

NEWS LETTER

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A PUBLICATION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF WEST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP

ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Please remember to vote!

West Hempfield Township offices will be OPEN on November 8, 2022.

Please see the listing of polling locations throughout the Township. Locations are subject to change as directed by Lancaster County.

- **Silver Spring Baptist Church**
4001 Marietta Ave., Columbia
- **Ironville United Methodist Church**
4020 Holly Dr., Columbia
- **West Hempfield Township Building & Fire Department**
3476 Marietta Ave., Lancaster
- **Hempfield United Methodist Church**
3050 Marietta Ave., Lancaster
- **Mountville Church of the Brethren**
60 Clay St., Mountville
- **Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ**
450 W. Main St., Mountville
- **Wayside Presbyterian Church**
600 Stony Battery Rd., Landisville



Visit the following site to determine your polling place www.vote.org/polling-place-locator/.

Stormwater Fee Credits

Municipal Stormwater Fee Credits are now available for the 2023-2024 fee cycle. Credits encourage property owners to implement stormwater management strategies above and beyond the stormwater ordinance that reduce water pollution, which ultimately will help the municipality that is granting the credit to achieve its State mandated stormwater permit requirements. If you have a BMP (Best Management Practice) you think might qualify check the credit policy from the link on our Stormwater Fee information page.



WEST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP FINANCES

An Interview with David Dumeyer, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors



So how is the Township doing, economically speaking?

West Hempfield Township has a healthy economy, with about \$24 million in the bank, spread out amongst numerous Township funds. The largest funds are the Township's pension funds, which have balances totaling approximately \$11 million. It is extremely important for municipalities to have well-funded pensions, as poorly funded pensions can create serious economic issues.

In 2021 a new Fire Tax was created. What is that all about?

Indeed, the Township has a relatively new Fire Company Fund, which is funded by a 0.10 mill Fire Tax. This means that one-half percent (0.5%) of your Township real estate tax is put directly into a separate fund for fire company operating costs and capital purchases, such as a new apparatus. These funds, along with the fire company's own fundraisers, allow the Township to maintain a 100% volunteer fire service, which saves our Township taxpayers well over \$1 million a year, when compared to the cost of a paid department.

What is the most expensive Township Department?

The Township's most expensive department is our Police Department, which accounts for more than 50% of the Township's General Fund budget. The Township currently has twenty-two sworn law enforcement officers. We pride ourselves on being very selective with new hires, as we desire officers who fit well with our community. All candidates go through a very lengthy application process and finalists meet with our Police Chief, Township Manager, and Board members prior to final selection. Our Police Department also serves Mountville Borough, which provides a portion of the funds necessary to run our Police Department.

What are a few long-term challenges facing the Township?

Long-term, the Township's biggest challenges relate to our roads and our stormwater system. We receive, on average, about \$550,000 a year from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from liquid-fuels revenue – otherwise known as the "gas tax". This gas tax is a set rate which does not increase as the price of gas increases. However, as more electric cars are on the road, our liquid fuels taxes will decrease. At the same time, inflation has caused the cost of paving and road maintenance projects to increase at an alarming rate. In the past, our liquid fuels dollars were able to fund most of our road projects. We predict that trend will end, and our road projects will also need to be supported by real estate taxes. The Township has been working hard to use alternative cost-saving methods to maintain our roads.

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TOWNSHIP PHONE NUMBERS & BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Office 717-285-5554
 Police 717-285-5191
 Emergencies 911
 TDD 800-654-5984
 FAX 717-285-2879
www.westhempfield.org

David M. Dumeyer *Chairman*
 Edward C. Fisher *Vice Chairman*
 Kent B. Gardner *Twp. Supervisor*
 Naomi G. Martin *Twp. Supervisor*
 Robert E. Munro *Twp. Supervisor*
 Andrew B. Stern *Twp. Manager*

2022



TRASH & RECYCLING CALENDAR

HOLIDAY TRASH DELAYS:

Thanksgiving, November 24, 2022 - Thursday Trash Customers will have pickup on Friday, November 25, 2022. (Wednesday Customers - No Delay).

