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EAST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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MEETING DATES

Board of Supervisors

1st & 3rd Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Traffic Commission3rd Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

2nd Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. **Township Zoning Board**3rd Monday - 7:00 p.m.

Recreation Authority
4th Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are open to the public and held at the Township Building. The meetings are also available via Zoom. The lilik can be found on the agenda. Agendas for upcoming meetings are posted on www.easthempfield.org or in the Lancaster Newspaper prior to each meeting.

EAST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors of East Hempfield Township reorganized at the beginning of January and swore in two new supervisors to reach the full complement of five.

Robert M. Johnson won the municipal election in November and will serve a 6-year term concluding in January 2030. Mr. Johnson is a Bloomsburg University graduate and earned an MBA from Lebanon Valley College. He recently retired from a career in information systems, having worked at The High Companies, The Hershey Company, and Armstrong World Industries. Mr. Johnson has been a resident of the Township since 1989. He looks forward to bringing new ideas to the board.

Roger S. Brubaker was appointed in December to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Weaver. Mr. Brubaker will serve until the next municipal election, January/2026. Mr. Brubaker is a graduate of Hempfield High School, West Chester University, and Elizabethtown College. He has been a resident of East Hempfield for over 30 years. He plans to use his experiences in business and construction to facilitate local management and growth. He is currently the Director of Construction Services for The MVE Group.

Changes to the Board of Supervisors:

G. Edward (Ed) LeFevre left the board at the end of December after a long history of service to the Township. Mr. LeFevre served on the Township Planning Commission from 1996 to 2007. During 2008-2009, he also served as a member of the Building Code of Appeals Board and served on the Vacancy Board. In 2012, he was elected to the Board of Supervisors and served in that capacity until January, 2024.

Andrew C. (Andy) Weaver resigned from the Board at the beginning of December due to a change of address. Mr. Weaver also served the Township for many years. Prior to his election to the Board in 2020, Andy served on the Planning Commission beginning in 2005.

The Township extends our thanks to Mr. LeFevre and Mr. Weaver for their dedication to serving our community and wishes them each well in their future endeavors.



From Left to Right: Roger Brubaker (1/26), W. Scott Wiglesworth (1/26), Thomas Bennett - Chair (1/30), H. Scott Russell - Vice Chair (1/28), Robert Johnson (1/30)

ZONING & BUILDING PERMITS

The East Hempfield Township's Building Code Department has gone electronic. All permits and plans should be submitted to the department in electronic format (pdf files preferred) for review and approval. Once the plans have been reviewed and approved, an invoice for the fees due will be sent via email. Permit invoices can be paid by mail, in person at the Township office, or online at https://easthempfield. egovpayments.com/egov/apps/payment/center.egov. Upon receipt of payment, the permit, along with a copy of the stamped approved plans, and a list of required inspections will be sent electronically. Inspection reports and Certificates of Occupancy are also sent via email. This new procedure reduces overall costs while also reducing the amount of paper waste and

decreasing emissions by eliminating the need for multiple trips to the Township office. For those without the ability to create electronic files, paper plan submissions will still be accepted and paper permits will be made available as needed.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board is composed of five elected supervisors with staggered terms of six-years. Each January the Board reorganizes and selects a Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Mr. Bennett and Mr. Russell were appointed Chair and Vice-Chair during the 2024 reorganization meeting.

Board Members and their terms:

Thomas A. Bennett (Jan/2030)	Chairman
H. Scott Russell (Jan/2028)	Vice-Chairman
W. Scott Wiglesworth (Jan/2026)	Supervisor
Roger S. Brubaker (Jan/2026)	Supervisor
Robert M. Johnson (Jan/2030)	Supervisor

The Board uses committees/groups to meet with staff

and residents to review policies an	nd projects:
Administration/Finance	Thomas Bennett Scott Russell
Stormwater/MS4	Robert Johnson
Parks/Recreation	Thomas Bennett Robert Johnson
Planning	Scott Wiglesworth Scott Russell
Public Safety	Scott Wiglesworth Roger Brubaker
Public Works	Roger Brubaker Scott Russell
Traffic Commission	Robert Johnson Scott Wiglesworth Thomas Bennett

SPRING ROAD PROJECT UPDATES

Church Street Resurfacing (Harrisburg Pike - Stony Battery) PennDOT improved the curve and replaced the culvert in 2023. During 2024 they will be finalizing the curb/sidewalk in Landisville and finish with a full resurfacing from Stony Battery to Main Street.

