

# Penn Township Newsletter



**PARTNERS IN PROGRESS**

**2024 SPRING & SUMMER**

## EVENTS

### Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23, 2024 at Penn Township Community Park, 4601 Grandview Rd.

10:00am - Rain or Shine

Penn Township residents 10 and under.

Penn Township Police Department will be available starting at 9:00am for car seat inspections.

Penn Township Fire Department will have the fire trucks on display at 9:00am.

The Easter Bunny will be making a special appearance.



### Residential Brush and Limb Collection

Curbside collection of brush and limbs will begin on Monday, April 29, 2024. All material must be placed curbside on a dedicated Township street or road by this date, **but not before Friday April 19, 2024. If material is placed curbside prior to April 19th, you will be contacted to remove it!** If a resident has too much material to be placed curbside at one time, arrangements must be made with a commercial trimmer to handle the excess. Due to the restricted available space, first priority pick-up will be given to Baltimore Street, York Street, Frederick Street and Carlisle Street. The requirements are:

1. Limbs no larger than 3" in diameter or smaller than 1/2" in diameter.
2. Will not accept lumber, boards, etc.

**Township crews will pick up one time per neighborhood.**

The Township reserves the right to refuse items that do not meet the requirements and is **NOT** responsible for clean up. For questions please call 717-633-6373.

You can also dispose of this material at H&H General Excavating Co. located at 660 Old Hanover Road in Spring Grove. H&H will accept leaves, brush, limbs and tree trunks only. These products can be delivered to their facility 7 days a week during daylight hours free of charge. Call 717-225-4669 or 717-225-1479 for details.

### Residential Food Drive and Shredding Event

The Township has partnered with New Hope Ministries to give residents the opportunity and convenience to help others in the community by combining a food drive with the Township's shredding event. The event will be held April 20, 2024, from 8:00am till 1:00pm at the Township Recycling Drop-Off Facility located at 1020 Wilson Avenue. Consider this an opportunity to not only clean out your file cabinet but also your pantry (**please check expiration dates**).

New Hope Ministries will accept any non-perishable food items from your pantry. They especially love canned fruits, veggies, soups, peanut butter, tuna, and dry goods, but will take any non-perishable food items. So, fill a bag or box with those items in your pantry that you thought you would use but didn't, and share them with someone in the community who needs them.

#### **Free Penn Township Residential Document Shredding - Must Show Proof of Residency**

If you have sensitive or private documents that need to be destroyed, you can bring them to the Recycling Drop-Off Center located at 1020 Wilson Avenue, Saturday, April 20, 2024. Shredding Solutions Inc. will be on hand from 8:00am until 1:00pm to shred financial, medical, personal, and any other confidential records for **Penn Township residents only**. There will be a **5 file box limit per vehicle**. The typical size of a file box is 18"L x 12"W x 10"H.

### Hanover Area Night Out

National Night Out will be held Tuesday, August 6, 2024 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Emory H. Markle Middle School located at 225 Bowman Rd. Bring the family out and enjoy the Hanover Area National Night Out celebration. There will be displays from area organizations and businesses eager to answer your questions. Enjoy free hot dogs and water. Many giveaways, free items and children can register for the bike raffle! For more information, watch the "Penn Township Police, Hanover PA" Facebook page. If you would like to participate as a vendor or sponsor, please contact Officer Bryan Wheeler at [bwheeler@pennpolice.com](mailto:bwheeler@pennpolice.com).

**The Merchandiser went out of business at the end of 2023.**

**The newsletter is available at the recycling center, Township office and online at [www.penntwp.com](http://www.penntwp.com)**

# TRASH & RECYCLING

## Holiday Schedule for Recycling Drop Off and Trash/Recycling Collection

Good Friday - March 29, 2024

**RECYCLING CENTER CLOSED, NO CHANGE IN COLLECTION**

Memorial Day - May 27, 2024

**RECYCLING CENTER CLOSED, COLLECTION DELAYED 1 DAY FOR THE WEEK**

Independence Day - July 4, 2024

**RECYCLING CENTER CLOSED, COLLECTION DELAYED 1 DAY THURSDAY & FRIDAY**

Labor Day - September 4, 2024

**RECYCLING CENTER CLOSED, COLLECTION DELAYED 1 DAY FOR THE WEEK**

## Collection Delays/Updates

Sign up for email updates from Penn Waste:

[www.pennwaste.com/municipalities/penn-township](http://www.pennwaste.com/municipalities/penn-township)

Updates are posted on the Penn Township website:

[www.penntwp.com](http://www.penntwp.com)

Updates are posted on the Penn Waste Facebook page and their website:

[www.pennwaste.com](http://www.pennwaste.com)

Tune into your local news channel

## American Flag Etiquette

Federal law stipulates many aspects of flag etiquette. The section of law dealing with American Flag etiquette is generally referred to as the Flag Code. Below are several of the general guidelines from the Flag Code that answers many of the most common questions:

- The flag should be lighted at all times, either by sunlight or by an appropriate light source.
- The flag should be flown in fair weather, unless the flag is designed for inclement weather use.
- The flag should never have any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure, or drawing of any kind placed on it, or attached to it.
- When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag, it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.
- When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified manner.

