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TOWNSHIP OFFICE WINTER CLOSINGS

Nov 28 & 29: Thanksgiving December 24 & 25: Christmas Dec 31 & Jan 1: New Year's Jan 20: Martin Luther King Jr. Feb 17: President's Day

Penn Township Offices

| Hours: Mon-Thurs7a: | m-5:30pm |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Municipal Office | .665-4508 |
| Water & Sewer Billing | .665-4508 |
| Building/Zoning | .665-4508 |
| Sewage Enforcement | .989-8439 |
| Police Department | .733-0965 |

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Northwest EMS kicks off 2019 Toys For Tots Collection

Toy collection will run November 1-December 11, 2019

Donate toys to this year's Northwest EMS Toys for Tots event by bringing NEW, UNWRAPPED toys to any of the following locations:

Northwest EMS-Manheim Northwest EMS-Elizabethtown East Donegal Township Brickerville Fire Company BINGO hall (Tuesday evenings only) Esbenshade's Garden Centers Manheim Santa Run (Registration office or First Aid area) Prussian Street Arcade-Manheim Pleasant View Retirement Community Masonic Villages Farm Market Manheim Community Library Elizabethtown Library Two Cousin's-Manheim Fairview Golf Club Pro Shop Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church-Marietta Manheim Community Tree Lighting

For more information, contact Lori Shenk, Community Outreach Manager at lshenk@nwems86.org.



What happens to the trash after it leaves my property?

Lancaster County is very fortunate to have state-of-the-art facilities to handle not only trash, but anything from recyclables like cardboard, glass, aluminum cans and plastic bottles with a neck to hazardous waste like old TV's, paint, chemicals, fuel and fire extinguishers.

A number of things can be taken to the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority's (LCSWMA) Household Hazardous Waste Facility for **FREE**. They are:

- Adhesives Automotive fluids (max. 5 gallons per container)
- Batteries, including automotive and household
- Chemistry sets
- Cooking and frying oils (max. 5 gallons per container)
- Fire extinguishers
- Floor and furniture polish
- Household cleaners
- Fuel, including kerosene, gasoline and propane



Trash companies and other customers unload their unwanted items into one of three piles at the Transfer Station on Harrisburg Pike. Left-trash; Middle-construction debris; Right-recycling

Mercury containing items (max of 30 per month), including ballasts, fluorescent bulbs, thermostats and thermometers

- Lawn treatments, including herbicides and pesticides
- Paint, rust inhibitors, stains, turpentine and thinners
- Photographic and pool chemicals



Above Left-heavy equipment pushes the trash into a LCSWMA truck below; Above Right-a trash truck empties trash onto the tipping floor; Below-a LCSWMA truck driver closes top after being filled from the tipping floor



belt

LCSWMA trucks then bring the trash to the Waste-to-Energy facility where trash is mixed and put into an incinerator (above right). The emissions from this facility are highly monitored by both plant workers and DEP (right).

LCSWMA receives approximately 1,000,000 tons of trash each year. About 44% is recycled, 52% is combusted to create energy and 3.5% goes to landfill.

To save money and to be kind to the environment, LCSWMA's entire fleet runs on compressed natural gas (CNG). CNG is cleaner burning than diesel.

All construction debris goes directly to landfill as it is harmful to burn items such as shingles, treated wood

and other like items.

Recyclable items, the Big 4, are taken by private commercial businesses for recycling.

The Waste-to-Energy Facility runs 24hr per day 7 days a week which is fueled entirely by the burning of trash and produces enough energy to power 30,000 homes. Some energy is used by the facility, the remainder goes directly to the power grid. Trash is burned at a minimum temperature of 1800°F and burns at an average temperature of 2000°F. The facility uses effluent from Elizabethtown Borough waste water treatment plant so the water never enters the river. This closed water system is used to cool down ash after the ash is burned (See #6). Steam and processed water are sold to Purdue for their processing of soy beans. For more information, visit https://www.lcswma.org/facilities/lancaster-waste-to-energy-facility/.



LANCASTER MASTE TO ENERGY FACILITY

For every 10 trucks of trash coming into the facility, only 1 truck of ash leaves.

That's a 90 % volume reduction in waste going to the landfill. Before ash is taken to the landfill, metals 2 inches or larger are removed and sold to market. The ash is then taken to the landfill where it is used as ground cover. Emissions from the facility are controlled by additives in the combustion process and an array of filters before exiting the building. Emissions from the plant meet or exceed DEP standards.

