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TALK *of the* TOWNSHIP

A Newsletter for our Residents

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WELCOME DANIEL WEIMER

Dan is our newest Township Supervisor and starts a six-year term this year. He was born in the Borough and grew up in Laughlintown. His ancestors first arrived in the area in 1801 and his family still resides in the vicinity. Dan lives in Wilpen with his wife and family. He has a master's degree in regional planning and has experience in the construction/engineering fields in both the private & public sectors.

As a lifelong resident, Dan felt a duty to serve his community. Additionally, he volunteers for the Laughlintown Community Center, the Laughlintown Protective Association, the Laurel Hill Cemetery Association and for the PA Game Commission as a Hunter-Trapper Education instructor. He also serves on the Township Planning Commission. Dan will be busy this year and we look forward to working with him!

WELCOME SAL VELLA

We are pleased to announce we have a newly elected tax collector – Sal Vella, who will be serving a two-year term. He's setting up here - locally in the Township! His office is located at 183 Route 271 and his business hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. You can reach him at 724-691-4557 during those hours or email him at Ligtownshiptax@gmail.com.

Sal grew up in New York and Maryland. He moved here 8 years ago. He has a background in Management & Sales. When Sal is not working, you might find him on the golf course!

LIGONIER BEACH PARK

The Ligonier Beach Park Development Committee will be holding its second public meeting to collect public comment regarding the park's future. This meeting will take place at the Fort Ligonier on 200 South Market Street, Ligonier at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 25th. The Township received a \$250k grant from the McKenna Foundation and a \$136k grant from the DCNR to fund this park project.

TOWNSHIP SURVEY

In addition to the Ligonier Beach Park developments, the Township would like to collect feedback from the residents on several issues - what should our top priorities be: Stormwater? Recycling? Blight and other nuisances? Do you want to continue receiving this newsletter in print? Stay tuned for more information regarding this survey that will be posted on our website and facebook page.



2020 CENSUS


The Census Bureau is hiring! The pay is \$18 per hour in Westmoreland County, plus 58 cents per mile reimbursement. It takes only 15 minutes to apply at www.2020census.gov/jobs.

There are many ways the census can shape the Ligonier Valley. The census results are important because this data helps businesses, researchers, and communities make decisions. The data can help inform where your community needs more funding for school lunches or new roads. The results, collected once a decade, help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year. The U.S. Census Bureau data helps communities respond to natural disasters and secure funding for hospitals and fire departments.


Additionally, the U.S. Constitution requires that electoral districts be periodically adjusted or redrawn to account for population shifts. Each decade, the census reveals where populations have risen or fallen. State legislatures or independent bipartisan commissions handle the process of redrawing congressional district lines. The U.S. Census Bureau provides population counts to the states for this purpose.

The EADS Group

The Township has a new engineer, The EADS Group. The engineers provide technical support and have been assigned to assist the Township with several projects including stormwater planning in Laughlintown, GIS mapping, zoning, and landscape architecture.


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LIGONIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY (LTMA)

The Ligonier Township Municipal Authority exists to deliver the best quality water and service in Ligonier Valley to our ever-expanding group of customers. The employees take great pride in having excellent customer relations. The LTMA is always willing to listen to customer comments and answer questions that may arise as this truly is a working relationship. Please feel free to call with your questions and comments on how to improve your water service.

Currently, the LTMA is working with the EADS Engineering Group to develop the best and most cost effective way to improve our water system. Adding a tank in the Darlington area will provide adequate water supply and pressure in that area of the system. We are exploring ways to improve pressure management throughout the entire system. Over the next few years, there are projects planned to improve pressure issues throughout the water system.

As always, LTMA is grateful for your awareness of water issues and your information regrading water leaks. Many thanks for your cooperation and patience during those times of repair and accompanying inconvenience.

LTMA would like to give a very special thank you to Glenn Kalp for his 24 years of service and 23 of those years were served as Chairman of the LTMA board.

We would also like to welcome our newest board member- Dan Resenic.

Watch the newsletter for further updates.

Anthony Griffith
Manager/Operator

LTMA Personnel Directory
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Anthony "Griff" Griffith.....ext 340	Gail Barnhart.....ext 313
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To: Our Neighbors At

CLEAN UP DUMPSTER DAY

This year's Dumpster Day event for Ligonier Borough & Township residents will take place on Saturday, April 18 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

We cannot accept plaster, concrete, rock, dirt, large tree stumps, grass clippings, paint, pressurized paint cans, shingles, fiberglass insulation, broken glass, liquids, medical waste, or any other hazardous / flammable material.