If you have America flags that you need to dispose of, you can drop them off at the Penn Township recycling center. The flags will be disposed of in a dignified manner.



## Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Pre-registration required at [www.ycswa.com](http://www.ycswa.com)

**Saturday, May 4, 2024, 9:00am to 1:00pm, 2685 Blackthorne Ct., York, PA**

All York County homeowners or residential tenants are eligible to participate in this free program. Businesses and government entities are **not** eligible to participate. The Authority provides this service as part of our integrated waste management system and through a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. After collection, HHW is transported to hazardous waste facilities that safely manage, and whenever possible, recycle the materials collected. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY**

Please visit [www.ycswa.com](http://www.ycswa.com) or call 717-845-1066 for complete list of acceptable items or more information.

## How to Dispose of Paint

Paints and dyes in good usable condition may be able to be donated. An internet search such as "donate paint York PA" will show organizations that accept these materials for donation. Latex paints and dyes can also be disposed of in the regular trash. To prevent spillage, dry them using paint hardeners purchased at home improvement stores or mix them with an absorbent material such as shredded paper or kitty litter, and secure lids firmly. When disposing of aerosol paint cans, secure can caps firmly. Place all paint containers in a tightly closed garbage bag before disposing in the regular garbage. Oil-based paints are considered hazardous, and **cannot** be disposed of in your Township bag. All types of paints and dyes can be disposed at the York County Resource Recovery Center (YCRRC). For more information on YCRRC rates and hours, please visit their website at [www.ycswa.com](http://www.ycswa.com).

## Please Dispose Of Sharps Responsibly

Needles, syringes, lancets and other sharp implements can be very hazardous for anyone handling your trash. These items may be safely disposed of with your normal trash but, it is very important to exercise care in packaging needles, syringes, and lancets for disposal. The safe packaging of these wastes can be accomplished very simply in the home. Use a rigid plastic bottle with a tight fitting cap, such as an empty laundry detergent bottle, to store and dispose of sharps. When the bottle is full, cap it tightly, and place it in your trash for disposal.

## Commercial Recycling

Recycling isn't just for residential homes, apartments and townhouses. As required by Pennsylvania Act 101 and Penn Township Ordinance 434, businesses, industries and institutions must establish a commercial recycling program which, at a minimum, collects and recycles (1) high grade paper including white bond, typing, copier, note pad, writing, computer and other non-glossy office paper; (2) corrugated cardboard; and (3) aluminum cans. Businesses that do not utilize the Township's curbside program or drop off center are required to provide written documentation as to the type and weight of the material recycled. Commercial reporting forms are available on the Township website. For questions on completing the report, please call 717-637-1561.

## Help Eliminate Litter and Illegal Dumpsites

To help our community celebrate Earth Day every day of the year, York County residents, organizations, civic groups, schools, and neighborhoods that want to clean up litter or eliminate illegal dumpsites, can dispose of waste from a clean-up effort free of charge at the York County Resource Recovery Center. The Authority is working with Keep York County Beautiful to stop illegal dumping in our community and clean up existing dumpsites. If you are looking for a site to help clean, call York County Beautiful at 717-840-2375. Keep York County Beautiful will assist with providing free gloves, bags and safety vests. To register for the Authority's free litter disposal program, call the York County Solid Waste Authority at 717-845-1066.

## Penn Township Recycling Center Located at 1020 Wilson Avenue Hanover, PA. THIS IS A SELF SERVE FACILITY

HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:00am to 4:15pm Saturday 8:00am to 3:00pm Closed Sundays and Most Major Holidays

**Newsprint, Junk Mail, Inserts & Shredded Paper:** Place in container marked "Newsprint". Items must be loose, tied or in brown paper bags. Please take material out of plastic bags.

**Magazines:** Place loose in container marked "Magazines". Please, no newsprint comingled with the magazines.

**Telephone Books:** Place in the magazine trailer in container marked "Phone Books".

**Eyeglasses, Cases and Hearing Aids:** Place in bucket marked "Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids". Only complete eyeglasses and hearing aids. We donate them to the Lion's Club for needy families.

**Plastic Shopping Bags:** Place in barrel marked "Plastic Bags". Please, no other type of plastic material, **shopping bags only**.

**Corrugated and Cardboard:** Must be broken down, can be loose or placed in boxes, brown paper bags or tied. Place in trailer marked "Cardboard". The Township accepts both corrugated and cardboard. What's the difference? See examples below:

**Corrugated:** appliance boxes, moving boxes

**Cardboard:** shoe boxes, gift boxes, soda cases, cereal boxes, pizza boxes, dry food goods

**No Waxed Inserts, No Soiled Pizza Boxes, and No Styrofoam:** put into your Township bag.

**Clothing and Textiles:** Place bagged material in the Community Aid collection bin. This includes **ONLY** new and slightly worn items.

