



Winter 2024

TOWNSHIP NEWS

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



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board of Commissioners

L to R: Commissioner Josh Nagy;
Commissioner Chuck Brown;
President Dean W. Villone;
Vice President H. Edward Black;
Commissioner Jennifer M. Caron

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6pm

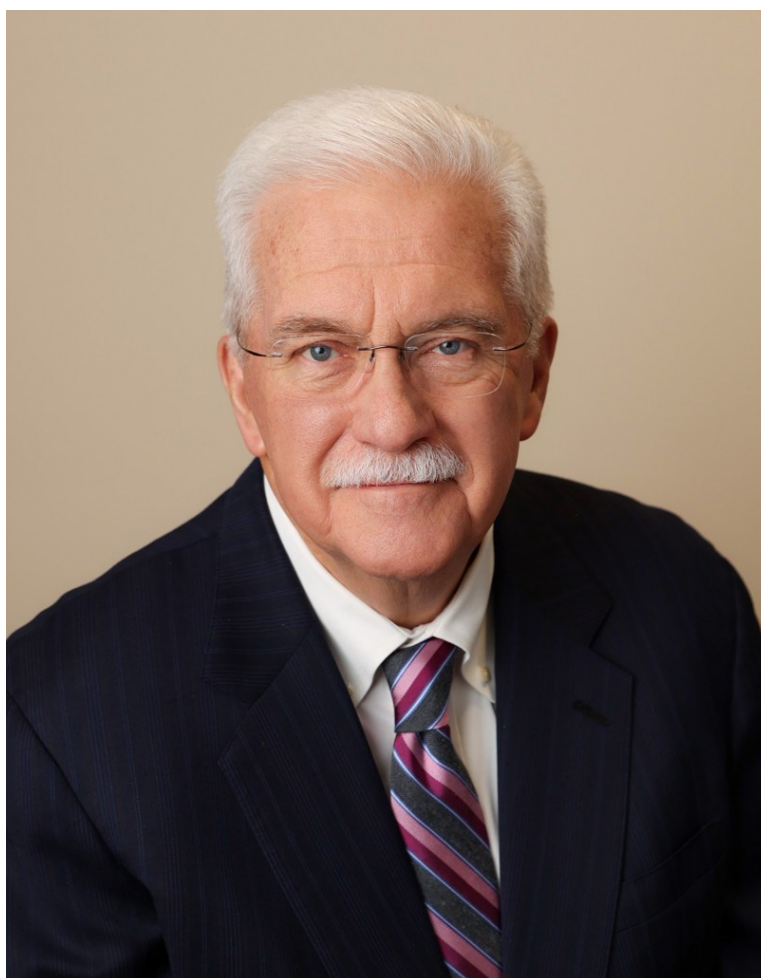
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ED BLACK RETIRES FROM BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

After a career serving the residents of Lower Allen Township that began in the early 80's, Commissioner H. Edward (Ed) Black decided not to run for re-election in 2023. Ed leaves to spend more time with his family, his businesses, and his role as President of the Board of Trustees of the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art.

Ed first became a Commissioner in 1982 when he was appointed to finish the term of James Johnston, which ended in 1984. Ed was not re-elected in 1984, but for the next 18 years served the Township in various capacities, the most prominent of which was on the Township's Planning Commission, where he served as Chairman. In 2002 the Commissioners once again turned to Ed to fill the unexpired term of Amy Roth Benton, who had resigned. Ed won re-election in his own right in 2006 and has sat on the Board as Commissioner, Vice-President and President during his long 18-year tenure. **(Continued on Page 6)**



DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

Lower Allen Township

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Phone: (717) 975-7575 • www.latwp.org

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

Tax Office - Phone: (717) 737-5671

KEY STAFF

EXT

Thomas G Vernau, Jr., Manager	1001
Vacant - Director of Community & Economic Development	1002
Richard Grove, Finance Director	1202
Rebecca Davis, Public Works Director	1010
Dave Holl, Public Safety Director	1601
Leon Crone, Police Captain	1515
Tony Deaven, EMS Captain	1810
Frank Wirth, Fire Captain	1311
Timothy Sheely, Fire Chief, LA Fire Co. No. 1	1302
Greg Black, Fire Chief, Lisburn Community Fire	766-3994
Donna Paul, Human Resources	1402

