

EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH

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7:30 AM-4:00 PM Monday Thru Friday

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Meeting Dates

Borough Council Meeting 1st Tuesday of the month 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission 3rd Thursday as needed 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Hearing Board 4th Wednesday as needed 7:00 p.m.

Committee Meeting 4th Thursday of the month Jan.—Oct.



MAYOR'S NOTE

Hello, neighbor,

SPRING is drawing closer!

Whatever Spring traditions you celebrate, I hope they are done in good health and safety. PICK UP PENNSYLVANIA is in full swing. Please do your part in keeping our neighborhoods, parks and open spaces clean by picking up and properly disposing of any litter you come across.

Learn about group events at http://www.gacofpa.org/ or watch for events at our own borough website.

I don't know about you, but I am looking forward to some drier, warmer weather, and much much more.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April, 8th. Our special thanks to The Lions and

The Vagabonds 14th Annual Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2023. I cannot thank our East Pete Day Events committee and others enough for all the work they put into coordinating events.

Election 2023:

The next primary election is on May 16, 2023.

Polls are open on election day from 7 A.M. - 8 P.M.

Last day to register to vote: May 1, 2023

Last day to request a mail-in or absentee ballot: May 9, 2023

Learn about primary elections.

The next general election is on November 7, 2023.

Polls are open on election day from 7 A.M. - 8 P.M.

Last day to register to vote: October 23, 2023

Last day to request a mail-in or absentee ballot: October 31, 2023

Learn about General Elections.

Everyone could use your help at the polls too.

Visit these three sites to learn more. Lancaster Co Election Information (https://

www.co.lancaster.pa.us/299/Election-Information), Lancaster Co Democratic Party (https://

www.lancasterdems.com/), and Lancaster Co Republican Party (https:// lancasterrepublicans.com/),

Keep busy, keep talking to each other, be ready for and willing to change.

I hope to see you soon.

At your service, James

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BOROUGH EVENTS

For more information and updates on events

go to: http://www.eastpetersburgday.com/ & Facebook page East Petersburg Day



April 8

Easter Egg Hunt at East Petersburg Borough Community Park

Begins at 10:00 a.m.



Vagabonds Car Show held at East Petersburg Borough Community Park

11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Great Food, Live Music, Chinese Auction, and a whole lot of cars!

Rain date is May 7.



May 13

Throwing Bull Tribe Chicken BBQ held at the Community Center

11:00 a.m. until sold out



May 16

Election Day

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.





Community Yard Sale & Chicken BBQ- June 3
Movie in the Park & Fireworks - June 30





Trash Reminder: The number of trash containers allowed under the basic fee each residence pays is three (3) 32-gallon trash bags or cans per week.

All trash must be in a trash bag or trash can. If you use trash bags that hold less than 32 gallons, put the small bags inside a 32-gallon trash bag or can. Do not overstuff trash bags or cans as they can not weigh more than 30 pounds. If you have more than your three bag limit you may purchase tags at the Borough office for \$1.25 each. There is no limit to the number of bags with extra tags.

Note: Please be aware of the size of can you are using, for example, if you are using a 96 gallon, then one can would be the limit.



Spring Trash Dates to Remember: Trash will be picked up on Saturday June 3, 2023 due to the holiday.

YARD WASTE PICK UP

LARGE APPLIANCE & TIRE PICK UP (sign up is required)

Friday, April 7 Friday, April 21 Friday, May 5 Friday, May 19 Friday, April 28

Tags and bags are available at the Borough Office:
Lg. Appliance Tags - 15.00
Tire Tags - 5.00
Yard Waste Bags - .55



