

PENN Township

Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Truck Upgrade to Improve Services

This summer a new M2 Freightliner dump truck was purchased to replace a member of our aging fleet to better serve our residents. The truck was ordered in 2023 to replace a 2006 M2 Freightliner. Our previous truck served us well for years but it was next in line to be replaced. The new addition features a ten-foot Boss straight blade hydraulic plow, stainless steel box with three coal doors, stainless steel under tailgate spreader, back up and side camera systems, strobe lights and flood lights. Because of its size it is versatile and can be used to tow, plow and haul materials with ease. You may spot it in a development or on a rural road as it makes its rounds this winter.



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penntwp@ptd.net – email
penn-township.net - website

ROAD MASTER

Mark Strawser- 570-374-4258

LEAF PICK UP



The road crew will start leaf collection November 4, 2024 and will continue through November 26th depending on the weather. So, get your leaves ready and get them to the curb. To the curb...not in the road, not back along your house. Our road crew will not enter onto your property to collect your leaves. The route is:

Mon & Tues North of 522. Thurs & Fri, South of 522. from Nov. 4 to Nov 26.

Leaves only...no sticks, brush, dog feces or rocks that will damage our equipment. No bagged leaves, we will leave them behind. If you have had your leaves ready for 2-3 days and

the crew has not been by, please call the office. You are always welcome to take your leaves to the compost site yourself, if you have a permit. Again, do not leave bags there.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The Board of Supervisors meet on the first Wednesday of each month, 6:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 228 Clifford Road. If you have a topic you wish to discuss with the Supervisors at the meeting, you can speak under public comment on the agenda, or you can call the Township office at (570) 374-4778 to add your name to the agenda. If you speak under public comment, your time to speak could be limited.

The East Snyder Regional Recreation Association meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at East Snyder Park, weather

permitting, or at the Municipal Building Board Room.

The Planning Commission - see description above – Meet on Fourth Monday at 6:30 pm

The Zoning Hearing Board meets, as needed, to review zoning variance requests. The zoning hearings are advertised with the date and time and the property to which a variance may be granted, along with the reason for the variance request.

All meetings are open to the public.

GENERAL ELECTION DAY



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024

PENN 1

If you live on the south side of 522,
you will vote at the Keystone Building
Products Building

PENN 2

If you live on the north side or
Selinsgrove Center side of 522, you will vote at
the Penn Township Building, 228 Clifford Road

Polls are open 7 am to 8 pm.

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Ron Zeiders, Tax Collector, PO Box 452, Selinsgrove, PA 17870, 570-898-4250

Our collector provides hours here in the township building. The dates are always printed on your tax bills. Spring hours here in the township building will be announced at a later date and will also be printed on your bills when they arrive. Please call Ron or the township office if you have questions.

Please note: The Township office cannot accept your taxes.

If you are mailing your taxes and would like to receive a receipt, include a self-addressed stamped envelope and Mr. Zeiders will send your receipt.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP



The Road crew will be picking up trees on the following days:

Thursday January 2

Thursday January 9

No tree bags, no lights, no decorations or tree stands, plus no Artificial Trees!

If you decide to enjoy your Christmas tree a bit longer than most and miss the collection period, please feel free to take your tree and any leaves still hanging around to the compost site if you have a permit. All biodegradable material is turned into mulch and compost and is free to permit holders.

ARE PERMITS REQUIRED IN PENN TOWNSHIP...YES!

