



PENN TIMES

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Penn Township Year in Review

As we welcome the year 2011, we offer a review of 2010

January:

- At the Board of Supervisors Reorganizational meeting, Ken Sheaffer began his second six year term as supervisor.
- The Board approved an inter-municipal agreement with Southampton Township with regard to having one (1) trash hauler for Penn Township.
- The Board of Supervisors adopted the Penn Township ACT 537 Sewage Facilities Plan as the Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Township.
- On January 11, Office Depot began a job fair at the Penn Township Volunteer Fire Company. Over 4000 applications were submitted from individuals seeking employment at the Key Logistics facility located off Route 233.

February:

- Our longtime secretary, Pat Sangialosi retired and Tina McCommon was selected as her replacement.
- Kim Klinger was named CITIZEN OF THE YEAR for development and continuing support of the Township website.
- Dan Mell was appointed to the Park and Recreation Committee.

March:

- The Board of Supervisors awarded the contract to replace the bridge over the Yellow Breeches Creek on Lebo Road to J. Beitz Inc for \$687,320.

April:

- Max Klein was appointed to the Park and Recreation Committee.

July:

- The Board of Supervisors approved an Ordinance requiring Landlords to register with the Township.

August:

- Office Depot held a Grand Opening for their facility at Key Logistics Park. With 275 full time positions, Office Depot is the largest employer in Penn Township.

September:

- The bridge on Lebo Road is completed and open to traffic. The new bridge is significantly wider and has a greater load bearing capacity, increasing safety for motorists.

October:

- Penn Township celebrates its 150th Anniversary at the Penn Township Fire Company grounds with games, rides, food and more.

November:

- Drilled new well for the Centerville Park.

Penn Township Personnel***Zoning Hearing Board***

Holbert Myers, Chair
 Todd Vogelsong, Vice-Chair
 Matthew Farkas
 Linwood Clippinger, Voting Alternate
 Richard Mislitsky, Solicitor

Planning Commission

Fred Leeds - Chair
 George Rohrs - Vice-Chair
 Marcia Leeds - Secretary
 Gary Cribbs
 Victor Barrick
 Kathleen Shirey
 Richard Mislitsky, Solicitor

Parks & Recreation Board

Daniel Mell, Chairman
 Pat Walker, Vice-Chairman
 Susan Whitesel, Secretary
 Max Klein

Fire Company Executive Officers

John Wardle - President 776-7266
 Joe Miller - Vice President
 Wayne Hockensmith - Treasurer
 Pat Sangialosi - Secretary
 Sally Miller - Assistant Secretary
 Cindia Whistler - Financial Secretary
 John Wardle Jr - Chaplain

Fire Company Line Officers

Chris Alleman - Fire Chief - 226-0636
 Robert Kough, Jr. - Deputy Chief
 Ernie Beecher - Assistant Chief
 Doug Stum - Captain
 Ryan Finkey - Lieutenant
 Tim Knepp, Sr. - EMS Captain
 Westly Gingrich - EMS Lieutenant

Fire Company Auxiliary

Anna Group - President
 Julie Beecher - Vice President
 Mary Wert - Secretary
 Joyce Wardle - Assistant Secretary
 Marcia Leeds - Treasurer
 Kay Kann - Financial Secretary
 Cindia Whisler - Facility Contact
 Erma Dingle - Chaplain

Fire/Police Members

Dennis McGarry, Captain	Ricky Stutt
Jim Sheaffer, Lieutenant	Ron Tritt
Amos Seiders, Sergeant	Ira Wagner
Art Danner	John J Wardle Jr
Wayne Hockensmith	Robert Kough, Sr
Robert Alleman	Michael Young