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
Veola (formerly Suez Water Co.)	1-888-844-0352
Lower Allen Sewer Authority	717-774-0610
Penn Waste (Trash & Recycling)	1-866-575-8720
Trash Complaints (call Township)	717-975-7575 x 1014
Cleve J. Fredrickson Library	717-761-3900
New Cumberland Public Library	717-774-7820
Joseph T. Simpson Library	717-766-0171
West Shore Recreation Commission	717-920-9515
Rep. Sheryl Delozier (88th District)	717-761-4665
Rep. Thomas Kutz (87th District)	717-783-2063
Senator Mike Regan (31st District)	717-975-1985
U.S. Representative Scott Perry	717-635-9504
U.S. Senator Robert Casey, Jr.	717-231-7540
U.S. Senator John Fetterman	215-241-1090

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

All meetings are held at the Lower Allen Township Municipal Services Center (MSC) unless otherwise noted.

JANUARY

1 New Years Day	TOWNSHIP OFFICES CLOSED
2 Board of Commissioners Reorganization	6:00 pm
4 Sewer Authority / Stormwater Authority	7:00 pm
8 Board of Commissioners (Cancelled)	6:00 pm
15 Development Authority	6:00 pm
16 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
17 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
22 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
24 Recreation & Parks Board	7:00 pm

FEBRUARY

1 Sewer Authority / Stormwater Authority	7:00 pm
12 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
15 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
18 Lisburn Community Fire Co. Bingo	11:30 am
19 Presidents' Day	TOWNSHIP OFFICES CLOSED
20 Development Authority	6:00 pm
20 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
26 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
28 Recreation & Parks Board	7:00 pm

MARCH

7 Sewer Authority / Stormwater Authority	7:00 pm
11 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
12 Lisburn Community Fire Turkey Dinner	11:30 am
18 Development Authority	6:00 pm
19 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
21 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
25 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
27 Recreation & Parks Board	7:00 pm
29 Spring Holiday	TOWNSHIP OFFICES CLOSED

APRIL

4 Sewer Authority / Stormwater Authority	7:00 pm
8 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
15 Development Authority	6:00 pm
16 Planning Commission	7:00 pm
18 Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
22 Board of Commissioners	6:00 pm
23 Primary Election Day	7:00 am
24 Recreation & Parks Board	7:00 pm

RESOLUTIONS • ORDINANCES • NEW BUSINESSES

OFFICIALS IN ACTION

The Board of Commissioners approved the following:



RESOLUTIONS

2023-R-41 Appointing Jared S. Gorman as a Maintenance Specialist in the Public Works Department. (Adopted: 10/09/23)

2023-R-42 Adopting minimum municipal obligations payable to the Lower Allen Township Police Pension Plan and the Lower Allen Township Non-uniformed Pension Plan in fiscal year 2024, and appropriating specific sums known as the pension budget for fiscal year 2024. (Adopted: 10/09/23)

2023-R-43 Authorizing the disposal of specific documents in accordance with the PA Municipal Records Manual. (Adopted: 11/13/23)

2023-R-44 Commending and honoring Richard J. Tamosky II, Police Corporal, for 25 years of service with the Township. (Adopted: 12/11/23)

2023-R-45 Appointing Shane Katrancha as a Public Safety Officer/EMT in the Public Safety Department. (Adopted: 12/11/23)

2023-R-46 Adopting the 2024 Fee Schedule. (Adopted: 12/11/23)

ORDINANCES

2023-06 Repealing Chapter 21 of the Codified Ordinances of Lower Allen Township in its entirety and enacting a new Chapter 21 establishing the governance, rules and regulations for all fire rescue service activities within Lower Allen Township. (Enacted: 12/11/23)

2023-07 Authorizing, establishing, implementing and enforcing a standardized system of property address numbering for emergency services and the enforcement thereof. (Enacted: 12/11/23)

2023-08 Appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for the specific purposes of the municipal government during the Fiscal Year 2024. (Enacted: 12/11/23)

2023-09 Amending the Codified Ordinances of Lower Allen Township, 1997, as amended, Section 32-7, dealing with Compensation of the Township Manager. (Enacted: 12/11/23)



NEW LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP BUSINESSES

- Adventurer's Guild – 1010 Wesley Drive, Suite 111
- Santail Skin – 3540 Gettysburg Road

TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT • WEF AWARD

Welcome New Staffers

The following people have joined the staff here at Lower Allen Township:

Full-time

Shane Katrancha, Public Safety Department, EMT/PSO Hybrid

Part-time

Ryan Michener, Police Department, CSO

James R. Williams, Public Safety Department, PSO

Special Recognition for Employee Milestones and Commendations

- Aaron Duncan – Fleet Maintenance Department – Mechanic- 5 years
- Thomas Kidd – Public Safety Department – Public Safety Officer - 5 years
- Edward Curtis – Police Department – Corporal– 20 years
- Richard Tamanoksy II – Police Department – Corporal– 25 years
- Dawn Bear – Community & Economic Development Department – Administrative Professional Commendation Letter – Working above and beyond the parameters of normal duties.
- Suzanne O'Brien – Community & Economic Development Dept. – Administrative Professional Commendation Letter – Working above and beyond the parameters of normal duties.
- Richard Dillon – Public Works Department – Maintenance Operations Supervisor Commendation Letter – Innovation award for efficiency design and implementation.

2023 WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION (WEF) AWARD

Lower Allen was recognized nationally along with five other MS4 Permittees to receive a 2023 WEF Award:



Rebecca Davis (left) receives the Township's 2023 WEF Ms4 Innovation Award in Chicago.

"The small municipality of 21,000 residents has used funding from grants as well as a modest stormwater fee introduced in 2018 to invest in tech-enabled approaches to protect two vulnerable waterways within its jurisdiction. A water quality sampling and analysis campaign from 29 different points along Yellow Breeches Creek and Cedar Run provides more than 100 water samples each month, which Public Works uses to create an interactive, publicly available, geographic information system (GIS)-based map. This map is instrumental for ongoing illicit discharge detection and elimination (IDDE) efforts as well as targeted public outreach, which have enabled the department to pinpoint sources of pollution and take remedial action. The department has spearheaded various stream cleanup events in partnership with local scouting groups and watershed advocates and built strategically placed bioretention facilities according to insights gleaned from its GIS map. This monitoring project won a Pennsylvania Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence in 2023." - *Justin Jacques, editor of Stormwater Report and staff member of the Water Environment Federation (WEF).*

WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION (WEF) AWARD CONTINUED



Ifetayo Venner (left), President of WEF, presents Rebecca Davis, Public Works Director, with the Township's 2023 WEF award for MS4 Phase II Innovation.

In August, Lower Allen Township was named as recipient of the Water Environment Federation's (WEF) MS4 Phase II Innovation Award. WEF, a not-for-profit technical and educational organization representing professionals around the world, is generally regarded as one of the foremost leaders in facilitating improved water quality through education, training, and business opportunities. Per its strategic plan, WEF's ultimate goal is "a world where each person has access to clean water and sanitation, where communities prosper, and where nature thrives."

Thanks to the leadership of Public Works Director Rebecca Davis and the tireless efforts of Township staff, Lower Allen's award was cited by WEF as "indicative of [the Township's] ability to surpass regulatory requirements and demonstrates a commitment to pushing boundaries and embracing innovative solutions, and that the Township's success "serves as an inspiration to other MS4 programs by encouraging them to strive for excellence and continuously seek improvement." Lower Allen is the first municipality in Pennsylvania to receive an award, with winners in recent years including Alexandria and Richmond (VA), St. Louis (MO), and Minneapolis (MN)—all large cities with ample resources at their disposal.

Despite having one of the lowest quarterly stormwater fees in the area, Lower Allen has been able to provide immense value to its residents, thanks in large part to a multi-faceted program approach

that links value-added capital projects, education and outreach, and other innovative practices.

One of the Township's proudest successes of the last several years was an award-winning water sampling and analysis project performed under an Environmental Grant issued by PA American Water. Both the Yellow Breeches and Cedar Run, two streams central to life in the Township, have been declared impaired by PADEP due to high levels of pollutants such as Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) and various types of bacteria. Volunteers collected over 100 samples from 29 different points along both tributaries over a 29-day period in Summer 2021, with the results providing insight to potential pollutant origins and narrowing down possible point- and non-point sources in the Township. The project received a Pennsylvania Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence in 2023.