**American Flags:** Place in bin marked "American Flags". The flags will be disposed of in a dignified manner by The Hanover Elks Lodge #763.

**Scrap Metal:** Place in the "Metals" dumpster. Mowers and motors must have the gasoline and oil drained. We cannot accept anything that contains Freon.

**Electronics:** TV's, computers, stereos, microwaves, remote controls, cell phones, vacuums, microwaves, fans, lamps and small household appliances, just about anything with an electric cord. We accept from **York County Residents Only**. Please remove all batteries. If alkaline you may dispose of in your Township bag. If rechargeable see below.

**Rechargeable Batteries Only:** lithium ion (Li-On), nickel cadmium (Ni-Cd), and nickel metal hydride (NiMH). Place in container marked "Rechargeable Batteries". All auto, lawn mower, marine and motorcycle batteries are accepted at Auto Zone, Advanced Auto and Battery Warehouse. All household batteries such as, A, AA, C, D, and 9 volt can be disposed of in your Township bag.

**Ink Cartridges:** Place in bin marked "Ink Cartridges".

**NO DISPOSING OF MATERIAL EXCEPT DURING POSTED HOURS OF OPERATION. AREA IS UNDER 24-HOUR VIDEO SURVEILLANCE.**

Above guidelines strictly enforced. Violators will be subject to fines and penalties by Ordinance #434, as amended.

## Clothing and Textiles Recycling

The Penn Township Commissioners have an agreement with the Community Aid Thrift Store located in the South Hanover Shopping Center alongside Giant Foods. When you recycle clothing and textiles by depositing them into a Community Aid bin located in the Township, including the Township's recycling drop off center, you are not only helping your neighbors in need, but also supporting the Township's recycling program. You are encouraged to drop your clothing and textiles into one of their light brown clothing collection bins.

## Penn Township Trash Program

Penn Township uses a "Pay-As-You-Throw" trash collection program. The program is simple, pay for what you use. There is no monthly or quarterly bill, simply purchase Township bags as needed. They are the size of a lawn & leaf bag and can hold up to 40lbs.

Please follow these guidelines:

- Only "Township" trash bags that are tied shut will be collected by the hauler.
- If you keep your trash bag in a covered leak-free container, the container and tied shut bag can be set curbside for collection.
- Bags must be tied shut when set curbside for collection and can't weigh more than 40 lbs.
- Trash must be curbside by 6:00 am the day of collection and no sooner than the evening prior to your collection day.
- Large metal items must be scheduled by 11:00am Wednesday for collection on Thursday, call 717-637-1561.
- Bulk items can be set out on your normal trash collection day, limit 1 per week. A bulk item is an item that will not fit into a trash bag.
- Automobile Tires can be disposed of with your normal trash. Tires must be off the rim and cannot exceed 32" in diameter or a tread width of 12". Two tires per bag. The tires can be in a Penn Township bag or the bag can be tied or taped to the tires.
- If there is inclement weather that might affect trash and recycling collection, please visit [www.pennwaste.com](http://www.pennwaste.com), [www.penntwp.com](http://www.penntwp.com) or the Penn Township Police Facebook page for schedule changes and updates.

Giant, 801 Baltimore St.  
Giant, 455 Eisenhower Dr.  
Penn Twp, 20 Wayne Ave.  
Rutter's, 1400 Baltimore St.  
Rutter's, 1009 York St.

Where To Buy Township Bags

**\$6 per bag**

Smoker's Outlet, 824 York St.  
Walmart, 1881 Baltimore Pk.  
Walmart, 495 Eisenhower Dr.  
Weis Market, 1424 Baltimore St.  
Weis Market, 860 Carlisle St.

### Bulk Item Collection

The Township's bulk item pickup program was established to give residents a convenient method to dispose of **LARGE** bulk items. A good rule of thumb to identify what is **NOT** a bulk item is, **IF IT FITS IN A BAG, IT GOES IN A BAG.** Items that are small enough to be placed in a trash bag should not be bundled and placed curbside as a bulk item.