Fire Company Trustees

Ernie Beecher	Dennis McGarry
Denny Shoff	John J Wardle
Sam Sangialosi	

Emergency Management Coordinator

Robert Kough, Jr. - 226-6537
 Ernie Beecher, Deputy

Codes Enforcement Officer

Fred Leeds
 Ken Lloyd - Assistant

Vacancy Board

J. Michael Ickes, Chair

Loan Grant Coordinator

Buck Shuller

Board of Supervisors**SEPTEMBER 2010**

- Subdivision plans for Alan Cromer were approved
- October 13th date was set for budget workshop
- Darren Zimmerman requested a zoning change for his property on Centerville Road from Agriculture to Commercial Industrial
- Approved Dave Young resolution to change from an on lot sewage system disposal to a holding tank

OCTOBER 2010

- Approved removal agreement for Jeff Rudisill to re move storage trailer from property within 60 days of addition be completed.
- Approved advertisement for Ordinance 2010-003 that states Margaret Avenue to become Verna Street
- Approved two parcels for Wayne Shirk to go into Ag security
- Ratified October newsletter that was mailed early due to October 30th anniversary celebration
- Approved the staining of the Lebo Road Bridge
- Approved postcard reminders to be sent to approximately 220 residents to have their septic pumped
- Approved resolution for Dale Hair for new land development/DEP planning module

NOVEMBER 2010

- Approved zoning change for Darren Zimmerman from agriculture to commercial industrial
- Approved the Ordinance for Margaret Avenue to become Verna Street
- The 2011 budget was approved and put on display for twenty-one days
- Approved the treasurer's bond to be reduced from \$2.5 million to \$1.5 million

The complete minutes of the Supervisors' Meetings are available, once they are approved, at the Township Building or on our website, www.pennwpcc.org

Our **150th Anniversary of Penn Township** was a huge success. The day was chilly, but it didn't stop us from celebrating our heritage. I would like to thank the volunteers and visitors who made this a memorable event. Our gratitude goes to the Penn Township Fire Company for hosting our anniversary and their donations. The beautiful commemorative quilt was a huge hit. I would like to thank all the ladies for their countless hours in making the quilt.

The Penn Township Fire Company and Park and Recreation Board would like to continue our successful 150th anniversary by starting a Heritage/Community Day. This year it will be on Oct 8, 2011. Please mark this day on your calendars. If you have suggestions for the event, would like to volunteer or participate, please contact us.

At the Centerville Park pavilion we are putting in water and electric. We will gladly reserve the pavilion for your next family outing.

Thank you for your continued support
Dan Mell
Chairman Park and Recreation Board

CHURCH NEWS

DICKINSON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The church provides a food concession stand at every Rowe Auction at the auction barn on Route 11.

Money raised goes to such things as summer camp for kids, local missions, -Project Share, Neighbors in Christ, needy families, etc., and certain unbudgeted church needs.

Look for more church fundraisers in upcoming newsletters

2011 Township Calendar

All meetings are held at the Township building, 1301 Centerville Road, Newville, PA at 7:00 pm unless otherwise stated.

February

3 Park and Rec Board Meeting
10 Board of Supervisors Meeting
12 PTVFC Meat Raffle
21 President's Day
21 Planning Commission
27 PTVFC Breakfast

March

3 Park and Rec Board Meeting
5 PTVFC Soup and Sandwich Sale
10 Board of Supervisors Meeting
12 PTVFC Meat Raffle
21 Planning Commission Meeting
27 PTFVC Breakfast

April

7 Park and Rec Board Meeting
9 PTVFC Meat Raffle
13 Zoning Hearing Board Meeting
14 Board of Supervisors Meeting
18 Planning Commission Meeting
23 PTVFC Easter Egg Hunt
24 PTVFC Easter Breakfast
30 PTVFC Pot Pie Supper

NOTE: Fire Company BINGO is held every Friday night, 7:00 at the Fire Hall

RECYCLING

Penn Township provides recycling containers available at the Municipal Building. The containers are open 7 days a week during daylight hours. Recycling reduces the amount of household trash requiring curbside pickup, which may reduce your quarterly trash bill. Recycling reduces the amount of material entering the landfill which extends the life of the landfill. Recycling also provides a method of manufacturing using reclaimed materials, which will extend the availability of natural resources.

