

EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP

Newsletter



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Captain Stephen Zerbe

Police Department News

Captain Stephen Zerbe Promoted to Chief of Police

Former **Captain Stephen Zerbe** has been promoted to Police Chief. Zerbe, who has worked for East Lampeter Township PD since 1991, took the reins of the Department upon the retirement of Chief John Bowman on February 12th. Zerbe became Captain in 2006 and is a graduate of the 229th FBI National Academy class.

2017 Officer of the Year

Sergeant Brian Cloonan was voted by his peers as the 2017 Officer of The Year. Sgt Cloonan is a 19-year veteran of the police department and has worked in both the Detective Division and Patrol Division of the department. The Officer of the Year award is sponsored by the Leola, Bareville, Leacock Lions Club.

Chief John Bowman Retires

East Lampeter Police **Chief John Bowman** retired in February 2018 after 29 years of service to the department and community. Chief Bowman was promoted to Chief of Police in 2006 and spent the last 12 years leading the department.

New Hires

Amanda Noll has accepted the position as our Billing Clerk & Administrative Assistant. In her new role, she will be your new point of contact for utility accounts.

Amanda is a York County native, and has recently returned to work from being a stay at home mom. She has 10+ years of customer service and accounting experience including employment history in hotel, spa, and medical industries.

Lashawnda Martin is East Lampeter Township's new Administrative Assistant.

Lashawnda has lived in Lancaster for 19 years. She majored in Business Administration at Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology and graduated in 2003. She has worked in the Accounting field for over 14 years.

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Did you know that turf grass (your lawn) is the largest crop grown in the Chesapeake Bay watershed—totaling more than 3.8 million acres? Property owners spread nearly 215 million pounds of nitrogen fertilizer on their lawns, 40%–70% of which runs into streams or filters into the groundwater.

Proper mowing is one of the most important ways to maintain a healthy lawn

- Mow only when grass is dry to get a clean cut and minimize the spread of disease.
- Mow grass to a height of 2-3 inches. The longer the grass, the more water is retained. Keeping your grass longer also may allow it to out-compete weeds, reducing the need for herbicides.
- Mow frequently, cutting not more than a third of the height of the grass at a time.
- Sharpen your mower blades once a year to avoid damaging grass blades.
- Do not dispose of grass clippings in nearby waters. The clippings will break down and encourage the growth of algae which depletes the oxygen in water. If you choose not to leave your clippings on your lawn, compost them.

Lawn maintenance for water quality

- If you have a lawn, limit its size and break it up with other mixed height plantings.
- A lawn can have a variety of grasses and plants. Enjoy your weeds and their varying root depths (dandelions grow deep tuberous roots that pull nutrients and water deep into the soils)
- Lawns should be brown in the summer heat, resting after the spring growth spurt and using stored energy to grow deep roots. Maintaining green grass with constant watering is a stress on your lawn. Water only if necessary and water deeply when you do.
- Long grass means good roots, less stress and good health. Grass should be mowed to 3+ inches in height and never more than 1/3 of the blade at one time (sugars/cellulose needed for root growth should remain on the plant). In late fall after the grass has set up for winter (begins to brown), cut it shorter;
- Leave mulched grass clippings on your lawn to add nutrients back into the soil.
- Fertilizers create thatch (densely growing roots) which attracts grubs.
- Lawn aeration is the secret to a healthy lawn. By extracting a soil core/plug or using a spike aerator, the soil can breathe, allowing oxygen and water to become more available to the roots. Organic fertilizers may have too much nitrogen, which will acidify the soil and make grass susceptible to insects.
- If after testing your soil you determine that it needs a boost, use a balanced fertilizer such as a compost tea or manure tea at one-half the recommend strength.