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! All extra bags require a \$2.00 Yellow Tag attached. Large items require a \$5.00 Red Tag.

YARD WASTE:

Yard waste will be collected on the same day as your regular trash service. 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.



**- NEW FOR 2022 -
YARD WASTE COLLECTION WILL RUN
THROUGH EARLY DECEMBER!**

TRASH & RECYCLING BILL DUE DATES:

2022

QUARTER 4: 10/1/22-12/31/22
Payment Due on 11/30/22

2023

QUARTER 1: 1/1/23-3/31/23
Payment Due on 3/1/23

QUARTER 2: 4/1/23-6/30/23
Payment Due on 5/31/23

QUARTER 3: 7/1/23-9/30/23
Payment Due on 8/31/23

QUARTER 4: 10/1/23-12/31/23
Payment Due on 11/30/23



**REMINDER IF YOU PURCHASED A
WOODY WASTE ACCESS CARD, KEEP
YOUR CARD TO RENEW AGAIN IN 2023!**

SEASONAL CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP Mid-October through Early December

CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP POLICY

- A separate truck will come around, weather permitting.
- Do not mix twigs or any other yard waste in with leaves.
- Do not park on leaf piles.
- Once the season ends, bag leaves and dispose of with your household trash.
- Leaves will NOT be collected if anything is placed on top of or in your leaf pile (i.e. Tarps, blocks, etc.).

Weeks of October 31st, November 14th & 28th
East Side of Prospect Road

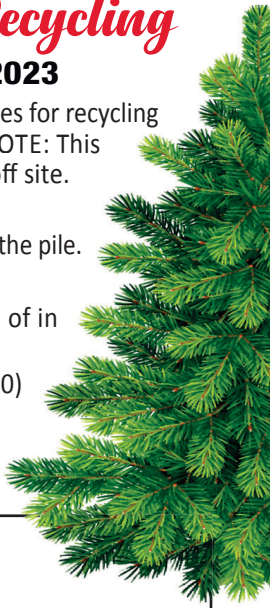
Weeks of October 24th, November 7th & 21st, December 5th
West Side of Prospect Road

Schedule subject to change based on weather and emergencies

Christmas Tree Disposal and Recycling

DECEMBER 27, 2022 - JANUARY 31, 2023

- West Hempfield Township residents may drop off Christmas trees for recycling at the Fairview Park parking lot on Fairview Road. PLEASE NOTE: This location is different from the Township's woody waste drop-off site.
- Trees may be dropped off anytime weekdays or weekends.
- Remove bags and decorations from the tree before leaving it on the pile.
- The trees are ground into mulch for use at Township parks.
- Please consider recycling your tree this year. Trees disposed of in trash are not recycled.
- To be disposed of as trash, the tree must have a red tag (\$5.00) attached and must be shorter than six (6) feet.
- No trees will be picked up after March 31, 2023.



BIG 4

We belong in the recycling bin!

1

**CORRUGATED
CARDBOARD**



2

**PLASTIC BOTTLES
& JUGS WITH NECKS**



3

**METAL FOOD &
BEVERAGE CANS**



4

**GLASS JARS
& BOTTLES**



RECYCLE RIGHT Lancaster ✓

WOODY WASTE UPDATE

In 2020, the Township applied to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for a "902 Recycling Grant" and were approved. A portion of this grant has been used to upgrade our Woody Waste facility. The site is now gated and requires an access card to enter. This allows residents to enjoy greater flexibility to use the site during daylight hours.

The Woody Waste facility is now open 7 days a week. The cost for an access card is \$15 per year and is valid from the date of purchase to December 31 of the calendar year. One access card may

be purchased per household. If an access card is lost and needs to be replaced, there will be a replacement fee of \$20.

Invoices for the renewal of the cards in 2023 will be sent out in January. The cost will remain the same for 2023. Payment can be made at the Township Office with cash, check or credit card (bank convenience fee applies for credit card transactions).

