MONROE TOWNSHIP

TOWNSHIP CLEANUP DAYS

Friday, September 23 & Saturday, September 24 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Drop off your items for Cleanup Days at the Monroe Township recycling yard (off Park Road) *you must be a Township resident or property owner and present a copy of this newsletter to participate.

Please bring help to unload as the crew will be unable to help at this time.

PLEASE SEPARATE OUT the following items:

- major appliances
- metals and anything made of metal (Note: remove tanks from gas grills and drain fluids from lawn mowers)
- **clothing, textiles** (including shoes and handbags) and **books**

Monroe Township no longer accepts computers and

<u>electronics</u> (including televisions, DVD players, VCRs, fax machines, cordless and cell phones, cameras, copiers)

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

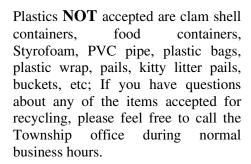
- any type of battery
- asbestos
- driveway sealer and paint cans/containers (unless empty and dried out inside)
- tires
- yard waste
- any items accepted on Recycling Day (see list under Recycling News).

RECYCLING NEWS

Recycling is the 3rd Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Recycling Center is also open Monday-Friday from 7a.m. to 2 p.m.

Items accepted: Brown, green, and clear glass bottles only; newspapers; magazines; corrugated cardboard; office paper; chip board (boxes from cereal, soda, tissues or shoes and paper towel roll center) and aluminum and tin cans. ONLY #1 and #2 plastic bottles

& jugs. The number can be found on the bottom of the item in the middle of this symbol. No number? Not recyclable at this site.



Please make sure you rinse out all bottles and cans. If you are a 1st time recycler, please ask a Township employee for assistance so your recyclables are placed into the correct containers. There is no dumping at the site. If the bin is full, please bring your items back on another day and not leave them lay in the area. This is considered dumping and it is illegal.

If the township does not adhere to the above-mentioned guidelines as set forth by Lycoming County Waste Management, we could potentially lose our partnership with them and the township would have to close the site.

There has been an increase in traffic to the township recycling site. The township is aware that there are people coming from other communities basically because the township offers this service for free while other communities have started to charge a fee, while others have closed their sites. The Board of Supervisors are reviewing some ideas for the site.

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The Monroe Township Compost Site

Accepted Items:

- Leaves
- Brush
- Trees
- Tree Waste
- Biodegradable Materials Only!

Non-Accepted Items:

- Garbage
- Grass & Weeds
- Kitchen Waste
- Construction Debris
- Plastic Bags of any Kind

The site is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and the third Saturday of the month from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The compost Site was made possible by a recycling grant from the Department of Environmental Protection under Section 902 of Act 101



Selinsgrove Area Community Pool Board would like to thank everyone who has contributed time and financial support to help ensure an enjoyable 2022 swim season!

This fall, come out and join the fun at our Pumpkin Dash 5K fundraiser on October 29th at 9 AM, rain or shine. It is a flat, fast shady loop timed run / walk on Front Street, Isle of Que. Dress in costume (optional)—prizes will be awarded for creativity! Pumpkin painting and other activities are being planned!

Visit SelinsgrovePool.org/events for details. Register for \$25 by October 14th to receive a race t-shirt and goodie bag with coupons from our sponsors. Or \$30 for race-only registration, beginning at 7:30 AM on race day.

NEWS FROM THE HUMMELS WHARF VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY



FALL! Just what does that mean to you? For a parent, it means the kids go back to school and, of course, they all need new clothes! For a teacher, it means the start of a new year with new students. For the motorists, it means even more traffic and timing your work schedule so you don't get caught behind that big, yellow bus that stops, at least every 10 feet, or so it seems. For the home owner, it means it is time to start collecting leaves and branches and finding a way to get rid of them - usually by way of *Controlled* Burning. Please be careful and follow the law! : Monroe Twp.'s Burning Ordinance is very specific – 50 ft. away from structures, in enclosed covered containers, and you should remain there to watch the fire and all fires need to be extinguished at sundown. If it gets out of hand – you are responsible!

Now, for the firefighter, it means more traffic and an increase in motor vehicle accidents as well as an increased response time due to motorists who do not pull off to the right for emergency vehicles as the law states. **YIELD, PLEASE!** We could be responding to a no injury accident or a mass casualty incident -BUT we won't know until we get there!

