vehicles, and 3 medevac helicopters, serving as an extension of Penn State Health's five hospitals and clinics, including Penn State Health Lancaster Medical Center.

### TOWNSHIP AMBULANCE SERVICE

On January 5, 2026, the West Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors approved a ten year agreement with Penn State Health Life Lion, LLC. This agreement establishes that Penn State Life Lion will be our Township's primary ambulance provider until at least December 31, 2035. Penn State Health has agreed to provide this service at no cost to the Township until January 1, 2030, at which time the Township will begin to pay Penn State Health \$5 per resident for the remainder of the agreement. Patients and/or their insurance will continue to be billed by Penn State Health when their services are used.

This agreement is extremely important to the Township and our residents. Ambulance service in Pennsylvania has been experiencing a crisis for a number of years, with a significant shortage of EMS personnel and a decreasing number of ambulance providers. This crisis has led to significant cost increases to municipalities and a reduction of ambulance availability to those in need. West Hempfield Township is privileged to have Penn State Health Ambulance available to us and to have their new Penn State Health Lancaster Medical Center nearby.

It should be noted that other area ambulance services may respond to you through mutual aid if our Penn State ambulances are already dispatched on other calls when you need help.

An advertisement for Forry's Country Store. At the top, there is a logo with a stylized bird and the text "Forry's Country Store" in a serif font, with the tagline "Thanks for your local support!" below it. Below the logo is a collage of images showing various food items: breads, pastries, a smoothie, fresh produce like tomatoes and mushrooms, and shelves of packaged goods. At the bottom, the store's website "foryrscountrystore.com" and phone number "717-285-5050" are listed, followed by the address "820 Ivy Drive, Silver Spring, Lancaster PA 17601" and the hours "Mon, Tues, Friday 8-6 • Thursday 8-7 • Wed &amp; Sat 7-2".

## CHIEF'S MESSAGE

### West Hempfield PD: Growing Stronger!

Big things are happening at the West Hempfield Township Police Department! From promotions to new faces, our local force is leveling up and we couldn't be more excited.

### A Well-Deserved Promotion

**Officer Christopher Pfeiffer** earned his stripes—literally! After nearly a decade of dedicated service, Pfeiffer was promoted to Corporal in January. This Medal of Valor recipient has made his mark as a Field Training Officer, SERT team operator, and firearms instructor. Known for mentoring rookie officers with enthusiasm, Corporal Pfeiffer had his proudest moment when his wife pinned on his new badge surrounded by family and friends. Way to go, Corporal!



Officer Christopher Pfeiffer

### Fresh Faces on the Force

The department welcomed not one, but TWO new officers recently!

**Officer Cameron Casner** joined the team in January after graduating from the Reading Police Academy. This Wernersville resident has a heart for service—from organizing Mini-Thons to volunteering at a Kensington soup kitchen. He chose West Hempfield specifically for our strong community connections. His wife had the honor of pinning his badge at the swearing-in ceremony.



Officer Cameron Casner

**Officer Shannon Barr** took her oath of office in November. A Kutztown University grad who traded sales for service, Barr became a certified officer in 2019 and spent five years with Wyomissing Borough PD. She brings a passion for community policing and innovative outreach programs to our township. Welcome aboard, Officer Barr!



Officer Shannon Barr



Sergeant Ryan Draper

### Leadership Excellence

**Sergeant Ryan Draper** showed what dedication looks like by completing Northwestern University's intensive ten-week School of Police Staff and Command program—an elite training that prepares officers for senior leadership roles. Congrats on this outstanding achievement, Sgt. Draper!

Our police department keeps getting better, and we're proud to have such talented, community-focused officers protecting West Hempfield Township!

Stay safe and well,  
Jason D. Jay – Chief of Police  
West Hempfield Township Police Department

## HELLO FROM IRON RIDGE FIRE RESCUE!

Hello Community members! Your local fire department is changing its name. West Hempfield Fire Rescue and Mountville Fire Company have merged to create Iron Ridge Fire Rescue. With support from West Hempfield Township and Mountville Borough, the two departments started discussing the idea of a merger several years ago. The merger will allow for a more unified funding structure, collective bargaining for equipment, and joint staffing of both stations.