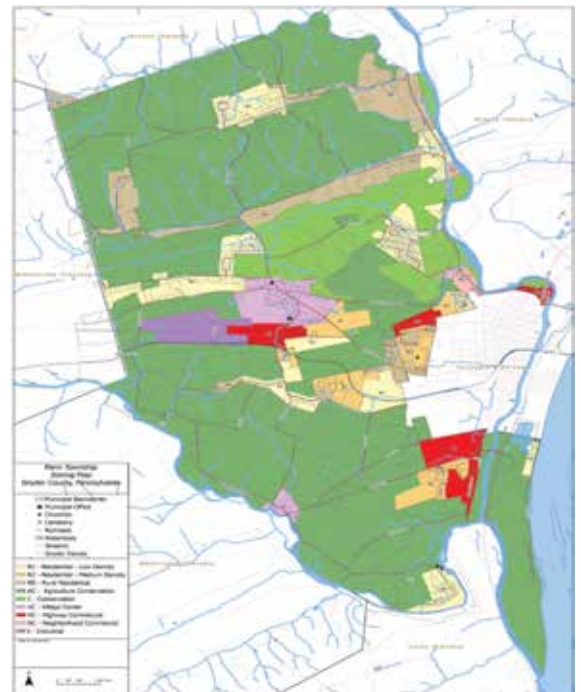
If you are planning any type of construction, call the township office to see what sort of permitting is required. Projects that are often started when permits have not yet been issued include pools, sheds and decks. Regardless of the shape or size, each does indeed require a phone call to the township office first to verify permitting.

If a contractor does the work for you...you still need a permit. I would question a contractor who does not discuss permitting with you.

What Zone Do You Live In?

Do you know which ZONING DISTRICT your property is located? Penn Township is comprised of nine (9) zoning districts. Each zone has slightly different regulations with regard to allowed uses and dimensional requirements. The regulations for each zone are included in the Penn Township Zoning Ordinance 2005-01. This is the "rulebook" used by our Zoning Officer when permitting projects. These zones are all mapped on our township zoning map. To get a general idea of the zoning district your property is located you can look at the Penn Township map on our website at www.penn-township.net. Currently there is an article along with the zoning map on the home page or the "The Quick View" page of the township website.

If you want to confirm what zone you live in and the "rules" for your zone, e-mail Julie at penntwpmanager@ptd.net and we will send you that information.





NOVEMBER 3, 2023 DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK!

2025 COMPOST SITE PERMITS

Reminder to purchase your 2025 Compost Permit starting January 2, 2025 at the Township office. The cost is \$20.00 for Penn Township Residents and \$1,000.00 for Penn Township Businesses. If businesses outside of the township do work for a resident a one dump fee tag can be purchased for \$50.00.

The Penn Township compost site is located at the end of Gaugler Lane, across from Salem Lutheran Church. You can take your basic grass clippings, other lawn and garden waste, leaves, trees (including Christmas trees), shrub waste, branches and unpainted or untreated wood. There are signs indicating where the different items belong. Be sure to leave your items in the correct locations.

To generate quality mulch and compost there are items that are absolutely not accepted at this site and include:

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|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| NO cat or dog waste; | NO dairy products; | NO plastic or metals; |
| NO treated or painted wood; | NO building construction waste; | NO cement, blocks, pavers or bricks |
| NO metal of any kind left in wood products | NO meat or fish bones; | NO weeds and weed seeds |
| | NO fat, grease, lard or oils; | |

Delivery containers are also not accepted. Please take your garbage bags, flower pots, and any other transport containers home with you! Leaving these items is the same as illegal dumping and/or littering!

A separate pile is available for wood and coal ashes.

This service is only for permit holders, hours and days: open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and the 1st Saturday of the Month. Winter hours from 7 am to 2 pm (Nov.–Mar.). Summer hours from 7 am to 7:30 pm (Apr.-Oct.).

Only people dropping items at compost site are permitted in this area.

Surveillance cameras are in use.

RECYCLING REMINDER

Please don't forget to purchase your 2025 Recycling Permit starting January 2, 2025 at the Township Office, Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 for Penn Township Residents and \$50.00 for Penn Township Businesses. The hours of recycling are Monday thru Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the First Saturday of the Month from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Only Residents and business owners with permits are allowed in the recycling center.



Surveillance Cameras are on site.

We will prosecute violators that don't have Permits!

SEWAGE CODE ENFORCEMENT

Dan Page and Polly Graybill are the Twp. Sewage Enforcement Officers (SEO) for Penn Township. An SEO issues septic permits, inspects septic systems, and reviews properties when a complaint is received about a private septic system. You can contact Dan at 800-639-3641. If your home is connected to a public sewer system, you receive a quarterly bill from PTMA, and do not have a septic system.

