

Jackson

Township Gazette

January 2024

MANAGER'S CORNER

We are experiencing a fairly stormy January; I hope the weather has not hampered you too much. Please remember to remove your car or vehicles off the street when it snows. Vehicles left on the road create difficulties for snow removal. You could be cited by the Police if you have left your vehicle parked on the street.



The Township has implemented a new Notification System called Savvy Citizen. We have included information in the Newsletter directing you on how to sign up for this service. The Township has a meeting and event calendar published, as well

as agendas, proposed Ordinances, weather and traffic notifications, emergency information and special events. Check it out, it is free to you to sign up and get the notifications and you can select how and when you want the notifications to appear on your phone or device.

David Brown completed his term as Township Supervisor. He has served the community as a Police Officer and an elected Board member for over 20 years. He will be missed. Bradley Dunham is the new Township Supervisor and if you see him out and about, join me in wishing him well. There is a lot of responsibility, and a lot to learn that comes with the position of Township Supervisor.

The Township passed the Budget for 2024. The Township has held the line on taxes this year, even with the rise in inflation. The staff at the Township is very cost conscience and tries their utmost best to keep expenses down. There is no Tax increase this year. As well, for sewer customers, there is no increase in sewage treatment fees this year.

Here is hoping and wishing for a wonderful spring and summer, and if you get the chance and have not been, take a walk on our trail at Little Creek Community Park, play a round of golf, pickleball or basketball when the weather cooperates.

IMPORTANT MEETING DATES

Board of Supervisors

7:00 PM

Tuesday, January 2, 2024
Tuesday, February 6, 2024
Tuesday, March 5, 2024
Tuesday, April 2, 2024
Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Planning Commission

6:00 PM

Tuesday, January 16, 2024
Tuesday, February 20, 2024
Tuesday, March 19, 2024
Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Sewer Authority

6:00 PM

Thursday, January 18, 2024
Thursday, February 15, 2024
Thursday, March 21, 2024
Thursday, April 18, 2024

Zoning Hearing Board If Needed

6:00 PM

Monday, January 22, 2024
Monday, February 26, 2024
Monday, March 25, 2024
Monday, April 22, 2024

Township Office Information

Telephone No. (717) 225-5661 • Fax No. (717) 225-0130

Website: www.jacksontownship.org • e-mail: information@jacksontownship.org

TOWNSHIP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Ordinance 229-2023 Establishing a Volunteer Service Credit Program; Enacting Tax Credits for Volunteer Members of Volunteer Fire Companies; and Establishing Administrative Procedures and Appeals for Such Program was enacted.
- Resolution 03-2023 Establishing Program Criteria for the Volunteer Service Credit Program was adopted.
- The Board set the fee for pavilion rental at \$225.00 and the propane heaters at \$50.00 per heater.
- Resolution 06-2023 to transfer \$129,000.00 from the General Fund into the Capital Reserve Fund was adopted.
- The 2024 SPCA Contract renewal for Animal Care and Housing was approved.
- Resolution 05-2023 to transfer \$15,000.00 from the General Fund into the Recreation Escrow Fund was adopted.
- The Board approved a 3-year contract for the lease of Golf Carts to be used at the Little Creek Golf Course beginning April 2024 through September 2026.
- The Board awarded GDC the contract to install electronic locks to the other front, side and interior doors not to exceed \$10,000.00. Contract will be paid with ARPA funds.
- Resolution 07-2023 Approving the 2024 Township Budget was adopted.
- Resolution 08-2023 Setting the Tax Rate at 1.8 mils was adopted.
- The Penn Waste quarterly residential trash contract for 2024 is \$75.25 plus an additional \$1.55 per quarter for disposal rates at the York County Resource Recovery Facility was approved. The new quarterly rate will be \$76.80 per household effective January 1, 2024.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ACTIONS:

- DCS Driving School located at 6442 Lincoln Highway West was granted waivers for Sidewalks, Pathways and Driveway Aprons, Streetlighting and Curbs with the condition that a "6 month note" be placed on the plan. The Final Land Development Plan was given conditional approval.

ZONING HEARING BOARD ACTIONS:

- Shawn Phouthasinh was granted a Variance on the Rear Set Back at 102 Farm Lane Circle.

