

NEWS LETTER

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CHIEF LAYDEN RETIRES

Chief Lisa Layden retired from policing after 29 years of service to pursue a new career path. She will be a full-time professor in the Criminology/Criminal Justice Department at York College. Her students will be so lucky!

Chief Layden was hired as our chief in April 2019. During her tenure, the department established new policies, embraced technological advances, and created an organizational structure that leads us on a path of professionalism and accountability.

In addition to these achievements, Chief Layden expanded West Hempfield's commitment to community engagement, and created a Chaplain's Corp & Peer Support Program to support officer and community wellness.

Before she left West Hempfield, she made sure to facilitate a smooth transition with our new Chief.

The Officers, Staff and Township Officials want to Thank Chief Layden for her tenure as our Chief and wish her all the best in her next chapter of life!

WELCOME CHIEF JAY

We are proud to announce the appointment of our new Chief of Police, Jason Daniel Jay.

Chief Jay and his family have lived in West Hempfield Township for over 17 years. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Shippensburg University and is a recent graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

Chief Jay leaves his position as Lieutenant with the York City Police Department, where he served with distinction for over 24 years. During his time with the city, he served in a variety of roles which included patrolman, field training officer, crime scene technician, sergeant, and lieutenant. He was responsible for overseeing patrol shifts, the Group Violence Intervention Unit (gun squad), and the detective division. Chief Jay's last assignment with York City was as the Training and Accreditation Lieutenant, where he was responsible for ensuring that the department maintained its accreditation status and that every officer retained their required and ongoing specialty certifications. Chief Jay received numerous commendations for outstanding criminal investigations and community initiatives during his career.

His knowledge and experience will be a great asset to our department and the community. He enjoys community engagement and will be attending many of the events throughout the year where our police department is represented.

Chief Jay was joined by his family, friends and co-workers as he took his Oath of Office, and his son proudly pinned his new badge!

Welcome Chief Jay, we all look forward to working with you!!



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Emergencies   	911
TDD	800-654-5984
FAX	717-285-2879

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Winter Weather Tips

Did you know that West Hempfield Township maintains about 80 miles of Township roads? The Township Public Works Department will be equipped and ready for winter weather. To help us do our jobs efficiently, please follow these basic guidelines:

Cars: Park vehicles off the roadway in the driveway, if possible. This allows the plow drivers to navigate more easily.

Driveways: Pile snow to the side of the driveway, away from oncoming traffic. This allows the plow to unload and prevents the bulk of the snow being pushed back into the driveway.

Mailboxes: Make sure the mailbox and post are secure and in good condition. Damage caused by plowed snow is the property owner's responsibility.

Traveling: Do not attempt to pass salt or plow trucks, even when they are moving slowly.

Chapter 12 Article III of the Township Ordinance requires all property owners to:

1. Sidewalks: Within 24 hours after snow or ice has stopped falling, residents must shovel a path at least 3 feet wide for the entire length of their sidewalk.

2. Ice: If snow or ice on a sidewalk is so hard that it cannot be removed without damage to the sidewalk, use sand or some other abrasive to make travel reasonably safe. Consider using potassium acetate (KA) or sand as an alternative to salt to melt ice.

3. Fire hydrants: Clear snow away from fire hydrants located on or near the property. This is for everyone's safety.

4. Roadways: Do not push or throw snow or ice onto public roads at any time. This creates hazardous driving conditions and is a violation of state and township laws.



WHAT'S ALLOWED TO GO IN A STORM DRAIN?

Jennifer R. Fetter, Penn State Extension

In most communities, storm drains lead to separate storm sewers that are only meant to carry relatively clean rainwater and snow melt. Separate storm sewers carry the water directly to nearby streams, rivers, and other water bodies without any treatment. This is different from the rarer combined sewer systems, where stormwater and sanitary wastes get treatment together before being released. These older combined systems usually struggle to contain the large volumes of modern-day stormwater and also release untreated water during larger storms.