TOWNSHIP OFFICE CLOSED?

You can drop your zoning permit applications, pavilion rentals, etc. into the black box beside our front door. This drop box is NOT for your taxes or water/sewer payments. They will not get to the appropriate people. We do, however, accept chocolate bars for the office.

WINTER REMINDER!

Please keep trees trimmed back from roads so when the plow trucks plow, they don't damage windshields.

MAILBOXES AND MAILBOX POSTS

Any installation within the right of way - including a mailbox/post - is placed there at the owner's risk. Posts should be checked for deterioration to reduce the possibility that the weight of the plowed snow may simply break or push the post over.

The Township will not repair or replace mailboxes or posts damaged by the force or placement of plowed snow. In the event that your mailbox is hit by a plow blade, contact the Township Office at 570-374-4778

PARKING DURING WEATHER ADVISORY

Ordinance 2014-01

AN ORDINANCE OF PENN TOWNSHIP, SNYDER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RESTRICTING PARKING AND PLACING PROPERTY ON OR ALONG TOWNSHIP ROADS DURING AND FOLLOWING ANY SNOWFALL OR WEATHER EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Penn Township Board of Supervisors, in order to advance the welfare and safety of the residents of the Township and such other persons who use said streets and roads deems it necessary to adopt an Ordinance restricting parking and placing property on or along Township Roads during and following any snowfall or weather emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, and it is ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Penn, Snyder County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section 1 - During and following any snowfall or weather emergency, which shall be defined hereinafter, it shall be unlawful for anyone to park a motor vehicle and/or place any property or objects on or along any Township Road.

A snowfall or weather emergency shall exist when:

a Winter Weather Advisory or Winter Storm Warning is issued by the National Weather Service for the County of Snyder, Pennsylvania and for a period of eight (8) hours after the cessation of the Advisory or Warning; or

The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and/or Township Roadmaster causes a declaration to be publicly announced by means of broadcasts on radio stations WKOK and/or Big Country, or as may be amended by resolution by the Board of Supervisors; and shall cause such declaration to be posted on the Township website. The declaration or posting shall state that a snowfall or weather emergency is in effect for the Township of Penn, Snyder County, Pennsylvania. No person shall park or place property on or along any Township Road. The notice shall also set forth how long the snowfall or weather emergency and restrictions shall be in place.

Section 2 - No person shall shovel or place any snow or ice accumulation on a Township Road.

Section 3 - This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Township Code Enforcement Officer, the Township Road Master and/or any police officer.

Section 4 - Any person who violates this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars and costs of prosecution. In addition to the foregoing penalties, any vehicle or property found in violation of this section shall be subject to removal by the Township at the expense of the owner.

Section 5 - This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after adoption and shall repeal any ordinances inconsistent herewith.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 5th day of February, 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of Penn Township, Snyder County, Pennsylvania, in public session duly assembled.



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Cooler weather will soon be upon us, so how do you plan to travel and beat the chill? Whether you want to run errands, attend medical appointments, join recreational activities, or visit friends, there's an easy (and warm!) way to get there: Book a Shared Ride with rabbittransit.

Unlike a scheduled bus route that only operates in one area, Shared Ride (a.k.a. Paratransit) provides consolidated trips between travel origins and destinations during limited hours and specific areas.

All Shared Ride trips require a reservation. If you would like same-day service, you must make your reservation by 1:30 p.m. Otherwise, reservations must be made no later than 12:00 p.m. the business day before your ride. Reservations may be made two weeks in advance. For trips on Saturday, Sunday or Monday, reservations must be submitted by 12 p.m. the Friday before. Visit www.rabbittransit.org > Shared Ride > Reservations to schedule a reservation.

Here are some other tips for traveling with rabbittransit in cold or inclement weather conditions:

Plan Ahead: Extreme winter weather may cause delays in Shared Ride service, so please plan ahead and allow extra time for travel. This is especially important if you're making a new trip or one you are not completely familiar with. While ride times may vary, Shared Ride is a reliable and safe transportation option that can give you peace of mind when accessing life-sustaining services. If you need to update or cancel a trip, call our Customer Service Center at 1-800-632-9063.