Centerville Road Interchange Improvements (Marietta-Columbia) The Township is partnering with PennDOT on this multi-year project. The contractor (JD Eckman) has made significant progress on the bridge work. Utilities are working diligently to relocate. The project will widen Centerville Road to five lanes, raise the bridge at the interchange, extend the connectors to Route 30, create a new cul-de-sac off Hempland Road, and add a lane on Marietta Ave. between Centerville Rd and Stony Battery Rd. Due to the level of traffic in this area, residents are advised to seek alternate routes during the project. Traffic updates can be found at www.511PA.com. You can also subscribe to receive news/traffic alerts from PennDOT www.PennDOT.gov/regional offices/district-8.

Old Rohrerstown Road Bridge Replacement Project - The Township is partnering with PennDOT and Manheim Township to replace the bridge beneath the Norfolk Southern rail line on Old Rohrerstown Road. This project has been plagued with delays due to utility relocation and working through the railway process. We hope to have this project completed by August 2024.

Farmingdale Road Improvements - JVI Construction was awarded the bid for this project which is substantially complete. There are lane improvements at the intersection of Marietta and Good, a new traffic signal at Oreville and Good, and the creation of limited access at the Farmingdale and Oreville Intersection. The limited access changes to the Farmingdale/Oreville intersection were necessary for the Township to meet the necessary PennDOT Highway Occupancy permit requirements for the new traffic signal at Oreville and Good. The Township has been fortunate in securing two grants for this project, which total just over \$1.1 million. Grant funds and the money received for road improvements from High Family Partnership (in connection with the Crossing's project) will be combined to fund the project fully. We are working through the grant closeout process.

Route 72 and Lititz Road Temporary Signals - The Township hopes to move forward in 2024.

2024 PAVING SCHEDULE



Baffy Avenue Blacksmith Way Clarkson Drive Cleek Avenue Den-Mil Drive Driver Avenue **Eagles Nest Court** Greens Avenue **New Street** Pinnacle Point Drive Shreiner Station Road Snapper Dam Road Split Rail Drive Spoon Avenue Spring Ridge Court Spring Walk Court **Treetops Drive** Wayfaring Way Wild Lilac Drive Winding Hill Drive

Township Accomplishments & Goals

2023 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- The Township successfully fiscally managed Township finances to provide a higher than projected opening fund balance for 2024.
- Township staff has remained solid, ensuring stability in municipal services to residents and controlling costs since constantly hiring new staff is costly.
- Successfully negotiated and adopted a five-year labor contract with the Police Department.
- Continued to update and improve the zoning ordinance related to signage and the need for conditional uses.
- Successfully implemented a new financial and trash billing software program.
- Successfully completed the transfer of assets to the EHT Recreation Authority.
- Continued to address and move forward with Board Goals.
- Continued outfall inspections of stormwater facilities, both private and public.
- Fully integrated new key staffing positions in Administration, Finance, and Planning.
- Introduce K9 Valor as a 'police trauma dog' to the police department.
- Completed a study of the north/south truck traffic flow through the Township.
- Completed the \$1.2 million road paving program.

2024 GOALS:

- Continue to exercise strong fiscal management practices to provide a higher-than-projected opening fund balance in 2025.
- Maintain a healthy employee base to ensure the continuation of municipal services to residents.
- Successfully bid, track, and monitor the following projects: Old Rohrerstown Road Bridge replacement, Centerville Road widening, A Herr Park Phase 2 renovations, Noel Dorwart Park project, Route 72/Lititz Road temporary signals project, and the Nissley Road Stormwater Basin.
- Continue to support the Recreation Authority in its guest to find additional sources of revenue to supplement and complement golf course operations.
- Continue to complete stormwater outfall inspections and monitor the MS4 permit cycle, which has been extended until 2025.
- Continue to work with Hempfield and Rohrerstown Departments to ensure cohesive delivery of fire services in East Hempfield.
- Implement the findings of the truck study, including additional signage and integration with West Hempfield Township.



2024 Junior Golf Program

Taught and Coordinated by Certified U.S. **Kids Golf Coach**

John Sanchez **Four Seasons Golf Club**

949 Church Street, Landisville, PA 17538 717-898-4104

9 Week Program Beginning Tuesday, June 11th through August 6th

OUTDOOR SAFETY TIPS

The return of warmer weather means more time spent outdoors. It's a great time to make sure your street numbers, whether on your home, lamppost, or mailbox, have survived the winter and are clearly

visible to emergency responders especially at night. Ensuring your street numbers can be easily read from the street helps emergency personnel find your residence or business guickly in times of need. Contact your local fire department to order your reflective address sign.