2024 COUNTY & TOWNSHIP REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTION

Jeanne Grogg, Tax Collector, 717-225-6561

Jeanne will have the following sitting hours at the Jackson Township Municipal Building to collect taxes:

Wednesday, April 3 – 5:00 PM–6:00 PM

Friday, April 5 – 9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Monday, April 8 – 9:00 AM-10:00 AM

Wednesday, April 10 – 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Friday, April 12 – 9:00 AM-10:00 AM

Monday, April 15 – 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Tax Payments Mailed – Only Postmark Date Accepted, NOT CHECK DATE

RETURNED CHECKS - \$50.00 CHARGE

Become a Savvy Citizen!



Want to know what's going on in Jackson Township?

Our new Savvy Citizen app will keep you better informed of important township news and happenings in our community.



- Sign-up for **Apple** and **Android** users is simple and free. Become more savvy and receive useful updates, community news, and event reminders by downloading today.



or visit SavvyCitizenApp.com for more info and download links

FROM THE ZONING OFFICER
Ray Dietrich

As per DEP requirements Jackson Township District 1 residents need to have septic systems pumped and inspected by December 31, 2024. Reminder letters for District 1 residents will be mailed by January 31, 2024.

The York County Solid Waste Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at 2685 Blackthorne Court, York, 17406. This event is free to York County residents. Businesses and non-York County residents may not participate. Registration is required and will be opened online and by phone (717-845-1066) in early March. Additional information can be found on our website here: <https://www.ycswa.com/services/waste-disposal/household-hazardous-waste/>.

FIRE CHIEF
Brad Dunham

REMINDER: Changes to the Jackson Township Chapter 50 Burning, Open; Outdoor Fires Ordinance. The two major changes are as follows:

1. A permit is now required for **ANY** open burning. An application is to be submitted to the Township office at least 3 business days prior to igniting any open burn. The Fire Chief will review and either approve or deny the permit based on the current conditions he observes.
2. There was also a change to the property line distance for a recreational fire from the previous 50' requirement. That distance was reduced to 25' from a property line.

The Fire Chief has had an uptick in burning complaints and violations!



Susquehanna Regional Transportation Authority

Serving Adams, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Harrisburg City,
Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Snyder, Union, and York

Topic: Beat the Cold: Ride the Bus

Winter's tough, but your commute doesn't have to be! Choose public transportation this season instead of driving in snow and ice. rabbittransit buses are equipped to handle winter conditions, so you can enjoy a cozy ride while skipping the hassle of scraping an icy windshield or shoveling out your parking spot. Read on to learn which rabbittransit services are available in Jackson Township.

- **Fixed Route:** rabbittransit's Route 16 provides regular fixed route service between downtown York and Hanover, and passes between Thomasville and Spring Grove using Route 116. Catch the bus in Thomasville at the Post Office! Find the full schedule at <https://www.rabbittransit.org/routes/route-16/>. Cash fare is only \$1.60 one-way! To purchase discounted digital bus passes, download the Token Transit smartphone app here: <https://tokentransit.com/app>.
- **Shared Ride:** Unlike fixed route service, Shared Ride (a.k.a. Paratransit) provides consolidated trips between travel origins and destinations during limited hours and specific areas. Use Shared Ride for trips to the doctor, a job or other life-sustaining service. If Shared Ride sounds like a fit for you, the first step is to submit an application. Conveniently apply online by visiting www.rabbittransit.org > Shared Ride > How to apply. All Shared Ride trips require a reservation, which may be made by calling rabbittransit Customer Service at 1-800-632-9063, or by visiting www.FindMyRidePA.org. Find more information at www.rabbittransit.org/shared-ride/.
- **Stop Hopper:** Tap, hop and go! Much like other ride share apps, rabbittransit's Stop Hopper microtransit service offers rides within certain local service zones that can be ordered on-demand through our Stop Hopper smartphone app, or by calling customer service at 1-800-632-9063. As a driver approaches for pick up, riders receive notifications updating them on the vehicle's estimated arrival time. All vehicles are ADA accessible and heated for a nice cozy ride. Personal shopping carts are permitted on board, making the Stop Hopper a convenient travel option for grocery shopping, visiting the pharmacy, going out to eat, and more. Find more information at: www.ridethestophopper.org.
- **rabbitEXPRESS:** Planning a day out in the city, or need a ride to work? rabbittransit's commuter service, rabbitEXPRESS, operates multiple round trips on weekdays between York and Harrisburg; York and Northern Maryland; and Gettysburg and Harrisburg. Catch the bus at a convenient Park & Ride location along Route 11 or Route 83. Regular fares range between \$3.50 and \$5 one-way. Visit www.rabbittransit.org/rabbitEXPRESS/ for more information.