Dress Warmly: Remember to dress for winter conditions. Cold air may enter the vehicles during the loading and unloading process, especially on windy days.

Step Carefully: Bus floors and steps become slippery from snow & ice. Kick the snow from your shoes before stepping on board. Use the handrails and take your time.

Stay Informed: In case of inclement weather, rabbittransit may have delays. Sign up for rider alerts in your email or on your cell phone. Receive an email or text message about unexpected service changes.

If Shared Ride sounds like a fit for you, the first step is to submit an application to the program you'd like to participate in. Shared Ride programs vary from Senior Shared Ride to the Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP), ADA Complementary Paratransit Program (ADA), or Paratransit Full Fare. Riders in select programs may be eligible for free fares. Easily apply online by visiting www.rabbittransit.org > Shared Ride > How to apply.

For additional questions about Shared Ride services, call 1-800-632-9063. For more information, visit www.rabbittransit.org/shared-ride/.



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The Selinsgrove Area Community Pool Board thanks The Friends of the Pool and all who contributed time and financial support to help ensure an enjoyable 2024 swim season! Please consider supporting our upcoming Pumpkin Dash 5k fundraisers that will benefit our pool.



Join the fun at our 5K run/walk fundraiser being held, rain or shine, on Saturday, October 26 at 9AM. The course, on Front Street, Isle of Que, is a flat, fast, shaded loop. The

run/walk will be timed and prizes will be awarded for top female and male finishers. Registration is \$30 before Oct 1 and \$35 on race day. Race day registration will start at 7:30am. Participants who register by Oct 1 on line will receive a race t-shirt and goodie bag. Visit SelinsgrovePool.org/events for details and registration and like us on Facebook.



SELINGROVE HALLOWEEN PARADE

The Selinsgrove Halloween Parade will be held on Tuesday October 15th, 2024 at 7:00 pm. (Rain date will be Wednesday October 16th)

2024 MARKET STREET FESTIVAL

The Annual Market Street Festival will be held on September 28 from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm on Market Street, Selinsgrove, PA. The Annual Market Street Festival is a much-anticipated and loved event in Selinsgrove. Each fall, as the weather turns crisp and breezy, record crowds turn up to stroll Market Street.

FLOOD INFORMATION

Penn Township continues to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS), which requires the Township to be re-certified annually. Continued participation in this program allows business owners and all residents of Penn Township to purchase flood insurance at reduced premiums in recognition of the efforts made by the Township to lessen the impact of flooding. With our continued efforts, FEMA has designated Penn Township as a Class 8 municipality, allowing for 10 % reduction on flood insurance to those in the floodplain and a 5% reduction for flood insurance for non-floodplain residents.

As part of the CRS recertification, we send letters to local realtors, insurance agencies, and lenders. The letters make them aware that Penn Township participates in the CRS Program. Another part of the recertification involves making our community aware of flood hazards through letters to those living in the floodplain and repetitive loss areas. These letters inform residents on Flood Safety, Natural and Beneficial Functions of Floodplains, Flood Insurance w/ Mandatory Purchase Requirements and Federal Financial Aid, Property Protection and much more. Penn Township continues to update the names, addresses, and phone numbers of our "need to call/evacuation" list in case of an emergency. Our Zoning Officer also enforces the Floodplain and Stormwater Management Ordinances. Contact our office for permit requirements for floodplain development. Our Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC), along with the Penn Township Road crew have over time, identified areas with chronic flooding and drainage problems and continue to work to improve these areas. You can help by keeping ditches and drainage areas on your property open and free of debris.

HELP NEEDED

Our East Snyder Regional Recreation Association needs to fill some alternate positions. This group oversees the maintenance and improvements at East Snyder Park. Please contact the Township if you are interested in serving on this advisory board.



DH&L OPEN HOUSE

DH&L Fire Company will be hosting an open house on October 19th from 10 am to 2 pm. Come out and see the new ladder truck. Hamburgers, hot dogs, soda and water will be provided. Everyone welcome.



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