DELAWARE TOWNSHIP

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2021 Newsletter

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SPRING BULK CLEAN-UP WEEK OF MAY $17^{TH} - 22^{ND}$

Spring bulk clean-up for Township residents will be the week of May 17, 2021 on your regular collection day. Please place debris within five feet of the road the night before. If you utilize garbage bag tags this will be the **only** time you are permitted to participate in bulk collection without having to pay an additional fee. Please call Tri-County at 724-748-4705 ext. 219 should you have any questions regarding what will/will not be accepted.

BUILDING PERMITS

Remember to obtain a permit before you start your construction! For any construction 1,000 square feet or less and <u>not</u> attached to a residential dwelling, please obtain a permit from the Township Office. Anything over 1,000 square feet (non-agricultural) or anything attached to your residential dwelling you will need to obtain a permit from one of the code officials below. At the January, 2020 organizational meeting the Board of Supervisors appointed three options for code officials for Residents to choose from.

Richardson Inspection Services, LLC, 2879 Mercer Butler Pike, Grove City, PA 16127 – Office Phone 724-406-0031 -Website www.richardsoninspectionservices.com.

T W McCosby, 1750 Harbor Edinburg Road, Edinburg, PA 16116 – Tom McCosby at 724-944-7071 - Website www.twmccosby.com.

MDIA (Middle Department Inspection Agency) – Patrick Duffy at 724-814-6502 – Website www.mdia.us.

For sewage permits/questions please contact the Mercer County Joint Sewage Agency Secretary Melissa Oakes at 724-372-3625 mailing address P.O. Box 36, Sandy Lake, PA 16145 or Pat Kelley at 724-699-4050.

Cemeteries & Burial Grounds of Delaware Township

Taken from "A Land Use Plan for Delaware Township - 1967"

*Indian Burial Hill and Ball Cemetery located on the Ball Farm.

*Indian Burial Ground – Jacob Slater Farm – Reznor District.

*St. John's – due east behind the church where the first graves are dated about 1809, where a solider, who served in Napoleon's Army, is also interred.

*Delaware Cemetery – Directly north of St. John's Burial Ground, Caldwell District, Greenville-Mercer Road.

*Bethel Cemetery, Stony Point District at site of the church which was torn down about 1880.

*Moyer Church Cemetery located on New Hamburg Road south of Oniontown.

*Log Church Cemetery. Without doubt many unmarked graves, near where the old meeting house stood in the Reznor District.

*Union Church Cemetery at Delaware Grove.

*Upper Salem Cemetery in now located in Hempfield Township which was – prior to 1856 – part of Delaware.

Partnership for Shenango Trail Restoration

Recently a partnership between The Shenango River Watchers and the Pennsylvania Equine Council has been joined by Delaware Township to accomplish a much needed local project.

The Shenango Trail which runs through Delaware Township is in need of dire maintenance and restoration. The trail runs the entire length from the Big Bend area to Kidd's Mill Bridge on the banks of the Shenango River. The trail was designed to follow the old Erie Canal extension canal towpath, (Shenango Division). The canal was utilized from 1844 to 1872 for the transport of goods from Erie and New York, to the Pittsburgh area. The canal served as a vital link in support of many local industries including farming, mining, and steel and iron production. The canal became obsolete by the 1870's with the continued development of the nation's railway system.

The canal remnants and the Shenango Trail have been used for historical, recreational, and educational purposes for many years. After many years serving the county, the trail has continued to fall into disrepair with intermittent restoration efforts. The Shenango River Watchers acquired the lease to the trail and has committed to renewed maintenance efforts. The Pennsylvania Equine Council has recently committed to assist in this effort with the idea of improving the trail for regular trail riding activities.

Delaware Township joined the effort with a commitment of in-kind resources as feasibly possible. The partnership effort signifies Delaware Township's commitment to improving the recreational and educational opportunities for Township Residents and the entire population of Mercer County.

For further information contact: Shenango River Watchers 724-342-5453 Pennsylvania Equine Council Kristan Eastlick 724-372-0725 Visit: <u>shenangoriverwatchers.org</u> and Traillink.com for more information

NOTICE

Please do not place empty bottles, cans, etc. on any plow markers along roadways. During the wintery months it is very difficult to determine where the ditch begins when the reflective top of the markers are covered with miscellaneous items.



IMPORTANT 2021 ELECTION DATES

Primary Election May 18th

Municipal Election – November 2nd

TREE TRIMMING

Planning to have trees trimmed on your property? If you live along a Township roadway and your tree trimming contractor requires assistance from the Township to place signage along the roadway and/or possibly close the roadway for the trimming to take place, please give the Township Office a call at 724-588-2040 a week prior to the scheduled trimming.



BROADBAND

For more information regarding a recent broadband opportunity being in Mercer County please visit "No Limits Broadband" website at <u>https://nolimitsbroadband.net</u>.

Mercer County Property Check

The Mercer County Recorder is now offering a free 24/7 service that better protects residents from potential property and mortgage fraud. Sign up at https://recorder.mcc.co.mercer.pa.us/Sentry/ Home.aspx.

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

Township meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Office.

ANTICIPATED ROADS FOR 2021 SEAL COAT, TREE TRIMMING AND CULVERT REPLACEMENT

Grove, Bower, Line, Pew Folk, St. John's, Hamburg, Redfoot and Bush.

Fredonia Volunteer Fire Department ATV Rally

FVFD will hold their ATV Rally on October 23, 2021. Tentatively, registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the Fredonia Borough Park Square.

Address Visibility

Please ensure that your house address number is highly visible from each side of the roadway. It has been brought to our attention after an emergency call within the Township some addresses are not visible from the roadway and/or are missing.



DIRT

As a result of ditching in various areas of the Township dirt may possibly be available to Township Residents. Please call the Township Office at 724-588-2040 to have your name, address and phone number added to the list.

CULVERT PIPES

Please keep in mind that each homeowner is responsible for the maintenance/repair of their own culvert pipe. Ensure the culvert is free of all debris in order for the water to pass through properly and prevent damage to the roadways.

Delaware Township Park Building Rental

Do not forget to consider the park building for your next celebration or meeting. Please call the Township Office to see if the date you are considering is available. Rental fees are as follows:

Resident rates: Summer Rate: \$85.00 Winter Rate: \$100.00 Non-Resident Rates: Summer Rate: \$125.00 Winter Rate: \$150.00

Every renter will be required to provide a \$100.00 cash deposit (no exceptions) in addition to the rental rate. Upon confirmation that the building has been adequately swept, mopped and all trash/other items removed from the building the \$100.00 deposit will be returned.

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