**Examples of bulk items that can be placed curbside on your normal collection day include:**

Mattress & Box Spring, Toilets, Tables - over 4 feet cut in 1/2, Dry Wall, Insulation, Ceiling Tiles - broken down and bundled, Wooden Doors - cut in 1/2, Windows - less than 4 feet by 4 feet - tape glass.  
Wood - pieces that won't fit in a trash bag should be bundled, maximum length 4 feet, maximum weight 50lbs.  
Furniture - ALL types - large entertainment centers must be broken down plus tied or taped.  
Carpet - max. width 4 feet, must be rolled & tied or taped, max. weight 50lbs. 1 roll per week

**Examples of non-acceptable items:**

Household Hazardous Waste, Styrofoam, Clothing or Fibers, Dirt, Gravel, Blacktop, Brick, Concrete, Shingles, Yard Waste, Televisions, Vacuums, Microwaves, Containers with Oil, Gasoline or Antifreeze

**A bulk item does NOT need to be called in. Just set it with your Township bag. Limit of one item per week.**

**Items cannot be placed curbside prior to 24 hours before your collection day.**

### Large Metal Item Collection

**Large metal items must be scheduled by 11:00am Wednesday, for collection on Thursday.**

**Please call 717-637-1561**

**Examples of acceptable items:**

Hot Water Heater, Air Conditioner, Stove, Refrigerator, Freezer, Washing Machine, Dryer, Dishwasher, Dehumidifier, Exercise Equipment, Grill, Fire Ring, Bed Frame, Lawnmower (must be drained of oil and gas),

Scrap Metal - bundled, maximum length 4 feet, maximum weight 50lbs .

**Examples of non-acceptable items:**

Paint Cans, Small Appliances, Pots and Pans, Batteries, Automobile Parts, Microwaves, Lamps, Vacuums and Fans

**Limit of one item per week. Items cannot be placed curbside prior to 24 hours before Thursday.**

**We also have a scrap metal dumpster at the recycling center. Please do NOT bring anything with freon.**

# Curbside Recycling

Aluminum and Steel Cans  
Empty Food, Beverage ONLY

Plastic Bottles, Containers and Jugs  
Containers numbered 1, 2 & 5 with a capacity of five gallons or less ONLY.

Glass, Food and Beverage Containers  
Clear, Brown and Green Bottles & Jars ONLY!

All lids should be removed and disposed of in the trash.

Recyclables must be loose in a container.  
Do NOT place them in plastic bags.

Please don't fill the recycle bin over the edge on windy days.  
The overflow of material is blown out of the bin and into the neighborhood. Use an additional bin or tub marked "RECYCLING." Free "RECYCLING" stickers are available at the Township office and the recycling drop-off center.



For Questions Please Call  
717- 637-1561 or email  
pennrecycle@comcast.net

## Unacceptable Items

Hangers  
Styrofoam  
Toys  
Broken Glass  
Hoses

Windows, Mirrors, Ceramics  
Dishes, Bakeware  
Plastic Cups  
Plastic Tableware (Knives, Forks, etc.)  
Plastic Food Wrappers

Newsprint  
Magazines  
Cardboard  
Aluminum Foil, Pie Tins  
Scrap Metal

## Ways to Recycle Other Items

### Used Antifreeze (No Contamination)

Hanover Lube & Brake - 717-637-3011

### Used Motor Oil (No Contamination)

Advanced Auto - 717-633-3636  
Auto Zone - 717-637-3656  
Cooper Motors - 717-632-4225  
Hanover Lube & Brake - 717-637-3011  
South Hanover Wal-Mart - 717-630-8211 ext. 143

### Contaminated Oil, Gasoline and Kerosene

Zeigler Service Center (Spring Grove) - 717-225-5612

### All Propane Gas Cylinders Up To 20lbs.

Aero Energy (New Oxford) - 717-624-4311

### Concrete, Brick, Block and Top Soil

Gettex LLC - 717-321-3155

### Bubble Wrap, Air Pouches & Polystyrene Peanuts

Can go in the trash or recycled below:  
Black Rose Antiques and Collectibles - 717-632-0589  
(Bubble Wrap Only)  
Parcel Plus- 717-632-5896  
UPS Store - 717-646-1118

### Appliances Containing Freon

B & K Appliances, (New Oxford) - 717-624-2412  
9:30am to 6pm Monday - Friday; 9am to 2pm Saturday

### Fire Extinguishers

WFX - 717-633-1010 \* fees may apply

### Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs (no tubes)

Can go in the trash or recycled below:  
Home Depot - 717-646-0140  
Lowes of Hanover - 717-630-8700

### Fluorescent Tubes

Can go in the trash or recycled below:  
Batteries Plus Bulbs (York) - 717-718-3547 \* fees may apply

### Grass Clippings

Can go in the trash or recycled below:  
Yellow Hill Farm (Biglerville) - 717-677-8188 or online  
yellowhillfarm.com

### Styrofoam

Can go in the trash or recycled below:  
Dart Container (Lancaster) - 717-390-0886, (Leola) - 717-656-2236

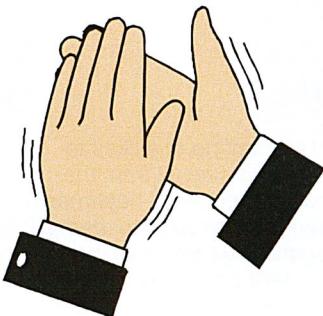
## Recycling Environmental Impact

### *Way to go Penn Township Residents and Commercial Establishments!*

You recycled close to 16,404.06 tons of newspaper, cardboard, magazines, mixed paper products, comingle, scrap metal and electronics during 2023. This equates to the savings of :

31,421 trees      9,475,125 gallons of water      1,058,187 gallons of oil  
131,584,073 kilowatts of energy

Residents also recycled 8.06 tons of plastic shopping bags, that's over 1,144,520 bags.