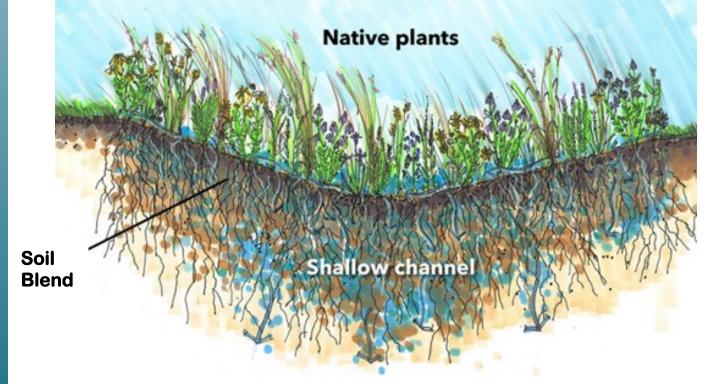
What is a Bioswale?

A bioswale is a broad, shallow channel made to collect and direct water from rain and snowmelt (known as stormwater), and in the process remove pollutants.

Here's how it works. A bioswale:

- · Slows down the flow of stormwater across the land
- Helps rain and snowmelt to seep into the ground
- Prevents flooding
- Filters soil and other pollutants from stormwater

A bioswale contains a site-specific soil blend that supports healthy plant growth and allows water to pass through easily. It also contains native plants which look beautiful, attract butterflies, and remove pollutants all at the same time!



Bioswales that utilize existing natural drainage swales often provide the best results. Bioswales can be installed where drainage swales are eroding, where low lying areas pond stagnant water, or in lieu of storm sewer pipes.

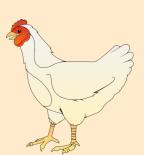


New Mailbox Parking Ordinance No. 322

No parking zones at Community Mailboxes will be marked with yellow paint to designate area where parking is not allowed.

This will allow for easier access of the Community Mailboxes.

The ordinance for keeping chickens in the Borough



requires that any property they are kept on must be <u>at least 5</u> <u>acres</u>.

The complete zoning ordinance is available to view online or at the Borough office.

Please note: The code officer will be inspecting for this during weekly rounds.

New Stormwater Ordinance No. 323



Residents are no longer allowed to discharge de-chlorinated pool water into the stormwater inlet.

DEP (Department Environmental Protection) recommends treating pool water to dechlorinate it and then discharge/infiltrate water onto your own property in the grassy area.

As always car washing with cleaning agents must be done on grassy areas.



Car washing facilities are still the safest option for stormwater protection and water conservation.





WHEN TRANSPORTING WASTE, ALL COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS MUST SECURE OPEN LOADS WITH A TARP.

A \$20 PENALTY is now in effect for loads arriving at LCSWMA facilities without a secured tarp. (Second offenders will be turned away)

LCSWMA is Imposing a \$20 Penalty for Open loads Not Secured by a Tarp

WHY?

- 1. To Protect the HEALTH and SAFETY of our Community
 - According to a study by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, unsecured loads and debris in the road led to 200,000 crashes between 2011-2014.
 - During that time, debris-related crashes caused 39,000 injuries and 500 deaths.

To Protect the ENVIRONMENT

 Data released by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety found that as a nation, we spend \$11.5 billion combating litter, 40% of which comes from unsecured loads.

It's the LAW

Summary of Pennsylvania's State and Federal Requirements:

- Loads must be covered with a securely fastened water-resistant cover that eliminates potential for littering and other nuisances. 25 Pa. Code §§ 285.211(a) and 299.211(a)
- Facility operators and owners are responsible for knowing and complying with all relevant laws, regulations, authorizations, and permits. If the facility does its part, it can avoid the environmental impacts and public health, safety, and welfare issues associated with the transportation of solid waste.

Lancaster County Municipal Waste Management Plan

 All Waste must be secured to the vehicle or container and enclosed or covered with secured tarpaulins to prevent leakage, spillage, dusting or litter. Such enclosures and tarpaulins must remain in place until arrival at the designated unloading or uncovering areas at the LCSWMA Facility.