Ralph Hutchison	Township Manager
John Bowman	Chief of Police
Kevin Hostetter	Finance Director
Tara Hitchens	Dir. of Planning/Zoning Officer
David Sinopoli	Assistant Zoning Officer
Alecia Hair	Zoning Admin. Assistant
Charlie Thomas	Public Works Director
Larry Frankford	Sewer Superintendent
John Brooks	Road Superintendent
Troy Bresch	Parks Superintendent
Charity Kadwill	Stormwater Mgmt. Coord.
Alex Wasilewski	Stormwater Technician
Jeffrey Shirk	System Administrator
Kathy Treier	Bookkeeper
Amanda Noll	Admin. Assistant
Lashawnda Martin	Admin. Assistant

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Meets 1st and 3rd Monday of each month
except for February, May, July,
September and November when
they only meet on the 2nd Monday
All regular meetings begin at 7:30 pm

PLANNING COMMISSION

Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm

SEWER AUTHORITY

Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month except for
November when they meet on the 1st Wednesday
All regular meetings begin at 4 pm

PARK BOARD

Meets 4th Wednesday of each month at 7 pm
(NO MEETINGS in November and December)

ZONING HEARING BOARD

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pm
(NO MEETING on 4th Thursday in
November and December)

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The earth is our house and it's up to all of us to keep it clean. East Lampeter Township is lending a hand to the cause in several ways.

Join us as we celebrate . . .

Going Green!

ELT is pleased to announce that we are offering eStatements to our residents. We encourage our residents to sign up for this FREE service.

E-statements or "electronic statements," replace paper statements and are a great way to help the environment.

Cutting down on paper use also lowers greenhouse gas emissions and saves water, fuel, and energy.

Easy

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We will send you an e-mail notification when your statement is available.

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E-Statements can't get lost in the mail; they'll be accessible via your email account.

Environmentally Friendly

You will be amazed at the difference going green makes: According to PayItGreen.org, "If 20% of households switch to electronic bills, statements, and payments, 1.8 million trees would be saved each year."

Sign Up!

To avoid the high volume of calls, send an email to Amanda and say "sign me up!" (anoll@eastlampetertownship.org)

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Public Works Projects for 2018

There will be a number of roads that will be milled and new paving placed in 2018.

The list of the roads are:

- **Creek Hill Road** from Millcross to Willow Road including the intersection at Millcross.
- **Crest Avenue** from Rt. 462 to Woodland Drive.
- **South Eastland** from Rt. 462 to Woodland Drive.
- **South Oakview Road** from Rt.30 to Greenland Drive.

There will be surface treatment applied to **Glendale Drive** and **Colonial Village Lane**.

Penn-Dot projects in East Lampeter will consist of mill and pave **Rt. 30** from Oakview road to Rt. 896. They will also be milling and paving **Eastbrook Road** from Rt. 30 to Rt. 340. The County will be replacing the **Eden Road/Millcross Road bridge** over the Conestoga River. The project will take approximately 18 months.

The Sewer Department will be replacing Mechanical components throughout our low pressure sewer system.

There will also be upgrades to a pumping station and security fences installed. We will also be televising existing sewer lines investigating for infiltration into the sewers and conditions of pipes.

The staff will be investigating our sewer easements to make sure there are no obstructions in the area of our pipes in case there is an emergency of a clog or a break in the line. You will be notified with a letter stating when they are in your area.

In the Parks it was discovered at Community Park on Hobson Road that some of the trees were infected with a bacterial leaf scorch. There are approximately 70 trees that are affected. We will be phasing out this project of replacing all infected trees. We will be removing around 7 each year and replacing, and also treating the others with a chemical that will prolong their lives.

These are just some of the things the Public Works Department will be working on.

—Charlie Thomas,
East Lampeter Township Public Works Director

Township Parks

With warm weather approaching, why not come out and enjoy a walk on one of the parks trails and take in the beauty. The parks officially opened on April 1st with the rest restroom facilities now being open.

There are playgrounds and walking trails at each park and an 18-hole mini disc golf course available at Community Park. The mini disc to be used for the course may be purchased at the Township office for \$2.50 each.



The township has three beautiful parks:

Community Park located on Hobson Road

Flory Park which can be accessed from Greenland Drive or Strasburg Pike

Lafayette Tower Park located behind the Lafayette Fire Company on Lincoln Highway.

Pavilion rental for both Community Park and Flory Park is \$60.00 per day for residents of East Lampeter Township and \$90.00 per day for non-residents. Please contact the Township Office at **393-1567** to make reservations for your next gathering.