KEEP YOUR WOODY WASTE ACCESS CARD PURCHASED IN 2022! RENEWALS FOR 2023 WILL USE THE SAME CARD.



New Employee Spotlight



Ellen Rinier
*Asst. Director
of Finance*

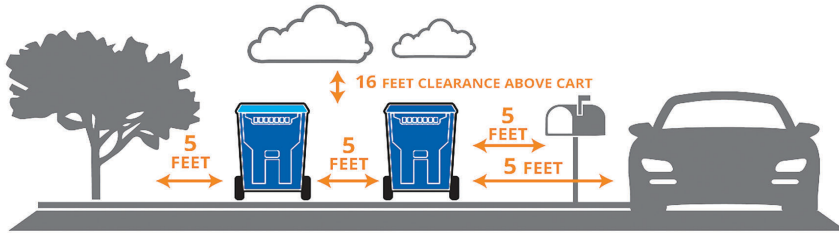
Ellen Rinier joined West Hempfield Township as the Assistant Director of Finance in March. She brings a wealth of experience, having retired from the Business Office at Hempfield School District. In her free time, Ellen enjoys spending time with her family and dogs and camping.

Tammy Walter is the new Receptionist for West Hempfield Township. Tammy has a wonderful presence when our residents come into the building and assisting the public on the phone. She has made a great addition to our team. Tammy enjoys gardening and spending time with family.



Tammy Walter
Receptionist

Proper Container Placement is the Key to Automated Service



- Have the container at the curb by 5:00 a.m. of your collection day.
- Place the container at least five feet from any object, like a tree, pole, fire hydrant, mailbox, electrical box, cable box, etc., and at least five feet away from cars so the automated arm can reach your container.
- Please have this same distance of five feet between waste and recycling containers.
- Don't lean anything against the container.
- Don't place your container under a tree.
- Place containers one foot from the curb or edge of the street.
- Remember to place the arrows on the lid of the container toward the street and the handle toward your house, with the lid closed.
- Please don't allow children to play in or around the containers. Republic Services' trucks use mechanical arms to pick up the waste and recycling containers.



REPORT MISSED TRASH & RECYCLING

Did you know that you can report your missed trash, recycling, and tagged items from our website?

Visit www.westhempfield.org and click the "REPORT MISSED TRASH/RECYCLE" button found below the Quick Links menu to complete the form to generate an email directly to our staff and the hauler about your missed item(s).

You will need to complete all fields on the form in order for your message to be sent successfully.



**DON'T FORGET TO
FALL BACK**



NOVEMBER 6, 2022 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

When local daylight time is about to reach 2:00 a.m. Sunday, November 6, 2022, clocks are turned backward 1 hour to 1:00 a.m. local standard time.

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS



Kerri Sensenig, Director of Administration for the Police Department, was awarded as the Team Member of the Year for going above and beyond in managing the administrative operations of the Police Department at the May Board of Supervisors Meeting. Kerri has been employed by the Department for almost twenty years, and continuously applies the vast knowledge she has gained to improving operations and helping residents in many situations. She expertly manages the administration office

on a daily basis while responding to each citizen, business or agency that calls or walks in with requests or questions, and helps officers with reporting system issues whenever needed. She is a great asset to the Department and the Township. Congratulations Kerri!

At the April Twp Meeting, the West Hempfield Twp Board of Supervisors formally promoted two Officers to the rank of Corporal, Officer Rich Bowermaster and Officer Karl Hartranft.



Officer Bowermaster has been with the Department since August of 2002. He has served as a Firearms Instructor, a Field Training Officer and has consistently received Commendations over the years. Off. Bowermaster received the Dept. Life-Saving award in 2013 and 2021, Excellence in Criminal Investigation Award in 2002 and 2006, Meritorious Conduct and Outstanding Volunteerism Award in 2021, among others.

Officer Hartranft has been with the Department since September of 2004. He is also a highly-decorated Officer. Officer Hartranft has received numerous Commendations during his tenure. He received Commendations in 2006, 2010 and 2016 for peacefully resolving dangerous situations, Life-Saving Award 2013 & 2016, DUI Top Gun Award in 2014 & 15, Officer of the Year 2010 & 2014, and Excellence in Criminal Investigations 2012 & 2021, among others. Off. Hartranft also serves as a Field Training Officer for the Dept.