Service area, response times and station locations will not be affected. Mutual aid companies and surrounding municipalities can also rely on unchanged support from both stations' apparatus.

The new not-for-profit organization will be called Iron Ridge Fire Rescue to honor the rich history of the surrounding area. The move will eliminate the need for duplicate leadership positions and will unify training and operational standards. The move will also merge duplicate relief associations into one and will allow both stations to operate as a unified organization with a single administrative and operational leadership team.

Thank you all for your continued support and we especially thank everyone involved in the long process of making this happen. More information and public events are coming so visit our websites or social media for more.

The officers for the Iron Ridge Fire Rescue are as follows:  
President: .....Joe Iacono  
Vice President:.....Derek Eide  
Treasurer: .....Brian Saylor  
Secretary: .....Rebecca Saylor  
Chief: .....Dean Gantz, Jr.  
Deputy Chief: .....Joe Ney



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## 2026 HEMPFIELD REC COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

### EARTH DAY WALK at Lake Grubb Nature Park

Wednesday, April 22 | 6:00 PM | Free

Location: Lake Grubb Nature Park  
(West Hempfield Township)

Join us for a scenic 1-mile, moderate-paced walk around the lake and learn ways to appreciate and protect our environment.

### SPRING AWAKENINGS and SCAVENGER HUNT

Wednesday, May 13 | 6:00 PM | Free

Location: Lake Grubb Nature Park  
(West Hempfield Township)

Explore how plants and animals in PA come back to life after winter through light walking, simple activities, and outdoor discovery.

### WETLAND WILDLIFE DISCOVERY

Wednesday, September 9 | 6:00 PM | Free

Location: Amos Herr Park (East Hempfield Township)

Explore the fascinating wildlife of the wetlands and learn how wetlands support wildlife.

### OWL PROWL

Wednesday, October 7 | 7:00 PM | Free

Location: Lake Grubb Nature Park  
(West Hempfield Township)

Join us for a guided evening walk at Lake Grubb Nature Park as we listen and learn about owls and other nighttime wildlife.



## GET READY TO SPIN, SCREAM, AND CELEBRATE AT MOUNTVILLE DAYS CARNIVAL!

The community's favorite spring tradition is back at Froelich Park and better than ever! This year's Mountville Days Carnival will be May 13th-16th and is bringing the thrills with an all-new ride vendor guaranteed to get your adrenaline pumping!

Craving unlimited fun? Snag a ride-all-night wristband on Wednesday or Thursday and take on every attraction until closing time. When you need to refuel, sink your teeth into delicious eats from our lineup of mouthwatering food trucks serving up favorites all weekend long.

This year's carnival is a community collaboration bringing together volunteers from both Fire Companies to support our newly formed Iron Ridge Fire Rescue—so every spin, every bite, and every smile helps a great cause!

### CARNIVAL HOURS:

**Wednesday & Thursday: 5pm-9pm**

**Friday & Saturday: 5pm-11pm**

Want a sneak peek at the fun? Follow Mountville Fire Company on Facebook for exciting contests and giveaways leading up to the big weekend! Find directions, updates, and all the details at [Mountvillefire.com/Carnival2026](http://Mountvillefire.com/Carnival2026). Let's make some memories!

## 2026 WEST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP PAVILION RENTALS

Hempfield Recreation manages pavilion reservations for West Hempfield Township parks, including Silver Spring Park, Ironville Park, Fairview Park, and Lake Grubb Nature Park. Pavilion rentals are available on a first-come, first-served basis and must be reserved in person at the Hempfield Rec Center.

## SAVE THE DATES – FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS

Mark your calendars for two fun evenings under the stars at Silver Spring Park to enjoy movies and delicious eats from local food trucks.