# TOWNSHIP OFFICE

## Recreational Parks

With the beautiful Spring and Summer weather arriving, please visit and enjoy the recreational parks in the Township.

The facilities at Young's Woods include playground equipment, shaded picnic areas, grilling facilities, picnic tables, bathrooms and 4 pavilions that can be rented for \$50.00. each. The facilities at the Township Community Park include ball fields, soccer field, volleyball, horse shoes, shaded picnic areas, grilling facilities, picnic tables, portable toilets, Kids Kingdom play area, and two pavilions that can be rented. The front pavilion is \$125.00 (80 person max) and rear pavilion is \$70.00 (50 person max). No pets allowed at any Township park.

## Online Credit Card Service

For your convenience the Township Sewer Department is accepting online credit card payments for sewer bills. If you would like to take advantage of this service, please visit the Township website at [www.penntwp.com](http://www.penntwp.com). Click "Online Payment" and follow the prompt.

Additional fees will be charged by the vendor for this service.

## Thinking About a Yard Sale?

Please review the requirements below for conducting these events:

1. Yard sale permits can be issued for any 3 consecutive days from dusk to dawn Monday through Saturday. No Sunday sales are allowed. The cost of a yard sale permit is \$10.00.
2. Permits can be issued for no more than four yard sales within a calendar year.
3. Signs advertising yard sales cannot be placed on any road sign, including stop signs, speed limit signs, signal poles, etc. Signs may be taped or tied (not stapled or nailed) to wooden utility poles. Signs on private property or in the public right of way may not impair vehicular sight distance.
4. Signs must provide information on the location of the sale, including street name and number as well as the date(s) of the sale. All signs must be removed immediately following the yard sale. Any sign not promptly removed or which represents a safety hazard will be removed by the Township at the expense of the permittee.



## Hanover Trolley Trail

Looking for a way to exercise and get some fresh air? Biking, walking or running on the Hanover Trolley Trail is an excellent venture. The trail runs from Moul field in Hanover and extends 2 miles through Hanover Borough and Penn Township, terminating at Gitts Run Road.

# ZONING

## Regulating the Keeping of Chickens for Personal Use - Ordinance No. 836

The new ordinance adopted on September 21, 2020 will allow a Township resident to keep up to four laying hens for personal use and consumption. Eggs laid by the chickens must be for the owner's personal use and cannot be sold. Chickens must be kept in a coop, enclosure or fenced area at all times and must be in the rear of the lot. Coops, enclosures, and fenced areas must be kept in a dry, odor-free, neat and sanitary condition at all times. No rooster's allowed. Permits and fees are required. To review the ordinance and additional requirements please visit the Township's website at [www.penntwp.com](http://www.penntwp.com).

# PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

## Please Be a Responsible Dog Owner



Dealing with pet waste is one of those topics that every pet owner must deal with but no one likes to talk about. The fact is that the majority of community and neighborhood pet problems result from the inappropriate handling of pet waste. In addition, pet waste is the greatest source of potential health risk for your pet and your family. Please remember that your responsibility to clean up after your pet doesn't end when your dog leaves your yard. There are probably fewer things that aggravate neighbors more than a dog that 'goes' in their yard. **Pet owners need to clean up after their pet every time they "go to the bathroom"**.

## Spring Cleaning and Property Maintenance! What Can You Do?

First, general maintenance is required of all properties. Owners and occupants are responsible for keeping the property clean, sanitary and safe.

Second, keep your grass mowed and weeds trimmed. Grass and weeds cannot exceed 10" in length. Please don't discharge your grass into the street. It clogs up the storm drains.

Third, rubbish and garbage cause odors and rodents to congregate. All exterior property and premises, as well as the interior of every structure, needs to be free from any accumulation of rubbish or garbage. Garbage needs to be kept in an approved container. These containers should be leakproof, covered, and kept alongside or at the rear of the property.

Fourth, if you are doing work on your house and purchase materials, keep them alongside or in the back of the house. No outdoor stockpiling of materials is permitted in the front yard.

Fifth, parking on grass is not permitted. Off-Street parking areas must be a stabilized base and paved with concrete or compacted/rolled asphalt material.

Sixth, residents who have sidewalk/walkway lights installed on their property are required to have these lights lit from dusk to dawn. There are no exceptions. If your light is inoperable and in need of replacement, please contact the Township office for information of approved lighting poles and fixtures.

Residents should know that all confidential complaints are investigated and a determination is made by a Code Enforcement Officer, even if you are not contacted personally.

