

“Talk of the Township”

Township of Ligonier • One Municipal Park Drive • Ligonier, PA 15658

A Newsletter For Our Residents

January • February • March 2016

TOWNSHIP POLICE

Happy New Year from Ligonier Township Police.

With the start of a new year, it is important to remind everyone to pay attention when operating a vehicle. It is essential to remember to put away your cell phones and not to text while driving. Even using your hands free devices can pose a safety risk. Is that text or phone call really worth the risk?

Another friendly reminder from our department is to allow yourself enough time to get to your destination. We are all busy, but speeding is dangerous. Add to that, inclement weather, and high speeds result in accidents. Please give yourself adequate spacing to bring your vehicle to a stop on icy roads and give plow drivers room to clear the roadways.

Lastly, your safety is our primary goal. We have received numerous calls about gun permits. Please be advised that the Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office will be at the Township Building on the following dates and times to issue and renew:

12:00-6:00 PM

January 26

February 23

March 29

TAX COLLECTOR

By Sue R. Kinsey

Ligonier Township spring property taxes (County and Township) will be mailed March 1, 2016. Discount amount will be honored through April 30, face amount through June 30 and penalty amount through December 31, 2016. Ligonier Township fall property taxes (School) will be mailed August 1, 2016. Discount amount will be honored through September 30, face amount through November 30 and penalty amount through December 31, 2016. All payments must be accompanied with a tax statement. If a receipt is requested, please include a self addressed, stamped return envelope. Tax statements are no longer mailed to the mortgage companies. Tax statements are mailed to the taxpayer. If applicable, please forward your statement to the mortgage company for prompt payment. The Tax notice is to be mailed to the last known post office address of each of the taxables. The tax collector's responsibilities for giving notice end when this action has been taken. Failure to receive a tax statement does not relieve the taxpayer of the responsibility of payment. If you do not receive a tax statement, please contact the tax office. Payments made December 1 through December 31 must be paid with a certified check, cashiers check or money order. A drop-off slot is available at the tax collector's office to accept payments before or after business hours.

Change of mailing address protocol: Address request forms are available at the tax office to be mailed to:

Westmoreland County Real Property Tax Division
ATTN: Address Change:
40 North Pennsylvania Ave. Suite 440
Greensburg, PA 15601

OFFICE HOURS:

