



Fall 2020

TOWNSHIP NEWS

Lower Allen Township • 2233 Gettysburg Road • Camp Hill, PA 17011



Board of Commissioners

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Leaf Collection Information

The annual leaf collection for Lower Allen will start on Monday October 19th and continue through the week of December 7th. **(With the exception of the Thanksgiving Holiday, November 26 – November 30th)** Crews will collect leaves weekly through each neighborhood. If you miss the collection for the week, you will have to wait until the next round to have your leaves removed. The picking machines are equipped with a 5-foot hose that sucks up the leaves into a holding box, which is attached to the truck. Please rake leaf rows to the street side of the curb, or within 5' of street edge where no curb exists, in long rows, not large piles. Leaves that are not raked within 5 feet of the road will not be collected. The efforts of leaf collection crews are focused on collecting bulk volumes of leaves as efficiently as possible. It is not practical to spend time vacuuming all the leaf debris only to have more leaves accumulate a few hours later. At the end of the season, after the last round of leaf collection, the Township street sweeper will clean the streets to remove any remaining debris.

Collection from East to West - Weekly leaf collection will begin in the eastern section of the Township (Allendale) and proceed towards the southern and western sections (Lisburn /Windsor Park areas). Updates regarding leaf collection will be posted on the website at www.latwp.org or information can be obtained by calling Public Works at 717-975-7575 Ext. 2104, during regular business hours.

Just Leaves - Only Leaves may be raked or placed roadside. Do not place sticks, boards, bricks, rocks or other items in the leaf piles.

Clear the way - Roadside trees should be trimmed to the legal height of 14 feet and roadside basketball nets need to be set behind the curb line.

Delays - Heavy accumulations of leaves, inclement weather and machine breakdowns may delay the collection of your leaves. Please be patient as crews do their best to service your area.



DON'T:
Let leaves remain spread out or piled between or under parked cars.



DO:
Please rake leaves into long windrows, not large piles.



DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

Lower Allen Township

2233 Gettysburg Road • Camp Hill, PA 17011

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Phone: 717-975-7575 • www.latwp.org

Tax Office - Phone: 717-737-5671

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

KEY STAFF EXT

Thomas G Vernau, Jr., Manager	1001
Erin G. Trone, Assistant Manager and Director of Economic and Community Development	1002
Richard Grove, Finance Director	1202
Daniel Flint, P.E., Township Engineer & Director of Public Works	1101
Bryan Harshbarger, Public Works Coordinator	2106
Dave Holl, Director of Public Safety	1601
Leon Crone, Police Captain	1515
Tony Deaven, EMS Captain	1810
Frank Wirth, Fire Captain	1311
David Murdoch, Fire Chief, Lower Allen Fire Co.	1302
Frank Williamson, Fire Chief - Lisburn	766-3994
Donna Paul, Human Resources	1402
Becky Davis, MS4 Coordinator-Stormwater	1010

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency Police • Fire • EMS	9-1-1 (24-hours a day)
Non-Emergency & After Hours	717-238-9676
Poison Control Center	1-800-222-1222
PPL	1-800-342-5775
UGI	1-800-962-1212
PA American Water	1-800-565-7292
Suez Water Company	1-888-844-0352
Lower Allen Sewer Authority	717-774-0610
Penn Waste (Trash & Recycling)	717-767-4456
Trash Complaints - call the Township	975-7575, ext. 1115
Cleve J. Fredricksen Library	717-761-3900
New Cumberland Public Library	717-774-7820
Joseph T. Simpson Library	717-766-0171
West Shore Recreation Commission www.westshorerec.org	717-920-9515
Representative Sheryl Delozier 2929 Gettysburg Rd., Suite 6, Camp Hill, PA 17011	717-761-4665
Senator Mike Regan 2151 Market Street Camp Hill, PA 17011	717-975-1985
U.S. Representative Scott Perry	717-635-9504
U.S. Senator Robert Casey, Jr.	717-231-7540
U.S. Senator Pat Toomey	717-782-3951

OFFICIALS IN ACTION



*The Board of Commissioners
approved the following:*

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2020-R-22 Adopting minimum municipal obligation payable to the Lower Allen Township Police Pension Plan and the Lower Allen Township Non-Uniform Pension Plan in fiscal year 2021, and appropriating specific sums known as the Pension Budget for fiscal year 2021. (Adopted 8-24-2020.)

Resolution 2020-R-23 2020 Records Disposition (Adopted 9-14-2020).