**Friday, September 11**  
**Toy Story**

**Friday, October 2**  
**Monsters, Inc.**



## Celebrate

## 50 Summers of Fun with Hempfield Rec!

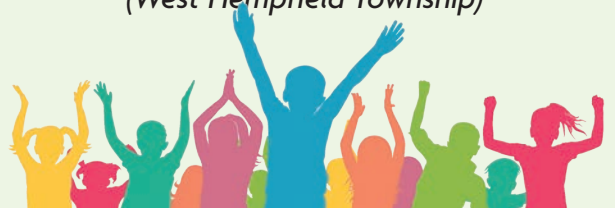
Join us as we mark the 50th Anniversary of the Hempfield Rec Summer Playground Program.

This year, kids ages 6–12 can enjoy 8 weeks of fun in the sun! Get ready for exciting field trips, splashy pool parties, special nature programs, and action-packed activities! Contact us today about becoming a Sponsor during our 50th Anniversary Year!

**REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 1.**

**Program Dates: June 8 – July 30, 2026**

**Location: Silver Spring Park**  
(West Hempfield Township)



### PREVENTION FOR YOUR PROTECTION

Before we know it, warm weather will be upon us. Please remember to lock your vehicles and be careful not to leave valuables in view inside of them. Unfortunately, with the warmer weather, we usually see an uptick in thefts from motor vehicles. These incidents are crimes of opportunity and are easily preventable. It is especially advisable not to leave wallets or purses in your vehicle, as this could also lead to identity theft if your credit cards and personal information fall into the wrong hands.



### CHARITY WORK

Once again, our officers participated in the **Pink Patch Project**, **Beards for Brothers** fundraiser, and Christmas shopping for the **Toys for Tots** program. These worthwhile causes supported the Susan H. Arnold Center for Breast Health locally, fundraising for



first responders and their families battling serious illnesses, and ensuring that Lancaster County children in need had a special Christmas.

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Please mark your calendars for the **2026 National Night Out (NNO)**. NNO 2026 will be held on August 4, 2026, at Leisure Lanes Bowling and Golf Center at 3440 Columbia Avenue. NNO will be a collaborative effort between West Hempfield Township, Manor Township, and Millersville Borough police departments, as well as fire departments. There will be activities for children, and some giveaways. The rain date is set for August 5, 2026. Also, be on the lookout for information on our second annual Cones with a Cop this summer!



## PENNSYLVANIA'S MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION

will be held on **May 19, 2026**.

Visit <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/PollingPlaceInfo.aspx> to locate your polling place.

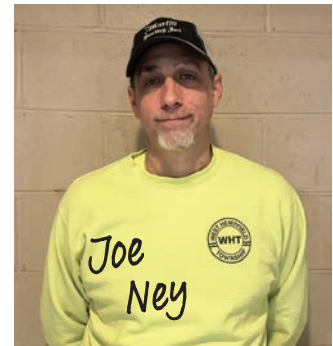


## Public Works

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NEW HIRES AND PROMOTIONS



Mike Leahy joined the West Hempfield Township Public Works Department in January, bringing a strong landscaping background to the team. A Wrightsville resident with a passion for the outdoors, Mike can often be found hunting or fishing when he's not on the job. His youthful enthusiasm and expertise in landscaping make him a valuable addition to our crew. Please join us in welcoming Mike to the Public Works family!



Joe Ney has earned a well-deserved promotion to Assistant Public Works Director after two years of exceptional service to West Hempfield Township. Joe's proven talents and commitment have made him the natural choice for this leadership role, where he'll be taking on expanded responsibilities. Beyond his dedication to public works, Joe serves our community as Chief of West Hempfield Fire & Rescue and enjoys camping with his wife Laura and hunting with his four boys. Please join us in congratulating Joe on this achievement.



Jason Sauder also became part of the West Hempfield Township Public Works Department in January. A lifelong township resident, Jason brings extensive experience operating heavy equipment and a solid trucking background that will serve our community well. When he's not working, Jason dedicates his time to serving with West Hempfield Fire & Rescue, enjoying the outdoors, and spending quality time with his wife Melissa, their four children, and his granddaughter. We're thrilled to have Jason's expertise and dedication on our team!

## WOODY WASTE UPDATE

Starting April 1, 2026, the Woody Waste facility will be open 7 days a week, from dawn till dusk. The site is gated and requires an access card to enter. This allows residents to enjoy greater flexibility to use the site during daylight hours.