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Warmer weather also means the return of grilling season. Remember to keep grills away from combustible material (wooden decks, trash, vinyl siding, etc.) when in operation. A grill, regardless of fuel source, used too close to flammable materials may cause a fire. When using a propane or natural gas grill, be sure to turn off the gas valve when you are finished. Propane cylinders should never be stored inside a home or garage. Grills utilizing other fuel sources should also be checked to assure they are fully extinguished and cooled before storage. Always dispose of used charcoal or wood ash in a metal receptacle. Keep the grill clean to avoid excess grease build up, which can lead to a flare up.

With mulch season approaching, it is important to remember that a carelessly discarded cigarette may be all that is necessary to ignite a fire in a mulch bed or dry vegetation. It is important to completely extinguish smoking materials and place it in an approved receptacle.

Finally, remember to check your smoke detectors. Test them for proper operation and replace batteries if needed. A hardwired electric smoke detector may have a battery backup that relies on the battery in the event of a power outage. Smoke detectors save lives every day and one day it could be yours!

Help Us Get the Lead Out!

Our water authorities are committed to providing you with safe, clean drinking water. While lead is not detected in drinking water when it leaves the treatment plants, and there is no current concern about lead in the water systems at large, the U.S. EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Revision requires the water authorities to identify all lead service lines by October 2024. The service line is the pipe that connects your home to the water main in the street. Service lines may be made of lead, copper, galvanized metal, or plastic. The water authorities need your help to verify your service line material.



Visit www.ehwater.com/contact/ to provide verification of your water service material. If you are unsure which water authority serves your property, check your water bill.



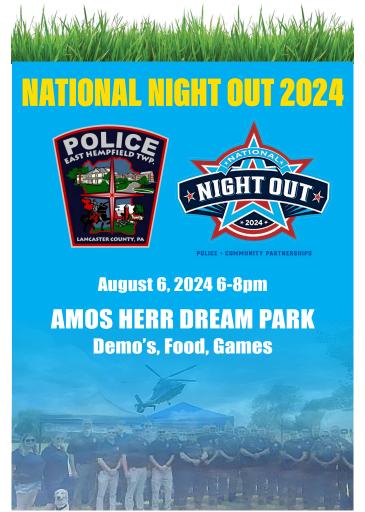
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

East Hempfield Township adopted the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code.

Tall grass is the most common complaint we receive at the Township during the spring and summer months. Other common complaints include high weeds, accumulation(s) of trash/debris, tree branches, yard waste/trimmings on the property as well as inoperable motor vehicles parked on the property and swimming pools that aren't maintained. Overgrown trees and shrubs are not enforceable under the Property Maintenance Code unless they obstruct a sidewalk or driveway.

Property Maintenance Complaint forms are available on our township website: www.easthempfield.org, or you can obtain a copy at the Township office. Please be specific when listing possible violations before returning it to the Township.

Township staff follows-up on all properly submitted complaints. Once a violation is verified, the property owner/resident is notified of the violation and then given time to respond and make corrections. If compliance is not reached, formal action can be taken by the Township. This process may take anywhere from a few days to three to four weeks and in some cases longer to complete.



Recycling right doesn't have to be hard. JUST FOCUS ON THE BIG 4! PLACE ONLY THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN. CORRUGATED CARDBOARD PLASTIC BOTTLES BUTTLES BUTTLES BUTTLES BUTTLES Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed

It's okay to throw *everything else* away. It will be turned into energy.

Lancaster County has an advanced waste-to-energy process that converts these materials into renewable energy, powering local homes and businesses and helping to reduce our reliance on non-renewable sources of energy. So, when in doubt, throw it out.





BASKETBALL POLES IN RIGHT-OF-WAY

If you have a freestanding basketball pole, place it in your driveway at a minimum of 3 feet away from the street. These poles create a difficulty for the mailman, trash trucks, street sweepers, and leaf collection trucks. Safety is a top priority for drivers, as well as township residents. DO NOT permit your children to play in the street.



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COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL & INSTITUTIONAL RECYCLING

- Are you a commercial, industrial or institutional entity?
- Do you recycle materials such as office paper, corrugated cardboard, tires or large appliances?
- Do you rely on a licensed waste hauler to transport your recyclables? If you answer YES to all of the above we thank you for doing what is necessary to track your recycling efforts.

