

WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP

FALL 2020

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PUBLIC WORKS NEWS

FALL LIMB PICK UP

West Manheim Township Public Works Department will be collecting brush and limbs. **All items must be curbside by Sunday of designated week to guarantee removal. The west side of the Township will take place on October 12th - 16th and the east side will be October 19th - 23rd.**

Limbs should be no larger than 3 inches in diameter and brush should be stacked for easy pickup. Absolutely no boards, lumber or construction type debris will be accepted.

The Township reserves the right to refuse excessive amounts of debris. The Township can refuse items that do not meet the requirements and is **NOT** responsible for cleanup.

LEAF COLLECTION

Leaves may be placed curbside for collection starting November 2nd. The crews will go through the Township more than once in the event that all leaves are not down and curbside by this date. Leaves must not be in any type of bag or container. Leaf collection is expected to take about 3 - 4 weeks with the last collection day being November 30th, dependent upon the weather conditions.

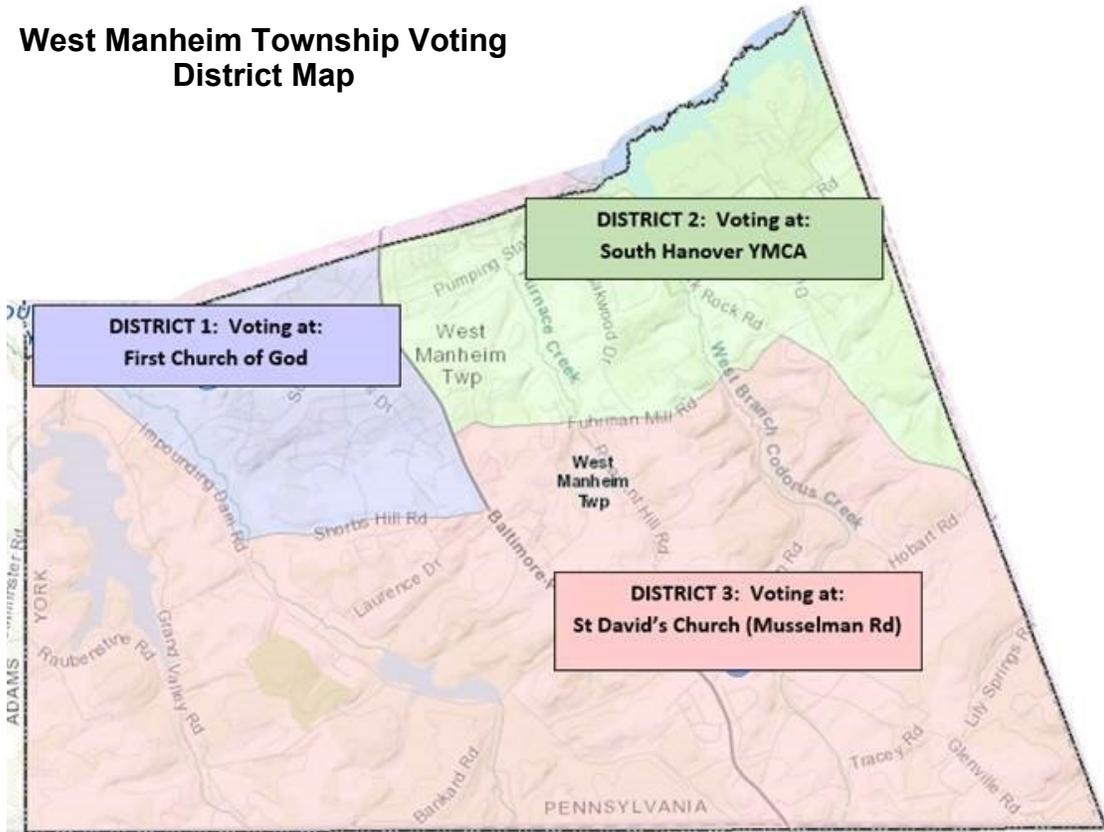


TRICK OR TREAT NEWS

Please check the Township website and Facebook for TRICK or TREAT updates and information. The Township will continue to assess the Covid-19 pandemic and provide updates.