Resolution 2020-R-24, Recognizing Linda D. McCool for 25 years of service to Lower Allen Township. (Adopted 9-28-2020)

Resolution 2020-R-25, Recognizing Beverly A. Putric for 25 years of service to Lower Allen Township. (Adopted 9-28-2020)

Resolution 2020-R-26, Recognizing Troy L. McNair for 25 years of service to Lower Allen Township. (Adopted 9-28-2020)

Resolution 2020-R-27, Recognizing Leon G. Crone, Jr. for 25 years of service to Lower Allen Township. (Adopted 9-28-2020)

Resolution 2020-R-28, Recognizing John M. Eby for 35 years of service to Lower Allen Township. (Adopted 9-28-2020)

Resolution 2020-R-29, Adopting the updated Emergency Operations Plan of Lower Allen Township. (Adopted 9-28-2020)

ORDINANCE

Ordinance 2020-03, Amending the code of the Township of Lower Allen, Chapter 180, Solid Waste, at Article I, Recycling, Article II, Collection and Disposal of Solid Waste, and Article III, Collection and Disposal of Yard Waste. (Enacted 9-28-2020)



Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Update Conserving Water this Fall

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO MANAGE STORMWATER ON YOUR PROPERTY THIS SEASON:

- **Plant trees.** Fall is a perfect time for planting trees and shrubs. Be sure to plant species native to PA.
- **Prune your trees, shrubs, and perennials.** Fall is the best time to prune trees and other plants in your yard. Pruning allows them to jump-start their growth and utilize more stormwater.
- **Clear leaves and debris from gutters.** Clearing leaves and other debris from your gutters from leaves and other debris will avoid overflows of stormwater that could cause damage on both the interior and exterior of your home.
- **Keep storm drains near your property clear of trash and debris.** Since they flow directly into local waterways, it is important that only water enters storm drains. Leaves and debris can block stormwater from flowing into the storm drains and can cause localized flooding.



A smart way to shovel your drive

How to reduce the possibility of getting a huge pile of snow in your driveway opening when snowplows clear your street:





ATTENTION: Businesses and Organizations, let us help you get your information in front of many Township News readers.

Price	Ad Size# of Issues	
\$250.00	(3 1/2 x 2)	4
\$75.00	(3 1/2 x 2)	1
\$600.00	(6 1/2 x 4)	4
\$175.00	(6 1/2 x 4)	1

To arrange for your ad to be published in the next quarterly issue, available in January, call 975-7575, ext. 1003 or email hgrundon@latwp.org.



- ⇒ Labiotique – 3559 Capital City Mall Drive
- ⇒ Shirley Rae's Ice Cream Shop – 1347 Saxton Way
- ⇒ Dollar Tree – 3401 Hartzdale Drive, Suite 106

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 1st, 2020! Don't forget when you change your clock, also change the batteries in your smoke detectors too!!!



SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!!!!

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Meetings are held at the Lower Allen Township Municipal Services Center
(unless noted other wise)

TAX OFFICE (737-5671) Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10 am - 2 pm

OCTOBER

1 Sewer Authority	7:30 pm
1 Stormwater Authority	7:30 pm
5 Board of Commissioners - Budget Meeting	6:00 pm
12 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
18 Lisburn Chicken BBQ	11:00 to 1:30, or till sold out
15 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
19 Development Authority	6:00 pm
19 Board of Commissioners- Budget Meting	7:00 pm
20 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
26 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
28 Recreation and Parks Board	7:00 pm
29 Trick or Treat	6:00 pm—8:00 pm

NOVEMBER

5 Sewer Authority	7:30 pm
5 Stormwater Authority	7:30 pm
9 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
8 Lisburn Fire Co. Turkey Dinner	11:00 to 1:30
11 Veterans Day—Township Offices Closed	
16 Development Authority	6:00 pm
16 Board of Commissioners - Budget Meeting	7:00pm
17 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
18 Recreation and Parks Board	7:00 pm
19 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
23 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
26-27 Thanksgiving—Township Offices Closed	

DECEMBER

3 Sewer Authority	7:30 pm
3 Stormwater Authority	7:30 pm
14 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
21 Development Authority	6:00 pm
15 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
17 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
28 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
25 Christmas Holiday—Township Offices Closed	

JANUARY

1 New Years Holiday—Township Offices Closed	
7 Sewer Authority	7:30 pm
7 Stormwater Authority	7:30 pm
11 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
18 Development Authority	6:00 pm
19 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
21 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
25 Board of Commissioners	7:00 pm
27 Recreation and Parks Board	7:00 pm

TAXATION • BUDGET HEARINGS

Taxation - Part 1

According to the old saying, taxes make up one-half of certainty. This article is the first in a 4-part series and briefly covers its history.

The first towns, Mumford tells us in *City in History*, served as containers to hold community property (i.e. taxation prototypes) such as stores of grain to protect against famine. As city populations swelled beyond human-scale, true taxation began along with externalities such as corruption and economic impairment. Some of the earliest writings are cuneiform tallies of tax payments, no doubt invented to curb these problems.



