

Shrewsbury Township News

Spring Cleanup

Disposal of Winter Storm Debris

In response to February's ice storm, two (2) debris drop-off events have been scheduled. **Township property owners** can drop-off tree limbs and similar vegetative material at the following location (and dates):

Shrewsbury Township Maintenance Building

12341 Susquehanna Trail S, Glen Rock, 17327 (rear of Hametown Park)

on the dates and times stated below:

Saturday, **March 22, 2014** : 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (noon)

Saturday, **April 12, 2014** : 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.



PHOTO I.D. IS REQUIRED TO PROVE RESIDENCY. The material will be chipped for mulch in Township parks, so it is very important that there is no wire, metal, or other foreign material that can damage equipment. If you have any questions, call the Township Office at 235-3011.

2013 Curbside Recycling Rate Below State Goal

The 2013 residential/commercial recycling program achieved a 26.1% rate, which is below Pennsylvania's recycling goal of 35%. Statistics for 2013 are as follows:

- 3,300.8 tons of waste generated
 - 2,438.9 tons refuse sent to County incinerator
 - 602.58 tons residential recycling
 - 259.36 tons commercial recycling



The Township encourages you to either begin recycling or to look for ways to improve your individual recycling rate. Your help is needed to increase our 2014 recycling rate!

Office Hours

- Monday – Thursday:
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Friday:
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Holiday Closings

- April 18th – Good Friday
- May 26th – Memorial Day
- July 4th – Independence Day



Signs in Right-Of-Ways

Please be reminded that ANY unpermitted signs in the road and street right-of-ways may be removed without notification. Repeat offenders may be cited, resulting in a fine and court costs.

Tree Trimming Along Streets and Roads

The Township Maintenance Department will continue trimming trees, shrubs, bushes, and other similar vegetation along the Township streets and roads during the spring months. Trimming will occur within the Township's road right-of-ways and will not exceed a height of 14 feet.

Complaints

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.

York County Special Needs Registry

The York County Special Needs Registry is a free, voluntary, and confidential program, open to all county residents to provide assistance to those with special needs in the event of an emergency. It is designed to help identify those who have no reliable source of assistance in the event of an evacuation or other emergency.

Those who would benefit the most include Individuals with:

- ◆ Wheelchairs, walkers, canes, etc.
- ◆ Service animals
- ◆ Immobility
- ◆ No family, friends in the area, or means of transportation
- ◆ Mental disabilities
- ◆ Physical disabilities
- ◆ Special needs

State law requires each township, borough, and city to maintain information about special needs people in their jurisdiction. During the February ice storm and subsequent power outage, it became apparent the information the township has on file needs updating.

The County Special Needs Registry is a tool provided to the municipalities to make this task easier. The program was developed by the York County Human Services Department in conjunction with the York County Office of Emergency Management.

Residents have the option to participate in the Registry by filling out a one-page form. Information from each form is then entered into a computerized mapping system.

The collected information can be used by fire, police, ambulance, and emergency management officials to ensure resident safety in all types of emergencies and disasters – including long term power-outages, snow, ice, floods, fires, chemical spills, and police incidents.

You can register by calling the Township Office at 235-3011 and requesting a form be mailed to you, by downloading the form from York County's website and returning it to the township office (<http://yorkcountypa.gov/images/pdf/ECRIN%20Form%20October%202013.pdf>), or by calling the Township Office and giving them the required information.





Board Actions (January – March 2014)