**\*References: International Property Maintenance Code and Penn Township Ordinances 763, 750, 741, 712, 623 and 792.**

### Rent-A-Kid

The Rent-A-Kid program, sponsored by the York County Area Agency on Aging, needs kids in middle and senior high school. Rent-A-Kid is an intergenerational program that offers students an opportunity to earn money and/or community service hours doing routine household chores, yard work, mowing lawns, technology assistance, pet care, or shoveling snow for York County seniors. The program also provides an opportunity for older adults and teenagers to interact and help each other.

For additional information, interested teens can contact the Rent-A-Kid program at (717) 771-9610 or 1-800-632-9073.



The Penn Township Code Enforcement department has been busy responding to your complaints and observations. From 7/18/2023 to 2/7/2024 there have been 543 violations. They are categorized as follows.

|                              |                                  |                            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Junk/Garbage/Sanitation - 72 | Brush & Limb – 6                 | Residential Lighting - 130 |
| High Grass / Weeds - 73      | Sidewalk - 76                    | Sign Violations - 58       |
| Vehicle Violations - 81      | Storm Water, Drainage - 3        | Sight Lines - 3            |
| Sheds - 2                    | Failure to Apply for Permit – 33 | Misc. - 6                  |

### Where to Dispose of a Large Accumulation of Trash

Do you have a lot of bulk items & accumulated trash you need to dispose of quickly?

You may take those items to Hanover Transfer Station located at 25 Barnhart Dr.

(Penn Township Industrial Park).

**The fee is a minimum of \$30 up to 560 pounds.**

**There is an additional fee of 53 cents a pound over 560 pounds.**

Hours are Monday - Friday 7:00am to 2:15pm. For more information please contact 717-633-5523.



# HANOVER AREA FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSION

## Special Commendations

The Hanover Area Fire & Rescue Commission recently presented several members with departmental commendations for their actions. During a carbon monoxide emergency in Hanover Borough, Captain 79D Bryan Spickler, Firefighter Brett Riser, and Volunteer Firefighter Harrison Jones rescued two individuals from a home, preventing potential fatalities. Captain Spickler and firefighter Riser donned Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and removed one unconscious victim from the first floor of the house, then reentered the structure, joined by firefighter Jones, and located the second unconscious victim in the basement of the house. Both patients were transported to the hospital. Carbon monoxide levels in the house were found to surpass 1400 parts per million, a level that could have been fatal within minutes.

Photo Credit: Hanover Area Fire & Rescue



L to R- Vol FF Harrison Jones, FF Brett Riser, Captain Bryan Spickler



L to R- EMT Tessa Richardson, FF Josh Hale, FF Randy Angel

For their actions during a medical emergency on Grandview Road, Firefighter Randy Angel, Firefighter Josh Hale, EMT Tessa Richardson and Penn Township Police Officer Derrick Malec responded to a report of a vehicle crash on Grandview Road in Penn Township. EMT Richardson, who was off duty but happened to be in the area of the call, and officer Malec, who witnessed the crash, immediately stopped and rendered aid to the victim, who had crashed as a result of suffering a cardiac emergency. Firefighters Angel and Hale assisted with reviving the patient, who was transported to a hospital. Thanks to the actions of these first responders, the patient was discharged from the hospital.

### Recreational Fires

Recreational fires are allowed with commercially purchased portable appliances such as chimineas and wood burning appliances for external use. The use of such appliances shall be as per the manufacturer's specifications and be a minimum of 15 feet from any structure or combustible material.

Burn rings are allowed with burning contained within the ring and not located within 25 feet of any structure or combustible materials. When using burn pits they must be attended by an adult at all times.

Should you choose to do any type of burning, please be considerate of your neighbors to make sure the smoke created is not objectionable.

**Materials that can be recycled such as newspaper, magazines and cardboard are prohibited from being used as a fuel source.**

### Outdoor Burning

Open burning is prohibited within the limits of Penn Township with the exception of agricultural burning on ten (10) contiguous acres or more of land that is owned by or leased by the individual doing the burning. A permit is required for this type of burning and can be obtained at the Penn Township municipal office.

### Fireworks Use - Ordinance No. 835

The Township adopted ordinance number 835 on September 21, 2020. The ordinance provides regulations for the use and discharge of consumer fireworks, display fireworks and agricultural fireworks. Some of the limitations include who is allowed to use fireworks, where the fireworks can legally be discharged and establishes specific limits on the duration and hours of discharge.



# POLICE

## Penn Township Police Services

Child car seat installation \* Alzheimer registration \* Child ID safety kits \* Gun locks Safety and drug talks \* Security surveys \*  
Business safety training \* Medication take-back drop off \* Police station tours

## York County Co-Responder Program

York County continues to divert people in mental health crisis away from the criminal justice system and toward the services they require.