Storm sewer systems aren't just underground pipes. They include various drains and ditches, and concrete channels along roads and parking areas meant to carry water away from these surfaces. Anything that is not permitted to go into a separate storm sewer is known as an **illicit discharge**. They are illicit because these sewers are not designed to receive and treat contaminated water before releasing it back to the environment. Examples of things that end up in storm sewers illicitly are septic wastewater, carwash wastewater, auto fluids like used oil and radiator flushing, laundry drain water, household toxics, and chemicals, leaking waste containers, pool and hot tub water, and even garbage, grass clippings, and pet waste.

Sometimes these things end up in storm sewers intentionally, from someone dumping or pouring wastes into drains directly or through hoses. But illicit discharges often come from accidents and spills, and even from hidden leaks. Many communities are required to have ordinances to prohibit these discharges and enforce against them, no matter the source. This is because illicit discharges all result in high levels of pollution including heavy metals, toxics, oil & grease, viruses & bacteria, and sometimes unknown agents that degrade water quality and water supplies.

Ultimately, illicit discharges such as these threaten human health and wildlife. As a community member, you can help protect water quality. The most important thing is to not use storm drains and ditches as waste receptacles. This means keeping drains free of yard debris, and not pouring or dumping wastes directly into these drains or into streets, driveways, and lots that will ultimately wash into drains during the next rain. You should also use proper waste containers with lids to store your trash and participate in your community garbage pick-up service or haul your garbage to a proper drop-off location. You can also wash your car over grass instead of in the street, properly maintain your septic system, clean up after windblown trash cans, drain your pool water to a vegetated area where it can soak into the ground instead of draining to the storm sewer system, properly dispose of pet waste, and maintain your car to prevent leaks.

If you have an accidental spill, do your best to safely clean it up and dispose of it. Contact your municipality if it's too big for you to handle. They likely have a spill response plan and team.

Remember, a storm sewer is not a trash can or a sink drain. It's a direct pathway to your local creeks and rivers and only meant to carry clean water!

If you have more questions about storm drains or stormwater in your community, or you are interested in learning more, you can find a full series and articles and videos in the Penn State Extension Stormwater Basics series.



Avoid Stormwater POO-LUTION and Pick Up After Your Pets!

Dog waste left on the ground doesn't just go away, it gets washed down stormdrains and into our creeks and streams. Why is dog poop different than wild animal poop? Wild animals consume resources from their ecosystem, dogs are fed nutrient-heavy pet food. These nutrients, along with coliform bacteria and potentially parasites too, get into our waterways, contaminate our streams, and can make humans sick. And never dump dog waste into storm drains. Not only is it bad for the environment, but it is also in violation of our Stormwater Ordinance. So please, pick up the poop, bag it, and properly dispose of it in the trash.

WOODY WASTE UPDATE

The West Hempfield Township Woody Waste facility is open 7 days a week from April 1st to December 31st. To allow greater flexibility for our residents to use the site during daylight hours, the site is gated and requires an access card to enter. The cost for an access card for West Hempfield Residents is \$15 per year and is valid from the date of purchase until December 31st 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 2025 will be sent out by March. The cost will remain the same for 2025. Renew your cards prior to April 1st if you want to be able to use the facility on opening day! Payment can be made at the Township Office with cash, check or credit card (bank convenience fee applies for credit card transactions).

MAKE SURE TO KEEP THAT WOODY WASTE CARD SAFE IN THE OFF-SEASON! RENEWALS FOR 2025 WILL USE THE SAME CARD. YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO PURCHASE ANOTHER CARD!

West Hempfield Township Recipients of Service Projects

Hempfield Boys Soccer Service Project

The Hempfield Boys Soccer Team spent the morning of August 5th, 2024, painting picnic tables at Grubb Lake. Thank you also to the Hempfield Rec for helping to coordinate the project! The tables look great with the fresh coat of paint!



LCBC Impact Day

Despite a very rainy day, LCBC Church provided over 100 volunteers on Saturday, May 18th, 2024, to spread out stone on the trails at Grubb Lake Park. The trails were in very bad shape from mud prior to this project. Work that the Township estimated would take four hours, was completed in one hour! We are very thankful to LCBC and their volunteers! The Township has received many compliments from the public on how nice the trails look with the new stone!