Save money, save gas, and help your community do the same! If you're looking for a job, rabbittransit is hiring! Visit <https://www.rabbittransit.org/jobs> to view open positions in your area.

415 N. Zarfoss Drive, York, PA 17404 • T: 1-800-632-9063 • www.rabbittransit.org

NASHVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

York County Station 11 - 717-225-5309

Station 11 Fundraisers

Fish Fry: February 9, 16 and 23

March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29

April 12 and May 10

Serving from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Please check our FACEBOOK page (NASHVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT) for regular updates about any changes or new dates for functions.

Brad Dunham, Fire Chief

Nashville Vol. Fire Co. – York County Station 11

717-225-5309 Station - 717-577-4794 Cell

bdunham1141@comcast.net Email



Pennsylvania Urban Nutrient Management – Be Green While Protecting Our Streams

Protecting Pennsylvania’s Waterways Starts at Home.

Turfgrass has become a major component of Pennsylvania’s flora. In fact, according to DCNR, Pennsylvania now contains over 2 million acres of lawn. Selecting a proper turfgrass management program, whether it is on a private lawn, sports field, public park, or golf course, is essential to protecting our local waterways.

Know What Your Lawn Needs

When looking to apply nutrients to your lawn, make sure you are aware of what your lawn needs and what the Pennsylvania Fertilizer Law allows. To determine your lawn’s nutrient needs, it is best to first soil test. Soil tests provide specific recommendations for nitrogen, phosphate, and potassium. Following the soil test recommendations ensures that you are applying only what your lawn needs, thus reducing nutrient loss and fertilizer cost. Test kits can be purchased for a nominal fee from your local [Penn State extension office](#).

The Pennsylvania Fertilizer Law

In July 2022, Pennsylvania adopted a new [fertilizer law](#) designed to minimize the movement of nutrients into our waterways. Anyone who applies fertilizers should be aware of the following nutrient limitations.

- Nitrogen is limited to 0.9 pounds of total nitrogen and 0.7 pounds of available nitrogen per 1000 ft² per application.
- No phosphorus can be applied unless establishing or repairing turf.
- Both the nitrogen and phosphorus rates can be adjusted based on soil test recommendations and/or if using an enhanced efficiency fertilizer.
 - Enhanced efficiency fertilizers are specifically designed to reduce nutrient losses to the environment while increasing availability to plants.

In addition, when applying fertilizer, applicators must follow specific environmental conditions to prevent direct movement of fertilizer nutrients into our streams.

- Do not apply if a heavy rain is expected.
- Keep fertilizer away from drainage ditches, storm drains, or water.
- Maintain a 15-foot buffer from the banks of all waterways.
- Remove fertilizer that lands on impervious surfaces (i.e. driveways, sidewalks, roads) back onto the application area.
- Do not use as a snow or ice melt.
- Do not spread fertilizer on snow-covered or frozen ground.
- Fertilizer application between December 15 and March 1 is restricted to 0.50 lbs of total nitrogen per 1000 ft² per application.

Read the Label

Manufacturers of fertilizer products must include detailed labels that provide the nutrient content and instructions for use. As a fertilizer applicator, you are strongly encouraged to read and follow all directions and apply your fertilizer using a properly calibrated spreader.

2024 Jackson Township Trash & Recycling Collection Calendar

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
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- = Wednesday Customer Collection
- = Thursday Customer Collection
- = Friday Customer 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 curbside by 6:00 AM on your scheduled collection day.
- Basic service customers are limited to the mobile cart only.
- Low Volume Customers must attach a bag to a bulk item.
- Call Penn Waste to schedule collection of bulk items and appliances containing freon (air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, etc.)
- No construction debris will be collected curbside.
- To stay up to date on collection updates, sign up for our E-News Updates at www.pennwaste.com.