As senior Officers and Field Training Officers, Bowermaster and Hartranft have demonstrated excellent leadership skills, and commitment to the high standards of West Hempfield Township Police Department. Congratulations to Corporal Bowermaster and Corporal Hartranft!

PINK PATCH PROJECT

West Hempfield Township Police has again partnered with Police Departments in Lancaster County and throughout the nation to participate in the "Pink Patch Project" for 2022.

In cooperation with the Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health Suzanne H. Arnold Center for Breast Health, the project is aimed at bringing awareness and attention to the fight against Breast Cancer. This is the third year now that our officers will be displaying the "Pink Patch" on their uniforms and selling our patches to the community.

This year we chose to go with a "Retro" style patch (an idea used last year by Lititz Borough PD), which is the original patch first worn by officers when our agency was first formed. Patches are available for a purchase price of \$10.00. In addition to the patch this year, we have added keychains using the same patch design!! These are available for \$5.00 each. (We do still have a supply of 2020 and 2021 patches available for \$5.00)

All proceeds will be donated to the Suzanne H. Arnold Center for Breast Health. More information about the project can be found at <https://www.pinkpatchproject.com/>.

To purchase your patch, stop in at the police station, 3476 Marietta Ave, Lancaster Pa, between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Monday - Friday. Questions can be directed to Officer Bart Hollis at 717-285-5191 (Ext 514) or hollisb@whhttpd.org. Stay tuned for information about apparel that will be available this year as well.

Our Pink Patch apparel is now available for purchase!! Click on the link to place your order. You can choose to have the apparel mailed directly to your home (for a small fee) or it will be shipped to our office for pick up in person. All proceeds will be combined with our 2022 Pink Patch Project.

www.bravuragraphics.com/pink-patch-project



WEST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT IS HIRING!

West Hempfield Township Police Department is a progressive department in Lancaster County, PA. We are focused on diversity, professionalism and career growth for our team members. We offer an excellent salary & benefits packages.

*Tuition Reimbursement available if hired while enrolled in an MPOETC Police Academy.

We are accepting applications through October 31, 2022, through PoliceApp.

To be considered for a position you must be Act 120 certified, or currently enrolled in the Act 120 program with a graduation date no later than December 31, 2022.

Go to PoliceApp.com and select West Hempfield Township Police Department to submit your application.



Discover. Connect. Belong.

Happenings at the Hempfield recCenter Fall 2022

Hempfield recCenter Membership Special

Stop by the recCenter October 24-28 for a Scary Good membership deal. Sign-up during this limited time for \$0 activation fee, plus get your 13th month FREE. Come see our state-of-the-art, award-winning facilities including 16 tennis courts, aquatic center, gymnasium, and fitness center.

** 2023 Pavilion Rentals**

2023 pavilion reservations will be accepted starting on October 1, 2022. Please see our website for the Pavilion Reservation Form. Call 717-898-3102 for availability. Pavilions are rented on a first come, first serve basis. Registration form and payment must be submitted to secure your reservation. Specific question about the parks or amenities contact Cristine Maser at cmaser@hempfieldrec.com or 717-898-3102 x139.

Free Community Programs

■ NEW! History of Lake Grubb and the Iron Ore Mine at Lake Grubb Nature Park Saturday, October 22 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. #310167 FREE

Join geologist Jeri Jones of Jones Geological Services in Spring Grove, PA for a history and geology walk at Lake Grubb Park at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 22nd. The 1-hour walk will discuss how the Haldeman and Grubb families used the land for removing iron ore and the techniques and problems encountered in the 19th century. We will disclose where the ore was taken for production. The local geology will also be examined and illustrate how the iron ore was formed. Participants will receive a sample of goethite taken from a similar York County iron operation. Call 717-898-3102 to register. Email Cristine Maser at cmaser@hempfieldrec.com with questions.

