



EAST HEMPFIELD *Township*

FALL / WINTER 2018

NEWSLETTER

EAST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1700 Nissley Road, P.O. Box 128
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HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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MEETING DATES

Board of Supervisors

1st & 3rd Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Traffic Commission

3rd Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

2nd Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Township Zoning Board

3rd Monday - 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are open to the public. Agendas for upcoming meetings are posted on the township website and in the Lancaster Newspaper prior to each meeting.

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

Construction of the police expansion and renovation project is underway. We anticipate completion by May 2019. The building may look a mess, but both the police department and township administration offices are in full operation. ALL public meetings will be held at the Four Seasons Banquet Facility, 949 Church Street, Landisville for the duration of the renovation project.

Recycling Changes That Affect Township Residents



Most residents have heard or seen the new recycling guidelines issued by Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA). LCSWMA has asked all county municipalities to begin to follow these guidelines. The new recycling guidelines have been simplified to the **BIG 4** as outlined below.

You are asking yourself why now...well it turns out that for the past 20 years, the major market for recyclable material was China. In 2017, over 30% of recyclables from the U.S. were exported to China. This relationship between China and the U.S. was great, China would ship products to the U.S. and the U.S. would return recycled material to China. However, as the years have passed, U.S. citizens have become "wishful recyclers", thinking they were helping the environment by putting everything in the recycling bin. When in fact, 20-40% of what had been placed in the recycle bin was non-recyclable material that should have gone in the trash and, even worse, created contamination of the recyclable material. China had enough and placed an import ban on recycled commodities making their standards of acceptance more stringent and near impossible for U.S. markets to attain. The market for recyclable has collapsed and the types of materials we recycle needs to be reevaluated.

We have been reminded that recycling is actually a system of collecting and processing used materials that still have value. The Township is asking for your assistance in 'Recycling Right'!

The **BIG 4** as outlined by LCSWMA is all that should be in your recycling bin:

- Corrugated cardboard
- Plastic bottles & jugs with necks
- Metal food & beverage cans
- Glass, jars & bottles



You are asking...why only these...LCSWMA feels and we agree that recycling needs to be simplified and consistent. The **BIG 4** materials have a robust domestic market with strong demand. LCSWMA feels that the market position for these items will remain strong for the long-term.



We know it goes against all that we have been taught to not recycle newspaper or magazines. These materials are still recyclable on a much smaller market scale. The key is knowing an agency who can reuse the material. Newspaper/magazines are often used

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SNOW REMOVAL

As winter approaches, please remember the following tips to help our Public Works Crew be as efficient as possible as they work to help keep our roadways safe and passable:

Vehicles: When possible, park vehicles off the roadway in your driveway, so our crews do not need to navigate around them.

Driveways: Pile snow to the side of your driveway, away from on-coming traffic. This allows the plow to “unload” before reaching it and avoid the bulk of the snow to be pushed back onto your driveway. Abide by the following diagram to help make snow removal easier, safer and more effective for all:



Roadways: Do not push or throw snow or ice onto public roads at anytime. This creates hazardous driving conditions and is a violation of both State and Township law.

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



Fire Hydrants: For both you and your neighbor's protection, please remember to clear the snow away from fire hydrants located on or near your property.

Sidewalks: Make sure a path of at least 3 feet in width the entire length of your sidewalk is cleared of all snow and ice within 24 hours after snow has ceased to fall.

ROAD PROJECT UPDATES

Centerville Road Interchange improvements

– Right-of-way meetings have begun with property owners and PennDOT. A draft concept plan is being prepared. There will be a public meeting for property owners along the corridor when the concept plan has been more fine-tuned. The scope includes widening Centerville Road from Marietta to slightly beyond Columbia Avenue. It also includes interchange/bridge improvements.

Centerville Road improvements (Marietta Avenue to the Centerville School) – This project is currently under construction. We expect it to be completed by early October.

Noll Drive at Running Pump Intersection (round-about) is designed but has been placed on hold until the spring of 2019 to allow Lancaster City water to run a new main in the area proposed for the round-about.

State Road Interchange improvements – This project is anticipated to be bid by PennDOT in November of this year with construction to begin in early 2019. It is projected to be a two-year project.

Holland Street bridge removal project

– This is a project that will remove the Holland Street Bridge over the Amtrak line which has been closed to traffic for many years. The Township continues to work through the Amtrak and PennDOT review process and we are hoping for a spring 2019 bid let date.

Old Rohrerstown Road bridge replacement project

– This project on Dairy Road will improve the bridge beneath the Norfolk

Southern rail line.

Design work is being finalized to include the necessary relocation of a LASA sewer main. We are hopeful that this will be a 2019 project.

