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Spring 2022

Township Meetings & Activities

April 2022

15 - Good Friday Township Offices Closed

18 - 7:00 PM - Planning Commission CANCELLED

20 - 7:00 PM - Zoning Hearing Board Public Meeting

20 - 7:00 PM - Historical Commission (Virtual) Meeting

23 - 8:30 AM - Bird Watch/Nature Walk (Registration Required)

<u>May 2022</u>

3 - 7:00 PM - Township Council Public Meeting

5 - 6:30 PM - Park & Rec Board

9 - 7:00 PM - Planning Commission Agenda Meeting

11 - Lawn Debris Pickup Day (Township residents must sign up.)

11 - 7:00 PM - Historical Commission

16 - 7:00 PM - Planning Commission Public Meeting

17 - Primary Election Day

18 - 7:00 p.m. - Zoning Hearing Board Public Meeting

20 - 6:00 PM - World Diversity Day Cultural Activities Event in Township Park

30 - Memorial Day Township Offices Closed

New Courts - Coming Soon!

TOWNSHIP OF CONCORD E-NEWSLETTER

Pickleball

Soon after the bid award in March, the construction of 6 additional pickleball courts has begun at the Township Municipal Complex.

During construction, the original six courts are open for play.





Bocce



The surface of the Bocce Ball Courts has finally been installed.

Our Public Works crew is now finalizing the grounds with landscaping and signage.

Council is planning a grand opening soon. Stay tuned.



Township of Concord DELAWARE COUNTY

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ASSISTANT TOWNSHIP MANAGER: Terri Grant

Township Council Public Meeting Highlights

Adopted

 Several resolutions were adopted at April's meeting. Copies of 2022 resolutions can be found on the township website. Resolution No. 19-2022: Minor Subdivision: Concordville Hotel – 784 Baltimore Resolution No. 20-2022: Minor Subdivision: Concord Township – 40 Beaver Valley Resolution No. 21-2022: Act 537 Plan Revision: 155 Governor Markham Resolution No. 22-2022: DCNR Grant Application: Pocket Park – 40 Beaver Valley Resolution No. 23-2022: DCNR Grant Application: Smithbridge Park Site Improvements Resolution No. 24-2022: Lease for Goats at 30 Bethel Road (Jonathan Tropea)

Authorized

- The Bethel Road Speed Limit Study request to PennDOT.
- The advertisement of bid for stone pointing and masonry repairs of the Township building.

Accepted as Complete for Filing

- Conditional Use Application Premier A-2 Chadds Ford PA, LLC Self-Storage Facility, 366 Wilmington Pike.
- Conditional Use Application Cloud10, Carwash, Route 202 & Route 1 (southwest corner).

<u>Awarded Bids</u>

- The Municipal Buildings Cleaning Service contract for weekly cleaning services of the Township and Senior Center buildings was awarded to CNS in the amount of \$21,780.00.
- The PennDOT Green Light Go Grant to upgrade five signalized intersections was awarded to Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$149,000.00.
- The Community Center contract for lower-level renovations including flooring, ceiling work, painting, mechanical, electrical and lighting at the community center was awarded to BSS Contractors, LLC in the amount of \$93,000.00.
- The 2022 Township Road Program contract was awarded to A.F. Damon, Inc. in the amount of \$472,737.80. Streets to be paved in 2022 are: Pleasant Hill Dr, Concord Creek Rd, Ward Creek Rd, John Beal Dr, Smithfield Dr, Wright's Ct, Robert Adams Ct, Weeks Dr, Brinton Lake Rd (Spring Valley Rd to Main Line Health Dr), John Meyers Circle, Mattson Rd (322 to Concord Rd), Thomas Dr, Shaw Circle, and Swayne Ct.

Recognized

 Six Garnet Valley High School sport teams were recognized for their outstanding performance during the 2021-2022 school year. The teams recognized were: Unified Bocce, Varsity Football, Varsity Cheer, Girls Volleyball, Girls Basketball, and Wrestling.

Additional Business and Announcements

- Following receipt of DCNR grants, Council established two ad-hoc grant committees: one for First State Connector Trail Feasibility Study and another for the Bush Hill Farm Master Plan.
- PennDOT continues with pothole repair including the following roads within Concord Township: U.S. 1, U.S. 202, U.S. 322, Concord Road, Cheyney Road, and Thornton Road. Please be alert if you come upon these moving operations.
- Township Offices will be closed on Friday, April 15, 2022 in observance of Good Friday.

Township Council approved minutes are available on our website <u>www.townshipofconcord.com</u>, as are plans currently under review by the Planning Commission and Township Council, and applications before the Zoning Hearing Board. Sign up on our website to receive e-mail notification of all specially advertised meetings.

The agenda for each regular Township Council Public Meeting will be posted on the <u>township website</u> at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting.

Township Council Recognition

Recognized by Council with proclamations given at their April public meeting, multiple Garnet Valley High School teams were honored for their outstanding performance during the 2021-2022 school year.



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A message from Public Works...

Storm Drains and Debris.

Several times a year, Concord Township Public Works visits township neighborhoods to remove debris that accumulates and clogs storm drains on public streets. On many occasions residents have asked if they can assist with sweeping away the debris from an inlet in front of their property. **Absolutely!** Concord Township is happy to have residents assist with this extensive task. Keeping debris away from the storm drains is important and reduces the chance of flooding in yards and homes in your neighborhood, and also helps to keep our streams clean.