At a time when the prevailing narrative often seems to be dominated by anecdotes about government's inability to protect the health, welfare, and financial interests of its residents, it fills me with so much pride to see one of our local municipalities emerge as a leader in making such a positive difference. By emulating the innovative strategies and true leadership being employed by Ms. Davis and her staff right here in Lower Allen Township, we can continue to promote local governance strategies that work, provide measurable quality of life benefits to our residents, and keep making Central Pennsylvania a wonderful place to live, work, and grow.

ED BLACK RETIREMENT • ERIN TRONE RESIGNATION

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Ed was very active with the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners and the Central PA Association of Township Commissioners, serving at times as President of those associations.

Ed currently serves on the Lower Allen Township Development Authority and was instrumental in helping bring the Lower Allen Commons project to fruition. Additionally, Ed represents the Township on both the Lower Allen Recreation Board and the West Shore Recreation Board. Ed will continue to serve in all these capacities.

Many people are community-minded, but few put that principle into action like Ed Black. His love for his community was evident in the efforts he constantly put forth to bring Lower Allen Township into prominence as a truly first-class municipality. Ed was an important member of the Lower Allen team and will be sorely missed, but we wish him and his family nothing but the best in the future.

NEXT ISSUE: We will be welcoming our newly elected Commissioner Joseph “Joe” Swartz to the Board.

Assistant Manager Erin Trone Leaves for New Opportunity

Assistant Manager Erin Trone, who also served as the Township’s Community & Economic Development Director, has resigned from the Township to take a position on the PA Department of Community & Economic Development’s Governor’s Action Team. Erin will bring her talent for economic development to a larger stage.



Following the adoption of a Comprehensive Plan in 2008, Erin was hired in 2010 as the Economic Development Coordinator to guide the ideals recorded in the Plan. In 2012 that position was elevated to the level of Director, and in 2014 Economic Development and Community Development were combined, with Erin named the Director of the combined departments. Erin was also named Assistant Manager of the Township that year.

For several years Erin managed the rental of the former Township building at 1993 Hummel Ave. until its sale in 2016. The big opportunity for economic development came in 2018 when The Bon Ton company announced the closure and sale of the Bon Ton and Borders Books properties at 3535 Gettysburg Rd. Erin identified the opportunity to acquire this property and have it developed into a commercial magnet that would spark economic development in one of the key areas identified in the Comprehensive Plan.

She presented the idea to the Development Authority and the Board of Commissioners, who were excited by the opportunity and greenlighted the project. Although the Authority did not intend to develop the property themselves, the economic reality of the time (2020-2021) left them with no choice but to hire an architect and contractor to begin transforming the site while the property was being marketed. Erin’s tenacity in dealing with contracts, builders, debt service and unforeseen challenges resulted in what is today known as Lower Allen Commons, whose flagships are a Trader Joe’s store and Springhill Suites hotel.

Erin did not ignore the Community Development side of the house. During her tenure, which was made more challenging by a reorganization and several departures, Erin modernized the department by bringing in new software tools, digitizing files, and streamlining procedures. Erin leaves the department better than she found it.

Indeed, the Township operations in general are better for Erin having been part of the team, and her absence will be felt. We wish her all the best in her new role, and hope to have the opportunity to work with her on future economic development projects.

YAPPY HOUR WRAP UP



LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP YAPPY HOUR!

The 2023 Yappy Hour was held on Thursday, September 21st, and it was a woofertful time!!! If you missed it, don't worry we're already planning our 2024 Yappy Hour! We want to thank everyone who attended and made this event a great success, including all of the businesses, organizations, vendors and our food trucks that helped make Yappy Hour possible. If you are interested in viewing the photos taken by Michael Yatsko Photography, providing feedback, or participating in the next Yappy Hour event please reach out to Helen Grundon at (717) 975-7575 ext. 2104 or by email to hgrundon@latwp.org.



Lisburn Community Fire Company News

Events



MARCH 12TH—TURKEY DINNER

11:30-1PM

Dinner includes: Turkey, filling, potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, roll, vegetable, & dessert. \$12 for Adults \$7 for Children.

FEBRUARY 18TH—BINGO

There will be regular & special games of bingo and a final jackpot. Due to the overwhelming response last year, and to ensure no one is turned away, this **event will be a pre-pay event**. Tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite or by sending a check to LCFC for \$22.