The annual access fee to use the Woody Waste Facility is \$15.00 and is valid from April 1st to December 31st of the calendar year. Residents who have previously purchased a Woody Waste access card will receive a renewal bill in the mail and may use their access card from prior years. The cost of new access cards is \$5.00. One access card may be purchased per household.

Payment can be made at the Township Office with cash, check, or credit card (bank convenience fee applies for credit card transactions).

**REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR WOODY WASTE ACCESS CARDS!**

## NEW FOR THE SPRING!

Our new play structure has been completed at Fairview Park. The new structure was purchased using nearly \$100,000 received as part of our residential development ordinances which require funds for new recreational opportunities within the community.



## PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR RETIREMENT



Dale Getz

Dale Getz is embarking on a well-earned retirement after serving as West Hempfield Township's Public Works Director since January 5, 2009.

As Public Works Director, Dale managed far more than most residents might realize. He led an eight-person crew while juggling countless responsibilities—from overseeing project bids and maintaining our beloved municipal parks to orchestrating snow removal strategies and keeping our fleet of equipment running smoothly. These are the kinds of essential but often unsung duties that keep a township functioning seamlessly.

During his tenure, Dale witnessed significant changes in the industry, particularly the dramatic rise in asphalt costs, which made strategic planning more critical than ever. Among his proudest accomplishments are the Eby Chiques Road widening project, the important bank stabilization work at Silver Spring Park, and his success in securing grants to purchase modern equipment like the township's efficient one-man leaf vacuum. While Dale admits he won't miss those early morning snow plowing shifts, he will deeply miss the people who made his years at the Township so rewarding. As he trades in his work boots for motorcycle boots, Dale is excited to hit the open road and explore the country on two wheels.

Dale, your excellent service, quick wit, and ability to keep us laughing while getting the job done will not be forgotten. Thank you for 17 years of dedication to West Hempfield Township. And while you're officially hanging up your full-time hard hat, we're glad you'll still be around part time to help us through the transition. May the road ahead be filled with sunshine, smooth pavement, and unforgettable adventures. Happy retirement!

## Planning & Zoning

### DREAMING OF A BACKYARD POOL THIS SUMMER?

Before you dive in, you'll need permits! Here's what to know:

**Get Your Bearings** Know your property lines, zoning district, and setback requirements. Need help? Email the Zoning Department. (Note: We can't locate property pins—check your deed or hire a surveyor if needed. Also review your deed for easements and rights of way.)

**Pool Safety Rules**

- Must be behind your house and meet side yard setbacks
- At least 10 ft from rear property line (measured from deck/patio edge, not water)
- Enclosed by a 4 ft fence or wall (no gaps over 6")
- Self-closing, self-latching gate required

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## WHT 2040, A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ALL

West Hempfield Township is pretty special – we’ve got everything from sprawling farmland to bustling commercial centers, industry hubs, and diverse neighborhoods. It’s the kind of place that attracts people for all the right reasons, and our Supervisors and staff work hard to keep that balance between growth and preserving what makes us unique.

After years of thoughtful planning, the Board of Supervisors adopted our new Comprehensive Plan, WHT2040, at the end of 2025. So what does our Township actually look like these days? Let’s break it down.

**By the Numbers:** We’re about 21 square miles with roughly 17,000 residents calling West Hempfield home. Our largest age group is 55+ (34% of us!), the median household income hovers around \$100,000, and a whopping 87% of homes are owner-occupied.

**The Growth Area Advantage:** Like most Lancaster County municipalities, we have designated growth areas where public sewer, water, and developed roads make new development practical. This smart approach lets us focus growth where infrastructure exists while protecting our rural character everywhere else. About 36% of West Hempfield sits in these growth areas.

**How We Use Our Land:** Here’s the breakdown of where we live, work, farm, and play:

- **The River:** The Susquehanna River accounts for 12% of our Township
- **Where We Live:** 22% is zoned residential (single-family homes, duplexes, townhomes, and apartments)
- **Where We Work:** 6% is industrial and 4% is commercial
- **Our Agricultural Heritage:** More than half (56%) remains zoned for agriculture—and 37% of that land is permanently preserved (and growing)!

## PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE



On December 23, 2025, the Township participated in the Lancaster Farmland Trust’s preservation of the Conley Farm. The Conley Farm is 97 acres located on Prospect Road and has been in their family since 1783. According to the Lancaster Farmland Trust, “Mr. Conley, alongside his grandson and nephew, work the farm planting, harvesting, and caring

for animals. The family grows and sells produce, wheat, and cash crops through their on-site farm stand and other County markets and auctions. The farm is also home to beef cattle and pigs.”

West Hempfield Township contributed \$50,000 towards the total preservation cost of \$225,000. The Township’s contribution came from a fund which has close to \$1 million, raised from the buying and selling of development rights for many years. The Township still has funds to help preserve many more acres of agricultural land. Interested property owners can contact the Township, Lancaster Farmland Trust, or the Lancaster County Agricultural Preserve Board.

Currently, there are 63 farms and nearly 2,700 acres of farmland preserved in West Hempfield Township. Several more farms are working through the preservation process at this time.

## KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY CLEAN: SEPTIC SYSTEM MAINTENANCE MADE EASY!

West Hempfield Township has a 3-year Septic System Pumping Cycle in accordance with PA DEP regulations, helping to keep our community healthy and our environment protected.

If you received a **blue postcard**, that’s your reminder to pump in 2026! If you got a **red postcard**, it’s time to schedule your overdue service.

**Already pumped?** Great! Just give your septic hauler a call and ask them to send us the report. While many companies automatically forward these to us, it never hurts to double-check that we’ve received yours. Find our list of Township-approved septic haulers posted on our website.

**A friendly reminder:** While we do our best with postcard mailings, you’re the expert on your property! Staying on top of regular septic maintenance protects your investment and keeps our community thriving.

Questions? We’re happy to help—just reach out!



**If you see something, please use the “Report a Concern” button on our website to notify us.**

# Trash & Recycling

**Reminders:** Place trash and recycle totes curbside the **NIGHT BEFORE** collection to prevent your trash being missed. Only one trash and recycle toter per household. All bags must fit in toter, with the lid able to close properly!

## WHAT TAG DO I NEED?

Extra Trash Tags . **\$2 Yellow Tags**  
Large Items ..... **\$5 Red Tags** (Max 2 Red Tagged Items Curbside Per Week)  
Yard Waste..... **\$1.50 Green Tags** for Curbside Pickup  
Large Appliance . **\$12.00 Blue Tags** Pick-up only twice a year

## TRASH & RECYCLING BILL

**Due Dates and Rates:** \$72.50 per quarter

**QUARTER 1** – Period of 1/1/26 - 3/31/26 .....Payment Due on 2/27/26  
**QUARTER 2** – Period of 4/1/26 - 6/30/26.....Payment Due on 6/1/26  
**QUARTER 3** – Period of 7/1/26 - 9/30/26 .....Payment Due on 8/31/26  
**QUARTER 4** – Period of 10/1/26 -12/31/26 .....Payment Due on 11/30/26

## LARGE APPLIANCE AND TIRE COLLECTION (Blue Tagged items)

**Collection Dates:** Large appliances and tires will be collected twice a year on your **REGULAR TRASH DAY:**

- **Spring:** Week of April 6th (Wednesday trash customers April 8th, Thursday trash customers April 9th)
- **Fall:** Week of October 5th (Wednesday trash customers October 7th, Thursday trash customers October 8th)

**Why the Change?** We've moved collection from Saturdays to regular service days to improve efficiency. On your regular collection day, Republic Services has several trucks in West Hempfield Township, compared to just one or two trucks on Saturdays. This change allows for better staffing and ensures all items are collected.

**Required Tags:** Tags must be purchased at the West Hempfield Township Office by Noon on the Monday of the collection week.

