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Township News

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Community Spotlight

Joe Eisenhauer



Elected to Board of Supervisors

In the November 2023 election, Joseph Eisenhauer was elected to the Board of Supervisors. His term started January 1, 2024.

Joe is 45 years old and married to Lauren. They have three children, Katie, Evan and Beau. In 2019, they moved to Cedar Hollow after living in Lancaster City. He is originally from Lebanon and

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Penn State Life Lion EMS



On January 1, 2024, Penn State Health Life Lion will cover Emergency Medical Services for Penn Township. Penn State Health Life Lion is also expected to serve Manheim Borough and Rapho Township, so you should see their vehicles there too.

Individuals and households may purchase Life Lion memberships and receive the benefits of membership at <https://www.ambulancebillingoffice.com/memberships/pennstatehealth.php>

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2023 Year in Review

Road Construction

- Pipe, endwalls, and guiderail project on Elm Road
- Bank taken back on Elm Road, in the area of the pipe and endwall project
- Boyer Run Road – reclaim a section for better sight distance at Locust Lane, Pave and shoulder work
- Airy Hill Road (Speedwell Forge Road to North Penryn Road)– pipe work, reclaim, pave, and shoulder work
- Widened North Penryn Road (Oak Lane to the Township line) from 19 feet to 24 feet
- Redid all of the stop bars and cross walks at the intersections of Penryn Road and Doe Run Road and North Penryn Road and Stiegel Valley Road
- Helped Rapho Township, in August, with an inlet and pipe project at the intersection of Colebrook Road and Mill Road
- Replaced all of the old steel pipes with concrete pipes on Lititz Road
- Filled in banks on Fairview Road with fill and topsoil and seeded the widened banks
- Created better sight distance at the intersection of Temperance Hill Road and West Lexington Road by removing a bank and creating a sightline easement with the property owners
- Ultra-thin bonded wearing coarse projects on West Lexington Road (Temperance Hill Road to Sego Sago Road) and Sego Sago Road (Fruitville Pike to West Lexington Road)
- Sealcoat projects on Brooklawn Road, East Pleasant View Road, Pine Street, Mockingbird Lane, and Airy Hill Road (Locust Grove Road to North Penryn Road)

Penryn Fire Company

- Fire Company was dispatched to 155 incidents - The estimated value of total property endangered was \$2,270,000 which gave us a 75.33% of property saved for the year 2023
- The annual Mud Sale held in March 2023 was a success for the Penryn Fire Company and the Limerock Parochial School, a major fundraiser for the two organizations; the sale had 955 bidders who came from near and far - 69 bidders were from states outside of Pennsylvania
- Continues to have the support of our community through the annual fund drive with a 31% return; dollar amounts went from \$68,857.03 in 2022 to \$78,783 in 2023
- Received the Pennsylvania Fire Commissioners Office Grant for \$15,000 which was used to purchase five sets of bunker gear
- In 2023 the Penryn Fire Company placed a refurbished Squad 28-1 in service by purchasing a new chassis, then taking the box off of the old squad, refurbishing and installing it on the new chassis saving the fire company approximately \$450,000
- The Penryn Fire Company Relief Association purchased 41 new air cylinders for \$62,299 replacing outdated air cylinders used on the self-contained breathing apparatus

