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FRANKLIN COUNTY

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Governor Wolf Proposes Townships pay for State Police Protection

The current law in Pennsylvania allows for local municipalities to provide for police protection; however, many small and rural towns with minimal resources rely on the Pennsylvania State Police.

Some who have tried to support their own police departments, realize it's far cheaper to have troopers respond to calls within their region than pay the salaries, benefits, and equipment needed for their own force.

In his recent plan for the State Budget, Gov. Tom Wolf wants all municipalities that currently use the State Police as their primary police department to pay a new \$25 per—person tax. The Wolf administration refers to this as a fee, but others are calling it a burdensome tax.

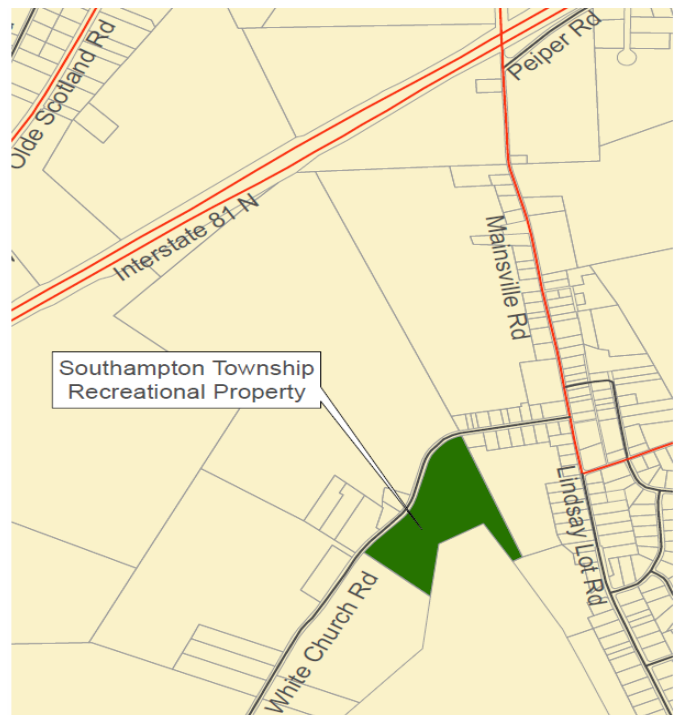
The Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS) opposes any plan that mandates townships to pay for the Pennsylvania State Police services. In a 2014 survey reported by PSATS, half of townships that provide police protection through municipal or regional police spend at least 25 percent of their entire budget on this protection service.

The Southampton Township supervisors feel this proposal is an issue that should be resolved at the state level. The additional burden should not be passed down to Townships or their residents. Southampton Township has 8,338 residents, which would amount to \$208,450 in additional taxes.

Soccer Fields Planned for White Church Road Property

Before United Business Park, Duke Realty donated approximately 17 acres to Southampton Township for recreational purposes. At that time, the Township asked its residents if anyone had a use for the parcel. There was no response from the community so it was leased for agricultural purposes. With the creation of Shippensburg Community Parks and Recreation Authority (SCPRA), a need for soccer fields became evident when Shippensburg Soccer Club became a partner. If all goes as planned, the southern portion of this parcel will be converted from agriculture to grass for soccer fields this spring. It will then take three seasons until the turf is ready for play.

While the grass is growing, SCPRA intends on getting a master landscape plan created for the parcel. Grants, donations and volunteers will be sought to develop this into a multiuse park.



Dollar General Coming to Orrstown Road

By the time you receive this newsletter, construction will be in full-force for the new Dollar General on Orrstown Road. For those of you who don't want to drive to the other end of Shippensburg to pick up a few toiletry-type items, this will be welcome news. We have not received an opening date yet.

Convenient E-Features Coming Soon

Be on the lookout over the next few months, for a whole new Website with our entire codified ordinances at your fingertips. The code will have extremely user-friendly search, copy and print capabilities.

We will also be adding convenient on-line payment options for land-use, driveway permits, rental licenses and more.

Community Support

Southampton Township has reached out to the Franklin County Probation Office to coordinate help for picking up litter in our Township this spring.