If the answer to the last question is **NO**, the Township would like to have additional information from you to better understand how your recycling efforts are accounted for in the waste stream. Please contact us at your earliest convenience.

YARD WASTE SEASON APRIL 8 - NOV. 1, 2024

- An unlimited amount of recyclable paper bags are permitted per week, though each may not exceed 30 lbs.
- An unlimited amount of bundled material tied with twine permitted per week, may not exceed 30 lbs. or 4 feet in length.
- Recyclable paper yard bags may be purchased wherever sold.
- Do not mix yard waste with household trash during yard waste season.
- If you have a truck or trailer full of yard waste, contact your local compost site.

Trees & Shrubbery

Improper placement of trees & shrubbery can become a danger for motorists exiting an intersection or driveway. Please plan accordingly when planting new foliage. They should be placed to not grow into overhead wires or overhang the street. Without prior notice, the Township and other utility companies will trim trees & shrubs that grow into and over the roadway.

If you prefer to have your professional tree trimmer maintain your **trees & shrubbery**, please keep

them approximately 14' high and a minimum of 3' behind the curb or white line.

Do not plant landscaping that blocks fire hydrants from view. Fire Hydrants must be clearly visible and easily located by emergency services during a fire. Landscaping of any type obstructing fire hydrants will be trimmed by the township or water authority without notice.

2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Mid......Curbside Leaf Pick-up / Drop-off Begins

Th......Trick-or-Treat 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

F......Curbside Yard Waste Program Ends



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Hempfield Rec - Please call Cristine Maser with guestions 717-898-3102.

Summer Playground - Registration Opens April 2:

Summer Playground Program at Amos Herr Park (ages 6-12) June 10 - August 2 9:00 .m. - 3:30 p.m.

Fees: \$180 / Resident (early registration ends April 20)

Closed on July 4 & 5 and every other Friday for Pool Party Days This supervised program offers outdoor play, organized games & sports, plus optional pool parties and field trips! For more information, please visit www.hempfieldrec.com.

Free Movie Event:

Special Event!! Outdoor Movie Night - Zootopia Friday, June 14 Dusk

Silver Spring Community Park

Bring your family out to enjoy a beautiful summer night under the stars to watch this fun Disney Movie! Bring a blanket or chair. Food Trucks will be available prior to the movie.

(Save the dates for all movie nights: September 6 & October 4)

Community Runs:

Tri for Fun (Youth Triathlon)

Saturday, June 15 4:00 p.m.

Hempfield recCenter

A challenging youth triathlon event to kick off our triathlon weekend!

Tri for Life

Sunday, June 16 6:30 a.m.

Hempfield recCenter

Gear up for the 2024 TRI for Life at the Hempfield recCenter! Our annual triathlon event offers a thrilling challege that combines swimming, biking, and running - the perfect recipe for a heart-pounding, adrenaline-fueled experience. Whether you're a seasoned triathlete or a first-timer, this event promises fun and excitement for fitness enthusiasts of all ages.

Honey Run 5K Saturday, August 24

7:00 a.m.

Amos Herr Park

Lace up your running shoes and join us for a scenic and challenging course through Amos Herr Park, where you'll be treated to beautiful views and some rolling hills. Don't forget to register your little ones for the Kid's Fun Run.

Discover. Connect. Belong. AMOS HERR HOUSE **VOLUNTEERS**



In his will, Mr. Amos Herr donated his family homestead, including his home, the adjacent barns, and farmland, to East Hempfield Township. The home is preserved as a museum, along with the barns and gardens.

The land serves as a beautiful multi-use park with play areas, picnic areas, and sports areas,

which the township maintains for all residents.

Although owned by the township, the home and barns are maintained by the Amos Herr House Foundation and Historical Society. Their mission is to oversee the preservation, maintenance, and renovations of the property and surrounding gardens. This property is a vital piece of East Hempfield and Lancaster County histories.

The home and barns are open for visits and guided tours on the second and fourth Saturday of the month, May through October, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with the last tour beginning at 3:15 p.m.

You are invited to become a member of the Foundation. An annual membership costs \$15 for an individual, \$25 for a family, and \$50 for a supporting membership. One-time donations are accepted as well. Membership checks or donations can be made payable to AHHF and mailed to PO Box 52, Landisville, PA 17538.