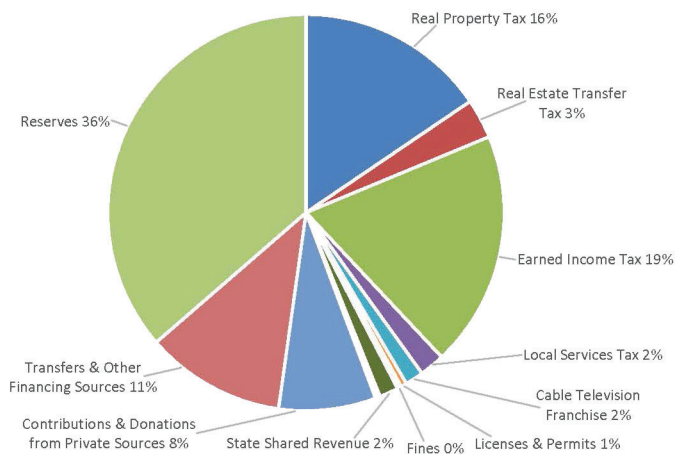


Other Township items

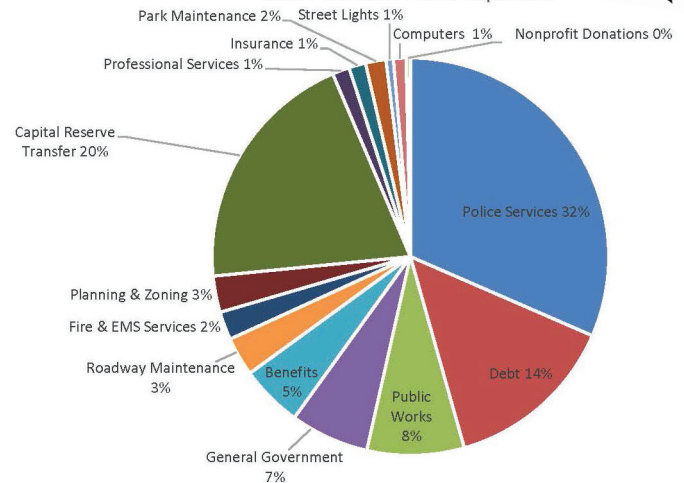
- MS4 Stream Restoration Project (before & after photos, right)
- Penn State Life Lion EMS to serve the Township in 2024
- Township preserved 56 acres of farmland through partnership with Lancaster County Agricultural Preserve Board

A look ahead... to 2024...