Miller Road, Lititz Road and West Roseville Road bridge project

is a multi-bridge bundled project between PennDOT and Manheim Township. We are listing it here since it could have some impact on residents. The West Roseville Road Bridge has been removed. The Miller Road and Lititz Road bridges will both undergo improvements and widening. We continue to anticipate this work will be completed in 2018 by PennDOT.

Farmingdale Road improvements

– The temporary traffic calming measures have been installed (mini-round-about and one-way yield) on Farmingdale Road. Speed bumps have also been added to Barr Blvd. The Township traffic engineer has been authorized to begin the process of planning the long-term improvements to the Farmingdale Road area. It is anticipated that they will include creating a one-way North on Farmingdale Road between Oreville and the first trail crossing, intersection improvements at Good Drive and Oreville Road and lane intersection improvements at Good Drive and Marietta Avenue.

You can learn more about the above projects or express any traffic concern during the monthly Traffic Commission meetings, which are held on the 3rd Wednesday beginning at 6:00 p.m.

GRASS CLIPPINGS

When finished mowing, please be sure to use a blower, broom, or rake to clean up any grass clippings or debris that has inadvertently made its way into the street, sidewalk, or storm drain.

In addition to environmental harm, you may be creating a safety hazard. Grass clippings can create a slippery and dangerous surface for traveling motorcyclists and bicyclists.





200 YEARS AND COUNTING!!

Are you aware that East Hempfield Township is celebrating 200 years of incorporation? Lancaster County was formed in 1729 and one of the original townships was 'Hempfield'. The township included areas which are now part of Columbia, Mountville, East Petersburg, Manor, West Hempfield and East Hempfield. Around 1740, Manor Township was separated from Hempfield Township. In 1814, additional land was separated from Hempfield when Columbia was incorporated as a borough. Lastly, in 1818, 'Hempfield Township' was divided into East and West Hempfield Townships.

The first settlers to the area were Swiss and German Mennonites. One of the earliest settlements was in the vicinity of Rohrerstown. These early settlers were attracted by the rich fertile soil.

By the early part of the nineteenth century, several important roads or 'turnpikes' crisscrossed the Township. Turnpikes ran from Lancaster, reaching Columbia, Mount Joy, Manheim and the Susquehanna River. Naturally people settled along these highways creating small towns such as Landisville, Rohrerstown and Petersburg.

Landisville was initially the site of a hotel along the turnpike to Mount Joy and as homes were added a small village was created. Rohrerstown, originally named Hempfield Village, was laid out in 1812 with much of the original street layout and street names still apparent today. The villages grew as hotels, fairs, polling places, churches and post offices were built. Rail service was also created nearby or through these villages which helped sustain their growth.

An interesting note is the various mineral deposits which were once mined in the Township. A famous deposit of lead and zinc was mined off and on from 1847 until 1883. It was located at a place about one-half mile east of Landisville. The Town of Bamford sprung up as a result and the name can be found on old maps of the area. Fire sand was also dug in the vicinity of Chestnut Hill and used in the making of iron and steel for furnaces. These operations have long since been abandoned but provides reason for the congregation of older homes in these areas.

One final note, there is another Hempfield Township in the western part of the state in Westmoreland County. According to their historic records settlers from the eastern Hempfield Township moved west and settled in Westmoreland County and named their area Hempfield Township. This does provide some confusion to people searching for East Hempfield Township but explains why the name 'Hempfield' is seen in two locations in the state.

Garden & Flower Plots

Garden and flower plots at the EHT Administration Building grounds are on a first come first serve basis. Registration will be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. Each plot is approximately 20' x 40'. Watering facilities are available. The cost is \$20.00 per plot. No telephone reservations will be accepted.



VOLUNTEERS BEING SOUGHT

Amos Herr Festival committee needs volunteers to assist in the planning of this annual event held in September of each year. A group of volunteers meet periodically throughout the year to plan, organize, contact vendors and solicit sponsorships. The group is seeking to increase the size of the committee to allow for growth. Please contact Cindy Schweitzer at the Township if you have an interest in seeing this event continue and grow (717-898-3100, ext. 241 or admin@easthempfield.org).

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Trick-or-Treat night will be held on October 31st of each year, unless this date falls on a Saturday or Sunday. When this occurs, it will be held on the Friday prior to October 31st. This year, Trick-or-Treat night will be held Wednesday, October 31st from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



SEASONAL CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP mid-October through mid-December

CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP POLICY

- A separate truck will come around. Service occurs weather permitting.
- Do not mix twigs, pine needles, or any other yard waste in with leaves.
- Do not park on leaf piles.
- Once the season ends...bag leaves and dispose of with your household trash.
- Visit our website daily for generalized route information.