The tarp policy has been in effect at LCSWMA for some time. Unfortunately, employees spend hours each week collecting litter from unsecured loads that are delivered to the facilities. LCSWMA's objective is that the \$20 penalty will change behavior so that ALL COMMERCIAL and RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS abide by the tarp policy.

Not only is this required by all Lancaster County municipalities but shows courtesy to residents and businesses located on roads leading to the sites. Please help protect the environment and the health and safety of our community!

Secure your load. Prevent litter and save lives.







View the new Resident's Guide for LCSWMA at: Trash Disposal | LCSWMA



JUST FOCUS ON THE $\mathbf{B}[\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{4}]$ place only these items in your bin.



All other items, such as those below, do not belong in your recycling bin.



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

Lancaster County has an advanced waste-to-energy process that converts these materials into renewable energy, powering local homes and businesses and helping to reduce our reliance on non-renewable sources of energy. So, when in doubt, throw it out.

Visit recyclerightlancaster.org for more tips.



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Summer Pool Memberships

Two pools for the price of one: East Pete Pool & Hempfield recCenter. Membership begins **May 27, 2023**

	If purchased March 13-April 28		If purchased after April 28	
	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident
Single	\$185	\$209	\$205	\$229
Couple	\$255	\$279	\$275	\$299
Family- Up to 4	\$300	\$324	\$320	\$344
People				
Senior 62+	\$125	\$149	\$145	\$169
Senior Couple	\$180	\$204	\$200	\$224
Student 4-month	\$99			

There is no charge for children ages 3 and under. Must include DOB for all children, regardless of age. Water aerobics classes at both pools are included with the summer membership.

For more information contact HARC 717-898-3102

HARC's 10-year Anniversary Pool Events will take place May 27, 28, and 29: Food trucks, Pop up classes, obstacle course, and more. Contact HARC for more information.

Ph: 717-898-3102 <u>Hempfield recCenter</u>

Email: info@hempfieldrec.com







June 5, 2023 – August 10, 2023 (Closed on July 3, July 4, and August 11)

Hours of Operation: 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM Daily

Hello Day Camp Families!

We are super excited for an awesome summer at Hempfield recCenter's Summer Day Camp!

Registration for Summer Day Camp will open on February 10, 2023 for everyone. Camp directors and counselors have been working on summer plans all fall and winter. We cannot wait for you to see the new events and ideas we have in store for the summer!

At the Rec, your camper experiences various indoor and outdoor activities, art, gym games, as well as camp-wide activities and adventures that get every camper and counselor involved! We have attached an early calendar of events and sample daily schedules to help visualize the incredible plans we have for summer. As always, we will offer field trips for an additional fee, along with some other surprises. We have also brought back the Day Camp Behavior Contract to help camp get off to a great start. The rest of this packet has all the information you will need to complete registration!

In addition to all the fun this summer, Day Camp has also made additions to our director team. We have added a Family Manager to help streamline communication between families and directors. We have also created a Staff and Events Coordinator to assist in big camp events and field trips! We have also added a new selection called **DC+** to help cover costs like pizza days and other special food events while providing a savings to families (see next page for info).

Thank you for supporting Summer Day Camp and choosing us to be a part of your family this summer. After registering your child, be on the lookout for more information to come about field trips (form will be sent in April), important dates to remember leading up to camp, and more! We cannot wait to see you all!

Olivia Blazic

Summer Day Camp Director oblazic@hempfieldrec.com (717)898-3102



Discover. Connect. Belong.

Kevin Kennedy

School Age Childcare Director kkennedy@hempfieldrec.com (717)898-3102 ext. 133

Summer Day Camp Registration/ Calendar of Events





Eight weeks of summertime fun!