2024 General Fund Revenue

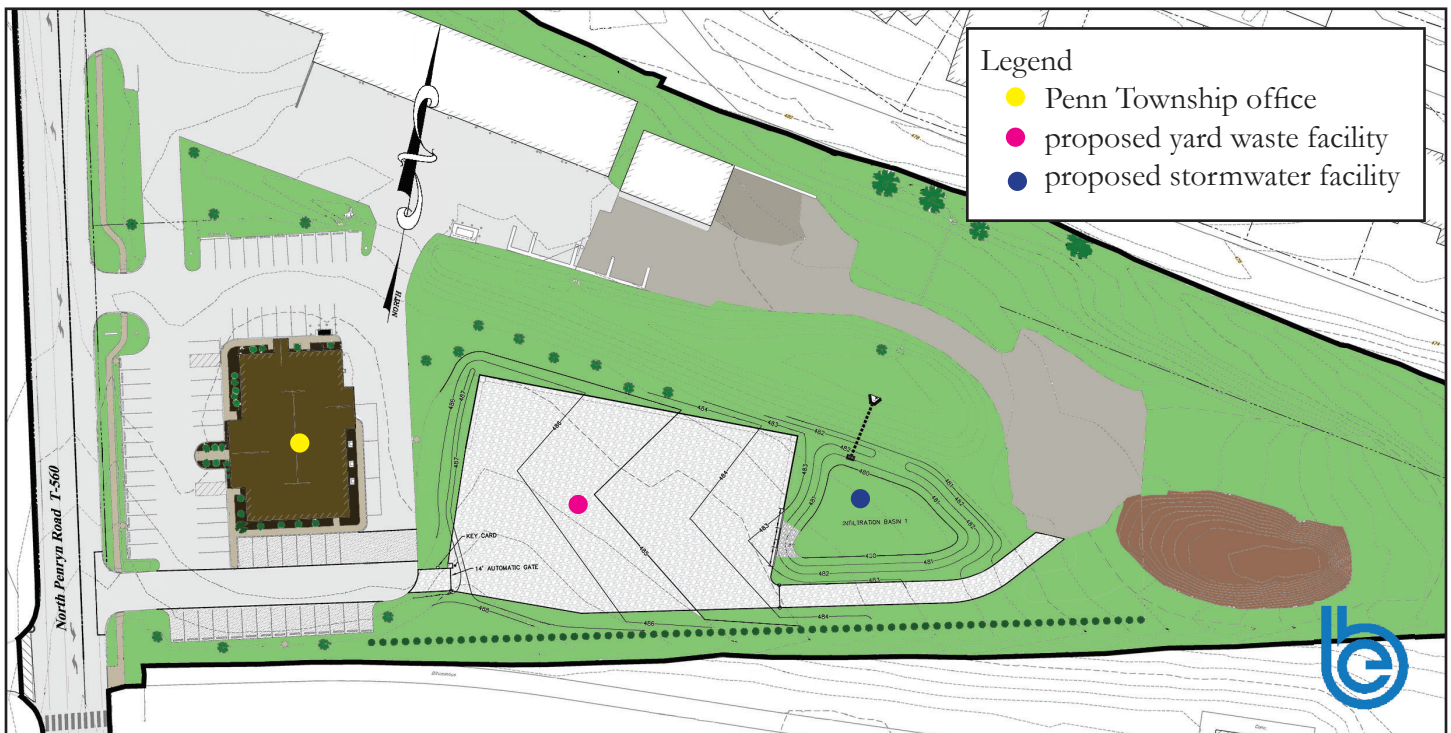


2024 General Fund Expenses



NO TAX INCREASE!!!
2024 millage rate remains the same as the last 7 years at 1.4326

Penn Township Plans Yard Waste Facility at 97 North Penryn Road



Yard Waste Recycling Facility is to be built with a \$350,000 state grant (proposed plan above) and is expected to be ready in late 2024 or early 2025.

TOWNSHIP OFFICE SPRING CLOSINGS

May 27, 2024 - Memorial Day

Wish-Cycling, Willful Disregard and Improper Recycling Costs Customers

Why, some may ask. I thought we were required to recycle. Yes, Penn Township, along with many municipalities, requires community members and businesses to recycle under Pennsylvania's Municipal Waste Planning Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, commonly known as Act 101 of 1988. When community members and businesses throw or allow trash to be disposed of within their recycle receptacles, it costs YOU, the customer. Trash needs to be removed by machine or by hand.

Karen Gross, the authority's communications manager, said, if workers on the transfer station's tipping floor — the place where waste and recycling haulers dump their loads — see an unrecyclable item like say, a garden hose, they'd pull it out. So does a lot of other unrecyclable stuff. "We are still currently seeing about 20 to 40% of trash ending up in the recycling bin," Gross said.

While automated machinery is heavy-duty, they are not immune to damage. When brake rotors, lithium batteries, cords, hoses, plastic bags or packaging plastic, Christmas lights, bowling balls and the like are placed in recycling or trash, they cause damage, sometimes severe, causing down time. One such example is that a battery was responsible for damage to a seven-year-old facility which cost \$35 million to rebuild. Thankfully, no employees were hurt in the fire.

Sorting trash is not a glorious job. How would you like to do it?

How can I do my part?

Just because you *think* something should be recyclable, doesn't mean it is. The following items are recyclable by LCSWMA:

- dry, flattened corrugated cardboard (wet or greasy cardboard, such as pizza boxes are not recyclable)
- clean plastic bottles and jugs with necks, lids and caps removed
- clean metal food and beverage cans
- clean glass jars and bottles, lids and caps removed



A list of recyclable materials and what they turn into hangs on the wall at the Penn Waste facility in York. -Photo by Suzette Wenger, LNP

If you're not sure if something is recyclable, throw it out.

Some items not listed above are recyclable, such as paper, however you may be responsible for bringing them to a facility that can use them. Contact your trash hauler for items that they accept.