Finally, the Foundation is always seeking folks interested in volunteering as greeters, tour guides, gardeners, and those who might want to help with the barn displays and equipment. It is a

fun way to get involved in local history. If you are interested in volunteering, please call 717-898-8822, and someone will contact you.



Change your CLOCKS

Change your **BATTERIES**



TOWNSHIP BURNING ORDINANCE

REMINDER: Burning of woody yard waste, grass & leaves, garbage, rubbish, and construction material is PROHIBITED throughout the Township (AG Zone exception).

For specifics on open burning regulations, please refer to East Hempfield Township Ordinance 2015-09 located on our website.





The Next National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is April 27, 2024 10AM to 2PM

The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications. The Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs is focused on alleviating the health and safety concerns from the diversion and misuse of prescription drugs by helping our citizens properly dispose of unused prescription medications. Many young people who misuse prescription drugs take them from medicine cabinets. Keeping unused opioids or other common drugs of misuse in a medicine cabinet is no longer safe or responsible.

East Hempfield Township Police Department has partnered with the Rite Aid Foundation and KidCents Safe Medication Disposal Program to offer a medication disposal unit at the police station.

The KidCents program focuses on reducing drug accessibility, medication misuse and accidental poisoning among children and teens.

The medication disposal unit is located inside the lobby of the East Hempfield Township Police Department at 1700 Nissley Rd, Landisville, PA 17538 and is available 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Mon. - Fri.

WHAT TO DO: Lock Up - Don't Share - Safely Dispose

- 1. Lock up all your medications
- Don't share your medications with anyone or take someone else's medications
- **3.** Safely dispose of unused or unwanted medications. When you pick up a prescription, ask your pharmacist for drug disposal pouches or find a drug take-back box.

How to prepare items for disposal:

- All prescribed medications to be disposed of should be contained inside their original bottle or placed inside a small sealed container (i.e. plastic bottle) or zip-lock bag
- Personal information should be removed or marked out with a permanent marker
- Only pills and other solids, like patches, can be brought to the collection site. Liquids, aerosols, needles, or other sharp objects will not be accepted.

Every Day is Take Back Day

Clean them out. Take them back. All year long.



Dispose of unneeded medication



Save the Date





Amos Herr Community Fair

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM (RAIN DATE 9-22-24)

Please mark your calendars for the 44th annual Amos Herr Community Festival, produced in cooperation with East Hempfield Township, Amos Herr House and Historical Society, and the East Petersburg-Landisville Lions Club on Sunday, September 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Amos Herr Park, 1700 Nissley Rd., Landisville.

The award-winning community event features the Lions Club Car Show, crafter/vendors, food trucks, and Amos Herr 1852 Homestead and Tobacco Barn complimentary tours.

Encourage your friends and family to come and enjoy the day! Admission is free. Parking donations benefit Lions Club service projects.

For more details on the event and for crafter/vendor inquiries, contact Laura Dalton at ldaltonaherrfair@easthempfield.org.

For details on the car show, contact Bill Ulrich at billu@dejazzd.com.

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TELEPHONE CONTACTS

(AREA CODE IS 717 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

District Justice	. 735-2288
EHT Municipal Building	. 898-3100
EHT Police Department	. 898-3103
East Petersburg Fire Company	
Four Season Golf Course	. 898-0104
Hempfield Fire Department	. 898-8112
Hempfield Rec	. 898-3102
Hempfield School District Tax Office	. 898-5565
LanCo Treasurer's Office (spring tax)	. 299-8222
LanCo Solid Waste Mgmt. Authority	. 397-9968
Lanc. Area Sewer Authority (LASA)	. 299-4843
Life Lion EMS (formerly SVEMS)	
PENNDOT (state roads)	. 299-7621
Rohrerstown Fire Company	. 392-6700
Water Authority (Hempfield)	. 898-8231
(Lancaster City)	. 735-3425



SPECIAL ITEM & APPLIANCE / TIRE PICK-UP

Will take place during the week of **April 1-5, 2024** on your trash day. Purchase tags at the Township Office. Appliances \$10.00 each / Tires \$2.00 each.

Holiday Trask Delays

M-F, May 27-31	Memorial Day	
Thurs. & Fri., July 4-5	Independence Day	
M-F, September 2-6	Labor Day	
Trash service delayed by one day.		

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Trick-or-Treat will be held on Thursday, October 31, 2024 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. RAIN OR SHINE.