In August 2021, the York County Commissioners announced the receipt of a \$17.9 million human services block grant. The grant was used to form the York County Co-Responder Program. The Co-Responder Program embeds a mental health professional with law enforcement when responding to calls concerning a person in mental health crisis. The goal of the program is to engage with people experiencing a mental health crisis prior to them being placed in the criminal justice system. The mental health professional, also known as a Co-Responder, has additional training and resources to assist law enforcement with getting people the help they need.

Penn Township proudly shares our local co-responder, Jennifer Horton, with Hanover Borough and West Manheim Township. Jenn is a trained mental health professional with over 15 years of experience. She is committed to providing additional mental health support to our area and assists law enforcement and the community. The co-responder model allows law enforcement and mental health professionals to work together to help individuals during a mental health crisis. Jenn's experience and expertise are a huge asset to the Hanover community and the police agencies she collaborates with. The success of this program has expanded throughout York County. The goal is for every law enforcement agency to have access to a mental health co-responder.

## Beware of Scams

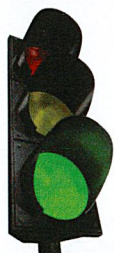
With the coming of Spring, the Penn Township Police Department reminds residents to be aware of home improvement scams, frauds and ID theft. Common sense is your best protection against becoming a victim. We encourage you to use caution when someone asks for your personal information, routinely monitor your credit history and financial interests, note any suspicious activity and report any immediate concerns to the Police Department.

## Crimewatch - Security Camera Registration Program

Residents can register security cameras at no charge on our Crimewatch page. This will give the Penn Township Police Department a list of possible cameras that could be used for assistance with solving any crime in the area. The police do **NOT** have access to the cameras, we would need to contact the owner to share any video. Please register your camera at: [www.york.crimewatchpa.com/penntwppd](http://www.york.crimewatchpa.com/penntwppd) and click the "Forms" tab.



## Stop Bars at Intersections



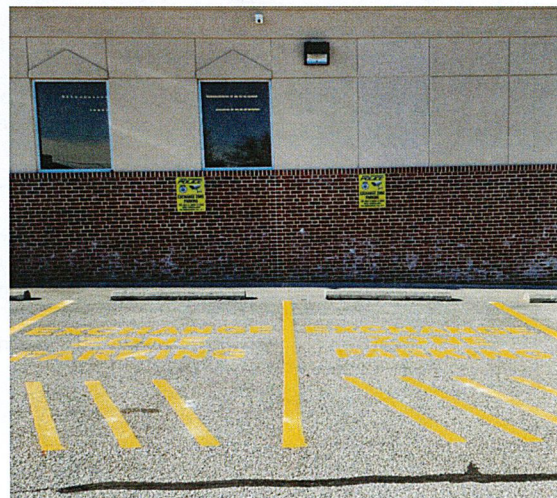
The Township frequently receives calls from residents complaining that a traffic signal is not operating correctly because the light refuses to change while sitting at the intersection. The problem, however, is usually not the signal. Most all intersections come with a white stop bar that indicates where the vehicle should stop. Vehicles that come to a stop beyond the bar (or too far back from it) will not activate the detection loop in the street or allow the overhead camera to properly recognize the vehicle. If the vehicle can't be detected the signal may not cycle properly. Always make sure that your vehicle comes to a stop just behind the stop bar. For drivers who wish to make a legal right turn on red you may need to proceed further into the intersection beyond the stop bar in order to achieve a better sight distance. Just recognize that by doing so the signal might not recognize the vehicle.

## Exchange Parking Spaces

Due to the increased popularity of online marketplaces such as Ebay, Craigslist, and Facebook Marketplace, there is a growing trend towards face-to-face transactions with people you've only met online. To help the public conduct these in-person meetings the Penn Township Police Department is proud to announce our Exchange Zone parking area.

What is an Exchange Zone parking area?

The Exchange Zone parking area is a location to meet without needing to utilize a private residence or secluded location. The Exchange Zone parking area are clearly marked public parking places where people can schedule in-person meetings. Mostly used for online purchases, they are also ideally suited for child custody exchanges. The Penn Township Police Department Exchange Zone parking area is on the east side of the Penn Township Municipal building (side of the police department) and are available 24 hours a day. The area is well lit and under 24 hour video surveillance recording. The two (2) side-by-side parking spaces are clearly marked with yellow paint and conspicuous signs.