To read the full article, visit https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/whether-by-wishcycling-or-willful-disregard-improper-recycling-practices-carry-costs-risks-lancaster-watchdog/article_59d28c42-957f-11ee-8f87-7390ae31800a.html.

QR Code Instructions:

1. Open the camera app.
2. Select the rear-facing camera in Photo mode.
3. Center the QR code you want to scan on the screen and hold your phone steady for a couple of seconds.
4. Tap the notification that pops up to open the link. (You will need to be connected to the internet to do this.)
5. Complete the form.

WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Penn Township is requesting feedback from your household regarding preferences for trash and recycling services. Penn Township is considering adopting an optional single hauler contract (hauler and contract information are yet to be determined) for trash hauling and recyclable materials.

In order to make an informed decision, the Township is requesting feedback from all community members for how they would like to move forward with trash and recycling. Our neighboring municipality, Rapho Township, has had success recently including an “opt-out” option for its households who no longer wish to use the Township’s designated hauler.

Important information to consider:

- Penn Township must maintain a majority of households for this to work the best! The more people who use the service, the better! Rapho Township currently quotes community members \$75/quarter. <https://www.raphotownship.com/2150/Trash-Recycling-Collection>.
- Commercial establishments are not included in this survey. This survey and request is for RESIDENTIAL trash and recycling only.
- Contract information and details such as: hauler, day of pickup, frequency of pick up, price, opt-out options, etc. are unavailable at this time. Penn Township is only trying to gauge preference for single hauler vs. multi-hauler (current).

Please note: Information input into the form will NOT be shared with third parties

Please submit responses by March 31, 2024 using the QR code above, by returning the paper response below or by calling the Township at 717-665-4508. Additional copies of the newsletter are available at the Township building. (QR code instructions on page 4)



SCAN HERE



WITH CELL PHONE
CAMERA

Trash and Recycling Services Preferences

Name _____

Address _____

Choose one: Single Hauler ☐ Multi-Hauler ☐

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____



PENRYN FIRE COMPANY AND LIMEROCK PAROCHIAL SCHOOL MUD SALE

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR TO COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FIRE COMPANY AND LIMEROCK PAROCHIAL SCHOOL!

The annual Penryn Fire Company and Limerock Parochial School Mud sale will be held Friday, March 15, 2024, and Saturday, March 16, 2024, at 1441 North Penryn Road, Manheim, PA 17545. Come out and enjoy this community event. As in past years, we will be selling BBQ chicken dinners starting at noon Friday with drive-up service and dine in available at 5:00pm. We will also have several auctions. Auctions will resume at 8:30am on Saturday and continue until everything is sold. There will be lots of delicious food for sale all day Saturday so why not come out and see what's for sale, enjoy some great food and fellowship with your neighbors. Some of the items we will be auctioning will be, crafts, quilts, tools (garden and contractor), shrubs, grocery items, produce, antiques and collectables.

All consignments are already arranged, and NO new consignments are going to be accepted this year.

ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Name	Location	Project	Status
Pleasant View Retirement Community	N Penryn Rd	Cultural Center	Under Construction
Pleasant View Retirement Community	N Penryn Rd	Residential Development	Planning Phase
Lancaster Inn and Suites	Lancaster Rd	Commercial Expansion	Planning Phase
Sporting Valley Feeds	Junction Rd	Agricultural Expansion	Planning Phase
Avery Square	Fruitville Pk/S Oak St	Residential Development	Under Construction
Manheim Commons	Lancaster Rd/Bucknoll Rd	Residential Development/Commercial	Under Construction
Elite Paving	Ditz Dr	Commercial Alteration	Under Construction
Benchmark Construction	Doe Run Rd	Residential Development	Development Plans Pending
Penn Station Townhomes	Fruitville Pk/S Oak St	Residential Development	Planning Phase
Fenner	Hostetter Rd	Industrial Development	Development Plans Pending
327 White Oak Road - Townhomes	White Oak Rd	Residential Development	Pending Construction
CSG Group Home	S Main St	Residential Development	Complete

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or by calling 717-763-2108 option 2.