■ Owl Prowl and Pellets at Fairview Park Wednesday, October 26 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. #285048 FREE

We will learn about the owls that live here in Lancaster County and we will call them and listen for their reply. We will also be dissecting owl pellets!

New Programs at the Rec

■ Ladies' Power Hour

For years, perception and misinformation has kept women out of the weight room. Now, women's weightlifting is finally getting the recognition it has long deserved. Constantly evolving information tells us that strength training not only builds muscles, but it also increases metabolism, enhances the oxidation of fat and lowers the risk of injury. In LADIES' POWER HOUR, trainer Ally Wascavage uses cutting edge research into women's weightlifting to create a class that targets different muscle groups, makes use of different equipment and empowers women to increase strength while getting their lift on.

■ Generation POUND

Kid focused fitness & fun (ages 6-12). Get ready to make fitness about self-expression, empowerment, self-love and FUN! This youth-oriented program fuses movement and music to improve focus, coordination, physical fitness, and teamwork skills for school-aged children (i.e. Rockstars in Training). A mobile program that can come to life anywhere, instructors use Ripstix POUND's lightly weighted exercise drumsticks to learn alternative ways to explore movement.

■ Isshinryu Karate

Triple Spiral's Isshinryu Karate program provides top quality instruction to help build beneficial life skills that are useful inside and outside of the Dojo! Each student is required to exhibit courtesy, respect, and a positive attitude to help build a fun friendly atmosphere for every individual's personal growth. Some skills we hope to instill in our students include confidence, discipline, teamwork, courage, patience, focus, strength to stand up to peer pressure, physical fitness, and flexibility.

For more information and a list of all our programs, memberships and events visit www.hempfieldrec.com

ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION & ELIMINATION

What is an illicit discharge?

An illicit discharge is an unlawful act of disposing, dumping, spilling, emitting, or other discharge of any substance other than stormwater into the stormwater drainage system. The stormwater drainage system includes streets, ditches, catch basins, yard inlets, lakes, and streams.

Illicit discharges cause water pollution by sending pollutants right into creeks, streams, ponds, and lakes. Be sure you know what illicit discharges are so you can help prevent water pollution and keep our streams clean!

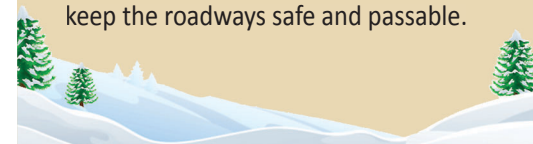
Prevent water pollution. Use the Report-a-Concern link at <https://www.westhempfield.org/concern.php> to report an illicit discharge or any type of water pollution in our streams or stormwater inlets. In case of an emergency, call 911.



LEAF COLLECTION TO WINTER WEATHER

West Hempfield Township has approximately 80 miles of roads to maintain during the fall and winter seasons. Leaf collection runs through the beginning of December. You may wonder why leaf collection is not extended longer into December. To make the most of our resources, the Township utilizes the same vehicles for leaf collection as for snow removal. Therefore a quick transition from leaf collection to prepping for snow removal with the vehicles is necessary.

In any weather event, the first objective is to make each road passable. Each storm is different and our plan and approach changes accordingly based on the forecast. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as the Public Works Crew aims to continuously keep the roadways safe and passable.



BEARDS FOR BROTHERS (BFB)

Eight years ago, in 2014, Beards for Brothers (BFB) was created to raise money for men's cancer awareness with the recipient to be a member of local law enforcement. Officer William Watt, East Hempfield Township Police Department, started the program in hopes of providing assistance to a fellow officer and their family during their battle with cancer. In 2015, Officer Rich Bowermaster, West Hempfield Police Department, joined Officer Watt and together expanded the recipient of BFB to include **ANY** First Responder and their family from Lancaster County. To date, BFB has raised over \$90,000 for our fellow emergency responders, their families and the community.