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Here are some simple steps to keep your storm drain and your waterways clean:

- Do not sweep, rake or blow leaves and other yard waste into the street.
- Keep a tight lid on your trash cans and recycling bins, especially during windy days.
- Pick up any visible trash on your property that could get into the storm drain.
- Limit use of sand and salt on your driveway and walkways. Sweep up residual sand once the snow and ice has melted and before the next rainstorm, so the sediment doesn't end up in the storm drain or stream.

If there is a clogged drain that is difficult to clear, please contact the Township Office at 610-459-8911. Additionally, always remember to never dump anything down a storm drain, to always pick up your pet's waste, and to report any suspicious dumping activity into a storm drain. For more information, please visit the Township's website.



AME Church Update

Township Council continues with their efforts to restore the historic AME Church located on Spring Valley Road. As seen here, fencing has recently been installed and receipt of a CDBG grant will allow for interior safety improvements. The church is starting to look great and Council is thrilled with the progress. Council hopes to have a grand opening this fall.







The Upper Chichester Goats are coming to Concord. Seen when you drive along US 322, these goats needed a new home. Council has approved their move and following site renovations, the goats will take residence at the barn located at Bush Hill Farm. The goats should move by the end of the month and will be under the care of their owner. They will help maintain the over 325 acres of township-owned open space and greet residents at our events.

Visitors to Bush Hill Farm at 30 Bethel Road are asked to be respectful of the goats and their new living quarters. Additionally, those visiting with pets are reminded of Township leash rules. All dogs <u>must</u> be kept on a leash until they are inside a designated Dog Park fenced-in area.

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Spring/Summer Fun 2022

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
April 23	8:30 AM	Smallbrook Sanctuary Featherbed Road	Concord on the Move: Bird Watch / Nature Walk Registration required
May 20	6:00 - 7:30 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	World Diversity Day: Cultural Activities Event
June 10	Dusk	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Movie in the Park: Encanto (PG)
June 16	7:00 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concert in the Park: Irish Thunder Rain Date: June 23
June 26	1:00 PM	Township Park Pavilion Smithbridge Road	Concord on the Move: Pie Baking Contest
June 30	7:00PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concert in the Park: Belfast Connection Rain Date: July 7
July 14	6:00 PM	Township Dog Park Smithbridge Road	Concord on the Move: Patriotic Pet Parade
July 14	7:00 PM	Township Park Pavilion Smithbridge Road	Concord on the Move: Ice Cream Social for Pets & People
July 14	7:00 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concert in the Park: Big Fire Rain Date: July 21
July 22	Dusk	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Movie in the Park: Grease (PG)
July 28	7:00 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concert in the Park: Player's Club of Swarthmore Rain Date: August 4
August 3rd	6:00 - 8:00 PM	BYC Gymnasium 41 S. Thornton Road	Concord on the Move: Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead Expo
August 11	7:00 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concert in the Park: Homegrown String Band Rain Date: August 18
August 19	Dusk	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Movie in the Park: Godzilla vs Kong (PG-13)
August 25	7:00 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concert in the Park: The Real Feel Rain Date: September 1
September 9	5:30 PM	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concord on the Move: Sidewalk Picasso & Sand Art Competition
September 10	4:00 PM - Dusk	Township Park Smithbridge Road	Concord Community Day The Rose Tree Pops Jazz Combo performs - Fireworks at Dusk Rain Date: September 17



Friday, June 10th



Friday, July 22nd



Friday, August 19th

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SIGN UP!

Sign up for township safety alerts, special notices and newsletters by visiting the <u>Sign Up</u> section of our website.

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Monthly Township Meetings

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL 1st Tuesday - 7:00 p.m. Last Tuesday - if needed, 7 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION 3rd Monday - 7:00 p.m.

PARK & RECREATION BOARD 1st Thursday - 6:30 p.m. No P&R meetings Jun, Jul & Aug

ZONING HEARING BOARD *3rd Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.*

HISTORICAL COMMISSION 2nd Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

SENIOR CITIZENS 1st Monday - 12:00 p.m. Concord Senior Center



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October 8	Save the Date! Concord Arts Festival 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Township Park - Smithbridge Rd	May 2, 2022 is the last day to register before the Primary Election.
October 13	Senior Citizen Expo 9 a.m 12 Noon BYC Gym - 41 S. Thornton Rd.	
October 15	Township Recycling Day 8 a.m 10 a.m. Public Works Building 675 Smithbridge Road	

Pennsylvania State Police & U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration host



Drug Take-Back Day



April 30, 2022 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Wegmans Food Market 100 Applied Bank Blvd, Glen Mills, PA 19342

Turn in any unneeded medication for safe disposal.



Scrape, Squash, Stop! The Spotted Lanternfly

Spotted lanternfly eggs will start hatching in our region very soon, with the emergent black-and-white polkadotted nymphs using their remarkably powerful hind legs to spring from yards to decks to lawn furniture. But

the eggs appear earlier, giving us a prime opportunity to get rid of them before they besiege our streets, parks, and gardens.

Once hatched, an early stage nymph is just a few millimeters in length. As they age, they grow to be $\sim 1/4$ inch long. The have black bodies and legs, and are covered in bright white spots. They are strong jumpers, and will jump when prodded or frightened. Spotted Lanternfly favor the Tree of Heaven and early stage nymphs tend to feed on the new growth of a plant, such as the stems and foliage.



Native to Asia, the pest feeds on plant sap and loves maples, black walnut, birch, and willow. Overall, it is known to feed on 70 types of plants and trees. That feeding can stress and damage plants. The biggest threat, so far, has been to vineyards as the bug gravitates to grapevines.

Stop the spread & squash it!