Ancient Rome contributed greatly to taxation advancement. The economies of the providences had become so devastated by taxation that further increases actually decreased total revenue. Luke's passage, "And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city" gives witness to the world's first large-scale tax reform. Caesar discarded indiscriminate taxation by force and replaced it with a per capita and property tax backed by an administrative bureaucracy. It cost more to collect, but it provided a better return and more economically stable providences. Perhaps it could be argued that these taxes were also more just.

After a return to human-scale in the middle ages, new forms of government emerged along with new visions for taxation. What an ancient Roman might not dare to utter now became sentiment-swaying slogans. "No taxation without representation" ushered in a new world order.

The rapid economic expansion that followed saw governmental growth and a means for sophisticated forms of taxation. By 1900, taxation took about 7% of U.S. GDP. This grew to about 24% in 2012. The average at that time for developed countries was 34%. In general, European countries have much higher taxes than those of Asia, Australia, and North America. The U.S. currently has the lowest level of taxation of all developed nations.

The developed countries, in general, saw permanent spikes in taxation as a percent of GDP following the two world wars. In the U.S., these occurred during the depression, where the tax-our-way-to-prosperity curative failed to work, and again immediately after WWII. Only in the U.S. did tax as a percent of GDP decrease since then, but only slightly.

As the Kinks apparently realized as they lazed on a sunny afternoon, taxation still may not be exactly what we want it to be. In 1776, Adam Smith proposed four taxation goals; equality of contributions, certainty of contributions (i.e. lack of arbitrariness), convenience of payment, and minimal collection cost. Many more goals have been proposed since them. New questions, such as who truly carries the tax burden, are particularly difficult to answer. These will be subjects for future installments.

BUDGET HEARINGS

The Commissioners will hear presentations from Staff regarding their 2021 budget requests on the following dates:

Monday, October 5th at 6:00 pm
Monday, October 19th at 7:00 pm
Monday, November 16th at 7:00 pm

The meetings are open to the public. Residents are invited to come and witness the budget process in action.

EMPLOYEE MILESTONES • AMBULANCE SUBSCRIPTIONS

TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES REACH MILESTONES

Lower Allen Township is proud to recognize the following employees for their years of service. The employees were formally recognized at a recent Board of Commissioners meeting. All of our employees provide a valuable service to the residents and we hope you'll join us in applauding their milestones.

<i>NAME</i>	<i>YEARS</i>	<i>STATUS</i>	<i>JOB TITLE</i>	<i>DEPT.</i>
Jeffrey Brewbaker	5 Years	Full-time	Maintenance Specialist	Public Works
Erin Trone	10 Years	Full-time	Assistant Manager/ Community and Economic Development Director	Administration/Community and Economic Development Departments
Thomas Stambaugh	15 Years	Full-time	Parks Superintendent	PW/Parks Dept.
Linda McCool	25 Years	Full-time	Police/Clerical Supervisor	Police Department
Beverly Putric	25 Years	Full-time	Billing Analyst	Finance Department
Leon Crone	25 Years	Full-time	Police Captain	Police Department
Troy McNair	25 Years	Full-time	Criminal Investigator	Police Department
John Eby	35 Years	Full-time	Building & Zoning Coordinator	Community and Economic Development Departments



Assistant Manager/
Community and Economic
Development Director
Erin Trone, 10 Years



Building and Zoning Coordinator
John Eby, 35 Years.



Police Captain, Leon Crone, 25 Years

SCOUT NEWS

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Matthew Spaulding, son of Melinda and Jeremy Spaulding of Fairview Township, completed his Eagle Scout project at Creekwood Park in Allendale. Matthew is a member of Boy Scout Troop 312 in Lisburn. Matthew constructed a boardwalk over a marshy area along the Allendale-Beacon Hill Trail near the Allendale entrance to the trail. We thank Matthew for providing this facility for the residents of Lower Allen Township.



Thanks

Alex McQuade, son of William McQuade and Susan Lacomba of Lower Allen Township, completed his Eagle Scout project at Lower Allen Community Park. Alex is a member of Boy Scout Troop 51 in Camp Hill. Alex built and placed six wood duck boxes near the Yellow Breeches Creek along the Garstad Nature Trail and cleaned up the bank of the Creek. We appreciate the contribution that Alex has made to the Nature Trail and the ecosystem out at the Park.

Way To Go!

Nathan Abdelmalek, son of Chris and Renee Abdelmalek of Fairview Township, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout on August 27th, 2020. Nathan is a member of Boy Scout Troop 312 in Lisburn. Nathan constructed an informational kiosk and little library box for Peter's Field, an informational kiosk for Highland Estates playground, and a trash/recycling corral for Highland Park playground.



Ambulance Subscription Renewals

The 2021 Ambulance Subscription Renewals will be mailed out by the end of the year 2020. Subscriptions are good for the calendar year of 2021. The Board of Commissioners will be setting the rates for 2021 at one of their October meetings.