PUBLIC WORKS SUMMER PROJECTS

The Public Works Crew was hard at work completing various projects in the Township this Spring and Summer. Some of those projects are:

- Repaired the storm sewer at Grubb Lake.
- Installed new swing sets at Bridge Valley Park.
- Installed new sky lights at the Silver Spring Park Comfort Station.
- Completed various line painting at all the Township intersections including refreshing turn arrows, cross walks and stop bars, and long line painting.

The Public Works Crew also took on some large projects.

Paving was completed on Oak Hollow Drive, Stone House Lane and Oswego Drive. We appreciate the resident's cooperation during the paving work and hope they are now enjoying their freshly paved roads!



In July, the Township replaced a box culvert under Silver Spring Road, between Quarry Road and Meadow Spring Road. Local residents suggested that the previous culvert dated back to the 1800's!

The Township contracted with Monarch Products to supply the thirty-six foot wide precast concrete structure at a cost of \$66,437. With Township employees completing a majority of the construction work, the Township saved our taxpayers at least \$100,000, as compared to bidding the entire project to a third-party contractor. The new culvert meets all current environmental and engineering standards, which will allow aquatic life to safely travel through the culvert. The culvert is also wider than its predecessor, allowing for future road widening, if the need ever arises. This culvert should serve our residents for many years to come.



In the Spring of 2024, West Hempfield Township received a \$70,153 grant from the Lancaster County Conservation District through their "Dirt, Gravel, and Low Volume Road Maintenance Program". The grant is being used to upgrade storm drainage and pave Meadow Road. The Township Public Works employees are doing a majority of the work, which will result in very little Township tax money being used for this project. The Township would like to thank the Lancaster County Conservation District for providing these funds.



2024

TRASH & RECYCLING CALENDAR

Holiday Trash Delays:

Thanksgiving, November 28, 2024 - Thursday
Trash Customers will have pickup on Friday, November 29th. (Wed. Customers - No Delay).

Christmas, December 25, 2024 - Wednesday
Trash Customers pickup on December 26th and Thursday Trash Customers December 27th.

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.

NEXT LARGE APPLIANCE PICK-UP DATE - OCTOBER 12, 2024

- \$12 Blue Tag MUST be purchased ahead of time at the Township Office.
- Tags for the October Pickup must be purchased before NOON on Thursday, October 10th.

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.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION WILL RUN THROUGH EARLY DECEMBER!

TRASH & RECYCLING BILL DUE DATES:

- 2024**
QUARTER 4: 10/1/24-12/31/24
 Payment Due on 12/2/24
- 2025**
QUARTER 1: 1/1/25-3/31/25
 Payment Due on 2/28/25
- QUARTER 2:** 4/1/25-6/30/25
 Payment Due on 5/30/25
- QUARTER 3:** 7/1/25-9/30/25
 Payment Due on 9/1/25
- QUARTER 4:** 10/1/25-12/31/25
 Payment Due on 12/1/25

REMINDER IF YOU PURCHASED A WOODY WASTE ACCESS CARD, KEEP YOUR CARD TO RENEW AGAIN IN 2025.

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.).

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE:

Weeks of October 14th & 28th, November 11th & 25th
East Side of Prospect Road

Weeks of October 21st, November 4th & 18th, December 2nd
West Side of Prospect Road

Schedule subject to change based on weather and emergencies

Christmas Tree Disposal and Recycling

DECEMBER 26, 2024 - JANUARY 31, 2025

- 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.
- The last week to dispose trees with trash will be March 24th.

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



Community Programs and Events

Programs offered by Hempfield Area Recreation Commission are in partnership with West Hempfield Township.

2025 Pavilion Rentals

2025 pavilion reservations will be accepted starting on October 1, 2024. Please see our website www.hempfieldrec.com for the Pavilion Reservation Form. Pavilions are rented on a first-come, first-serve basis. For specific questions or to register for the events below, contact Cristine Maser at cmaser@hempfieldrec.com or 717-898-3102 x139.

■ Movie Nights at Silver Spring Park

Friday October 4, 6:30 p.m. (movie at 7:45 p.m.) Movie-TBD
This is a FREE Community event. All are welcome!