The doors and kitchen open at 11:30am. Early bird bingo starts at 1:00pm and Bingo starts at 1:30pm. There will be small games of chance available also. Additional cards will be available for purchase. Check out our Facebook page or website for additional information.

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

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP EMS ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION



In December the annual Lower Allen Township EMS Subscriptions were mailed to residents. The annual EMS subscription drive helps to cover the cost of delivering Emergency Medical Services.

Lower Allen Township EMS provides Basic Life Support, Intermediate and Advanced Life Support and responds to life-threatening emergencies such as heart attacks, trouble breathing, diabetes, allergic reactions, unconscious person, overdoses, falls and auto accidents. These emergencies always require Basic Life Support services and often require the services of Intermediate and Paramedic Advanced Life Support services. EMS is also the tip of the medical response spear for medical emergencies, traumatic injuries, pandemics, and disasters.

Lower Allen Township EMS faces continual challenges because of uncontrolled inflation affecting every aspect of health care including rising labor cost associated with inflation and a severe EMS workforce shortage. These challenges are further compounded by the insurance industry refusing to pay EMS for the services they provide. State and Federal government programs pay far less than the cost of providing EMS services. In 2023 Lower Allen Township EMS met the challenge of increased call volume and reduced availability of EMS resources, and continues to selflessly serve as the medical safety net for the citizens of Lower Allen Township.

EMS subscriptions help to provide the highest quality of basic, intermediate, and advanced life support. The annual subscription cost is \$80.00 for an individual and \$100.00 for a household. EMS subscriptions cover 100% of the co-pay or co-insurance for the **first** ambulance transport within the calendar year. EMS subscriptions do not cover routine transports, wheelchair van transports, or mileage beyond the closest appropriate facility.

If you have questions regarding the EMS subscriptions or did not receive a subscription please contact Bev Putric at (717)-975-7575 x 1205 or bputric@latwp.org

Lower Allen Township's

Guide to MS4

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System

December 2023 Edition



Pipe removed from Highland Estates during stormwater infrastructure repairs

Your Stormwater Fees At Work

Since July, Lower Allen Township has been working on Stormwater Infrastructure upgrades in conjunction with paving projects within the municipality. Crews have been working hard to complete the projects before the end of the year. Kinsley Construction won the bid for the contract earlier in 2023. To date, stormwater infrastructure repairs and replacements have been completed in the Lower End of Highland Park neighborhood. Progress has continued in the Allendale development through the month of December. While the work can be stressful and be a disruption to the day-to-day activities of the homeowners, the new infrastructure and eventually newly paved roads will be a long-awaited outcome. The Township staff and the Contractors appreciate the continued cooperation and support from the residents to make much needed repairs on Township roadways.

Highland Park Updates

The Lower End of Highland Park experienced the first phase of the stormwater infrastructure repair/replacement and paving project in 2023. Work concluded in the Lower End of Highland Park in mid-September. During the repair/replacement project in this area, 1,900 linear feet of aluminized corrugated metal pipe and 28 manhole and inlet structures were replaced. The choice of aluminum corrugated piping was used due to the location of other utilities during installation.

Allendale Updates

In the Allendale Development, work is continuing with stormwater infrastructure repairs and replacements along with new ADA ramps. Seventy new structures comprised of 12 new manholes and 58 new inlets with approximately 6,100 linear feet of new aluminized corrugated metal pipe. In conjunction with the stormwater repairs and replacements, Kinsley has installed 53 new ADA handicap ramps increasing the safety for residents and improving walkability throughout the development.

2024 Plans

In 2024, plans for the use of stormwater fees includes retrofitting up to 5 basins in the Township to comply with the MS4 permit issued and reviewed annually by PA Department of Environmental Protection. Replacement of stormwater infrastructure is planned in the Highland Estates development including new ADA ramps. Locations in the Harrisburg Manor area and Cumberland Park area of the Township will see some initial televising and analysis work in 2024 as well. This work will give the Township staff information regarding stormwater infrastructure needs in those areas.