Why have a subscription? The cost of a trip in an ambulance is very high and insurance generally does not pay the full bill. A subscription can help you save money if you have called 911, are transported to the hospital via ambulance, and the trip is deemed medically necessary by the insurance company. In this case you are not liable for any amounts over the insurance payment if you have a valid subscription. Subscriptions **DO NOT** cover routine transportation, transportation for stretcher or wheelchair, or transportation that is not medically necessary. You are responsible for additional mileage costs if you are transported past the closest appropriate facility.



Trick or Treat

Safety Tips

Lower Allen Township's Trick or Treat is Thursday, October 29, from 6-8

Walk Safely

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Put electronic devices down and keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.
- Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible. Children should walk on direct routes with the fewest street crossings.
- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

Trick or Treat With an Adult

- Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. If kids are mature enough to be out without supervision, they should stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.

Keep Costumes Both Creative & Safe

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

Drive Extra Safely on Trick or Treat Night

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited on Trick or Treat and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
- Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.

Emergency Vehicles will be at these locations

6:00 to 7:00pm

- Letchworth Drive & Kent Drive (18th St. end)
- Somerset Drive & Maple Drive
- Lancaster Boulevard & Oxford Drive
- Letchworth Road & Chatham Road
- Tisbury Circle
- Lisburn Estates & Allen Estates



7:00 to 8:00pm

- Allendale Way & Blacklatch Lane
- Scarsdale Drive & Neponsit Lane
- Sheepford Crossing Park
- William Penn Drive & Wayne Road
- Citadel Drive & Colgate Drive
- Fox Hollow Road & Canyon Creek

LA ALERTS • HALLOWEEN DECORATIONS



Receive Lower Allen Community Notifications

Subscribing is easy! Simply go the Township web page at www.latwp.org and click on **LA Alerts** at the bottom of the page. Here you will be able to create an account and list the phone numbers and email addresses you wish to be included as contacts. **Please include your street address during the registration process.** You can also then choose the level of contact and join contact groups. If you have any difficulty, you can also subscribe by calling us at 717-975-7575 Ext. 1602 and we will assist you in registering.

If you do not have access to a computer, please complete the form below and mail to Lower Allen Township, 2233 Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011, Attn: LA ALERTS (or use the drop box near the flag pole in our parking lot).

Please PRINT

I am a Lower Allen Township: ___Resident___Business



NAME AND ADDRESS

Resident or Business Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Apartment or Suite #: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

PHONE AND EMAIL

Phone (HOME): () ____-____

Phone (CELL): () ____-____ Circle One (TEXT or VOICE) EMAIL: _____

Phone (CELL): () ____-____ Circle One (TEXT or VOICE) EMAIL: _____

Phone (CELL): () ____-____ Circle One (TEXT or VOICE)

GROUP SUBSCRIPTIONS

I would like to subscribe to the following groups: ___ Emergency Alerts ___ Flood Plain Alerts ___ TMI Alerts

___ Leaf/Trash Pick-up ___ Weather Alerts ___ Township Newsletters/Events ___ LA Business Owner/Operator

HALLOWEEN DECORATIONS

Halloween is quickly approaching, and soon we will see our neighborhoods decorated with scary witches, ghosts, goblins and demons. While we appreciate the hard work and creativity that goes into some of these displays, we also ask that folks use common sense when developing displays that may be offensive to others. We've seen displays that could be considered "adult" in nature, and one a few years ago that was viewed as racist by a viewer.

Also, with all the little monsters, robots, and princesses walking through the neighborhoods trick-or-treating, please place your displays where they cannot be tripped over. Please accompany the little ones, make them cross streets at the intersections, and if possible, build some reflectivity into the costume.

Trick or Treat will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Thursday, October 29th this year.

Lisburn Community Fire Company

**Thank You
for "Driving Thru"
Our Festival**

Thank you to our Community who came out to support us during our drive-thru Festival this year. We are so glad we were able to provide our famous homemade foods including our fresh French fries. **Thank you for your generosity** and we hope to be able to have our full festival next year. Mark your calendar for the 2021 Festival—August 11-14th.



DRIVE THRU

OCTOBER 18th

11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Each \$9.00 dinner includes one half barbecued chicken, a baked potato, applesauce, a roll, butter, and a bottle of water. Signs will direct traffic flow into our property to Brenda Avenue (alley) to the pavilion and exit out near the fire hall.

NOVEMBER 8th

To-Go Turkey Dinner



We will be serving to-go Turkey Dinners from 11:00 -1:30 in the social hall. Come into our cashier, pay for dinners, pick up your dinners and dessert and exit to enjoy your dinners at home. Dinners include turkey with mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, corn, cranberry sauce, a roll and dessert. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and children

4 to 10 are just \$4.25. We will be taking credit cards for this event. Thank you for your support.