Join us for Community Movie Nights at Silver Spring Park Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and settle in for a night of family-friendly fun!

Silver Spring Park, 3800 Ironville Pike, Columbia, PA 17512



■ PA Tree ID and Nature Walk at Lake Grubb

Wednesday, September 25 at 6 p.m.

Led by experienced naturalists, this walk includes engaging discussions, hands-on learning, and exploring the diverse flora surrounding the lake. This hike is perfect for the seasoned nature enthusiast or the curious beginner. All are welcome! The event is free but registration is required.

■ Enchanted Fairy Pumpkin Walk at Lake Grubb

Sunday, October 13 at 4 p.m.

The park will be aligned with Fairy Pumpkin Houses. You will need to search for the gems around the park that were hidden by the gnomes. Dragons, spiders, and ghosts will be around with a bit of spooktacular fun! Afterwards, join us in making your own Fairy Pumpkin House and Fairy Potion.

The event is free but registration is required.

■ Owl Prowl and Pellets at Grubb Lake

Wednesday, October 23 at 6 p.m.

Join us for an exciting evening with our PA Owl Prowl program, where you'll have the chance to explore the world of owls after dark. This experience offers an opportunity to hear the calls of these amazing birds and learn about their habits and habitats. In addition, enjoy our fun hands-on activity: dissecting owl pellets. Suitable for all ages.

The event is free but registration is required.

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



NOVEMBER 3, 2024 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

When local daylight time is about to reach 2:00 a.m. Sunday, November 3, 2024, clocks are turned backward 1 hour to 1:00 a.m. local standard time.

Greetings from Penn State Health Life Lion!

August marked three years of 911 emergency medical service to West Hempfield Township. In that time, we have seen an exceptionally high call volume answering well over a thousand 911 calls a month for service in the county.



Staffing challenges still impact our service. To meet this challenge, Life Lion will be holding an EMT Recruit Class in October at our Mount Joy station. If you are interested, check out our career opportunities at <https://www.pennstatehealth.org/careers>, or call our office at 717-435-8710.

Here are five simple things you can do to keep you and your family safe in the cooler weather and throughout the year:

1. Have a first aid kit handy in your home and car.
2. Learn CPR and basic first aid. These are lifesaving skills everyone should know, regardless of age.
3. Have a list of your medications, allergies, and current medical history to help first responders and medical staff provide the care you need.
4. Be weather ready. Dress appropriately for cold days. Take shelter when bad weather is approaching. Use caution traveling during heavy periods of rain. Don't drive through rising water. "Turn around, don't drown!"
5. Make sure your home is winter ready. Invest in a carbon monoxide detector and make sure your smoke detectors have fresh batteries.

Prevention is the best way to avoid the flu and a resurgence of COVID. Flu shots are available at many locations and have been shown to decrease the spread and duration of flu. Regular hand washing and avoiding contact with others when you feel ill are also good ways to prevent the spread of illness.

From all of us at Penn State Health Life Lion it is our pleasure to serve you and the rest of the communities in Lancaster County. We wish all of you good health and please stay safe.

If you are interested in an ambulance membership please visit us at <https://www.ambulancebilling-office.com/memberships/pennstatehealth.php>.



Police Promotions & Commendations

PROMOTION

Congrats to Corporal Karl Hartranft who was promoted to the rank of Sergeant! Sgt. Hartranft has been with West Hempfield Township Police since 2004 and has received numerous commendations over the years. He was officer of the Year in 2009 and 2014. He received the Medal of Valor (2016); Excellence in Criminal Investigations (2012) and played an integral role in helping to establish a professional Field Training Program in 2020. He has also helped trained numerous new officers in our agency.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

In June, the West Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors, along with Chief Lisa Layden, presented numerous awards and commendations to several police officers and volunteer firefighters from Columbia Borough Fire Department. Congratulations to all of our well deserving recipients, we are proud of you!