LA ALERTS BY REGROUP • NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING



Receive Lower Allen Community Notifications

Subscribing is easy! Simply scan the QR Code or go to the Township web page at www.latwp.org and click on **LA Alerts** under the Information tab. 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. Your subscription will automatically assign you to the Emergency Alerts Group, but you will need to select any additional groups, (i.e. Leaf & Trash Pick Up, Township Newsletters & Events, etc.) A new feature allows you to set quiet hours to stop receiving non-urgent notifications for the defined period. Quiet hours are not applicable for urgent notifications. If you have any difficulty, please call 717-975-7575 Ext. 1602 or email dknisley@latwp.org and we will assist you in registering.



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: _____

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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

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 quar-
terly issue, available in July 2023, please call Nate Sterling at (717) 975-7575 x 1003 or email nsterling@latwp.org.

2024 Lower Allen Township Trash & Recycling Collection Calendar

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
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 = Yard Waste Collection

Observed holidays are noted in **RED**. Collection days that fall on or after the holiday will be delayed one day. EXCEPTION: If holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there is no change in service prior to or after the holiday.

BASIC RESIDENTIAL GUIDELINES

- Trash, Recycling, and one bulk item must be curb side by 7:00 AM on your scheduled collection day. All waste must fit into one mobile cart. Excess material will not be collected.
- Yard Waste must not exceed 6 feet in length, 4 inches in diameter and must be bundled or placed in a Township-provided container.
- Yard waste will be collected on the same day as trash and recycling beginning in MARCH and continuing through OCTOBER (See calendar above)
- Call Penn Waste to schedule collection of appliances containing freon (air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, etc.)
- No construction debris will be collected curb side.
- To stay up to date on collection updates, sign up for our E-News Updates at www.pennwaste.com.



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For additional details visit our website www.pennwaste.com

Thank you for this opportunity to serve you!

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RECYCLING NEWS

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Lower Allen Township

Other Contract Information

Included with the new contract for 2024 are additional specifications for residents.

1. The hauler must provide 1 special collection event per year of the contract to residents. Stay tuned to see what the 2024 event will be!
2. Cardboard drop locations will be placed in 4 areas of the Township for the residents to drop flattened cardboard. This can reduce contamination and increase recycling tonnages for the Township.
3. Additional drop off sites for hard to recycle items. Look for more information regarding what else we can recycle in Lower Allen Township!



Lower Allen Township 2024 Contract Awarded to Penn Waste

January 1, 2024 will begin the new refuse and recycling contract for Lower Allen Township. The contract was bid with 4 main components, additional specifications were added within the contract that are part of the cost to residents.

Refuse Pick Up

Residents will be required to use a wheeled cart for pick up. The hauler owns the carts and will deliver the carts to the residents that need serviceable replacements. Continue placing items curbside as usual until carts are delivered. If wheeled carts are in place (either 96 gallon or 64 gallon) the hauler will service those as normal. Each unit will have 1 wheeled cart picked up per week.

Recycling Pick Up

Recycling is mandated by the state in Lower Allen Township. All residents will receive a wheeled cart for recycling.

Yard Waste

Curbside yard waste collection will be March through October starting in 2024. The same yellow bins will be used for curbside yard waste pick up. Bins are available at the Municipal Services Building for a fee.

Bulk Item Pick Up

Every resident will receive 1 bulk item pick up per week. This is for appliances or furniture pick up. Penn Waste will need to be notified of a bulk item pick up before the collection day. For bulk item collection call 717-767-4456.

December Digest = New Contract Review

WINTER DEICING• WINTER PARKING RESRICTIONS

Winter Deicing

Winter deicing, or **de-icing**, is a common practice to manage ice and snow in cold climates by businesses and homeowners alike. Winter weather often leaves us dealing with snow and ice on our sidewalks and driveways. Currently the most common substances used for this are salts. However, the salts can be harmful for the environment; as they kill plants, ruin soils and are toxic to many species within stream ecosystems. Shoveling is the best form of snow and ice removal. The old standard of using sand for traction is good but must be used sparingly. The sand can clog storm drains, destroy habitat in streams through the increase in sedimentation in the waterways. Homeowners do have some choices when it comes to the kinds of deicing chemicals but the important thing to remember is to choose carefully and use sparingly.

Removing Snow & Ice Responsibly

The increased use of salts for deicing over the last 50 years has this country currently using over ten million tons on the roadways annually. There are alternatives to using salts even for the homeowner. Deicers are designed to loosen the ice so that it is easier to shovel. All substance options should be used sparingly to minimize the damage to waterways and the environment.