Thank you
FOR YOUR SUPPORT

1800 Main Street, Lisburn (717) 766-3994
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 www.lisburnfire.org
LisburnFire24@gmail.com

National Honor Guard Graduates

CONGRATULATIONS!



Public Safety Officer Bryce Landis and Emergency Medical Technician Amy Nye recently graduated from the National Honor Guard Academy. During the academy training they were taught the necessary skills to honor our fallen Police, Fire, and EMS personnel following a Line of Duty Death (LODD). They were taught how to care for their families, and how to prepare and plan for their funerals.

It may seem like a monumental task, but the training taught Bryce, Amy and their fellow classmates how to come together as a team to make sure the smallest details are taken care of. It takes a well-oiled machine, lots of people, and a heart to serve one another. They utilized the Nation Incident Management System for proper Command and Control of the event.

Reflecting on the training, Bryce said, "Did I mention that it takes a lot of people? We had 31 students in our class and quickly realized that we were outnumbered with all the tasks needed to make the event happen. From Clergy, to the family, to the people in charge of the catering, there is a lot of people involved for an event as important as this; to Honor the life of a Public Servant. We mostly want to honor the fallen, but we also want the families to know how important their loved one was and how much that person meant to all of them."

Congratulation to Bryce and Amy for their dedicated service to the community, the first responders, and their cherished families!

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP POLICE



Lower Allen Township Police's Department's No-shave, Nifty Nails, and Pink Patch Activities for October



Unshaven officers? Wild and crazy nail polish? Yes. It's that time of year! No Shave and Nifty Nails time! Last year, your Lower Allen Township Police Department participated with several others and was able to raise a significant amount of money for Pink Hands of Hope, a local charitable organization dedicated to working with cancer patients (www.pinkhandsofhope.org). We're doing it again this year and stepping it up a notch.



In addition to officers paying for the privilege of not shaving or wearing unconventional nail polish (we're normally limited to neatly trimmed moustaches and neutral nail colors), we are also participating in the Pink Patch Project. We will have available, by mail or in-person at the station, a pinked-out version of our shoulder patch for purchase with a minimum donation of \$10. Details and order form are here: <https://bit.ly/35Xt5FW>

More information on the Pink Patch Project is available at <https://pinkpatchproject.com/pennsylvania/538-lower-allen-township>

Through the months of October and November, patches will be available, beards will be grown, and nails will be nifty. All proceeds will go to Pink Hands of Hope.

Not interested in a patch, but still want to donate to the cause? Check out our Facebook fundraiser page at <https://bit.ly/3mLrPvJ>



2020 Stormwater Project Update

As part of our Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP) mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), Lower Allen Township retrofitted two stormwater detention basins into Bioretention Facilities this year. The locations of the projects are as follows:

Lower Allen Township Public Works Facility - 1400 Saint Johns Road, Camp Hill – basin is located in front of the public works building along Saint Johns Road.

Sheepford Crossing Subdivision – Basin is located at the intersection of Lisburn and Sheepford Road.

Construction began this summer and both basins were completed at the end of September. The projects were required due to a federal mandate from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and PADEP to remove pollutants from our stormwater runoff. Retrofitting the basins from detention basins into a bioretention facilities will reduce the pollutants that enter our stormwater runoff that would eventually reach the Cedar Run, Yellow Breeches Creek, Susquehanna River, and eventually the Chesapeake Bay. Both projects were funded in part by grants received from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. Educational signage will be placed at both locations indicating the plant species in the basins and their contribution to improving water quality in the Yellow Breeches Watershed.

There will be additional stormwater basin retrofit projects in Lower Allen Township in the coming years. Look for updates in future articles of the Township Newsletter. If you have any questions regarding any of the upcoming projects please contact Rebecca Davis, Stormwater Program Manager, at rdavis@latwp.org, or 717-975-7575 ext. 1010.



Public Works Basin Preexisting Conditions.



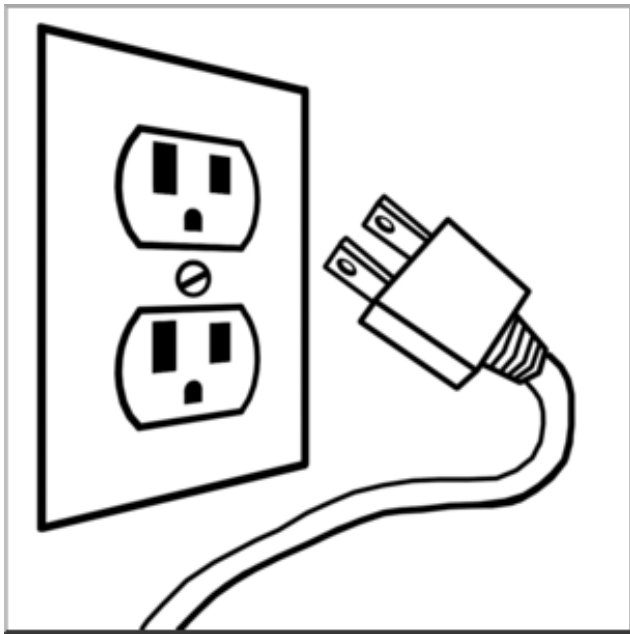
Public Works Basin after planting.