For more information on Penn State Health Life Lion, visit their website at <https://www.pennstatehealth.org/services-treatments/life-lion-emergency-medical-services-critical-care>.

We want to thank the Northwest Emergency Medical Service for providing EMS to our township for at least a decade. NWEMS is to transition services to a new MESA (Municipal Emergency Services Authority).

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moved to Lancaster County in 2015. He is a graduate of the now defunct Lebanon Catholic High School and has a Political Science degree from Temple University.

Joe is a real estate developer and has been in the land development industry for nearly 20 years.

Outside of work, he enjoys outdoor activities such as golf, tennis, hiking, fishing and skiing as well as coaching tee ball but his favorite thing to do is tinker and garden around the house. He is proud to have planted 17 native tree species on their modest property in Cedar Hollow.

Joe has a lifetime interest of serving in the community. Most recently as member of the Penn Industrial Development Authority and as tee ball coach in the Manheim Central Little League. When Joe learned that Ron Krause was considering retirement, he reached out to him and expressed a willingness to have his name on the ballot.

As a developer, Joe hopes that his experience will add insight on growth management and establishing strong relationships with development partners interested in building in Penn Township. Intelligent design with future growth is very important to him and he envisions encouraging development within a defined radius of Manheim and a hardline preservation of farmland outside of that growth radius. He is committed to preserving the agrarian nature of Penn Township, improving the walkability of Penn around the urban core of Manheim, streambed restoration and water quality improvements in waters flowing through the Township. Joe sees Penn Township as an economically vibrant blend of old and new, rural and suburban, and flush with clean air and water.

Joe hopes to maintain the strong fiscal discipline practiced by the Supervisors preceding his arrival and is grateful for the opportunity to serve the community. He did not run because he thought anything was wrong, so he does not come to the board with an agenda of drastic change. Penn Township is a pleasant place to live and it is governed well. He intends to continue and build on that legacy.



**RECYCLE
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JUST FOCUS ON THE BIG 4! PLACE ONLY THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN.

1  CORRUGATED CARDBOARD ↓ <i>Flattened</i>	2  PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS WITH NECKS ↓ <i>Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed</i>	3  METAL FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS ↓ <i>Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed</i>	4  GLASS JARS & BOTTLES ↓ <i>Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed</i>
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Primary Election Day

Scheduled for **April 23, 2024**
Poll Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Last day to register: April 8, 2024



Last day to apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot: April 16, 2024

You can now register to vote through the Pennsylvania Department of State's online application. Before you begin, be sure to have your Pennsylvania driver's license or PennDOT ID card handy. If you don't have either of these, there are other options. Once you submit your online application, it will be forwarded to the appropriate county voter registration office for processing. Visit www.votespa.com for more information.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Chairperson-Ben Bruckhart Vice Chairperson-Richard Landis Treasurer-Thomas Walsh Supervisor-Joseph Eishenhauer Supervisor-Gary Stevens Secretary-Mark Hiester	Vice Chairperson-vacant Secretary-Cullen Ketcham Member-Stephen Engle Member-Skylar Gingrich Alternate-Vacant	NORTHWESTERN LANCASTER COUNTY AUTHORITY Chairperson-Herbert Mattern Vice-Chairperson-Barbara Horst Member-Phil Donmoyer Member-Cullen Ketcham Member-Lewis Jury	NORTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY REGIONAL POLICE Chief-Josh Kilgore TOWNSHIP STAFF Manager-Mark Hiester Planner-Jennifer Tulonen Zoning Officer-Matt Reeser Finance-Connie Weidle Receptionist-Barbara Grable Public Works Director-Daryl Lefever	Foreman-Neil Fittery Maintenance Worker-Keith Iehle Maintenance Worker-Shannon Martin Maintenance Worker-Clayton Fidler SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER Len Spencer, III, SEO
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