- **Large Appliances:** Blue tag (\$12 each)
- **Tires Without Rims:** One yellow tag (\$2 each)
- **Tires With Rims:** Two yellow tags (\$4 total per tire)

*Thank you for your cooperation with this schedule change.*

## MISSED TRASH OR RECYCLING? REPORT IT ONLINE

We understand how frustrating it is when your trash or recycling isn't picked up. While trucks sometimes break down, staff shortages happen, or bad weather causes delays, your collection can also be missed if items aren't set out correctly.

**Before you report a missed pickup, check that you've followed these rules:** Make sure trash and recycling are within 5 feet of the curb the night before collection. Clear the area so nothing blocks access to your containers (parked cars are a common problem). All trash must be in bags, even inside totes. Don't overstuff totes—the lids need to close completely. Extra trash that doesn't fit in your toter needs a yellow tag, available at the Township office.

**Ready to report a missed pickup?** Go to the West Hempfield Township website and click the "Missed Trash" button on the left side of the homepage. Fill out the form with your information, and you're done. It's faster than calling, and it helps Republic respond more efficiently.

**YARD WASTE:** Yard waste will be collected on the same day as your regular trash service. Collection will run from April through Early December. Yard waste **MUST** be in your own brown Kraft bags with \$1.50 Green Tag. Bundles of sticks, no more than 4' in length and 30 lbs., also require a Green Tag.

## Recycling Right Doesn't Have to Be Hard

Only the **Big 4** should be placed in your recycling bin:

### WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!



- Glass Jars & Bottles (emptied, rinsed & lids removed)
- Corrugated Cardboard (flattened)
- Metal food and Beverage cans (emptied, rinsed & lids removed)
- Plastic bottles & jugs with necks (emptied, rinsed & lids removed)

### EVERYTHING ELSE IS TRASH.

If you think something may be recyclable (like newspaper or plastic bags), visit [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) (where to recycle, at the top of the page) for a list of potential drop-off locations. Otherwise, place the material in your trash. Do not put anything other than the **Big 4** in your recycling bin.

## HOLIDAY TRASH DELAYS:

- **Memorial Day, May 25, 2026** - Wednesday Trash Customers will have pickup on Thursday, May 28th and Thursday Trash Customers will have pickup on Friday, May 29th.
- **Independence Day, July 4, 2026** – No Delays
- **Labor Day, September 7, 2026** - Wednesday Trash Customers will have pickup on Thursday, September 10th and Thursday Trash Customers will have pickup on Friday, September 11th.
- **Thanksgiving, November 26, 2026** - Wednesday Trash Customers, No Delay. Thursday Trash Customers pickup on Friday, November 27th.
- **Christmas, December 25, 2026** - No Delays

## MUNICIPAL TRASH SERVICE OPT-OUT – ONE TIME OPPORTUNITY

West Hempfield Township will be placing our trash service out to bid later this year and will have a new trash contract effective January 1, 2027. It may be with our current hauler, Republic, or it may be with a new hauler.

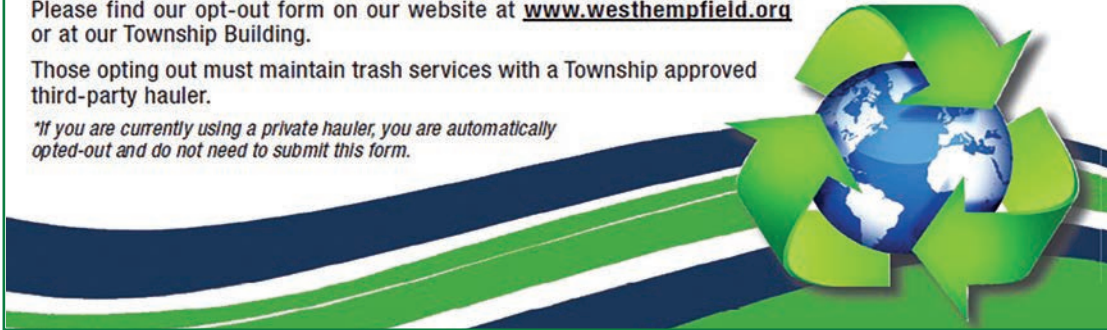
**By ordinance, all residents will have ONE opportunity to opt-out of our municipal trash service.**

Residents wishing to opt-out must do so by July 31, 2026. After that date, all residents who have not opted-out will be required to maintain trash service with the Township. There will not be an opportunity to opt-out for any reason during the term of our new trash contract.