Sheepford Crossing Basin Preexisting Conditions.



Sheepford Crossings Basin after planting.



Electrical Safety

Where is the closest outlet? How much power does each device draw? How much can the electrical circuit for this outlet handle? Can I use an extension cord or a power strip? These are four important questions you should be asking yourself when you go to plug in something.

Extension Cords—When using an extension cord, be sure to match the capability of the cord with the power demand of the device you are connecting to your electrical system. If you are using items like heaters, power tools and vacuums, always make sure the extension cord has the proper gauge, voltage rating and amperage rating to handle the above-average load of these types of items. Overloading the extension

cord might heat it up quickly, which can cause melting and possibly a fire.

- ◆ Extension cords are for **TEMPORARY USE ONLY**. Temporary means non-permanent.
- ◆ Extension cords are not a safe solution if you do not have enough outlets. Have a competent electrician install additional outlets, with required electrical permit and inspection to assure safety.
- ◆ Do not use extension cords that have visible defects or wear.
- ◆ Extension cords should not be run inside wall cavities.
- ◆ Do not run extension cords under rugs. This might cause overheating and possibly a fire.
- ◆ Do not run extension cords through doorways. This causes a tripping hazard. Also, the cord can become pinched, which might cause overheating and possibly a fire.
- ◆ If you need to join two extension cords together (for a longer reach), make sure both cords are both the appropriate gauge to handle the extra length.

Power Strips—Power strips come in two basic types, consumer grade and commercial grade. Consumer grade is the most common type being used. Most devices of this type are made of plastic, which is very prone to melting or catching fire if the unit overheats. Commercial grade power strips have a modular construction and use simplex or duplex receptacles that protrude through the cover. Most of these strips are made of steel or aluminum. This type of construction will generally not melt or burn. Commercial strips are designed and built for a wider variety of uses.

- ◆ Power strips are not to be used in a moist or damp environment, or outdoors.
- ◆ Power strips are not a safe solution if you do not have enough outlets. Have a competent electrician install additional outlets, with required electrical permit and inspection to assure safety.
- ◆ Do not daisy chain power strips together.
- ◆ Use the correct power strip for the job—They should carry a UL (Underwriters Laboratory) or ETL (Electrical Testing Laboratory) rating label on them.
- ◆ Replace the power strip at the first sign of failure, overuse, overheating or visible defects or wear.

PART TIME EMPLOYEES NEEDED • WINTER PARKING

PART TIME PLOW DRIVERS AND SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL

If you are interested in making a few extra bucks this winter and don't mind long hours in challenging conditions, the Township may have a place for you as a part-time snowplow operator. During heavy storms or storms of long duration, having more trucks on the road helps keep ahead of the accumulation and give regular operators a chance to get some rest. A Commercial Drivers License (CDL) is not necessary, but previous plowing experience is a plus. If you don't have experience, we'll train you. Starting rate is \$16.00 per hour for non-CDL holders and \$17.50 per hour for CDL holders. You can find a General Employment Application on the township website, www.latwp.org, under the Information drop-down menu.

The Township is also looking for individuals or contractors to clear Township-owned sidewalks following snowstorms. There is no minimum age, but school-age individuals will need to provide working papers from their school district. The Township will provide ice melt, but individuals must provide their own equipment. Sidewalk must be cleared within 24 hours of the end of the snowfall. Starting rate is \$18.00 per hour. For more information, please contact the Public Works Secretary at (717) 975-7575 ext. 2104, or at whayden@latwp.org.

VOLUNTEER SNOW SHOVELING

If you wish to donate your time to help clear sidewalks and driveways for the elderly, disabled or infirm, please contact Township Secretary Helen Grundon at (717) 975-7575, ext. 1003 or hgrundon@latwp.org. We are putting together a database of volunteers for folks in need to contact for help this winter.

Winter Parking



The Police Department would like to remind residents about parking regulations in effect during the upcoming winter season. Beginning December 1 through March 31, residents may only park their vehicles on one side of the street as indicated by the street signs. The side that is permitted for parking alternates on a monthly basis. Please be sure that you are parking on the correct side of the street. Your compliance allows the Public Works Department to get into the developments to quickly clear a travel lane without weaving between vehicles parked on opposite sides of the street. If a snow emergency is declared you have six (6) hours to remove vehicles from the public roadway. If vehicle (s) are not moved from the roadway within the six hours the vehicle (s) will be towed. The following streets have odd/even signs posted:

19th Street	Elmhurst Road	Letchworth Road	Shoreham Road
20th Street	Highland Drive	Letchworth Drive	Strafford Road
Apple Drive	Kelton Road	Manchester Road	Village Road
Chatham Road	Kent Road	Norman Road	Warwick Road
Chatham Drive	Kent Drive	Oxford Drive	Wyndham Road
Cherokee Avenue	Kingsley Road		

Vehicles that are in violation of the **odd/even** parking requirements are subjected to being ticketed.