Primary Election Day—May 16th

Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Respective voting locations are:

- ◆ 705 Municipal Drive (Municipal Building)
- ◆ 3159 Orrstown Road (Tall Timbers)
- ◆ 8770 Possum Hollow Road (Living Faith Chapel)

*Remember to bring your photo ID to vote.

For further assistance regarding any Election inquiries, please call the Franklin County Court House Voter Registration Office at:
717-261-3886

2017 Road Work

During the summer of 2017, Southampton Township will be improving the safety on both Mt. Rock Road and Rice Road. Humps in the roads that create blind spots will be removed. This may result in both roads being completely shut down for a week or two at a time. Keep up-to-date by visiting our website:

www.southamptontownship.org

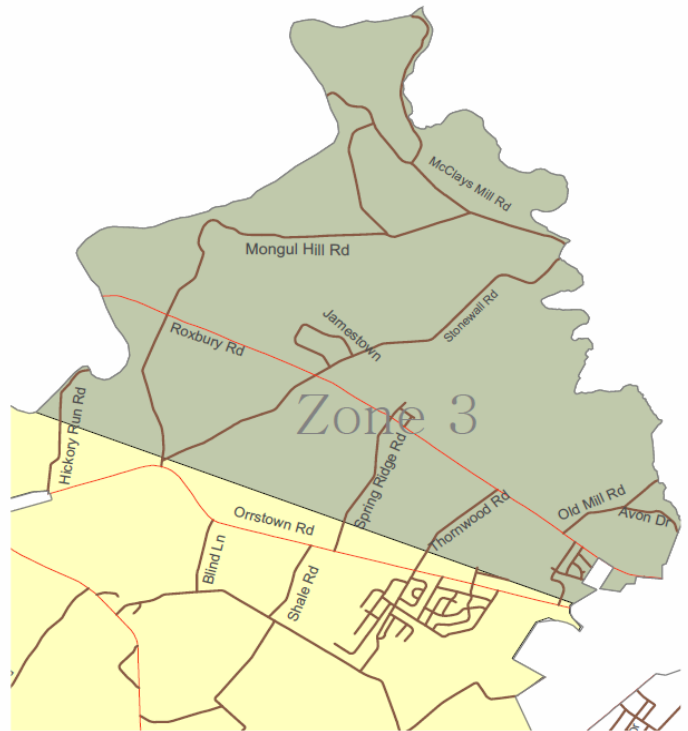
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Southampton Township/Franklin County

Stay up to date on road closings, weather conditions, community events and more!

Septic Pumping
Zone 3
Due by December 31, 2017



Special Sitting for Local Tax Collection

Debbie Heckman, tax collector for Southampton Township, will have special tax collection sittings at:

Southampton Township Building

Monday, April 17th
9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Orrstown Bank, Orrstown

Tuesday, April 18th
9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Tax office hours at 9028 Pineville Road

MONDAYS * THURSDAYS * FRIDAYS
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Public Works Emergencies

If you have a question, complaint, concern, or observe what would appear to be an emergency or serious situation with roadways, signs, traffic signals, stormwater facilities or the like, please contact us at 717-532-9041.

After office hours or on holidays, please contact the Franklin County 911 Center at (717) 264-2813.



Bulky Trash Days set for April 7th and 8th

Southampton Township will hold its semi-annual bulky trash days on Friday, April 7th, from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., and on Saturday, April 8th, from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Township households can take advantage of this opportunity to get rid of any junk that they have collected over the year(s) that they cannot put into their regular trash. The drop off spot will be at the Township building on Municipal Drive. Drive *behind* the township facility where someone will greet you. We will get your name and address and answer any questions you have about disposal of your junk. There are certain items that we cannot take and others for which we have to charge a minimal fee.

Items we DO NOT ACCEPT:

- ◆ liquid wastes of any kind, including: waste oil, paint, insecticides, inks and solvents, aerosols or pressurized containers
- ◆ motors containing gasoline
- ◆ ammunition or anything explosive
- ◆ hospital/ biohazard waste
- ◆ industrial wastes of any kind
- ◆ anything containing asbestos
- ◆ yard waste or soil
- ◆ dead animals
- ◆ tires on rims

We will accept up to 4 automobile tires from each household 15" or smaller free of charge. We do not accept tires on rims. There will be a \$2/tire charge for any more than 4 tires, and tires larger than 15" are \$10 each, 16" and over are \$25 each and tractor tires are \$50.