Commendations: Ofc. Darryl Marcus, Ofc. Geoffrey Hohman, Ofc. Dan Bell (Columbia Borough Police), Fire Chief Scott Ryno, Capt. Justin Misal, Firefighter Jordan Goodman and Firefighter Matt Reifsnyder

Excellence in Criminal Investigations: Ofc. Ruhama Lamure

Excellence in Training Initiative: Ofc. Chris Pfeiffer

Outstanding Volunteerism: Cpl. Richard Bowermaster, Ofc. Darryl Marcus, Ofc. Geoffrey Hohman, and Ofc. Cameron Powers

Officer of the Year: Ofc. Benjamin Johnson

We want to recognize Ofc. Johnson for his high level of commitment to those he serves and those he serves with. Ofc. Johnson is our department "Crime Scene Technician" and serves on the Lancaster County Forensic Unit. He provides our department and surrounding agencies with invaluable evidence identification, collection and processing expertise.

In addition, he has gone above and beyond in developing relationships with local adolescents and young people by serving at the Manos House and has built invaluable connections with the members of our community.

He has embraced our "Ride-a-long" program and helps give interested people a glimpse into the police world.

Ofc. Johnson also serves our own officers by taking the initiative to become our "Peer Support Officer" and being available to aid fellow officers in time of need/crisis. The health and well-being of our officers is of the utmost importance and we thank Ofc. Johnson for his devotion to this initiative.

For all of his actions, we proudly present Ofc. Johnson as our "Officer of the Year"!!



#PinkPatchProject

For the 5th year, the West Hempfield Township Police Department has partnered with Police Departments throughout the nation to participate in the #PinkPatchProject. With the goal of bringing awareness and attention to the fight against Breast Cancer, proceeds will benefit the Suzanne H. Arnold Center for Breast Health at Penn Medicine Lancaster. Funds will help with treatment and exam costs. More information about the project can be found at <https://www.pinkpatchproject.com>.



Look for our WHTPD officers displaying the #PinkPatch on their uniforms and selling patches to the community. Check out WHTPD's '24 PinkPatch and Pink Key Chain which are available for purchase at the Township Building for \$10.00.

Questions can be directed to Ofc. Marcus at 717-285-5192 x216 or marcusd@whtpd.org.



TOYS FOR TOTS

The 2024 Toys for Tots collection campaign will be held during the entire month of November. You will be able to find the classic Marine Toys

for Tots Foundation Boxes at many of your favorite local businesses and in the West Hempfield Township building.

This year WHTPD has partnered with other Lancaster County Police Departments and Toys for Tots-Lancaster, PA to deliver New/Unwrapped toys at Christmas to less fortunate youngsters in our community. Donations will be picked up in early December, with toys being distributed in mid-December, so don't delay.

If you have any questions or suggestions for donation locations, contact Ofc. Marcus at 717-285-5192 x216 or marcusd@whtpd.org.

BEARDS FOR BROTHERS (BFB)

Beards for Brothers (BFB) is a non-profit 501(c) with a mission of bringing awareness and raising money to alleviate some of the financial burden that families battling cancer will encounter. The recipient of the funds raised can be ANY First Responder or their family from Lancaster County. To date, BFB has raised over \$120,000 for our emergency responders, their families and the community.



Each year the participating police departments agree to waive their "no facial hair" policy during the month of November 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.

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2024-2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ALL MEETINGS HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

OCT	Tues. 1	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Tues. 8	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 10	Last Day to Purchase Large Appliance & Tire Blue Tag
	Sat. 12	Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up – 6:00 a.m. – noon
	Mon. 14	Curbside Leaf Collection Begins – East Side of Prospect Rd
	Thurs. 17	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Mon. 21	Curbside Leaf Collection Begins – West Side of Prospect Rd
	Mon. 28	Curbside Leaf Collection – East Side of Prospect Rd
	Thurs. 31	Halloween Trick-or-Treat (rain or shine) – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

NOV	Mon. 4	Curbside Leaf Collection – West Side of Prospect Rd
	Tues. 5	Election Day – OFFICES OPEN
	Thurs. 7	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Mon. 11	Veterans' Day Observed – OFFICES OPEN
	Mon. 11	Curbside Leaf Collection – East Side of Prospect Rd
	Tues. 12	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Mon. 18	Curbside Leaf Collection – West Side of Prospect Rd
	Thurs. 21	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Mon. 25	Last Week for Curbside Leaf Collection – East Side of Prospect Rd
	Th.-Fri. 28-29	Thanksgiving Observed – OFFICES CLOSED <i>Wed. trash customers not affected / Thurs. customers will be picked up Fri. 29th</i>