CURBSIDE YARD WASTE • BULK ITEM DISPOSAL

Curbside Yard Waste Collection

The Township's yard waste recycling program started in April, with collection by your trash hauler on your regular trash day. Yard waste collection will proceed through the last week in November. Residents may bring their yard waste directly to the Public Works facility, located at 1400 St. Johns Road, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:00am – 3:00pm. The second Saturday drop off will end in November. **Lower Allen households are limited to four loads of brush (yard debris), per calendar year. A \$25.00 fee will be assessed for households exceeding their 4 load limit.**



Landscape Contractors working at properties in the Township may haul yard waste generated at those properties to the Public Works facility when accompanied by the resident, or with prior approval.

Yard waste consists of garden debris, leaves, sticks, branches and stumps (no larger than 14 inches in diameter). Grass clippings and sod are NOT considered yard waste and should be bagged and put out with regular garbage, or composted.

Yellow yard waste bins should be used for smaller manageable amounts of debris. No trash bags or garbage should be mixed in with the yard waste. Branches must be bundled with twine or string, and not exceed 6 feet in length or 4 inches in diameter. Maximum weight is 45lbs. Yellow yard waste bins can be picked up at the Municipal Services Center during regular business hours. Unlimited amounts of yard debris may be placed curbside, using the previously stated guidelines.

BULK ITEM DISPOSAL

One bulk item per week can be picked up curbside by your trash hauler. For residents' convenience, four loads per household per calendar year can be brought to the Public Works facility. The business hours for dropping off items at Public Works is Monday – Friday between the hours of 7:00am – 3:00pm. For residents' convenience, the facility is open the second Saturday of the month 8:00am – 1:00pm, from April through November.

Bulk items - Household appliances, furniture, carpet and wooden items - (outdoor furniture, swings and landscaping timbers). Lawn mowers, snow blowers, trimmers, etc. (with all fluids removed) will also be accepted. **A \$25.00 fee will be assessed for households exceeding their 4 load limit.**

Shingles, concrete, dirt, paint, tires, oil, fuel, glass, pressurized tanks, TV's and Computer Equipment WILL NOT be accepted.

Please refer to the Cumberland County website, www.ccpa.net, for recycling guidelines and disposal locations for electronics and hazardous materials.



Yellow Yard Waste Recycling Containers are available at:
Municipal Services Center, 2233 Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011
Between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm, Monday-Friday.
Limit one per residence.



CUMBERLAND COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL



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www.ccpa.net/vector

What is Cumberland County Vector Control, and how do we handle mosquito complaints?

Cumberland County Vector Control handles the surveillance of West Nile Virus throughout the county. We set specific data collection traps weekly to monitor areas that have had mosquitoes test positive for West Nile in the past.

How do we handle nuisance situations? If you put in a complaint at CCPA.net/vector, we will contact you with information on how we will proceed with the complaint. A representative from our office will come to your property to look for standing water. If water is found in something that is easily removable like a bucket or child's toy, it will be dumped. If the water is found containing larvae in a larger or inaccessible object, like a catch basin or a retention basin, we will treat it with a granular BTI product.

If a water source is not found, we will set a data collection trap designed specifically to collect nuisance, meal seeking mosquitoes.

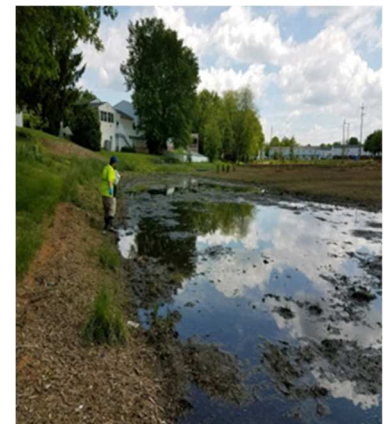
Rarely do we use adult spraying to combat a nuisance program. The reason for this is due to the cycle of the mosquitoes causing an issue. They are mainly active during the daytime, however to lessen our environmental impact we must spray at night. For this reason we must find the source of the mosquito problem and eliminate it.