For additional details visit our website www.pennwaste.com

Thank you for this opportunity to serve you!



pennwaste.com



CREATING A GREEN COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

Penn Waste is the exclusive hauler for Jackson Township under this contract. The rate and service level is as follows:

TRASH	RECYCLE	BULK ITEM	RATE
Mobile Cart Service <small>Limited to the 96 gallon mobile cart</small>	Unlimited	One per week <small>Call Penn Waste to Schedule</small>	\$76.80 per quarter <small>Rates Change Annually</small>
Pay-Per-Bag-Option <small>Minimum of 18 bags per year</small>	Unlimited	One per week <small>Must Attach Bag & Call to Schedule</small>	\$88.20 billed Bi-Annually <small>Rates Change Annually</small>

If you should have any questions, please contact our office at 717-767-4456



Important Trash and Recycling Information for Jackson Township Residents

Spring Grove Regional Parks and Recreation Center



1472 Roth Church Road PO Box 349 Spring Grove Pa 17362
(717) 225-9733 • www.sgrprc.com • springgroverec@comcast.net

Upcoming Events and Programs

**2024 WINTER/SPRING PROGRAM GUIDE
AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE JANUARY 31ST!**

Childcare services, Egg Hunts, Food Truck Event, Summer Camp & more!

Check out our current program guide for all we have to offer!!!

www.sgrprc.com



SGRPRC CAMP QUEST 2024
June 5th-Aug 16th
**ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS
MARCH 11th at 7AM!!!**
**Spaces will be limited! Visit our website under
childcare for the link to register!**



**WE'RE
HIRING!
JOIN OUR TEAM**

For more information contact Megan Slothour-
Childcare Director
megan_slothour@sgrprc.com
717-225-9733 ext. 104



**EGG
HUNT**

Special Guest
EASTER BUNNY!

Saturday, March 23rd, 2024
FREE EVENT
(Donations Appreciated)
Locations/Times
9:00AM Farmers Field Park- Paradise Township
(Location: 3074 Church Road, Thomasville, PA 17364)
10:00AM Little Creek Community Park-Jackson Township
(Location: 1657 Route 116 SG Pa 17362 also Little Creek Golf Course)
11:00AM Spring Grove Thoman Field (on left before park) –
Spring Grove Borough
(Location: Route 116 and Railroad Street/ Near school bus lot)
***Doggie Egg Hunt 11:15am (SG Community Dog Park)**
**Bring your dogs out for eggs filled with doggie treat! Dogs will
be placed in small or large areas based on size.**
***Find the "GOLDEN" Eggs at each Park to win a prize!**
Walking to 10yrs of Age

**Spring Grove Community
Food Truck Event!**

Friday, April 19th from 4 pm - 7 pm
**HELP SUPPORT SPRING GROVE COMMUNITY
MEMBERS OF ALL AGES!**
Save the Date!

**Located along Rt. 116 in Spring Grove
at the Little Creek Community
Park/ Golf Course.**

*This event is held to
benefit Windy Hill Senior
Center & Spring Grove
Regional Parks &
Recreation Center. Both
nonprofits are located on
the SGASD Campus in the
old Middle School
building.*



For more information on
Windy Hill Senior Center
visit:
windyhillonthecampus.org



For more information
on Spring Grove
Regional Parks &
Recreation Center
visit:
www.sgrprc.com

**We only have a few spaces left for food
trucks. If you're interested in participating
in this community event, apply soon!**



**Special Guest Entertainment:
DJ Chris Wagman**

Jackson Township

439 Roth's Church Road
Spring Grove, PA 17362

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Emily A.B. Miller, Vice-Chairman
Bradley R. Dunham, Member

Tax Collector:

Jeanne M. Grogg

Administration Officials:

Florence A. Ford, Manager
Sally A. Bushey, Treasurer/Adm. Asst.
Linda A. Eaton, Secretary/Fin. Officer
Ray Dietrich, Jr., Zoning Officer

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Zachary R. Steckler, Vice Chairman
Ned A. Leppo, Secretary
Bradley R. Dunham
Kevin A. Lain

Zoning Hearing Board:

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Travis A. Thoman, Vice Chairman
Rich Yingling
Melinda Carlson - Alternate
Mark Derr, Alternate

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John A. McDonald, Vice Chairman
VACANT, Treasurer
Joyce E. Sheridan, Secretary
Mark E. Derr, Assistant Secretary

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Jason A. Yohe, Chairman
Thomas Boyer
Philip M. Sprenkle

Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday through Thursday • 8:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M., Friday

The office will be closed the following holidays:

Monday, February 19, 2024 – President's Day

March 29, 2024 – Good Friday