BFB has been recognized by numerous police departments. Each year, the participating departments agree to waive their "no facial hair" policy during the month of November (or longer in some cases) to allow their officers to grow a beard while participating in the fundraiser. Each officer decides to donate a minimum of \$25 to BFB as well as not to shave during the designated time. If an officer decides to shave prior to the end date, they agree to an increased \$50 donation. **ANYONE** may donate to BFB even if they cannot or choose not to participate in the beard growing. In addition, merchandise is available each year to be purchased with the proceeds to be added to the BFB fundraiser.

Money collected either through beard growing, donation or merchandise sales is donated to the designated recipient and their family that has been referred and chosen for that year. Donations are collected via a Go Fund Me account which is set up in late October. In 2019 Officers Watt and Bowermaster set up a checking account solely to receive donations for BFB, a check can be made payable to either William Watt or Richard Bowermaster with Beards for Brothers in the comment line, or to Beards for Brothers. Merchandise can be ordered directly on line at www.bravuragraphics.com. The store will open up in early October.

In 2017, an additional agreement was made to help give back to the community we serve. BFB will donate a percentage of the money raised each year to a local non-profit charity, A Week Away Foundation. Please visit www.aweekaway.org for details about this amazing charity.

The goal of both Officers Watt and Bowermaster for BFB is to bring awareness and to raise money to alleviate some of the financial burden that families battling cancer will encounter. The mission of Beards for Brothers is for all first responders to recognize the importance of our first responder family and to always provide support to our brothers, sisters and their families, especially in times of need.

West Hempfield Township Finances

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As for stormwater management, the Township has adopted a stormwater management fee. This fee has raised nearly \$500,000 each year in 2021 and 2022, for a total of about \$1 million dollars in revenue to date. The Township is currently completing our first major stormwater project in the Farmdale/Ferndale neighborhood, with a project cost of nearly \$1.8 million. The Township, and its sister Municipal Authority, have been able to leverage the revenue from our stormwater management fee in order to obtain grant funds and low-interest loans to continue constructing additional stormwater projects. For 2023, we anticipate entertaining contracts for at least two streambank restoration projects within the Chiques Creek and the Little Conestoga Creek watersheds. In 2023, the Township also expects to learn from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection what will be expected of us for the next five years with respect to additional stormwater management projects.

Trash collection costs have been rising in past years – will this continue?

Certainly, another challenge which faces the Township, and most municipalities, is the cost to provide refuse and recycling services. West Hempfield Township contracted with Republic Services again for 2023-2025, with the potential for extensions to 2027. The Township proactively changed the formula for this contract to eliminate a Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase, thus saving our customers a significant amount of money. The cost to our customers includes three components: collection, disposal, and administration. While our collection costs are set, we are still bound to the disposal costs set by the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) and based on the weight of refuse and recyclables taken to their facility. We have been advised that for 2023, there will be significant increases (as much as 18%), by LCSWMA which will affect all refuse companies in Lancaster County. Fortunately, West Hempfield Township had anticipated this and increased our fees in recent years to build up our reserves to cover this anticipated increase. As such, we do not predict a significant increase in 2023.

At recent Board meetings, reference has been made to return money to some residents. What is this about?

The Township has been actively reviewing our escrow accounts – where funds from developers are held to cover engineering review costs until the projects are completed. Funds have accumulated over the past decade or more from projects which were completed and where the applicants did not seek a return of their funds. We have been finding these individuals and returning their funds to them, as the money rightfully belongs to them.

We pay a significant amount of taxes each year. Where does all this money go?

While few cherish the thought of paying taxes, most appreciate the essential services provided by the Township. Our total real estate tax rate falls near the midpoint among municipalities in the County. Only nine percent (9%) of the total real estate taxes our residents pay comes to the Township. Thirteen percent (13%) goes to Lancaster County, and seventy-eight percent (78%) goes to Hempfield School District. For example, a house assessed at \$250,000, would be taxed as follows:

Hempfield School District: \$5,529.73
Lancaster County: \$727.75
West Hempfield Township: \$487.50

How does development in the Township affect tax rates?