Vector Control employee
setting a data collection trap

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Vector Control employee
treating a retention pond
where larvae were present

BOARD & COMMISSION VOLUNTEERS • TAX OFFICE

Board and Commission Volunteers Needed

Vacancies appear from time to time on the various boards and commissions that serve the residents of our Township. These boards and commissions include:

Planning Commission	Zoning Hearing Board
Sewer Authority	Development Authority
Recreation & Parks Board	Civil Service Commission
Stormwater Authority	



If you have a couple of hours a month to spare to engage with your fellow residents for the betterment of the community, then please send your resume and cover letter, indicating your areas of interest, to Township Secretary Helen Grundon. If you need information about what these boards & commissions do, please contact Township Manager Thomas Vernau at 975-7575 x 1001.

QUARTERLY TAX TIPS

“Professional, Yet Personal...That’s My Bottom Line”Bonnie K. Miller

Important Dates and Info to Add To Your Fall Calendar...

The West Shore School District extended the discount period until October 1st and face period until December 1st per Act 25. The last day to take advantage of the West Shore School District real estate tax bills at the face amount is Tuesday, December 1st. Please remember that a 10% penalty will automatically be added on December 2nd, 2020.

You should have received a \$7,074 Homestead Exclusion on your July 1st, 2020 West Shore School District Real Estate tax bill, if you did not, perhaps you are a new homeowner or didn’t apply for it, the next window to apply for the Homestead Exclusion is December 15, 2020 through March 1, 2021. You can obtain that form on Cumberland County’s website, CCPA.net. If you take the \$7,074 Homestead Exclusion amount and multiply it by 12.32 mils it equals \$87.15. Your assessment on your house will go back to the original assessment before the Homestead Exclusion since that only applies to the West Shore School District real estate tax bill.

Tax Office Hours – The Tax Office will remain closed at this time. I tried opening the Tax Office the last week of Discount and had taxpayers entering without masks and not within the 6 foot social distancing recommended by the CDC. If you stop by the Tax Office and it is closed, you can drop your tax payment in the silver box by the flagpole or the black pedestal mailbox outside my office door. You may also mail your payment. If you would like a paid receipt for your taxes, PLEASE include both copies of your tax bill and a self-addressed stamped envelope, so I can mail your receipt back to you. Tax Office will be closed the weeks of October 12th-23rd, November 23rd-30th, and December 23rd-January 1, 2021.

I can be reached via email bmiller@latwp.org or my home phone (717) 763-7960

FREDRICKSEN LIBRARY• WEST SHORE REC NEWS

Fredricksen Library News



Fall Bag Book Sale

The Friends of the Fredricksen Library are hosting a Bag Book Sale from Thursday, October 1 thru Monday, October 5. The sale will be open from 12pm-7pm on weekdays, and 1pm-5pm on weekends. Bags will be \$10.00 each and you can fill your bag with Adult Fiction and Non-fiction books.

Friends of Fredricksen Online Silent Auction

Mark your calendars now for the 2020 Friends ONLINE Silent Auction beginning November 6, with the preview starting October 30. Watch for this year's items to be displayed in the library and online beginning in early October.

We have a variety of programs and activities for all ages taking place this fall and winter both in person and virtually at the library! Visit our website at www.fredricksenlibrary.org for a complete list of events. Be sure to follow us on social media to stay up-to-date on our happenings. Look for us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Thank you for supporting Fredricksen Library!

Fredricksen Library 100 N. 19th Street Camp Hill, PA 17011 717-761-3900



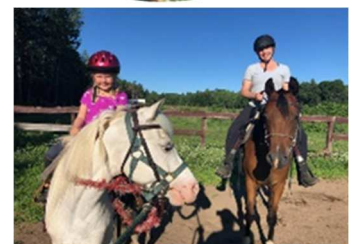
It's a Great Time to Fall Back into Activities!



WSRec is excited for the community to be together again and to enjoy recreation-based programs & experiences this season!

Fall is here and everyone is starting their routines all over again. It is important to stay active, learn something new and find activities to integrate into your daily life.

Many of you have relied on WSRec for your activity fun as well as health and wellness opportunities. Unfortunately, the pandemic crisis has had a significant impact on West Shore Rec's ability to generate revenue. If you are able, we would be deeply grateful for any financial support you can give.



To register for an activity or to make a donation, visit our website at www.westshorerec.org or call the WSRec office at 717-920-9515. You can also donate by sending a check to: West Shore Rec., P. O. Box 413, Lewisberry, PA 17339.



Lower Allen Township

2233 Gettysburg Road · Camp Hill , PA 17011



SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL AFTER STORMS

Please remember that there is an Ordinance that is enforced for snow removal in Lower Allen Township:

- Sidewalks must be clear of ice and/or snow within 24 hours after the precipitation stops.
- Snow shall not be thrown into the roadways when clearing sidewalks and driveways,
- Snow may not be pushed into the yards of other residents and businesses when clearing driveways , sidewalks and parking lots.

2020 Newsletter Subscription Form

- ☐ Yes! I am enclosing \$5.00 with this completed form. Sign me up today for delivery of the Township News to my mail box, for a one time payment of only \$5.00 for the entire year of 2020.

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