We have a few projects going on at the station; the biggest one involves updating all of our radios. Portable radios alone cost over \$3,000. Requests for grants have gone out to help pay for these improvements. Any contributions are sincerely appreciated.

This is also a very busy time of the year for the fire company. Fire Prevention Week will be Oct. $9-15^{th}$. We hope to have our 1951 Mack on

display at the center court of the mall on Friday & Saturday to wind out the week. Stop in, bring the kids, take pictures, and talk with the firefighters. We will have plans to participate in the "Trunk or Treat" program at the elementary school. We will be distributing safety items at all three events.

As with any other fire department across the U.S., we are always looking for more volunteers to join and help. There are many jobs to be done from on scenes, to at the station, to Public Relations & Fundraisers. You don't HAVE to fight fire to be a volunteer! Our Junior Firefighter program starts at age 14, which is an excellent time to get our youth involved and experience the gratification of giving back to the community, and serving others. Anyone wishing to join, or just wanting to chat about how they can help, are encouraged to stop by the station any Tuesday evening between 6pm & 9pm (our in-house training nights).

<u>November 8</u>

Polls are open 7 am to 8 pm

<u>REMINDER</u>: Monroe Township #1 polling place is located at the Penn Valley Airport.

Monroe Township #2 polling place is located at Monroe Township Municipal Building.

Questions? Please call Snyder County Board of Elections at 570.837.4286

IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES



✓ Last day to REGISTER for the November election is **October 24**th.

✓ Last day to apply for a mailin civilian absentee ballot is **November 1st.**

TAX COLLECTOR NEWS



The 2022 Fall Tax Bill office hours for the Township Tax Collector, Mary Klock, are:

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September 13,14 20,21,27,& 28 4:30-6:00 pm September 15 & 22 8:00-10:00 am

If you cannot make these times at the township office, please mail your taxes to Mary at the PO Box listed on the tax bill.

When you pay your taxes by mail,

please enclose your tax bills and keep a copy for your own



records. If you are paying your taxes by mail and need a receipt, you must enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your tax bills and payment. In order to apply for the rent rebate, you must have your tax bills stamped "PAID" by the Tax Collector. Also, please notify the Tax Collector if you are moving or have a change of address.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary at 570.768.6813.

Did You Know? ----

Township and County property taxes are mailed in the spring and school property tax is mailed in the summer. Monroe Township property tax continues to stay at 2 mills. Snyder County property tax is 21.8125 mills and the Selinsgrove School District tax is 71.5 mills.

If you pay property taxes, for every \$1,000 paid-\$750.17 is paid to Selinsgrove School District

\$228.85 -is paid to Snyder County **\$20.98**- is paid to Monroe Township.

NEWS FROM HUMMELS WHARF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

HWMA Office –Office location-Monroe Twp Municipal Building 39 Municipal Drive, Selinsgrove Mailing address - P O Box 165, Hummels Wharf, PA 17831 Phone - 570-743-1284 Fax - 570-743-7904 Email: hummelswharfmunauth@hotmail.com Office Hours - Tues and Thurs from 9:00 to 4:00 Emergency's - Other than normal office hours - 570-372-0826

OUARTERLY SEWER BILLS-

Quarterly sewer bills are mailed on or before the following times;

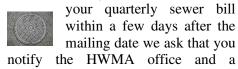
Jan 2 - for the prior 4th quarter
(October, November, December)

April 1 - for the prior 1st quarter
(January, February, March)

July 1 - for the prior 2nd quarter
(April, May, June)

Oct 1 - for the prior 3rd quarter (July, August, September)

Please note if you have not received



notify the HWMA office and a statement will be sent to you.

Sewer Payments – Payments are accepted in the HWMA office during regular office hours, by mail or at the Northumberland National Bank on <u>Lori Lane</u> (located behind Lowe's). Please note if you make payment at any other branch of the Northumberland Bank it may take a few more days until it is received by the HWMA Office.

Additionally, sewer payments may be made by check or money order (no cash please) in the lock box, inside, next to the HWMA office window during regular Monroe Township office hours which are Mondays thru Fridays from 8:30 to 4:30.

In order to ensure that the correct account is credited we ask that our customers write their account numbers on their checks or money orders. Postdated checks will not be accepted by our office.

NSF Checks - There will be a \$50.00 fee for all checks that are returned to us for insufficient funds.

