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Keeping Providence Township Residents Informed

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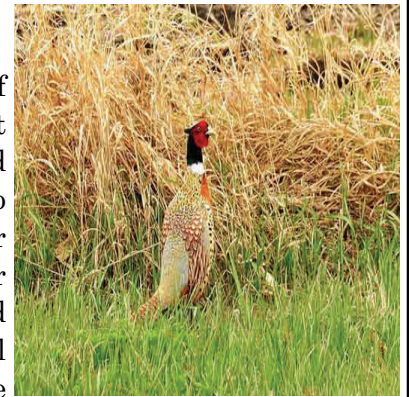
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Pequea Creek Watershed Association

By Kara Kalupson

Over the past several months since the beginning of Spring and the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic I've come to realize how important it is to get out of the house and enjoy nature! Taking time to walk on the rail trail, hike the trails at Susquehannock Park, and canoe down the Conestoga has provided a great escape to the confines of my home.

The Pequea Creek Watershed Association strives to make these types of outdoor spaces cleaner. We want to repair eroding streambanks so that sediment doesn't wash away with every storm. We want to plant trees and shrubs on the streambanks. Their root systems help stabilize the banks so that sediment doesn't wash away. Their leaves shade the stream so water temperatures remain cool during the hot summer months- trout and other fish cannot survive in hot water. Native vegetation protects the stream and provides habitat for our native wildlife including birds, insects and small mammals. All these things enhance the community - And all of these things are good for our mental health!



We are so sad that the Solanco and Lampeter Strasburg fairs were cancelled this year.

We do enjoy setting up our display and providing water quality information to so many of you every year. So, we are looking forward to Spring 2021 hoping we'll have a chance to schedule and organize some tree-planting and educational activities. The stream restoration project on the Big Beaver Creek near Krantz Mill Road should be under construction in 2021, and we have a landowner downstream of this project who is interested in continuing the work - We are working with our partners to find funding opportunities!

Enola Low Grade Trail Update

The Parks and Recreation Committee is working on a feasibility study for allowing horse use on the trail. For more information or to join the Parks and Recreation Committee, the next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7 p.m. at the township office, 200 Mt. Airy Rd., New Providence, PA 17560.

Solid Rock Youth Ministries will be holding their 3rd Annual 5k Run/Walk on the Enola Low Grade Trail on Saturday, October 31, 2020. For more information on this event visit www.solidrockquarryville.com/run

If you are interested in holding an event on the trail please contact the Township Office at 717-786-7596.



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HELPFUL INFORMATION

Contact Information

Telephone: 717-786-7596

Facsimile: 717-786-2565

Website: www.providencetownship.com

Township Hours:

Monday – Thursday

6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. *Closed every Friday*

Board of Supervisors

Meetings: First Monday, 7:00 p.m.

John Schroeder, Chair

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vicki@providencetownship.com

Zoning Officer

Heidi Martinez

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Road Master

Jim Fry

J.Fry@providencetownship.com

Planning Commission

Meetings: Third Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Odell, Chair

Anthony Nardella

Kara Kalupson

Samuel Blank

Kenneth Wiker

Brent Musser, Alternate

Zoning Hearing Board

Meetings: Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

Bradford Duvall

Omar Smoker

Albert Warfel

David Beiler, Alternate

Emergency Management Coordinator

Jim Herr

Zoning Information

General Requirements for Zoning Permits:

Before commencing the excavation for, or the construction, erection, moving, alteration, or replacement of any structure, including an accessory structure, contact the Zoning Officer by email at secretary@providencetownship.com or by phone at 717-786-7596 ext. 1. Projects started prior to obtaining a permit is double the permit fee, maximum of \$500.00.

Variance Request/Special Exception:

Unable to meet the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance?
Use permitted as a special exception in the zoning district?

Whether it be a setback requirement, a special exception use or other zoning relief, the only body that has authority to grant zoning relief is the Zoning Hearing Board. The Zoning Hearing Board meets once a month as needed on the second Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code:

- Applies to the construction, alteration, repair, movement, equipment, removal, demolition, location, maintenance, occupancy or change of occupancy of every building or structure which occurs on or after April 9, 2004, and all existing structures that are not legally occupied.
- There are exemptions to the PA UCC, please contact the Zoning Officer to discuss your project.

Storm Water Management Ordinance:

- Applies to any regulated earth disturbance activities within the Township
- Earth disturbance activities and associated storm water management controls are regulated under existing state law and implementing regulations.
- Applies to all SWM facilities newly installed or existing.
- Applies to all persons performing any such activities and to all landowners of lots upon which such activities are performed.
- No person shall use or modify any land or watercourse, and no person shall disturb, move, strip or modify the earth, and no person shall build, install or extend any structure or other impervious surface or semi-impervious surface without full compliance with the terms of the SWMO and other applicable regulations.

IMPORTANT DATES

Fall Clean Up Time

The Township will once again be accepting woody yard waste from residents at the township maintenance shed on two Saturday mornings this fall.

Plan to bring your woody yard waste (shrub trimmings, branches, etc.) that you wish to dispose of. **We do not accept leaves, landscaping and hardscaping materials.**

October 3, 2020 and October 24, 2020
from 8:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

Primary Election Day

November 3, 2020
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Remember to Vote!

Blood Drive

October 27, 2020
December 22, 2020
February 16, 2021

April 13, 2021

Call 717-544-0177 to schedule an appointment!

National Night Out

National Night Out scheduled for October 6, 2020 has been cancelled.

Trick or Treat

Friday, October 30, 2020
From 6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.



Think these belong in your recycling bin?



Think again. So how do you know **what to throw?**

FOCUS ON THE BIG 4
RINSE & PUT ONLY THESE ITEMS IN BIN

1
CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

2
PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS W/NECKS

3
METAL FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS

4
GLASS JARS & BOTTLES

RECYCLE RIGHT
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It's okay to throw everything else away. It will be turned into renewable energy.

Visit recyclerightlanaster.org for more tips.

America Recycles Day

November 15, 2020

Have old cell phones laying around? Not sure what to do with them? Do not throw them away. One cell phone, if thrown away, can pollute 40,000 gallons of ground water. Providence Township recycles them through The Wireless Alliance. Drop off your old cell phones, PDAs and iPods at the township office Monday through Thursday from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Winter Reminders:

- DO NOT shovel the snow from your driveway into the road.
- Make sure your mailbox is securely attached to the post; and make sure the post is strong enough to withstand the force of the snow being pushed by the plow.



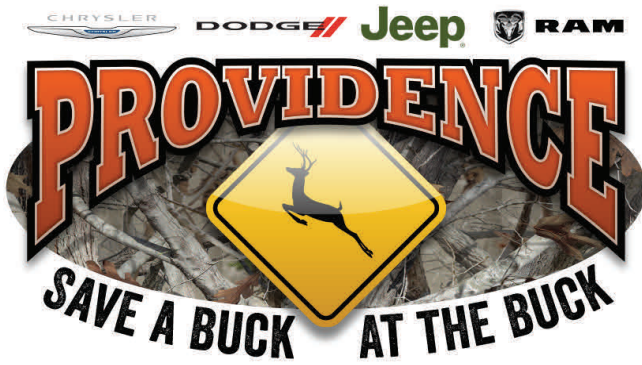
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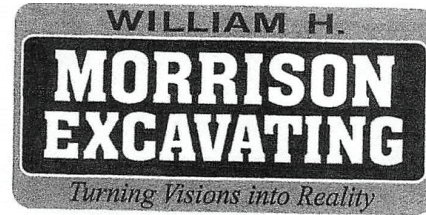
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