A Herr Park | Mountville Park | Silver Spring Park

Keep kids outdoors, engaged, and active! For kids ages 6-12

Dates: June 12-August 4, 2023 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00a - 3:30p Note: closed July 3 & 4

EARLY REGISTRATION: April 3rd - April 21st \$160 - Youth Members \$180 - Hempfield Resident \$220 - Non-Resident

Held at three local parks throughout the Hempfield school district. There is a one-time fee to paricipate. The program includes 8 weeks of outdoor fun in a community park near you.

Early Registration deadline is April 21st.

Registration received after 4/21 will be charged an additional \$20 fee.

*All sites are closed on pool party days (6/23, 7/7, & 7/21).

Children must be registered for Playground in order to attend field trips.

Registration Forms will be available online at hempfieldrec.com and at the front desk. No phone registrations taken; parent signatures required.

Scholarship

Financial assistance is available. Please visit our website for more information on our financial assistance program. Donations towards our scholarship program welcomed.

Field Trip Information

Field trips will depart from and return to Amos Herr Park (except for pool parties). You must drop your child off at the Amos Herr Park front parking lot at 9am. NO Transportation will be provided from the other sites. Children will be dropped off after the field trip at Amos Herr Park and will remain there until pick-up no later than 3:30pm. Transportation is not provided for pool party events. There will be no trip refunds, no exceptions.

- · Field trips are optional and require additional fees (dates and fees on registration form).
- Full payment is due at the time of registration sorry, no exceptions.
- · Fees are non-refundable.
- Each field trip has a limited number of spaces. Trips are first-come, first-served.
- Playground sites remain open for those not attending trips (except on pool party days).
- Field trip information is included in the parent handbook available online hempfieldrec.com.

Contact Matthew Charles, Playground Director, at 717.898.3102 ext. 142 or playground@hempfieldrec.com for additional details.

This supervised program offers outdoor play, organized games & sports, plus optional pool parties and field trips.





BE AWARE OF DIRTY DIRTIL

DEP wants to help residents and contractors in Pennsylvania ensure they do not accept or use fill materials that may cause contamination. Fill materials are used to bring sites to desirable grades to enhance the usefulness of the properties. Homeowners and contractors need to be aware that there are some "fill" materials out there that can cause potential environmental and/or health concerns, as well as open up property owners to potential liabilities. Here are a few tips to ensure you are using acceptable fill materials on your property

Do your homework...

- Before you buy or accept "FREE" dirt, make sure it is clean.
- Know the source of the fill, especially if it is offered to you for FREE.
- Know the supplier and hauler. Check for references.
- Ask for documentation from the provider regarding the source:
 - A bill of laden if you purchased it.
 - An official DEP FP-001 form that identifies where the fill came from and any testing that was done.
- Do not accept any free material without documentation.

Take a look...or smell...

- If the fill has a petroleum/oil-like or garbage odor...BEWARE!
- If the fill has materials such as: plastic, ash, demolition debris such as wallboard, shingles, nails, wood or paint chips...BEWARE!
- If the fill appears to be "discolored" or stained...BEWARE!
- If you don't know the source of the fill...BEWARE!

Get some advice...

- The DEP wants residents and contractors in Pennsylvania to make sure they do not accept or use fill materials that may contain or cause contamination.
- Check with your regional office if you have questions, consult with your local Bureau of Waste Management or DEP office.
- If you don't know the source of the fill...BEWARE!

DEP's Management of Fill Policy and Frequently Asked Questions:

https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Land/Waste/SolidWaste/Residual/Pages/TechnicalGuidance.aspx

Always BE SURE where the dirt is coming from!

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Drop by Drop: use water wisely

Water is an important natural resource. It is used every day at home and at work in so many ways that many take it for granted. This fact sheet is about water conservation and what can be done to reduce water use.

In 1900, each of the six million people living in Pennsylvania used about five gallons of water per day. Since then, the population has doubled to over 12 million people and water consumption has increased to an average of 62 gallons per day.

Part of this 900 percent increase in water use is due to the many modern water-using conveniences, such as automatic dishwashers, clothes washers, garbage disposals, and home water treatment systems. A significant change in water use occurred when the bathroom was moved indoors.