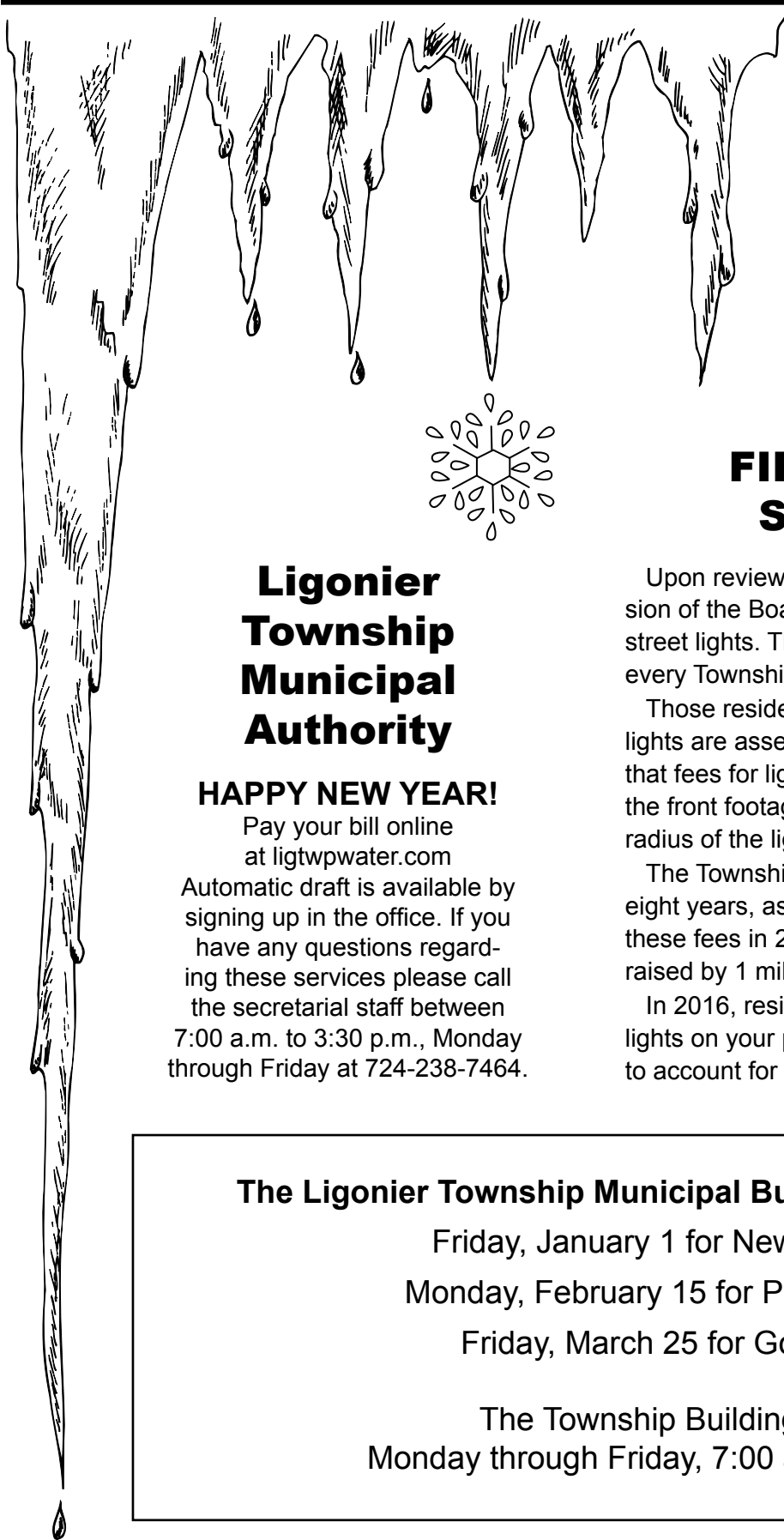
Tuesday thru Thursday -

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Last Saturday of the month April and September
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

724-238-2300



Ligonier Township Municipal Authority

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Pay your bill online
at ligtwpwater.com

Automatic draft is available by signing up in the office. If you have any questions regarding these services please call the secretarial staff between 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday at 724-238-7464.

FIRE HYDRANTS & STREET LIGHTS

Upon review of the 2015 budget, it has been the decision of the Board to reinstitute fees for fire hydrants and street lights. This is not a new resolution, nor will it affect every Township Resident.

Those residents who have fire hydrants and/or street lights are assessed on a front foot basis. This means that fees for light and fire hydrants charges are based on the front footage of the property located within a certain radius of the light and/or fire hydrant.

The Township has assumed these fees for the past eight years, as the Supervisors voted to stop collecting these fees in 2007. In 2012, the Township taxes were raised by 1 mill to offset some of these costs.

In 2016, residents who have fire hydrants and/or street lights on your property will see a new fee on their tax bill to account for these costs.

The Ligonier Township Municipal Building will be closed on:

Friday, January 1 for New Year's Day

Monday, February 15 for President's Day

Friday, March 25 for Good Friday

The Township Building is open
Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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MEETINGS

JANUARY • FEBRUARY MARCH

- Ligonier Township Municipal Building.....724-238-2725
- Lig. Twp. Municipal Authority**..... 4:00 p.m.
January 6 • February 3 • March 2
- Lig. Twp. Municipal Authority Work Session**..... 4:00 p.m.
January 27 • February 24 • March 30
- Ligonier Township Supervisors**..... 7:00 p.m.
January 12 • February 9 • March 8
- Ligonier Township Supervisors Work Session** 4:30 p.m.
January 26 • February 23 • March 22
- Ligonier Township Recreation Board**..... 7:00 p.m.
January 11 • February 8 • March 14
- Ligonier Township Planning Commission** 7:00 p.m.
January 28 • February 25 • March 24
- Ligonier Township Zoning Hearing Board** 7:30 p.m.
January 19 • February 16 • March 15

Volunteer Fire Departments Directory

- Waterford Volunteer Fire Department..... 724-238-0471
Chief Robert Beaufort
- Darlington Volunteer Fire Department..... 724-238-4820
Chief Robert McDowell Cell....814-242-3785
- Wilpen Volunteer Fire Department 724-238-6585
Chief Michael DiRinaldo

LIGONIER TOWNSHIP DIRECTORY

- Ligonier Township Supervisors** 724-238-2725
Gary Thistlethwaite, Paul Knupp, D. Scott Matson,
Wade Thomas, Bruce Robinson
- Ligonier Township Manager** Terry Carcella
- Ligonier Township Secretary/Treasurer** Bruce A. Robinson
- Ligonier Township Financial Administrative Assistant/
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer**..... Roxanne Shadron
- Ligonier Township Zoning Office**..... 724-238-3640
Richard Bell
- Ligonier Township Municipal Authority** 724-238-7464
Secretaries - Haidee Street, Joyce Zickefoose
- Ligonier Township Tax Collector** 724-238-2300
Sue R. Kinsey
- Ligonier Township Police** 724-238-5105
Chief of Police Michael W. Matrunicis
- Ligonier Township Administrative Assistant
Public Works/Police Depts.** Laurel Ross
- Ligonier Township Web Site**..... www.ligoniertownship.com
- Ligonier Township Fax Number** 724-238-3711
- Pennsylvania Municipal Service Co** 412-828-2178
- Berkheimer Tax Administrator** 866-701-7206