***Shoveling**– Very effective but can be back breaking and is the least damaging to the overall environment.

***Snow blower**– Easier on the back. Best if used before any deicers are used so as not to throw the chemical onto plants.

***Sand**– best for traction. Use sand sparingly as it can clog storm drains and choke waterways. Be sure to sweep up excess to minimize the amount of sand that gets into storm drains and waterways.

Winter Parking



The Police Department would like to remind residents about parking regulations during the upcoming winter season. Beginning December 1 through March 31 along posted streets 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 with this Ordinance allows the Public Works Department to more efficiently clear a travel lane without weaving between

vehicles parked on opposite sides of the street. 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		

WINTER READINESS· WINTER EMERGENCIES

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:



Tips for Weathering the Winter

- *Consider using non-toxic de-icing substances such as clean clay cat litter, sand, or fireplace/stove ash to prevent hazardous waste from chemicals. Chemical deicers can be hazardous to your pets, your trees and shrubs, and the environment. Antifreeze that leaks from car engines and chemical snow melters on driveways, roads, and runways can pollute surface waters and groundwater through the soil.
- *Winterize your vehicle by checking your air filter and fluid levels, checking tires for tread wear and proper inflation, and checking the condition of your windshield wipers. Ensuring your vehicle is ready for weather changes will reduce damage, which prevents waste from broken parts, and will keep you safe on the road.
- *If you have a wood-burning fireplace, save your ashes in a tin instead of throwing them away. Cold wood ashes can be mixed in your compost heap to create a valuable soil amendment that provides nutrients to your garden.
- *Close the recycling loop. Many articles of clothing, such as jackets, scarves, gloves, and boots, are now made from recycled materials. Most fleece products are made from recycled plastic soda bottles, and certain clothing and shoe manufacturers use recycled cotton scraps and rubber tires to make their products.
- *Winter storms often cause power outages. Prevent waste by keeping rechargeable batteries rather than disposable ones stored throughout your house with your flashlights. If you do use disposable batteries, prevent hazardous waste by buying batteries with low mercury content. Be sure you know how to dispose of your batteries safely. For more information on disposal, contact Barbara Arnold, Environmental Coordinator at Lower Allen Township (717) 975.7575 ext. 1014 or barnold@latwp.org.

Weather Emergencies

Weather emergencies may be declared whenever there is a forecast or accumulation of 3 or more inches of snow or when conditions are dangerous. A Snow Emergency will be declared and announced in the media giving a time (not less than 6 hours) by which **ALL VEHICLES** must be moved off all the streets.

The Public Works Department's initial priority is keeping major arteries and feeder roads open. As the emergency subsides and crews become available, the plows will clear curb to curb and move into residential areas.

Vehicles left on the street during a weather emergency are subject to being ticketed and also towed and stored at the owner's expense. Please adhere to the above regulations so emergency personnel can focus on recovery and returning life to normal in the Township.



WINTER TRASH REMINDERS • ADVERTISEMENT



Winter Trash Reminders for Residents



As the temperatures start to fall and the precipitation begins to accumulate, it is helpful to assist the trash collection workers to ease the collection process.

1. Cover all trash and recycling bins with lids. Accumulation of water inside the trash or recycling bin will add weight, just like those extra cookies over the holidays!
2. Should water accumulate in your trash bins, please empty it onto the grass. Trash cans could have loose trash at the bottoms. That loose trash will end up in storm drains if emptied onto a sidewalk or street.
3. If snow should be in the forecast this winter, please clear it from your pickup location. Although we all want to walk in a winter wonderland, trash cans and recycling bins that are buried in snow will be difficult to empty and can cause a hazard during collection.
4. Be safe when placing your bins out for collection. Ice and snow can be treacherous when trying to maneuver a large trash container or an armful of recycling.

As always, your safety and the safety of the collection crew is the most important. If the weather is treacherous wait until next week to put your trash containers curbside. For information on collection delays due to weather, signup for Penn Waste alerts or visit their website to find out where to hear delays through media at: www.pennwaste.com/municipalities/lower-allen-township/



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COMMERCIAL RECYCLING CHALLENGE • ADVERTISEMENT



Commercial Recycling Challenge



Local businesses, did you know that your recycling efforts can help Lower Allen Township? The amount of recycling that your business contributes to the recycling stream directly assists Lower Allen Township with the yearly state recycling grant information. Here is your challenge for 2024, pick one of the following suggestions to improve or increase your recycling efforts at your business.