Loads:

\$5 Carload
\$10 Truckload
\$15 Dump truckload

Tires:

\$2.00 per regular tire
\$4.00 per regular tire w/rims
\$5.00 per large tire
\$10.00 per large tire w/rims

Appliances:

\$10
\$15 freon

WESTMORELAND COUNTY GUN PERMIT SCHEDULE

The Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office will be at the Municipal Building to issue License to Carry Permits from noon to 6:00 p.m. on the following dates:

February 27th & March 26th

Please visit their website at
www.co.westmoreland.pa.us
for more information

DON'T RUSH IN ICE & SLUSH

A friendly reminder from PennDOT - please remember to add extra time to your commute in the bad weather and don't follow too closely behind the snow plows!

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Volunteer Fire Departments Directory

Darlington Volunteer Fire Department.....724-238-4820

Chief Robert McDowell

Waterford Volunteer Fire Department.....724-238-0471

Chief Robert Beaufort

Wilpen Volunteer Fire Department.....724-238-6585

Chief Michael DiRinaldo

LIGONIER VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT SCAM ALERT!

Mystery shopping or secret shopping, is where an individual is hired to “act” like a customer, and evaluate services at a business. Scammers take advantage of these programs by sending fraudulent solicitations via mail to entice consumers to evaluate a retail experience. A check will be included with instructions to go to a particular retailer and use the funds to purchase gift cards or wire money. The problem is that check is fake. It “bounces” (is returned to your account by your bank as “insufficient funds” or a “drawn on a closed account”) after the money is wired or gift card numbers are sent—leaving the victim accountable to the bank for the entire amount of the fake check, plus additional penalty fees. Sometimes consumers are asked for personal bank account information so that the company can “deposit” money into their account for payment and funds with which to perform their secret shopper tasks. These consumers often then become victims of identity theft or have their accounts drained by the fraudster.

How can you protect yourself? Don’t respond to unsolicited mail or emails asking you to become a mystery shopper or secret shopper. Never deposit a check you receive in the mail from a “mystery shopping” company. No legitimate business will pay in advance and ask you to send back a portion of the money via gift cards or wiring them money. Don’t click on or respond to online ads or web sites offering free gift cards. Remember, if it sounds too good to believe, it is!

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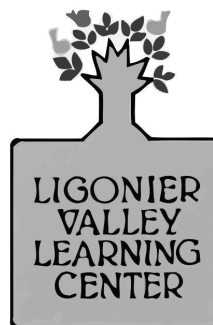
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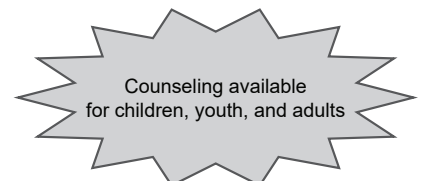
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LIGONIER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

John Beaufort (Vice-Chairman)

Paul Knupp (Vice Chairman)

Stephanie Verna (Secretary/Treasurer)

Dan Weimer

Scott Matson

Ligonier Township Supervisors Monthly Meeting.....7:00 p.m.
Feb 11 • Mar 10

Ligonier Township Supervisors Work Session.....4:30 p.m.
Feb 25 • Mar 24

MEETINGS

FEBRUARY • MARCH

Meetings held at the Township Municipal Building unless otherwise noted.
Meetings dates subject to change.

Ligonier Township Municipal Authority.....4:00 p.m.
Feb 5 • Mar 4

Lig. Twp. Municipal Authority Work Session.....4:00 p.m.
Feb 19 • Mar 18

Ligonier Township Zoning Hearing Board.....7:00 p.m.
Feb 18 • Mar 17

Ligonier Township Planning Commission.....7:00 p.m.
Feb 27 • Mar 26

Ligonier Township Recreation Board.....7:00 p.m.
Feb 10 • Mar 9

Ligonier Joint Plan Steering Committee.....7:00 p.m.
TBD - check our website for the latest information

TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL DIRECTORY

(724) 238-2725

Manager

Terry Carcella.....ext 110

Public Works Director

Russ Morgan.....ext 139

Administrative Assistant

Tracy Krowchak.....ext 111

Administrative Assistant/Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Bethany Caldwell.....ext 112

Community Development & Zoning Officer/Open Records Manager

Jim Nieusma.....ext 116

Code Enforcement Officer

Keith Ashley.....ext 115

Ligonier Valley Police

Chief of Police, John Berger.....724-238-5105 or 724-238-5611

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

The Township will be closed on: FEBRUARY 17

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