VOTING IN WEST MANHEIM TWP

West Manheim Township Voting District Map



2020 GENERAL ELECTION IMPORTANT DATES

OCT
19

Last day to register to vote for the general election.
Register.votesPA.com

OCT
27

Last day to apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot.
Votes.PA.com/ApplyMailBallot

NOV
3

Voted mail-in and absentee ballots must be received by the county by 8 PM.
Votes.PA.com/County

NOV
3

General election day. Polls are open from 7 AM - 8 PM.
Votes.PA.com/Polls

TAX NEWS

Message from Ruth Neiderer, Tax Collector



Real Estate/Property Taxes are based on your assessed value generated by the York County Assessment Office 717-771-9232. The tax rate is determined by the elected officials of each taxing district.

The tax bill is the property owner's responsibility. All bills are mailed to the property owner. I would encourage you to check lender's statements to be sure payments have been disbursed.

The York County and West Manheim Township bills are mailed mid-Feb. and the 2% discount is due mid-April. The South Western School bill is mailed mid-July and the 2% discount is due by the end of September. There is an option to pay the school bill

in three installments. The first installment payment must be received by August 31st.

If you have an escrow account which pays your real estate taxes, please contact or forward it to them. If you have applied for a permit due to an improvement to your property, an interim bill is generated. INTERIM bills must be forwarded to your lender for payment. All current year bills must be paid in full by December 31st each year. Personal checks are not accepted after December 15th. Payments can be made by mail (post mark is accepted) or placing in the township drop box or stopping by during office hours. Payments: Credit card and cash (over \$100.00) are not accepted. Checks payable to: Ruth Neiderer, Tax Collector OR West Manheim Twp., Tax Collector

Phone (717) 632.3155 Fax (717) 632.2499
(Closed for lunch 1:00-2:00)

**PLEASE CHECK THE OFFICE HOURS
INSERTED IN YOUR ENVELOPE!**

TOWNSHIP DROPBOX



In an effort to better serve the residents of West Manheim Township a drop box is located on the exterior of the building. The drop box is conveniently located along the front of the building on the west side facing Route 94 (Baltimore Pike). The drop box is labeled "**TOWNSHIP PAYMENT DROP**". The drop box is secure and available during business and non-business hours.

NO SMOKING ORDINANCE



The Township recently adopted an ordinance prohibiting smoking on Township owned or leased properties. This includes the Township Police Station/Admin Building, Township Rec Park and Public Works Properties. Smoking as defined in the ordinance is the inhaling, exhaling or burning any lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, or other such device which contains tobacco or other smoke-producing products. Enforcement of this ordinance includes fines and possible summary proceedings at the District Magistrates Office.



PEDDLERS PERMIT

Ask For Their Peddlers Permit

West Manheim Township requires a Peddler's or Solicitor's Permit for anyone engaged in door-to-door sales of merchandise, goods and/or services. If approved, the Township will give the applicant a solicitation permit (seen here). Residents should ask peddlers to see their solicitation permit to prove it has been issued. When the Township issues a Solicitation Permit it is not an endorsement of the quality or safety of the product or service. The purpose of the permit is to allow the Police Department to conduct a background check and to have contact information on file if a complaint about an individual or organization is received. If the individual cannot display their permit issued by West Manheim Township, he/she is not authorized to engage in door-to-door sales. Please notify the police of those performing unauthorized soliciting in West Manheim Township.

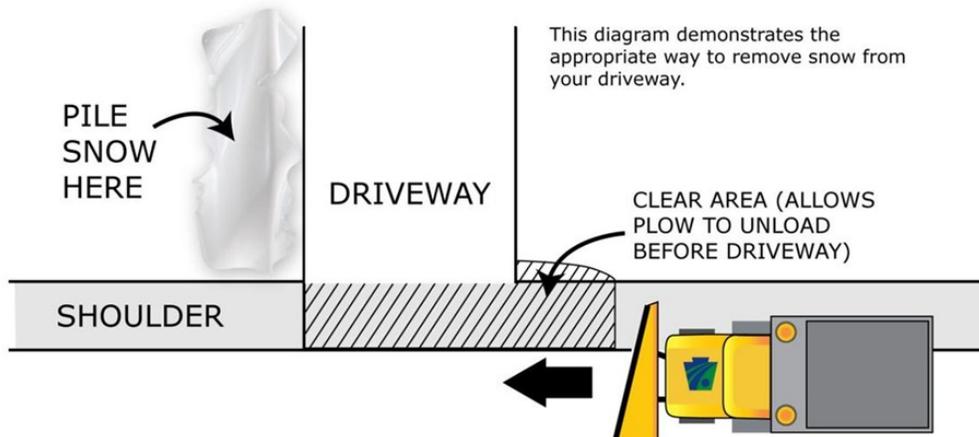
An orange rectangular form with the following text: "W. MANHEIM TWP. SOLICITATION PERMIT", "NAME:", "ADDRESS:", "PERMIT NO.", and "PERMIT EXPIRES"