LEAF DROP-OFF POLICY AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING through mid-December

- NO PLASTIC BAGS PERMITTED.
- Biodegradable bags or loose leaves only.

TEMPORARY SIGN REGULATIONS

East Hempfield Township would like to remind residents and business owners that there are zoning regulations for temporary signs as defined in the East Hempfield Township Zoning Ordinance. Included in these regulations are contractor signs, business promotion signs and other similar uses. Temporary signs require a Zoning Permit and there are size, location and timeframe regulations that apply. Temporary signs are not permitted to be attached to any public utility pole or posted in the public right-of-way, including any intersection. If signs are placed in any of these areas, Township staff will promptly remove them.



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by farmers for animal bedding, plastic shopping bags (which have always been a NO for the recycling bin) can be dropped off at your local supermarket. You may also want to check out the website earth911.com. This website keeps tabs on agencies that accept a varied list of materials such as newspaper.

LCSWMA would also like everyone to know that the extra trash now going through the waste stream rather than the recycling stream will be incinerated and used to make energy at the Waste to Energy located in Bainbridge.

Special Large Appliance & Tire Pick-Up

Large appliance and tire pick-up will take place during the weeks of November 5-9, 2018 and April 1-5, 2019 on your normal trash day. Tags are required and must be purchased at the Township Office.



Holiday Trash Delays

ALL other holidays are on a normal schedule.

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| Jan. 1 | New Year's Day |
| May 27 | Memorial Day |
| July 4 | Independence Day |
| Sept. 2 | Labor Day |
| Nov. 28..... | Thanksgiving |
| Dec. 25 | Christmas Day |

Christmas Tree Recycling

East Hempfield Township offers free Christmas tree recycling for residents. Trees collected curbside will be picked up during the week of January 7-11, 2019 on your normal trash day. Curbside pick-up after this week will require a \$4.00 red tag or you may drop it off at the Township Building until Friday, January 18, 2019. Trees must be free of all bags, covers, lights, ornaments, garland, and tinsel.

Hempfield recCenter Celebrates 30 Years of Before- and After-School Childcare at Hempfield Elementary Schools



Hempfield recCenter has long recognized the need for school-age childcare in the Hempfield area and has filled that need for thirty years with its **School-Age Childcare Program**, or SAC for short. The program provides supervised care for students in kindergarten through sixth grade with both before- and after-school care at every elementary school in the Hempfield School District.

Available Monday through Friday when school is in session, the program keeps students engaged and active with indoor and outdoor activities. Staff members also provide homework completion monitoring and assistance. Morning sessions run from 6:30-8:40 a.m. and include breakfast. Afternoon sessions are from 3:30-6:00 p.m. and include snacks.

The program is available at Landisville Elementary, Rohrerstown Elementary, Farmdale Elementary, East Petersburg Elementary, Mountville Elementary and Centerville Elementary. All sites are managed by Hempfield recCenter staff and licensed by the Department of Human Services. **Registration for the 2018-19 academic year is open until sites are full.**

Hempfield recCenter also provides care for school-age children during select school holidays and teacher in-service days with its **Rec Kidz Program**. Held at the recCenter from 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., activities include field trips, games, art projects, recreational swimming and more. For the list of 2018-2019 Rec Kidz dates, please visit hempfieldrec.com.

The non-profit organization realizes that childcare is not always affordable. As part of the Hempfield recCenter's Everyone Belongs campaign, financial aid for the program is available. For more information about the assistance program, please visit hempfieldrec.com.

For more information about the SAC program, please contact Program Director Amanda Witherow at 717-898-3102 ext. 33 or via email at awitherow@hempfieldrec.com.