The following items are **ACCEPTABLE**:

Newspapers, inserts, magazines & catalogs; junk mail, envelopes and office paper; corrugated cardboard; cereal, soda, tissue boxes and other paperboard products that tears brown or grey; paper towel and toilet paper cores; paper bags and phone books; aluminum cans; metal food & beverage cans; food & drink glass bottles and cans; plastic bottles, jugs and jars.

All your recyclables can be mixed together. To ensure maximum capacity of each container, **cardboard should be flattened and plastic bottles, aluminum cans, and steel cans should be crushed.**

The following items are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**:

Ceramics, dishes, coffee mugs or drinking glasses; glass cookware; window glass, mirrors or light bulbs; plastic bags, styrofoam containers, packaging peanuts, plastic cups or plastic table ware; food soiled materials; tissues or paper towels; egg cartons; books; tyvek envelopes; carbon or wax coated boxes or paper; coat hangers; household appliances; aerosol containers or oil containers.

Do not leave recyclables outside the containers, trash or litter behind. **NO PLASTIC BAGS !!!** Plastic bags are detrimental to the sorting equipment. **NO SOILED PIZZA BOXES!!!** The grease and oils in pizza boxes contaminate the recycled material.

METALS

Also available at the recycling center is a bin for scrap metal. Place all aluminum, copper, brass, steel and iron in the container.

ADDITIONAL RECLYCLING CENTERS

The following items may be disposed at authorized recycling centers. A complete list of links to area businesses and institutions that may be John Andrews able to accept the products identified is available by accessing the Cumberland County Recycling and Waste Authority, Places to Recycle at (<http://www.ccpa.net/index.aspx?NID=2617>)

Cellular Phones; Compact Discs; Computers & Electronics; Fluorescent light tubes, Bal-lasts and Bulbs; Freon; Mercury; Mercury Thermostats; Oil, Antifreeze, Tire& Batteries; Plas-tic Shopping Bags; Propane Cylinders; Rechargeable Batteries; Styrofoam; Tires; Vinyl and Wood & pallets.

REMOVAL OF SOLID WASTE

Penn Township has an inter-municipal agreement with Southampton Township with regard to having one (1) trash hauler for all household trash pickup within the Township. In accordance with Tammy Hammond Penn Township Ordinance No. 2009 - 4, the Penn Township Solid Waste Ordinance, all Township residents are required to submit a registration form to select a method of disposing of household generated trash, or request an exemption. The form can be picked up at the Municipal Building or by accessing the Township website.

The following items are **UNACCEPTABLE** for disposal:

Car or Truck Batteries; Oil, Paint, Insecticides, Inks and Solvents; Large Appliances; Empty Propane Containers; Tires; Motors; Welding or Cooking Tanks; Ammunition; Dead Animals; 55 Gallon Drums; Yard Waste; Large Quantities of Fence Wire; Computer Screens; Fluorescent Light Fixtures, Ballasts and Bulbs.

The following items **MAY** be disposed at the landfill facilities **ONLY WITH PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE PA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**:

Hospital Waste; Industrial Waste; Asbestos; Contaminated Soil

The landfill reserves the right to reject any material for disposal that is deemed unacceptable. For more information, please contact the Township Office during normal working hours.



ROAD MASTER REPORT

It's that time of year again for the snow plows to be on the road. **Please** don't follow close behind the plow. Give the road crew room to do their jobs.

Slow down and be alert to your surroundings and the road conditions.

Find Your Name

The names of two Township residents, selected randomly from township records, are “hidden” out of context somewhere in this newsletter. Find your name and we will treat you to a \$20 gift certificate to Saylor’s Market in Newville. If you find your name, claim the reward by stopping by Saylor’s Market before February 28, 2011. Our thanks to Curt Saylor for his donation to the newsletter.

CAN YOUR HOME BE EASILY IDENTIFIED BY EMERGENCY VEHICLES??