Water resources are not unlimited. They are affected every day by precipitation, population growth, economic development, and pollution. Because water is a resource that must be shared, competition for its use is an ever-increasing management problem. In the past, supply problems were solved by constructing storage facilities and developing new resources such as wells and reservoirs. However, these measures can be both economically and environmentally costly.

A more cost-effective way to protect water resources is through sound management and conservation.

Average Daily Water Use

Be aware of personal water use! Awareness is the first step in conservation.

Metered Water

If the water use is metered, review the water bill. Divide water usage by the number of days in the billing period and then by the number of people in the household. If the bill measures water in cubic feet, convert to gallons by multiplying by 7.48.

Water Savings

Water-saving plumbing fixtures and appliances are cost effective, providing permanent long-term economic advantages. Low-flow toilets, showerheads, and faucet aerators save valuable water and energy used to heat water without requiring a change in personal use habits.

Repair All Leaks

A dripping faucet is more than annoying; it's expensive. Even small leaks can waste significant amounts of water. Hot water leaks are not only a waste of water, but also of the energy needed to heat the water.

Leaks inside a toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water a day. Toilet leaks can be detected by adding a few drops of food coloring to water in the toilet tank. If the colored water appears in the bowl, the tank is leaking. Repair leaking faucets and toilets.







Use Water-Saving Plumbing Fixtures/Appliances

Bathroom

- The Federal Energy Act of January 1994 limited all new manufactured toilets to 1.6 gallons per flush. If the toilet was manufactured before 1994, place a plastic gallon container in the toilet tank to save water with each flush.
- Install low-flow showerheads that use no more than 2.5 gallons per minute at maximum flow.
- Install low-flow faucets that use no more than 2.2 gallons per minute at maximum flow.

Kitchen/Laundry

- Replace the more common, less efficient, top loading clothes washer with a high-efficiency, front-loading washer that uses about 30 percent less water and 40 to 50 percent less energy.
- · Operate the clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are fully loaded.
- Install low-flow aerators on all faucets.

Change Water Use Habits

- Water Saving Tips Inside the Home
 - Turn the faucet off while brushing teeth. Use a glass of water for rinsing teeth.
 - . When shaving, use a sink filled with rinse water. Do not let the faucet flow.
 - Take short showers instead of baths and consider bathing small children together.
 - Do not use the toilet as a trash can.
 - If the shower has a single hand control or shut off valve, turn off the flow while soaping or shampooing.
 - Refrigerate a bottle of drinking water instead of letting a faucet flow until the water is cold enough to drink.
 - Turn the faucet off while cleaning vegetables. Rinse them in the sink with the drain closed or in a pan.
 - When washing dishes by hand, do not leave the faucet flowing for rinsing. Instead, use a dish rack and spray device to rinse them. If there are two sinks, fill one with soapy water and one with rinse water.
 - Fill the sink with water to prerinse dishes before putting them in the dishwasher.

- Water Saving Tips Outside the Home

- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean driveways, steps, and sidewalks.
- Wash the car with water from a bucket. If a hose is used, control the flow with an automatic shut off nozzle.
- Water the lawn only when needed. If grass does not spring back after walking on it, it probably needs water.
- Water the lawn or garden during the coolest part of the day. Do not water on windy days.
- Set sprinklers to water the lawn or garden only. Do not water the street or sidewalk.
- Use soaker hoses and trickle irrigation systems to reduce the amount of water used by 20 to 50 percent.
- Mulch around shrubs and garden plants to reduce evaporation from the soil and inhibit weeds.
- In landscaping, use native plants that require less care and water than ornamental varieties.
- Cover the swimming pool to prevent evaporation.
- Adjust the lawn mower to a higher setting to provide natural ground shade and to promote water retention by the soil.

For more information, visit www.dep.pa.gov

