Shrewsbury Township News

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Fall 2013

Eagle Scout Project at Miller Park



Peter Coombs of New Freedom, a Troop 24 Boy Scout, paints parking space lines at Miller Park on a recent hot summer day.

Thanks to the efforts of Life Scout, Daniel Snyder, Miller Park now has parking spaces clearly identified. Daniel is a 17-year old Life Scout in Boy Scout Troop 24, which is sponsored by the New Freedom Lions Club. Currently he is finishing up the requirements for the Eagle Scout rank while studying in a homeschool program, working at Freedom Armory, and playing soccer for Susquehannock High School. Having 4 younger siblings who play sports for local youth sports organizations, Daniel has been to Miller Park on numerous occasions and noticed that parking lines would help maximize the number of vehicles able to park in the



lot. Seeing this as a way to help the community, he decided to paint lines on the parking lot as part of his Eagle Scout project. He also painted parking lines and built an information sign at a park in New Freedom Borough. With the help of other Scouts from his troop and his family, he was able to paint the Miller Park lot over two days in the third week of July. Daniel stated "This project helped me to appreciate the many steps involved in bringing a community project to completion. I am very grateful for the assistance of Shrewsbury Township. It has been a great experience!"

Second Change in Polling Location

The York County Board of Elections has announced a second change of the polling location for the 2nd voting district. In the last year the polling location moved from the Shrewsbury Elementary School to the Trail Church of the Nazarene (16535 Susquehanna Trail South, New Freedom) to a new location for the November 2013 election, which will be located at Grace Fellowship Church, 74 E. Forrest Avenue, Shrewsbury. Many of you know this location as the K-mart property "up on the hill." Grace Fellowship Church offers ample parking and a safer entrance/exit. Voters registered at the location will receive official notice from the York County Office of Elections.

Office Hours:

*Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Holiday Closings:

*November 28th & 29th

*December 24th & 25th

*January 1st



Leaves

Fall is quickly upon us, and as leaves begin to fall, please remember that composting is the preferred method of disposing of leaves. However, if you need additional trash bags for your leaves, stop by the Township office and pick up a supply of Penn Waste trash bags for \$4.30 each. The Township does NOT provide curbside leaf collection.

Sign In Right-of-Ways

Please be aware that ANY unpermitted signs in the road and street right-of-ways may be removed without notification.

Elected Officials

Board of Supervisors

- Jeff Rennoll, Chair
- Bill Cox, Vice Chair
- Cynthia DeLeone (term expires 12/2015)
- Sue Fox
- Gene Montanarelli

Tax Collector

Julie Rohrbaugh

Snow Event Reminders

Mailbox Damage

Shrewsbury Township allows property owners to place mailboxes within the limits of the legal right-of-way in order to expedite mail delivery as well as for the convenience of the mail customers. But because the mailboxes are within the right-of-way, damages are the responsibility of the property owner. Be sure that your mailbox has a strong support. You may also wish to use reflective tape or other material to make it easier to see during storms or at night. Check your box and support often. Clear snow from around it and deposit the snow in a manner to allow access to it as well as providing motorists proper sight distances. Never deposit snow on the roadway.

Snow Removal

The Township's road crew makes every effort to avoid damage to private property. Mailboxes and edges of turf or lawns bordering Township road are the most vulnerable to damage. Please remember to remove all vehicles parked along Township roads prior to any storm that results in plowable snow amounts. Your cooperation is always appreciated.

Tree Trimming

Low hanging limbs can be a hazard in the wintertime to motorists, including the Township trucks, breaking mirrors and windshields, etc. This fall and winter the Township Maintenance Staff will be trimming trees in the road right-of-way. Homeowners may want to trim their own trees prior to the Township beginning this process.

Filing a Complaint

Residents who wish to file a complaint for noncriminal violations must follow several guidelines. The complaints must be in writing and contain contact information; anonymous complaints WILL NOT be accepted. All complaints remain confidential. Complaint forms can be obtained at the Township office or on the Township's website and can be filed in person, by mail, fax, or email.

Meeting Dates

The following meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building (11505 Susquehanna Trail South, Glen Rock, PA 17327).

Board of Supervisors

- *October 2nd
- *October 30th (budget workshop)
- *November 6th
- *December 4th

Planning Commission

- *October 16th
- *November 20th
- *December 18th



Board Actions (July – September 2013)

The Board of Supervisors took the following actions at their July, August, and September 2013 meetings. Full minutes can be viewed on the Township website.

- Approved Resolution No. 2013-10, which updated the Township personnel manual.
- Approved Resolution No. 2013-11, which adds additional lands to the Township's Agricultural Security Area.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 2013-01, which revised the Township's weed control regulations.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 2013-02, which approved an eleven (11) year franchise agreement with Comcast.
- Approved several waiver requests and a final land development plan for Messina Highlands, LP (new shopping complex along Mt. Airy Road, across from Shrewsbury Commons).
- Re-approved the final subdivision/land development plan for Heathcote Glen II (a five lot residential development in Shrewsbury Borough and Township).
- Approved the purchase of a used bucket truck at a cost of \$18,500.
- Awarded a \$135,348.20 contract to Fitz & Smith, Inc. for the replacement of a bridge on Sunny Slope Road, which is shared with Codorus Township. The bridge was closed after being damaged by Tropical Storm Lee in September 2011. Cost to replace this bridge will be reimbursed by the state and federal agencies (FEMA & PEMA).
- Approved a waiver request and a stormwater plan for Lot #18 of Chestnut Commerce Center (Elm Drive).
- Approved the final land development plan of Paige Properties, LLC, (Elm Drive) for a new commercial building.
- Approved an extension request by Susan Fox & Jeff Van Voorhis on consideration of their subdivision plan (Bowser Road). The Board will reconsider their plan at the October 2nd Board meeting.
- Approved the creation and distribution of a community map & directory. Distribution is scheduled for early 2014.
- Conducted a special meeting on August 14th for property owners of the Seitzland community to update them on the status of the sewer project.
- Approved Resolution No. 2013-12, which accepts Snowden Terrace and Reddale Drive in the Russett Farm community as Township streets.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 2013-03, which authorizes the placement of a 3-way stop at the intersection of Madison Drive & Reagan Drive.
- Approved several land development waiver requests for Pritz Auto Body (41 Commerce drive).
- Approved an extension request by E Squared Properties, LLC on consideration of their final subdivision plan (Glen Rock Borough & Shrewsbury Township). The Board will reconsider their plan at the February 5, 2014 Board meeting.
- Approved revisions to the Township's Right-To-Know policy, along with the establishment of a records research policy.
- Considered redesign of the rain garden / stormwater basin in front of the Township building; decided to consolidate plantings in certain areas and converting other areas back to lawn.
- Approved the Township's 2014 Minimum Municipal Obligation for its pension in the amount of \$7,461. This amount is expected to be covered by pension aid received from the Commonwealth.



Upcoming Election Dates

- *October 7th Last day to REGISTER TO VOTE before the NOVEMBER election.
- *October 29th Last day to apply for a civilian absentee ballot.
- *November 1st Last day for County Board of Elections to receive voted civilian absentee ballots.
- *November 5th MUNICIPAL ELECTION.
- *November 6th First day to register after the November election.
- *November 12th Last day for County Board of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (must be postmarked no later than November 4th)



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