- Identify that your waste is being sorted. Are all your employees recycling eligible items? Is a recycling dumpster available at your location? Do you employees know what can be recycled?
- Choose one item to focus on recycling this year. Maybe you are choosing cardboard. Have a designated location for all employees to place boxes that need to be recycled.
- Give an employee the responsibility to break down all boxes and to ensure they are recycled. Choose a reliable and dedicated employee, maybe they are the most excited about recycling.
- Is paper consumption high in your business? Focus on reducing your paper consumption by setting printers to double-side printing or encourage the use of recycled paper whenever possible.

Which challenge will your business pick? Did you come up with another challenge? Lower Allen Township would love to hear your ideas about business recycling. Should questions or suggestions arise, please contact Barbara Arnold, Environmental Coordinator at Lower Allen Township at barnold@latwp.org.

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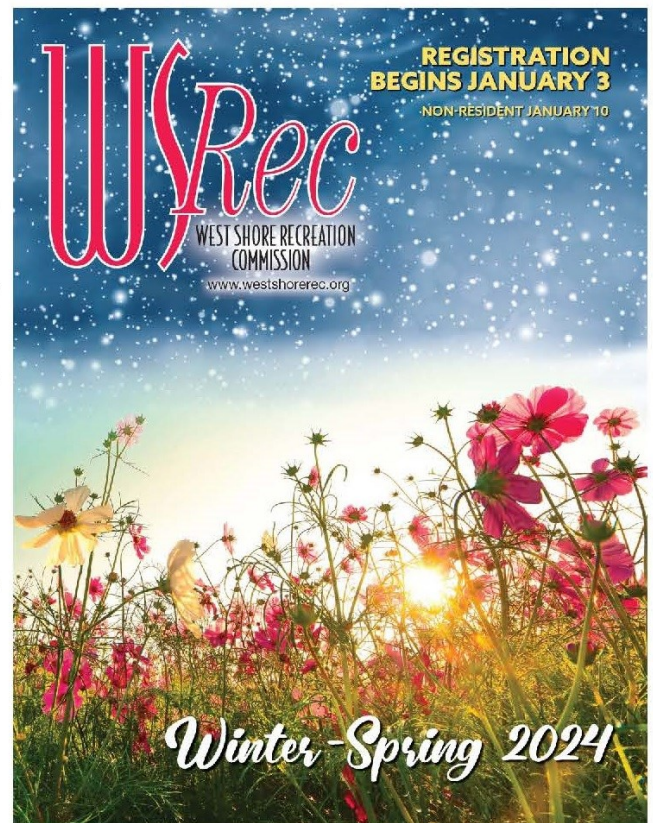
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FREDRICKSEN LIBRARY WINTER NEWS

- 📖 *Doing some winter cleaning? The Friends of Fredricksen hold Donation Station the first Saturday of the month from 1–3 pm to accept donations of books and media for their Book & Media Sales. To drop off donations, please park in the lower parking lot off Walnut Street close or near the sidewalk. Donations of one box or less can be dropped off at the Reference Desk whenever the library is open. Thank you for your donations!*
- 📖 *Don't forget our e-resources are always available free to library card holders. With the Libby app, you can get all your favorite books electronically without leaving home. In addition, with Kanopy, our on-demand film streaming service, you can stream movies for free with your library card! If you need any help accessing these services, please ask one of our staff members.*
- 📖 *The library has a variety of programs and activities for all ages taking place this winter at the library including a Winter Reading Challenge for all ages! 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 Tik-Tok. Come see us at 100 N. 19th Street, Camp Hill, PA 17011, (717) 761-3900. Thank you for supporting Fredricksen Library!*





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CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION



Lower Allen Township Staff will be picking up Christmas trees from Monday, January 8th through Friday, January 19th on your regularly scheduled trash collection day. Please be sure to remove all ornaments, garland, lights, tree stands, and any other items that are not part of the tree. Staff will NOT collect discarded trees with items still attached or trees placed in bags. If you have any questions please contact Helen Grundon at (717) 975-7575, ext. 2104 or send email to hgrundon@latwp.org.

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