Please find our opt-out form on our website at [www.westhempfield.org](http://www.westhempfield.org) or at our Township Building.

Those opting out must maintain trash services with a Township approved third-party hauler.

*\*If you are currently using a private hauler, you are automatically opted-out and do not need to submit this form.*



## Important Dates

Board of Supervisors Meetings: .....1st Tuesday of the month \*except where noted  
 Zoning Hearing Board Meetings: .....2nd Tuesday of the month  
 Planning Commission Meetings: .....3rd Thursday of the month

### APRIL

1st .....Woody Waste Opens (site open Apr-Dec)  
 3rd .....Good Friday- OFFICES CLOSED  
 6th .....Last Day to Purchase Large Appliance & Tire Blue Tags  
 Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up on you regular trash day

### MAY

25th... Memorial Day – OFFICES CLOSED  
*Wed. Trash Customers p/u is Thurs. May 28th &  
 Thurs. Trash Customers p/u is Fri. May 29th*

### JUNE

*(Summer Hours 7:00am - 5:30pm Mon-Thurs, closed Fridays)*  
 1st .....Trash Bills for Quarter 2 Due to West Hempfield Twp  
 8th .....Hempfield RecCenter's Summer Playground Program Begins  
 30th.....Annual Street Light Bills Due to West Hempfield Twp

### JULY

*(Summer Hours 7:00am - 5:30pm Mon-Thurs, closed Fridays)*  
 6th.....Independence Day – OFFICES CLOSED  
 30th ....Hempfield recCenter's Summer Playground Program Ends

### AUGUST

*(Summer Hours 7:00am - 5:30pm Mon-Thurs, closed Fridays)*  
 4th.....National Night Out  
 6th.....Board of Supervisors Meeting\*  
 31st.....Trash Bills for Quarter 3 Due to West Hempfield Twp

### SEPTEMBER

7th.....Labor Day – OFFICES CLOSED  
*Wed. Trash Customers p/u is Thurs. Sept. 10th &  
 Thurs. Trash Customers p/u is Fri. Sept. 11th*  
 30th ....Stormwater Bills Due to West Hempfield Twp Municipal Authority

## Telephone Contacts (area code is 717 unless otherwise noted)

Brightspeed .....	1-833-692-7773	Lancaster City Parks Department .....	291-4711	Penn State Health Life	
Columbia Borough.....	684-2468	Lancaster County Property Assessment ..	299-8381	Lion Ambulance.....	435-8101
Columbia Water Company .....	684-2188	Lancaster County Solid Waste		Poison Control Center .....	1-800-222-1222
District Justice Miles Bixler .....	684-2761	Management Authority (LCSWMA) .	397-9968	PPL .....	1-800-342-5775
East Donegal Township .....	426-3167	Lancaster County Tax Assessment .....	299-8222	Sewage Enforcement Officer .....	942-2248
East Hempfield Township .....	898-3100	Lancaster County Voter Registration.....	299-8293	State Representative Brett Miller .....	295-5050
East Hempfield Township Police.....	898-3101	Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds...	299-8238	Lititz Office of Senate Dist. 36.....	627-0036
Hempfield Area Recreation		Mountville Borough .....	285-5547	UGI.....	1-800-276-2722
Commission (HARC) .....	898-3102	Mountville Public Library .....	285-3231	West Hempfield Fire & Rescue.....	285-4929
Hempfield School District Tax Office...	898-5565	PA Department of Health.....	1-877-724-3258	Xfinity (Comcast) TV .....	1-800-266-2278
Hempfield Water Authority.....	898-8231	PA One-Call System .....	811	West Hempfield Township .....	285-5554
Lancaster Area Sewer Authority (LASA)...	299-4843	PennDOT District 8 Lancaster County...	299-7621	West Hempfield Township Police.....	285-5191



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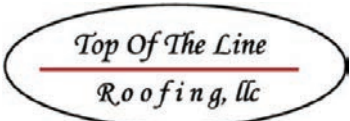


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