Recent approvals of developments in the Township will provide additional tax base and revenue to help us prevent additional tax increases. However, we are quickly running out of land that can be developed. Additionally, residential development can bring added burdens to our school district. We have recently attempted to focus on Industrial development, which provides significant revenue to the Township, County, and School District with no additional enrollment impact to our schools.

Any closing thoughts?

The Board and staff of the Township are committed to continue focusing our attention on using our taxpayers funds in the most efficient and appropriate manner in order to maintain our excellent economic status. We strive to balance a fair tax rate with the best possible services we can provide.

2022-2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



2022 TRICK-OR-TREAT

ALL MEETINGS HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

OCT	Tues. 4	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)	
	Tues. 11	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.	
	Sat. 16	Last Day to Purchase Large Appliance & Tire Blue Tag	
	Sat. 16	Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up – 6:00 a.m. – noon	
	Thurs. 20	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
	Mon. 17	Curbside Leaf Collection Begins – East Side of Prospect Rd	
	Mon. 24	Curbside Leaf Collection Begins – West Side of Prospect Rd	
	Mon. 24	Halloween Trick-or-Treat – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	
NOV	Tues. 1	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)	
	Tues. 8	Election Day – OFFICES OPEN Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.	
	Fri. 11	Veterans' Day Observed – OFFICES OPEN	
	Thurs. 17	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
	Thurs.-Fri. 24-25	Thanksgiving Observed – OFFICES CLOSED <i>Wed. trash customers not affected / Thurs. customers will be picked up Fri. 25th</i>	
	Mon. 28	Last Week for Curbside Leaf Collection – East Side of Prospect Rd	
	Wed. 30	Quarter 2 Trash Bills Due to West Hempfield Township.	
	DEC	Mon. 5	Last Week for Curbside Leaf Collection – West Side of Prospect Rd
		Tues. 6	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
		Tues. 13	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
Mid-Thurs. 15		Curbside Leaf Pick-up Ends Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
Fri.-Mon. 23-26		Christmas Observed – OFFICES CLOSED	
Tues. 27		Christmas Tree Drop-off at Fairview Park Begins	
Fri. 30		New Year's Day Observed – OFFICES CLOSED	
JAN		Mon. 2	New Year's Day Observed – OFFICES CLOSED
	Tues. 3	Board Organizational Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Board of Supervisors Meeting to Follow Organizational Meeting Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)	
	Wed. 4	Board of Auditors Meeting – 6:00 p.m.	
	Tues. 10	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.	
	Thurs. 19	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
	Tues. 31	Christmas Tree Drop-off at Fairview Park Ends	
	FEB	Tues. 7	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
		Tues. 14	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
Thurs. 16		Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
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	Tues. 14	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.	
	Thurs. 16	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
	APR	Tues. 4	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
Fri. 7		Good Friday – OFFICES CLOSED	
Tues. 11		Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.	
Thurs. 20		Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
TBD		Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up – 6:00 a.m. – noon (Contact Twp.)	

Trick-or-Treat in West Hempfield Township is scheduled for Monday, October 31st, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., in coordination with most other Lancaster County municipalities.

In 1992, the Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee (LIMC) encouraged municipalities throughout Lancaster County to observe Trick-or-Treat on the same date. The LIMC recommended a policy that trick-or-treating be held between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on October 31, except when Halloween falls on a Saturday or Sunday, in which case trick-or-treating would be on the prior Friday. In 2019 and 2021, weather related issues created confusion throughout the County with respect to Trick-or-Treat scheduling. On February 9, 2022, LIMC revised their policy to establish October 31 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. as for Trick-or-Treat without exception.

West Hempfield Township adopted a resolution to follow this policy.

TRICK-OR-TREATING SAFETY

West Hempfield Police Department

Parents:

- Make sure your kids can be seen. Give them a flashlight and glow-stick, and if their costume is dark, add some reflective stickers or tape.
- Accompany young children.
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review an acceptable route.
- Agree on a specific time children should return home.
- Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car.
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends.
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home.

A reminder for Trick-or-Treaters and Motorists - put electronic devices down and watch for traffic and pedestrians.



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