Before ash is laid as ground cover, it goes to the Metals Recovery Facility located at the Frey Farm Landfill where metals 2 inches and smaller are removed and

sold to market. This facility processes 165,000 tons of ash per year and recovers approximately 22 tons of metal each day.

The Frey Farm Landfill opened in 1989 and is the only facility in PA that has not had a violation in 27 years. Methane gas is

collected and turned into clean renewable energy which is enough to power 1,200 homes. Steam and renewable energy are sold to Turkey Hill Dairy for the use at the facility. Ash from the Waste-to-Energy is brought to the landfill where it is used as ground cover. Leachate from the landfill is collected and sent to LASA for processing.



Do you have your REAL ID?

What is REAL ID?

REAL ID is a federal law that affects how states issue driver's licenses and ID cards if they are



going to be acceptable for federal purposes, such as boarding a domestic commercial flight, or entering a military installation or federal facility that requires ID.

Beginning October 1, 2020, Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID-compliant license, identification card, or another form of federally-acceptable identification (such as a valid passport or military ID) to:

- Board domestic commercial flights.
- Enter a military base.
- Enter a federal facility that requires ID at the door.

Do I have to get a REAL ID?

No. REAL ID is optional for Pennsylvania residents. You will be able to get either a REAL ID driver's license or identification card, or a standard driver's license or identification card.



Christmas Tree Recycling

Each year, Penn Township residents are encouraged to discard their live Christmas trees in the designated area behind the

Township office from December 26 through the end of January. <u>All</u> decorations must be removed and discarded prior to bringing your Christmas tree for recycling.

WINTER STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION TIPS

Start shoveling early! The more snow you remove, the less salt and sand you'll need. Here are some do's and don'ts when shoveling or plowing snow.

DO:

- Pile snow in locations with the most opportunity to infiltrate into the ground.
- ✓ Pile snow in areas where water does not pond.
- Clear away any snow that may have been thrown onto the storm drains.

DON'T:

- x Do not pile snow on top of storm drains or near water bodies and wetlands.
- x Do not pile snow onto rain gardens or bioretention areas.

TIPS TO AVOID USING SALT AS A DEICER

More salt does not equal more melting snow. Follow product instructions when spreading deicing material and give it time to work. Sweep up any material

remaining after the snow/ice melts. When temperatures hit 15°F or below, salt is not effective. Consider using



traction materials that contain an acetate, potassium chloride, magnesium chloride, or cracked cornmeal instead of sand or kitty litter.



Pay close attention to places that may have eroded during the snow melt. Plan to improve these areas in the spring by using native grasses, meadow plants, or native trees and shrubs.

Normal snow accumulation does not pose a threat to rain gardens, so there is no need to shovel a rain garden. However, heavy snow loads can weigh down and saturate your garden and hurt plants. Pile snow uphill from the rain garden so when the snow melts the rain garden can do what it is designed to do.







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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 - 10 AM - 4:30 PM SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 - NOON - 4:30 PM HISTORIC MANHEIM TRAIN STATION

HOLIDAY HOURS

CLOSED

CLOSING AT 1 PM

December 25

December 24

January 1

December 31

January 20

February 17

For up-to-date program information, please visit

manheimlibrary.org

Enjoy the warm, cozy atmosphere cheerfully decorated to remind us of holidays gone by.

Visit with Santa, 1930's Manheim miniature train display of Manheim in the 1930's. Basket raffle. Locally crafted items and holiday gifts. Book Nook bargains of gently used Christmas themed books for all ages. Christmas carols by the Trust Trio, a strolling a capella trio in period costumes. Delicious menu at the Cozy Café.

Friends of the Manheim Community Library:

Stop at the hospitality table to pick up your Stiegel Glassworks membership ornament.

Low water pressure?

If you notice a decrease in public water pressure please first ask a plumber to check your system. We can tell when the public water mains lose pressure. If that happens we will notify you. Sign up for the Swift 911 Emergency Notification System by contacting our office, 717-665-4508.

2020 Budget Update

Township officials have drafted a 2020 budget that is balanced. No tax increases or increases to public water and sewer rates are anticipated. The proposed 2020 budget is expected to be approved by the Board of Supervisors on November 11. A twenty day public review period follows and then the Board is scheduled to hold a hearing on the final 2020 budget on December 9, when it may be adopted.

