

Wheatfield Township Newsletter

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Public Meetings

Board of Supervisors
1st Monday of the Month
7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission
2nd Tuesday of the Month
7:00 p.m.

Park & Recreation Board
3rd Tues of the Month
6:30 p.m.

Zoning Hearing Board
As needed

All meetings are held at the Township Building
located at 1280 New Bloomfield Rd.,
New Bloomfield

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Perry County, Pennsylvania

Welcome to the fall edition of the Wheatfield Township Newsletter! Welcome to all new residents of Wheatfield Township. Please check out our Township's website for information on meeting dates, road closures/work, recycling and our annual spring cleanup.

The paving and seal coat projects for 2023 has been completed. Martin Paving applied seal coat to Creek Road from Linton Hill Road to Sulphur Springs Road, Montebello Road from Sulphur Springs Road to Paradise Road and Montebello Farm Road from Rt. 274 to Montebello Road. Jay Fulkroad & Sons applied super pave to Linton Hill Road from Rt. 274 to Dave's World. If you encounter any dangerous road condition or a tree down, please contact the Township Road Master Dexter Potter at 717-275-5751. If the tree is on the wires and fire is involved, please call the County Emergency Center at 717-582-4311. For your safety and the road crew's safety, please slow down through construction and abide by the traffic signs.

The supervisors are currently working on the 2024 budget and budget workshops will be held monthly until the budget is adopted at the December meeting. Included in the budget are donations made to the Duncannon Fire Co., Duncannon EMS, New Bloomfield Fire Co., New Bloomfield EMS, Perry County Crime Stoppers, New Bloomfield Library and the Babs Curran Duncannon Senior Center. All meetings and workshops are open to the public and the supervisors welcome and encourage all residents to attend.

The monthly recycling program continues to grow and is a valuable asset for residents. Volunteers are available at the monthly recycling to assist in placing your recyclables in the proper container if assistance is needed. If you have any questions of how things should be separated or which container, they should be placed in please ask one of our volunteers. For maximum storage space in the plastic container, please crush your plastics if possible. Recycling is for Wheatfield Township residents only, please do not drop off recyclables when the recycling center is not open.

The supervisors would like to thank all of those who come out and volunteer at the various township activities. Many hands make it easier and more enjoyable. In September the township held their annual appreciation picnic at Wagner Park for all volunteers, committees and employees. The weather was nice and enjoyed by all who attended. If interested in volunteering as an individual or a group please contact the Township Office.

Snow Removal

It's getting close to that time of year again!! To make snow removal easier for our Township Road Crew, please park all automobiles, recreational vehicles, boats, trailers, etc. in off-street areas. This will eliminate the possibility of damage to private and township vehicles and will aid in a more efficient means of operation. Residents are responsible for removal of snow from around the mailbox. Please do not shovel snow from your driveway into the road.

During snow removal, the Township will not be responsible for damage to shrubbery, mailboxes or any other private property located within the Township right-of-way.

Please cooperate with us so we can keep the Township roads safe for all.

Volunteering

Do you have some extra time and would like to help out in your community? How about considering volunteering at your local EMS station or fire company. Volunteers are getting fewer and fewer and are greatly needed to assist with fundraisers and crew members. If interested contact your local EMS or fire departments.

If interested in volunteering for emergency planning in the Township contact Kurt Hepschmidt, EMC at 717-834-6981.



Don't forget, Fall back!

Turn your clocks back one hour
on November 5, 2023

Remember to vote – General Election
Day is Tuesday, November 7, 2023 from
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Snyder's United
Methodist Church

**Wheatfield Township will hold Trick or Treat on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 from
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Wheatfield Township Planning Commission

The following Subdivision/Land Development Plans were approved between April 2023 and September 2023:

- Gary & Dana Dunn Final Minor Subdivision Plan, New Bloomfield Road

As of October 2023, pending Subdivision/Land Development Plans:

- Sharon Swartz Final Minor Land Development Plan, Mecks Corner

****Reminder – Zoning permits and driveway paving permits are required in Wheatfield Township. Please contact Lester Nace, Zoning Officer at 717-580-4633 with any questions.**

Wheatfield Township Park and Recreation Board News

As summer comes to an end and fall and winter arrive soon the recreation board is diligently working to finish up some of our projects that we began.

Over the spring and summer, we have been planting grass and spreading cracker dust around some of the paving back to the bridge. We have also installed a new fan in the restroom and an LED dusk to dawn light on the pole by the equipment building. We are in the process of purchasing an electric pole saw and chain saw to maintain the trails and other areas around the park. We received 5 bird houses from the PA Game Commission which have been mounted and placed around the park.

Some future projects being discussed by the recreation board are to expand the playground, have a mural painted on the equipment building and something on the walking bridge to simulate the railroad bed. We are also actively pursuing phone and internet service to Wagner Park though this has been a challenge. Any resident who might be able to help with this please contact the Township Office.

On another note, we ask that users of the park or pavilions refrain from using products that contain plastic confetti. This has become a problem and is very hard to clean up.

As we continue to provide recreation in the Township, users are reminded tax deductible donations for improvements and upkeep can be made to: Phyllis Krieger, 107 Cook Rd., Duncannon, PA 17020.

Members and volunteers will be working Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until dusk in order to try to finish summer projects. Help is always appreciated along with comments and suggestions for recreation in the Township as well as improvements to Wagner Park.

Enjoy the fall and winter months!

Rabbit Transit

Cooler weather will soon be upon us, so how do you plan to travel and beat the chill? Whether you want to run errands, attend medical appointments, join recreational activities, or visit friends, there's an easy (and warm!) way to get there: Book a Shared Ride with rabbittransit.

All Shared Ride trips require a reservation. If you would like same-day service, you must make your reservation by 1:30 p.m. Otherwise, reservations must be made no later than 12:00 p.m. the business day before your ride. Reservations may be made two weeks in advance. For trips on Saturday, Sunday or Monday, reservations must be submitted by 12 p.m. the Friday before. Visit www.rabbittransit.org > Shared Ride > Reservations to schedule a reservation.

If Shared Ride sounds like a fit for you, the first step is to submit an application to the program you'd like to participate in. Shared Ride programs vary from Senior Shared Ride to the Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP), ADA Complementary Paratransit Program (ADA), or Paratransit Full Fare. Riders in select programs may be eligible for free fares. Easily apply online by visiting www.rabbittransit.org > Shared Ride > How to apply.

For additional questions about Shared Ride services, call 1-800-632-9063. For more information, visit www.rabbittransit.org/shared-ride/.

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Smile

One day a man went to an auction. While there, he bid on a parrot. He really wanted this bird, so he got caught up in the bidding. He kept on bidding, but kept getting outbid, so he bid higher and higher and higher.

Finally, after he bid way more than he intended, he won the bid - the parrot was his at last!

As he was paying for the parrot, he said to the Auctioneer, "I sure hope this parrot can talk. I would hate to have paid this much for it, only to find out that he can't talk!"

"Don't worry." said the Auctioneer, "He can talk. Who do you think kept bidding against you?"