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Commute PA Newsletter

Commuter Services of Pennsylvania is excited to announce the launch of its new rideshare and rewards program for area commuters. **Commute PA** will help commuters find rideshare partners as well as reward them for tracking green trips. The program is mobile-friendly to allow easy access directly from a smartphone and is available as an iOS app to download.

Commuters can track their telework, transit, carpool, bicycle, walk or vanpool trips for work and earn points for each trip. In addition, users can track and earn points for personal green trips, such as a bike ride to the grocery store or carpool trip to the beach. Those points can then be redeemed for rewards from local and national restaurants, retail locations and entertainment venues. Commuters can also see statistics such as money saved, gallons of gas saved, calories burned and emissions prevented by using an environmentally-friendly commute.

Commuters who use a green commute mode, more than two times a week to work can take advantage of the free **Emergency Ride Home** program as well. Commuters need to track their green commute trips in Commute PA to be eligible and submit the forms. The commuter finds their own transportation for the emergency and Commuter Services of Pennsylvania will then reimburse commuters if they get a taxi, Uber, Lyft or have a family member or friend take them where they need to go.

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FREE Home Compost Workshops Scheduled

The Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) is partnering with municipalities, community organizations and Penn State Master Gardeners of Lancaster County to conduct home compost workshops where residents will learn how to recycle organic waste from their kitchens and gardens instead of putting it in the trash. Composting is an excellent way to recycle vegetable scraps, grass clippings, leaves, and other organic materials and turn them into a useful and valuable soil amendment.

Workshop attendees will also learn how to build effective, yet inexpensive home compost bins to meet their needs. Each household in attendance will be eligible to receive a free kitchen scrap collection bucket and enter a raffle for a home compost bin courtesy of LCSWMA.

Lancaster County residents are invited to attend any one of the home compost workshops scheduled for this year. If required, residents should pre-register by no later than Friday at noon prior to the workshop they'll be attending.

April 25 Lancaster City

The City of Lancaster Recycling Facility located at 850 New Holland Avenue, Lancaster. The workshop is from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the City of Lancaster Solid Waste and Recycling Manager at (717) 291-4762 or email tbreneisen@cityoflancasterpa.com.

May 19 Brownstown

The West Earl Township Municipal Building located at 157 West Metzler Road, Brownstown. The workshop is from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the West Earl Township Recycling Coordinator at (717) 859-3201 or email mwallace@westearltwp.com.

June 6 Manheim

The Chiques Creek Watershed Expo located at Manheim Farm Show Complex, 502 East Adele Avenue, Manheim. The workshop is from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. No fee is required nor is pre-registration is not necessary. For more information, please contact Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance at manager@raphotownship.com. This family event includes presenters from Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority, the Lancaster Environmental Center, Lancaster County Conservation District, native plant nurseries, PA Fish and Boat Commission, Lancaster Conservancy and others.

June 23 Elizabethtown

The West Donegal Township Municipal Building located 1 Municipal Drive, Elizabethtown. The workshop is from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the West Donegal Township Recycling Coordinator at (717) 367-7178 or email wendy@wdtwp.com.



Permitted Trash Haulers for Township Residents

East Lampeter Township requires that every homeowner have a permitted trash hauler to collect their waste and recyclables. Landlords are required to provide their tenants with proper collection also. The following trash haulers are permitted to operate in East Lampeter Township.



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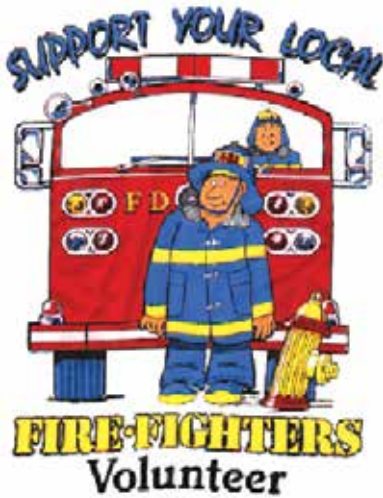
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