WINTER REMINDERS

- Do not drive unless it is absolutely necessary. If a state of emergency is called, please stay off the roads so the plows can do their job without any more danger.
- When possible remove parked cars from roadway to allow the Public Works Department to plow curb to curb.
- Please refrain from completely clearing your driveway until that truck makes its last pass due to the fact that it might get plowed closed.
- Remove snow, ice, and slush from sidewalks, including handicap ramps, within 24 hours after the precipitation has stopped falling. **Failing to do so may result in a fine.**
- Do not push snow onto the street or onto neighboring properties.
- Pile snow from sidewalks and driveways on lawns, not in the street.
- Clear fire hydrants and stormwater inlets of snow as soon as possible.
- Residents are responsible for clearing snow around mailboxes.
- Basketball hoops are not permitted to be located within the right-of-way and must be removed from the roadway.
- Keep winter driving aids (blanket, shovel, boots, etc.) in the trunk of your car.
- Clear vehicle completely of snow and ice before driving.



To prevent your driveway from being plowed closed, please follow the diagram below provided by Penn DOT.



WMTPD NEWS



NEW POLICE OFFICER HIRED

On June 4th, 2020, Joshua Rummel was sworn in as the tenth police officer for the West Manheim Township Police Department. He is a 31 year old Hanover native, married, and comes to us with 10 years of law enforcement experience.

Rummel graduated from South Western High School in 2008 and previously spent six months with this department through the internship/shadow program. Rummel received his Police Academy training and certification at Harrisburg Area Community College Public Safety Center in 2010. He worked for two area police departments before joining West Manheim Township.

Chosen from over 100 applicants, we congratulate Probationary Officer Rummel on his hire and welcome him to the community and our law enforcement team!

Chief Edwin J. Schneider

Sgt. Toby Wildasin

Sgt. Dave Morris

Pfc. Craig Snyder

Pfc. Joshua Bower

Pfc. Justin Seibert

Pfc. Shawn Ricketts

Pfc. Randy Wagner

Officer Derek Schneider

Officer Joshua Rummel

Lou Sordon, Administrative Assistant



West Manheim Elementary School opened for the 2020-2021 school year on August 24th 2020.

The Police Department would like to remind everyone to be careful when driving the roadways while the buses are picking up and dropping off the children and that the speed limit through the school zone while the lights are flashing is 15 mph.

NEW RESIDENT TO PA?



All new residents with out-of-state non-commercial driver's licenses must obtain a PA Driver's License within 60 days of establishing Pennsylvania residency.

GET A PA DRIVER'S LICENSE

To transfer your out-of-state driver's license, you must visit a Pennsylvania driver's license center. At the driver's license center, you will be asked to complete a vision screening test and to provide proof of identity and proof of residency. Finally, once your application has been completed, you will be asked to surrender your out-of-state driver's license.

REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE IN PENNSYLVANIA

All new residents are required to title and register their vehicle(s) within 20 days of establishing residency in Pennsylvania. To do this, you'll need to bring the following items with you to an authorized agent of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. (Most Pennsylvania notaries, dealers and messenger services can help you with this process):

Valid Pennsylvania Identification
Out-of-State Vehicle Title
Proof of PA Insurance
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Tracing or Verification
Check or Money Order for fees

Afterwards you will need to take your vehicle to a certified inspection mechanic within 10 days of registering your vehicle in PA. To learn more about registering your out-of-state vehicle in PA, review the Pennsylvania department of Transportation's Motor Vehicle Information for New Residents.

PHVFC NEWS



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sportsman's Raffle

Sunday October 25th

Tickets will be \$20.00 each

This will be a virtual event

Beef Pot Pie Sales

Sunday October 11th & November 15th

@ 11 am. Drive-thru carryout only.

Quart of boiled beef pot pie \$7.00

12 oz. of pepper slaw \$3.00

We will provide containers.