# PUBLIC WORKS

## Penn Township Stormwater

When it rains or snows, the excess water that can't soak into the ground flows into the storm sewer system. This system, which includes storm drains, inlets, pipes, and swales, moves water away from streets, parking lots, and properties. Where does all that water go? Straight to our waterways! There is no treatment plant for stormwater, so anything that washes or is poured into a storm drain will go directly into our backyard streams and wetlands. Because the Township has seen a lot of development in the last few decades, we have more people living and working here. With this increased population comes more sources of pollution, more oil leaks from cars, more pet waste on lawns, and more litter blowing from dumpsters and bins. We need to think carefully about what goes into our stormwater system because the collective impact of so many people on our freshwater resources can be significant. How can you do your part? Here are a few simple ways to get started. Never dump anything down a storm drain. Dispose of things like motor oil and household fluids properly. If you wash your car at home, divert soapy wash water onto your lawn. Keep grass clippings off the sidewalk and out of the street, use fertilizers and pesticides responsibly. Pick up after your pets. Swimming pool water should be drained onto your lawn. Lastly, report any illicit discharges when you see them. An illicit discharge is when a fluid or pollutant other than stormwater enters the storm sewer system. This discharge may appear in our waterways as a sheen, tint or debris not consistent with natural stream flow. If you'd like to learn more about stormwater or report an illicit discharge, please contact the office at 717-632-7366 or visit our website at [www.penntwp.com/MS4-Stormwater.html](http://www.penntwp.com/MS4-Stormwater.html)

## Alley In Disrepair?

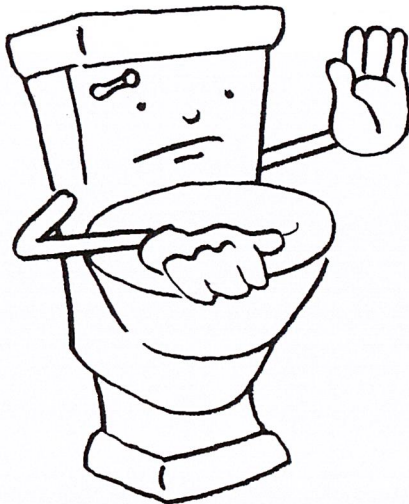
Although the Township is not authorized to maintain or repair private alleys, there is some blacktop material that we can make available for those who wish to patch or fill holes in alleys adjacent to their homes. The material comes from a process called "milling" whereby a machine scrapes the top layer off a road in order to make room for a new coat of blacktop. The millings are placed on a pile at the end of the Waste Water Treatment plant lane. Millings are available to all Township property owners or tenants who wish to self-load material and use it to fill potholes in alleys within the Township.

Pick up available **ONLY** during operating hours of:  
7:00am to 3:30pm Monday - Friday and Saturday 8:00am to 3:00pm  
Under 24-hour video surveillance.



# WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

## Let's Talk About Your Toilet



Today's throwaway society has created a huge and ugly monster in many of the sewer collection systems worldwide. Products that have been developed to add convenience to your daily routines have become a major problem for the wastewater industry. Just because a product says it is flushable does not mean it should be flushed into the sewer system. Sanitary sewer collection systems are designed to take away dirty water from sinks, baths, laundries, and toilets. Flushing unintended items into the sewer system can add to the cost of operating and maintaining your sewer collection system and treatment plant. Putting these items down the sewer system can cause blockages that could result in property and environmental damage. **The only thing that should be flushed into the sewer system is pee, poop, and toilet paper.**

Paper Towels  
Q-Tip  
Hair  
Incontinence Pads

### Do Not Flush

Disposable and cloth diapers  
Bandages  
Medicine Socks/Underwear  
Razor Blades

Feminine Products  
Dental Floss  
Sanitary Towels

**No pet litter of any kind - No wipes of any kind**

# IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Township Office - 717-632-7366  
Monday - Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm

Tax Collector Office - 717-632-7366 x1165

Magistrate's Office - 717-632-0618  
Call for Hours of Operation

Township Police Department Office - 717-637-8751

Fire Department - 717-637-4949

Public Works Office - 717-633-6373

Wastewater Treatment Plant Office - 717-637-1561

Trash & Recycling Office - 717-637-1561  
Monday - Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm  
Email trash & recycling questions to:

**Township Web Site: [www.penntwp.com](http://www.penntwp.com)**



## Follow Us On Facebook

Stay informed of any changes to existing laws,  
upcoming Township events,  
safety tips, snow emergencies, collection cancellations  
and holiday closings.

The recycling center and Police departments  
share one Facebook page.

Find both departments at "Penn Township Police, Hanover, PA"

# MEET YOUR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



## 2024 Penn Township Public Meeting Dates

*Penn Township Board of Commissioners - 7:00pm on the third Monday of each month.*

*Public Safety and Public Works Committees - 7:00pm on the first Monday of each month, except August the meeting will begin at 6:00pm, and the September meeting will be held the first Tuesday at 6:00pm.*

*Finance and Health and Sanitation Committees - 7:00pm on the first Tuesday of each month, except September the meeting will begin at 6:00pm, and the August meeting will be held the first Monday at 6:00pm.*

*Planning Commission - 7:00pm on the first Thursday of each month, except July the meeting will be held Wednesday.*

*Zoning Hearing Board - 7:00pm on the second Tuesday of each month.*

*Civil Service Commission - 7:00pm on the second Monday of each month. There will be no meetings during the months of July, August and December.*

*Hanover Area Fire & Rescue Commission - 5:30pm on the third Thursday of each month. All meetings held at 204 Clover Ln.*