Active Development Plans

| Name | Location | Project | Status |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Pleasant View Retirement Community | N. Penryn Road | Two new 18-unit apartment buildings | Conditionally approved, nearing construction |
| Manheim Imports | Lancaster Road | New car sales lot | Built-out; nearing completion |
| Pleasant View Retirement Community | N. Penryn Road | New implement building | Under construction |
| Speedwell Construction | Ditz Drive | Building addition | Built-out; nearing completion |
| Kreider Farms | Indian Village Road | New alpaca barn | Under construction |
| Manheim BIC Church | N. Penryn Road | Building addition | Built-out; nearing completion |
| Manheim Commons | Lancaster Road and Bucknoll Road | 192 apartments and 3 commercial buildings | Conditionally approved, pending construction phase |
| Walnut Run Farms | Elm Road | Dairy farm expansion | Conditionally approved in phases |
| Sun Hill Commons | West Sun Hill Road | 43 single family homes | Construction phase |
| Cedar Hollow | West Sun Hill Road | 75 single family homes | Built-out; nearing completion |
| Baron's Ridge | White Oak Road | 69 single family homes | Under construction |
| Sweetbriar Creek | Bucknoll Road | 200 single family homes | Built-out; nearing completion |
| Zug Dentistry | Doe Run Road | Commercial alteration | Under construction |
| IU13 School | Fairland Road | Building expansion | Pending |
| Hess Subdivision | Fruitville Pike & South Oak Street | Subdivision along Fruitville Pike | Pending approval |
| Stehman Commercial Project | West End Drive | Warehouse buildings | Pending approval |



thinking beyond boundaries

Penn Township Residents....

Please take this survey to provide input on which places 2040 policies and tools should be emphasized as we prepare for transportation and other county needs in the coming years. WE WANT TO HEAR FROM AS MANY LANCASTER COUNTY RESIDENTS AS POSSIBLE!

Visit www.places2040.com/newsurvey to participate!



Census 2020

Pennsylvania Receives Billions in Funding from the Feds Based on Census Numbers

Your response matters.

Health clinics. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads

and highways. The census can shape many different aspects of your community.

- Census results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year.
- The results determine how many seats in Congress each State gets.
- It's mandated by the U.S. Constitution in Article 1, Section 2: The U.S. has counted its population every 10 years since 1790.

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For more information, visit 2020census.gov.

Census 2020

2019 Accomplishments

- Road maintenance projects were completed on: Hostetter Road, Power Road, Memorial Road, Sanctuary Road, Boyer Run Road, Locust Lane and Southview Road
- Road paving projects were completed on Indian Village Road and Hickory Lane
- Pipes and/or inlets were installed at or along: North Penryn Road, West Lexington Road/Silver Maple Road, Woodlot Road/Lititz Road, Fairview Road, Dead End Road and Limerock Road
- Prohibited video gaming terminals

- Approved four zoning amendments to clarify and ease requirements
- ✓ Two grants totaling \$11,425 were secured and used to replant the Sustainability Park. Township contributed \$643.52 toward the project.
- ✓ 250 trees and 300 live stakes were planted at the Sustainability Park and along the Doe Run tributary at no cost to the Township
- Improved office and computer security

All within budget.

WINTER STORM SAFETY & TIPS

The Penn Township Public Works Department understands that when the snow flies, life on the roads can be a trying time. We try hard to do the best and quickest job possible to make the roads safe and clear of snow and ice. Cindering usually starts right after the snow begins to fall, with plowing starting around 3" of accumulation. Cindering and plowing routes are set up to clear the more heavily traveled roads first, then secondary roads and development streets. All roads are usually plowed over twice. We make an effort to plow through all of the streets and roads once to get everything at least passable and then the second time to get the snow to the edge of the road or curb. Penn Township is committed to providing excellent snow removal service.

- ◆ Stay back at least 100 ft, when following plow trucks or equipment
- Turn on headlights
- For your safety, DO NOT PASS A SNOW PLOW when it is plowing
- Clear a minimum 3ft area around fire hydrants within 24 hrs
- A 3ft wide path must be cleared from sidewalks of snow and ice within 24 hrs
- ◆ Snow and ice must not be deposited next to a fire hydrant, on a sidewalk or loading/unloading area
- ◆ Damage to mailboxes, nets, poles or other obstructions within the right-of-way are the property owner's responsibility





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Blow out lit candles when you leave the room and before going to bed. More than a third of home decoration fires are started by candles.



Turn off all light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed. 42% of decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a heat source.

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