Electronic Payments/Credit Card Payments – – We have had several requests to make electronic payments and/or credit card payments. Unfortunately, our office is not equipped to accept these kinds of payments. In an effort to try to accommodate our customers we suggest that you contact your banking facility to see if they have a "bill payer" service available, if you no longer wish to make your payment to HWMA by check, money order, or cash. We hope this solution will help solve some of the issues you have with payment of your sewer bills.

Sump Pump and Down Spouts --

The Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority (ESCRA) has informed our office they have been experiencing large amounts of inflow and infiltration into the regional system. In an effort to try to eliminate as much of this as possible we ask that our customers check their properties for any surface water, storm water, groundwater, roof runoff, subsurface drainage including cellar drainage that would go into our HWMA sewer system. Section 3.061 of the HWMA Rules and regulations prohibits these items to be discharged into our sewer system.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS INFORMATION:

In order to ensure that you receive your sewer bill in a timely manner we ask that you notify our office of any address or name change.

Website for Sewer Permits /Information – For our customers convenience HWMA information is now included on the Monroe Township website--

www.monroetwpsnydercopa.com. Both our permits, New Construction Permit and the Lateral Replacement/ Repair Permit, can be downloaded from this website.

Monroe Township and Cherished Cat Rescue Alliance

(www.cherishedcats.org) have joined forces to control the feral cat



population in the township humanely. If you have a cat colony in your life/ neighborhood and

would like help to get them humanely trapped and neutered simply go to the Township office and complete an application. That application will get scanned to Cherished Cat Rescue Alliance and someone will be in touch about the details of the program. ALL CATS must come in a Humane (live) Traps. CCRA has some to lend out and you will be trained in their use.

Just a reminder--

A zoning permit is **required** for all the following: paving driveways,



installation of fences, swimming pools, decks, sheds, patios,

building additions, garages, and new home construction. If you are not sure, please give the Zoning Officer a call to find out if your project needs a zoning permit.

The Township Zoning Officer's office hours are on **Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 am until 12:30 pm.** You may contact the Township Zoning Office by calling (570)743-7057 Ext 2 or by email at: twpzoning@gmail.com

SOLICITING PERMITS



Did you know that salespeople knocking on your door must have a transient/soliciting permit from the

township? If you have a salesperson knocking on your door, be sure to ask them if they have a permit to do so. If they do not, please send them to the township office. Don't want salespeople? Post a "No Soliciting" sign on your door.

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Electronic Service Requested

Township Supervisors:

Dave Heimbach – Chairman Ryan Mack – Vice-Chairman Steve Paige – Supervisor

Other Township Officials:

Stephanie McKinney - Secretary/Treasurer Rick Bailey - Zoning Officer Terry Conrad - Road Foreman Ax Runkle – Township Solicitor Meck-Tech, Inc. - Township Engineer

Winter Weather

Is Your Mailbox Ready?

The state allows property owners to place mailboxes within the limits of the legal right-of-way out of respect for the U.S. Postal Service's need to deliver, and mail customers' convenience of delivery. But because those boxes are within the right-of-way, damages are the responsibility of the property owner.

Be sure 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 during dark hours.

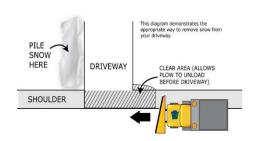
Check your box and support often, clearing snow from it and depositing the snow properly and in a manner to allow you and motorists proper sight distances (and never on the roadway).

Homeowners may wish to consider installing a cantilevered mailbox support that will swing a mailbox out of harm's way.

Please be patient with us as we have a few new snowplow drivers. Please remove vehicles off roadways during/after a snow storm until the crew can safely plow snow off the roadway.

Driveway Tips

Maintaining safe and passable roads is the road crew's top priority when dealing with winter weather. To help meet that need, we urge residents to not shovel snow onto roads. Snow should not be shoveled onto any roadway as this can increase the potential for crashes, and property owners can be held liable for any resulting crashes. Snow should be shoveled or plowed to the right side of the driveway as you are facing the intersecting roadway. By piling the snow away from the oncoming direction of the snow plows, the snow will not be pushed back onto the driveway.



Eliminate snow piles at the property entrance whenever possible. High accumulations of snow can obstruct the vision of motorists, posing a safety hazard.

FIRST CLASS MAIL US POSTAGE PAID Selinsgrove, PA Permit No. 28