DEC	Mon. 2	Last Week for Curbside Leaf Collection – West Side of Prospect Rd Quarter 4 Trash Bills Due to West Hempfield Township
	Tues. 3	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Tues. 10	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 19	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Tues.-Wed. 24-25	Christmas Observed – OFFICES CLOSED <i>Wed. trash customers serviced Thurs. 26th / Thurs. customers serviced Fri. 27th</i>
	Thurs. 26	Christmas Tree Drop-off at Fairview Park Begins
	Tues. 31	Last Day for Woody Waste Drop Off (Closed January - March)

JAN	Wed. 1	New Year's Day Observed – OFFICES CLOSED
	Mon. 6	Board Organizational Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors Meeting to Follow Organizational Meeting Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Tues. 7	Board of Auditors Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
	Tues. 14	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 16	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Fri. 31	Christmas Tree Drop-off at Fairview Park Ends

FEB	Tues. 4	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Tues. 11	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 20	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Fri. 28	Quarter 1 Trash Bills Due to West Hempfield Township

MAR	Tues. 4	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Tues. 11	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 20	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

APR	Tues. 1	Board of Supervisors Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS (as needed)
	Tues. 8	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 17	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
	Fri. 18	Good Friday – OFFICES CLOSED
	TBD	Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up – 6:00 a.m. – noon (Contact Twp.)

New Employee Spotlight



Heather Fawber joined West Hempfield Township as the Assistant Director of Land Use in April, after she retired from the County of Lancaster. Heather is married and has two daughters, a granddaughter, and a grandson. She likes crafting with her Cricut, spending time with her

family, watching her grandchildren play sports and being at the beach. She and her husband enjoy going to concerts with genres ranging from Billy Joel to Metallica. Fun fact: Heather's favorite season is Fall.



TRICK-OR-TREAT 2024

Trick-or-Treat in West Hempfield Township is scheduled for **Thursday, October 31st, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**, in coordination with 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. In 2022, LIMC revised their policy to establish October 31 from 6-8pm 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 children to never enter a stranger's home or car.
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends.
- Tell them 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.



Beards for Brothers (BFB)

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Money collected is donated to the designated recipient and their family that has been referred and chosen for that year. A percentage is also donated to A Week Away Foundation. Donations are collected via a Go Fund Me account which is set up in late October. Keep an eye out on our website for more information!

Please contact Cpl. Rich Bowermaster at Bowermaster@whtpd.org for donations and inquiries. Like us on Facebook: Beards for Brothers Lancaster County, Pa.

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Columbia Water Company	684-2188
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District Justice Miles Bixler	684-2761
East Donegal Township.....	426-3167
East Hempfield Township	898-3100
East Hempfield Township Police	898-3101
Hempfield Area Recreation Commission (HARC).....	898-3102
Hempfield School District Tax Office	898-5565
Hempfield Water Authority.....	898-8231
Lancaster Area Sewer Authority (LASA).....	299-4843
Lancaster City Parks Department	299-8215
Lancaster County Property Assessment.....	299-8381
Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA).....	397-9968
Lancaster County Tax Assessment (Spring Tax)	299-8222
Lancaster County Voter Registration.....	299-8293
Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds	299-8238
Mountville Borough	285-5547
Mountville Public Library.....	285-3231
PA Department of Health.....	1-877-724-3258

PA One-Call System.....	811
PennDOT District 8 Lancaster County	299-7621
Penn State Health Life Lion Ambulance	435-8101
Poison Control Center.....	1-800-222-1222
PPL.....	1-800-342-5775
Sewage Enforcement Officer	786-3205
State Representative Brett Miller	295-5050
State Representative David Hickernell.....	684-5525
State Senator Ryan Aument	627-0036
UGI.....	1-800-276-2722
West Hempfield Fire & Rescue.....	285-4929

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