- The Board of Supervisors elected Paul Solomon as Chair and Bill Cox as Vice Chair
- Appointed Wendy Brown as Recording Secretary
- Approved a two (2) year Letter of Agreement with Todd A. Zeigler as Manager
- Accepted the resignation of Paul Solomon from the Planning Commission
- Approved Resolution No. 2014-01: Appointment of Employees & Setting of Wages/Benefits for 2014
- Approved Resolution No. 2014-02: Appointment of Township Representatives
- Approved Resolution No. 2014-03: Designation of Financial Institutions
- Approved Resolution No. 2014-04: Board, Commission & Committee Appointments
- Approved Resolution No. 2014-05: Setting of Various Fees for 2014
- Reapproved the John R., Marlene R., Herbert C. & Barbara Hebel Final Subdivision Plan
- Approved an additional time extension for the E-Squared Properties, LLC Final Subdivision Plan
- Entered into a Traffic Signal Easement Agreement with Shrewsbury Commons Shopping Center for the installation of a new traffic signal on Mt. Airy Road (at the entrance to new shopping center by Messina Highlands)
- Approved Change Order No. 1 to Fitz & Smith for the Sunny Slope Road bridge project in the amount of \$428.10
- Approved Application For Payment No. 2 (FINAL) to Fitz & Smith for the Sunny Slope Road bridge project in the amount of \$34,166.67
- Approved a Stormwater Management Operation & Maintenance Agreement for John & Dorothy Thompson, located along Susquehanna Trail South
- Entered into a Transferable Development Rights Agreement with Jason & Kamela Dunaja for property located along Cheery Tree Lane.
- Approved four (4) Deeds of Transferable Development Rights for Jason & Kamela Dunaja for property located along Cherry Tree Lane
- Entered into a Transferable Development Rights Agreement with John & Donna Freese for property located along Bowser Road.
- Approved one (1) Deed of Transferable Development Right for John & Donna Freese for property located along Bowser Road
- Reapproved Messina Highlands, LP Final Land Development Plan (Shopping Center), located along Mt. Airy Road
- Reapproved the Messina Highland, LP Final Subdivision Plan (Bank), located along Mt. Airy Road
- Reapproved the Pritz Auto Body Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan, located at Susquehanna Trail South & Commerce Drive
- Appointment MPL Law of York to serve as Special Counsel for the Township in Fox & VanVoorhis Civil Complaint against the Township
- Appointed Joseph Newberger to fill a vacancy on the elected Board of Auditors, which resulted from the resignation of Earl Schuckman
- Approved General Code of New York to provide the Township with its ordinance codification, which will provide greater accessibility to the public through the Township's website.
- Approved participation in a County wide Regional Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan
- Entered into a Lease Agreement with Shrewsbury Commons Limited Partnership for the 2014 Farmers' Market
- Approved the 2014 Vendor Agreement for the Farmers' Market
- Approved Resolution No. 2014-07, which amends the 2014 budget to include the addition of \$1,000 for the Farmers' Market
- Approved the Elwood Sechrist (Gregory M. Wilt) Final Subdivision Plan (1116 Fritz Road, Glen Rock)
- Approved the Gregory & Kristina Wilt (Gary & Susan Robbins) Final Subdivision Plan (1136 W. Clearview Drive, Glen Rock)
- Approved the Johnston Controls, Inc. Final Subdivision Plan (E. Forrest Avenue at Wolfe Road, New Freedom)
- Entered into an agreement with Southern Regional Police Department to place traffic observation cameras on certain township owned traffic signal poles.
- Approved a Right-Of-Way Agreement with York County for the construction of a cul-de-sac at the end of White Oak Road (within Spring Valley Park)
- Approved a Declaration of Disaster for the February 4 & 5, 2014 Ice Storm
- Authorized the advertisement for Refuse & Recycling Bids; current contract expires June 30, 2014.
- Authorized The York Water Company to install two (2) new fire hydrants along Windy Hill Road, across from both entrances to Magnolia Drive.
- Authorized the Shrewsbury Township Christian Academy to use certain Township streets and roads for their 5K Run on April 12, 2014
- Entered into a Transferable Development Rights Agreement with Gregory & Kristina Wilt for property located at 1116 Fritz Road, Glen Rock
- Entered into a Transferable Development Rights Agreement with Brenda Boyd for property located along Fissels Church Road, Glen Rock

Planning a Spring Building or Home Improvement Project?

Following is a partial list of required permits. While the descriptions cover the most typical reasons for a permit, the list is not all-inclusive. If you have questions or want to verify if you need a permit, please call Megan Matthews at 235-3011 (ext. 103).

- **Driveway Permits:** Permits are required for all new driveways, repaving of existing, widening or any other improvements completed on existing driveways.
- **Well Permits:** Permits are required for the drilling of new well in Shrewsbury Township. All wells are required to be grouted.
- **Swimming Pools:** All pools capable of containing more than 24 inches of water require a building permit and zoning permit. This is part of the building code adopted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Pools must meet the setback requirements of the Zoning Ordinance as well as all requirements of the building code. This means fencing may be required and in some instances pool alarms must be installed.
- **Zoning Permits:** Shrewsbury Township's Zoning Ordinance requires zoning permits for all accessory structures in excess of 100 square feet. This will ensure accessory structures such as sheds, and fences are placed according to the setbacks and regulations of the Zoning Ordinance. Please note that while zoning permits are not required for smaller structures, all setback and related zoning regulations must be met.
- **Interior Renovations:** Cosmetic renovations such as carpet, painting, and replacing existing windows/doors do not require permits. If any moving, relocating or installation of new plumbing, mechanical, and electric lines occur please be sure to pick up a permit.