There is a Township Ordinance that requires all homes to have the street number four inches high so that emergency vehicles can easily find your home. These street numbers are available for only \$10 from Bob Kough, 385-2179. This is not-for-profit, and Bob does this as a favor to the fire department.



“PENN TOWNSHIP CUMBERLAND COUNTY 150 YEARS”

Books detailing the history of Penn Township are available at the Municipal Building for \$25.00. The book was co-authored by local historians David Smith and Linda Piekut. The book includes geography, the early history of villages, churches, schools, Penn Township cemetery records, military veterans and photos.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

The PENN TIMES is published quarterly (January, April, July, and October), and offers area businesses the opportunity to advertise their businesses to all of the residents of the township. Advertisements may be changed to fit the seasons. Seasonal businesses may choose to advertise in the issue that is closest to their peak season.

The following are the prices for advertising in the 2011 PENN TIMES:

<u>Size</u>	<u>Cost/Issue</u>	<u>Cost/Year</u>
1/8 Page (Business Card)	\$50	\$175
1/4 Page	\$100	\$350
1/2 Page	\$200	\$700
Full Page	\$400	\$1400

Contact the township office at 486-3104 to reserve your space. You must provide the camera-ready artwork. Advertising for the April issue is due by March 30th.

Young’s ATVs

- § SALES*
- § SERVICE*
- § ATV & MOTORCYCLE REPAIR*
- § PARTS**
- § ACCESSORIES**



*HOURS: Mon-Fri: 9am-7pm
Saturdays: 9am-2pm
Family Owned & Operated
Closed Sundays*

Financing Available

*1770 Walnut Bottom Rd.
Newville, PA
(717) 776-6666*

BOY SCOUT PROJECT UPDATES

This past year two eagle scouts worked on two different projects. The first project was the planting of trees and erosion repair at Centerville Park. The second project was clearing brush and debris from Eagle Scout Park.

Future projects will include planting trees at the Eagle Scout Park and the District Justice Office.



FIRE COMPANY NEWS

The Penn Township Fire Company still has free smoke detectors. Please call Fire Chief Chris Alleman at 226-0636 to receive your free smoke detector.

Just a reminder to keep space heaters five feet away from all flammables such as curtains, furniture, etc.

Residents should have a green address sign at the end of their driveway or on a mailbox visible for emergency personnel to find your home quickly. You can call Bob Kough Sr at 385-2179 to order a sign.

DISTRICT 2 MANDATORY SEPTIC PUMPING

Letters will be mailed in the first quarter for those residents who live in the second district of the mandatory septic pumping. The letter will contain a complete list of qualified pumpers for the Township. Residents will have until December 31, 2011 to have their septic pumped.

**** ATTENTION LANDLORDS ****

A reminder that Penn Township adopted an Ordinance 2010-02 requiring owners of rental properties to register their rental properties with the Township. Tenants occupying the unit(s) must be identified, trash services need to be provided for the unit(s), tenants need to be informed of the public policies for the Penn Township Burning Ordinance and Junk Nuisance Ordinance and specify the fines and penalties for the violations of the Ordinance.

The complete Penn Township Landlord Ordinance and registration form are available for review at the Municipal building or on the Township website.

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1301 Centerville Road
Newville, PA 17241

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If you know of a Township resident who did not receive this newsletter, extra copies are available at the Township office.

Penn Township

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1301 Centerville Road
Newville, PA 17241
Phone: (717) 486-3104
Fax: (717) 486-3522

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
7:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
Evening Hours by Appointment

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Board of Supervisors

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Ken Sheaffer, Vice-Chairman
Amos Seiders, Supervisor

Township Engineer

John Shambaugh

Sewage Enforcement Officer

Vincent Elbel
Edward Elbel, Assistant

Township Secretary

Tina McCommon
Pat Sangialosi, Asst Sec
Martha Sheaffer, Treasurer

Township Tax Collector

Mable Stitt

Zoning Officer

Fred Leeds
Ken Lloyd, Asst

Township Solicitor

Marcus McKnight, III

Employee

Ernie Beecher

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