2018-2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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| OCT | Mon. | 8 | | Columbus Day <i>Normal trash service</i> |
| | Mid- | | | Curbside Leaf Pick-up & Drop-off Begins |
| | Wed. | 31 | ..... | Trick-or-Treat Night – 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. |
| NOV | Fri. | 2 | ..... | Curbside Yard Waste Program Ends |
| | Sun. | 4 | ..... | Daylight Saving's Time Ends <i>Set clocks back 1 hour</i> |
| | M-F | 5-9 | ..... | Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up <i>Curbside pick-up on your normal trash day</i> <i>Purchase required tags at Township Office</i> |
| | Mon. | 12 | ..... | Veterans Day <i>Normal trash service</i> |
| | Th.-F | 22-23 | ..... | Thanksgiving Holiday – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Trash service delayed 1 day</i> |
| DEC | Mid- |  | ..... | Curbside Leaf Pick-up & Drop-off Ends |
| | M-T | 24-25 | ..... | Christmas Holiday – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Trash service delayed 1 day for remainder of week</i> |
| | Tues. | 25 | ..... | Christmas Tree Drop-off at Township Begins |
| JAN | Tues. | 1 | ..... | Happy New Year! – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Trash delayed 1 day for remainder of week</i> |
| | M-F | 7-11 | ..... | Christmas Tree Recycling <i>Curbside pick-up on your normal trash day</i> |
| | Fri. | 18 | ..... | Christmas Tree Drop-Off at Township Ends |
| | Mon. | 21 | ..... | Martin Luther King Day <i>Normal trash service</i> |
| FEB | Mon. | 4 | ..... | Garden Plot Sign-Up at Township Office – 8:00 a.m. <i>First come, first serve basis</i> |
| | Mon. | 18 | ..... | President's Day <i>Normal trash service</i> |
| MAR | Sun. | 10 | ..... | Daylight Saving's Time Begins <i>Set clocks ahead 1 hour</i> |
| APR | M-F | 1-5 | ..... | Large Appliance & Tire Pick-up <i>Curbside pick-up on your normal trash day</i> <i>Purchase required tags at Township Office</i> |
| | Mon. | 8 | ..... | Curbside Yard Waste Program Begins <i>Bags may be purchased wherever sold</i> |
| | Mon. | 15 | ..... | Street Sweeping Begins |
| | Fri. | 19 | ..... | Good Friday – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Normal trash service</i> |
| MAY | Mon. | 27 | ..... | Memorial Day – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Trash delayed 1 day this week</i> |
| JULY | Thurs. | 4 | ..... | Independence Day – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Trash delayed 1 day for remainder of week</i> |
| SEPT | Mon. | 2 | | Labor Day – OFFICE CLOSED <i>Trash service delayed 1 day for remainder of week</i> |

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TELEPHONE CONTACTS

(AREA CODE IS 717 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

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| City of Lancaster Water Authority | 735-3425 |
| Comcast Billing..... | 1-800-266-2278 |
| District Attorney..... | 299-8100 |
| District Justice..... | 735-2288 |
| EHT Municipal Building..... | 898-3100 |
| EHT Police Department | 898-3103 |
| EHT Water Authority | 898-8231 |
| Four Season Golf Course..... | 898-0104 |
| Four Seasons Banquet Facility | 898-0536 |
| Hempfield Fire Department..... | 898-8112 |
| Hempfield S.D. Tax Office..... | 898-5565 |
| Hempfield Sports Complex (HARC)..... | 898-3102 |
| Lancaster Chamber of Commerce..... | 397-3531 |
| LanCo Tax Assessment Office | 299-8394 |
| LanCo Tax Collection Bureau (LST) | 569-4521 |
| LanCO Treasurer's Office (spring tax) | 299-8222 |
| LanCo Solid Waste Mgmt. Authority..... | 397-9968 |
| Landisville Pool..... | 898-1983 |
| Landisville Post Office | 898-8812 |
| Mountville Public Library..... | 285-3231 |
| PA One-Call System | 1-800-242-1776 |
| PENNDOT (state roads) | 1-800-349-7623 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |
| PP&L..... | 1-800-342-5775 |
| Recorder of Deeds..... | 299-8238 |
| Rohrerstown Fire Company | 392-6700 |
| Sheriff (County)..... | 299-8200 |
| Susquehanna Valley EMS | 435-8101 |
| UGI | 1-800-276-2722 |
| Verizon..... | 1-800-922-0204 |
| Voter Registration..... | 299-8293 |

**New Format for Trash/
Recycling Quarterly Billing**



Beginning with the fourth quarter of this year, your trash bill will be redesigned resulting in a more streamlined, easier to read format. For your convenience, the Township has added a return payment envelope and e-billing payment option. Look for the website address on your bill to set up paperless billing!

We will continue to offer several payment options including:

- Mail a check using the return envelope.
- Pay online by credit card, debit card, or bank draft via the Township website.
- Issue an online check from your bank account. Be sure to use P.O. Box 6187, Hermitage, PA as the address.

All homeowners are required by ordinance to participate in the Township's one-hauler trash/recycling service program. This Fall the Township will develop a 2019 Trash/Recycling Fund budget thereby setting a quarterly rate for trash/recycling customers for next year. We have been fortunate to continue to offer a rather low rate compared to surrounding municipalities. An annual discounted rate will continue to be offered which will be further explained on your first 2019 bill. Take advantage of the annual savings and eliminate subsequent quarterly invoices for the remainder of the year.

Visit the Township website at www.easthempfield.org for more detailed information about your service or to make a payment online. Please contact the Township office with any billing questions or trash/recycling issues.