Meeting Dates

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

Board of Supervisors

April 2nd
May 7th
June 4th
July 2nd

Planning Commission

April 16th
May 21st
June 18th
July 16th



Elected Officials

Board of Supervisors

- Paul Solomon, Chair (term expires 12/2019)
- Bill Cox, Vice Chair (term expires 12/2017)
- Cynthia DeLeone (term expires 12/2015)
- Sue Fox (term expires 12/2015)
- Jeff Rennoll (term expires 12/2017)

Tax Collector

- Gail Prego (term expires 12/2017)



Upcoming Election Dates

- April 21st – Last day to REGISTER TO VOTE before the primary
- May 13th – Last day to apply for a civilian absentee ballot
- May 16th – Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted civilian absentee ballots
- May 20th – GENERAL PRIMARY
- May 21st – First day to REGISTER after primary
- May 27th - Last day for County Board of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on May 19)

April is Earth Month – our collective responsibility

All of the 29.4 sq. miles, or 18,606 acres of land comprising Shrewsbury Township, consists of 4 public water supply watersheds serving the residents of York County or metropolitan Baltimore. Every drop of precipitation that falls in Shrewsbury Township, therefore, could end up in someone's drinking cup.

Officially, and on your behalf, Shrewsbury Township has initiated the following practices to protect our watersheds/water supplies:

- Require stream buffers.
- Protect wetlands, springs and seeps.
- Require erosion and sedimentation controls.
- Protect woodlands on developing sites.
- Restrict major development to within the Township's growth boundaries.
- Require stormwater management including infiltration of roof runoff.
- Require septic system maintenance.
- Street sweeping.
- Preserve open space/agricultural land.



However, the most important player in our effort to protect our water is you! That is, how well do you manage your property? Following are examples of what you can do to prevent/reduce pollutants from entering our waterways and groundwater:

- Don't wash vehicles on paved surfaces and permit the dirty water to flow into a storm sewer, which then flows to a local stream. Wash vehicles on an unpaved or impervious surface.
- Don't over-fertilize your lawn.
- Eliminate or reduce the use of pesticides.
- Clean up pet litter regularly.
- Plant mature trees and shrubs.
- Install rain gardens.
- Keep your property neat and orderly and free of clutter.

The Chesapeake Bay has been known as the most productive estuary in the world. The Bay is the sink or the final destination of all of the pollutants, which have resulted in the Bay's decline. Acting as caring residents, and by being responsible property owners, we can join the effort to restore the Bay.

Celebrate Earth Day with Free Tire Disposal

To help eliminate illegal dumping of tires and educate the public about proper tire management, the York County Solid Waste Authority (Authority) is offering free tire disposal at the York County Resource Recovery Center. **Pre-registration is required and will be accepted during business hours between now and April 23, 2014.**

Residents may call Jen Cristofolletti at the Solid Waste Authority to pre-register at 717-845-1066 from 8AM to 5PM Monday through Friday **starting March 3**. Registrants will receive a dashboard placard for free one-time disposal of up to 10 tires. Tires must be off the rim and cannot exceed 32" in diameter. Tires must not be excessively dirty or full of water. This program is limited to one placard per household. The program coincides with Earth Day celebrations and is open to York County residents only. Businesses are not eligible to participate. **Registration ends** at close of business on April 23, 2014. Tire delivery dates will be scheduled on a first-come, first served basis.

This program is a result of the Authority's participation in and support of Keep York Beautiful and its efforts to prevent and eliminate illegal dumping. Dave Vollero, Authority Executive Director, notes that, "Residents can and should place old tires out with their regular garbage. This special tire acceptance program is being held to raise awareness that tires should be properly disposed of as household waste and to help prevent illegal dumping of tires." Tires collected at the curb with regular garbage must be off the rim and may not exceed 32" in diameter. Residents should call their waste hauler for specifics on how many tires can be placed out with each pick-up.



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Glen Rock, PA 17327
Return Service Requested

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Fax: 717-227-0662

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Shrewsbury Township Farmers' Market

2nd & 4th Saturday, May – October

Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Wal-Mart Shopping Center parking lot; next to Advance Auto Parts

For information, contact Susan Fox at 717-235-0734