The township will accept automobile batteries in small numbers.

Refrigerators, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, or anything that has Freon in will also have a \$5 charge.

If you self-unload, we will have **metal salvage** trailers on-site. Please take a few extra minutes to throw all metal items into these trailers. This keeps these recyclable materials out of the landfills, and it lowers dumping costs for the Township which are based upon weight.

We will have big roll-off containers on site. If you are

able bodied, you will be directed to a self-unload zone to help keep things moving. If you need help, there will be loaders and employees there who will be happy to assist you.

As a free service to assist **elderly** and **handicapped**, Lane Thrush of Keller-Williams Keystone Realty in Chambersburg is offering volunteers to pick up the items for you on April 6th. You will still be responsible for any fees that may be associated with the junk. If you need help and want to schedule a pickup, just call Lane's office at 264-4653 no later than Wednesday, April 5th.

No electronics or TVs will be collected.

*The township must reserve the right to refuse anything that it thinks is a hazard.

Thank You! *Keller-Williams Keystone Realty*—for helping our disabled and elderly get rid of their bulky items.

ELECTRONIC WASTE

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Washington Township/Franklin County is opening their Electronics Recycling Program to include residents from outside of Washington Township. The rate is \$0.45 per pound with a \$25 minimum per trip. The amount of electronics per trip is not limited. All units will be weighed for cost.

Electronics will be accepted on:

TUESDAYS and WEDNESDAYS
from 8 AM until 4 PM.

12721 Buchanan Trail East,
Waynesboro, PA 17268

(717) 762-4413

Transfer Station / Recycling Center only accepts
CASH or CHECKS.

* TIP: If you have paint cans with a small amount of wet paint in, open the cans now and put some kitty litter in. This will absorb the liquid and get hard. We can accept them at this point.

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Southampton Township
705 Municipal Drive
Shippensburg, PA 17257

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Your Supervisors

Paul Witter

Samuel Cressler

Greg Richardson

CONTACT THE TOWNSHIP

Southampton Township Office hours are from 7:00 am until 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday. The office is closed on Holidays and the Friday after Thanksgiving. The facility is also used for primary and regular elections. Our office must be closed those days as well.

You may contact us by phone at **717-532-9041**. Our office is open to the public and you may stop in during regular business hours for questions or concerns.

All are welcome to attend Board of Supervisors (BOS) meetings and Planning Commission (PC) meetings, the dates are as follows:

Township Meeting Dates

2nd Tuesday of the Month—8:00 a.m.—BOS meeting
3rd Tuesday of the Month—6:00 p.m.— PC meeting
4th Tuesday of the Month—6:00 p.m.—BOS meeting

Shippensburg Community Parks and Recreation

CV Hitmen—Our very own 8-man, semi-pro football team officially recognized by the Great Eastern Football Association. Games are at Veterans Stadium beginning March 18th, and they are FREE! Check out their schedule online at: WWW.CVHITMEN.COM

Greyhound Football and Cheer—Registration now open.

Adult Flag Football (18+)—Games begin March 28th and are every Tues. & Wed. at 6:00 p.m. at Veterans Stadium. Registration ends March 20th.

Youth Flag Football—Designed to have FUN! Midget ages 10-13 & Pony ages 7–10. Registration ends April 19th. Games begin May 6 and end June 17.

Summer Playground—For boys and girls ages 5-14. Participants meet at the Lion's Club Pavilion at Shippensburg Memorial Park and have a fun filled morning of playing on the playground, crafts, group activities, and special events. After lunch, participants enjoy an afternoon at the Memorial Park Pool. During Fair Week, the program attends Kiddie Day. Registrations ends June 2.

Memorial Park Pool—Choose a membership that suits your family. Expanded concession stand, events and pool parties.

Valley Views Hiking Challenge—Begins April 1st. Complete three hikes with phenomenal views in the greater Shippensburg area and receive a patch.

All this and more! Check out SCPRA's website for more information and current happenings.
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