YOUR SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY

VISIT US ON  @ PLEASANT HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY



Our region can bring us many challenges. Whether it is a pandemic, weather, hazardous materials or any other incident that could negatively impact the area, we all should be prepared for a disaster. Below is a link to an emergency preparedness guide developed through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.

www.ready.pa.gov/BelInformed/EmergencyPreparednessGuide



West Manheim Emergency Management is working on integrating a mass communication plan for the township that will allow rapid and relevant information to be relayed to those in a potentially affected area. Look for more information on this through our social media sites as we get closer to launching this exciting public safety venture!



We have streamlined our process through the township website regarding our “Residents with Special Needs Registry.” Should an emergency occur, and an evacuation is needed, having a list of residents who need assistance in an area can help expedite the process. To complete, follow:

www.westmanheimtwp.com > Departments > Emergency Mgmt. > Special Needs



Residents can fill out the form online and submit. It will be filed in a database for emergency management/emergency services use only. The form can also be printed, filled out and hand delivered or mailed to the township building for filing as well.

It is voluntary to complete, however, if on file will allow responders to be better prepared and informed.

REC PARK NEWS

Come to the park to enjoy the inclusive playground, dog park, and nature trails.

Join the Rec Park Board and help support our mission. Our mission is to provide recreational opportunities while preserving natural resources and scenic views in order to enrich and enhance the everyday lives of West Manheim Township residents and neighboring communities.

Due to COVID-19, our Turf to Meadows program has been postponed. We look forward to restarting the field improvements in the coming months – either Fall 2020 or Spring 2021. Check our Facebook page and the township website for updates.

The park is open and we hope you come out to enjoy everything the park has to offer. There is an inclusive playground and over six miles of nature trails which include bat boxes, bluebird houses, and an angel memorial garden. There is a fenced five acre dog park that is split for large and small dogs.

Available to rent are baseball and multi-purpose fields, two picnic pavilions, beach volleyball Courts and horse shoe pits-bring your own shoes!

To comply with PA Department of Health and CDC guidelines, we encourage you to wear a mask in public places, maintain a distance of at least 6 feet from people not in your immediate family, and use hand sanitizer that is at least 60% alcohol and rub hands together until dry if soap and water is not available.

For information about the usage/rules/rentals/location of the West Manheim Township Park and its facilities please check our website at:

<http://westmanheimtwp.com/index.php?page=parks-recreation> or contact parkboard@westmanheimtwp.com

For upcoming events, check us out on Facebook at: <http://www.facebook.com/WMTpark>



**FOR OURSELVES.
FOR EACH OTHER.**



HERITAGE COMMITTEE

PATAPSCO ROAD

In 1766, the residents of Manheim and Heidelberg Townships petitioned the York County Court to establish a road south of Hanover. The Baltimore County Court had previously laid out a road from the Conewago settlement to Patapsco (aka Baltimore). The route closely follows the present day SR 0094.

This highway was made into a toll road by an act of the Pennsylvania State Legislature, signed by Governor McKean on March 31, 1807. It was built by Edward McCabe and was completed on November 15, 1809. It was about 7 miles in length and extended from Hanover to the Maryland Line. The stones for paving were quarried at various places along the road. They were transported to the roadway from the quarries by horses and wagons. The total cost of the road was \$37,500. The company sold 350 shares of stock at \$100 each. The company paid large dividends to the stockholders from the tolls collected. The toll was from 1.5 cents to 2 cents per mile. The cost of the toll depended on the width of the buggy or wagon wheels (the narrow tires paid more toll).

Two of the road commissioners appointed to direct the construction of the road were from West Manheim Township: Conrad Sherman and George Nace. Two of the managers of the road were from West Manheim Township: Conrad Sherman and Frederick Wentz. There were two toll gates, one near the Maryland line and the other near Hanover. The first toll gate keeper at the Maryland line was John Nace, a grandson of George Nace who was one of the commissioners. The lot for the toll gate house was bought from Bernhart Nace on May 1, 1818, who was a son of George Nace mentioned earlier.

Conrad Sherman and Philp Werking operated taverns along the Baltimore Pike. Based on an 1803 Petition Survey to relocate a portion of the roadway, we know there was 10,712 feet between the two taverns. Deed research has confirmed the location of the Werking's property to be in the 2200 block of the Baltimore Pike. Actual field surveys will be done before this Fall to verify the tavern location on the west side of the road.

If you live in this area and have information on old building foundations, springs or a springhouse, please contact Richard Resh at 717-767-5951.

The Heritage Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month, at 4 p.m., in the Municipal Building, located at 2412 Baltimore Pike, Hanover, PA 17331. For more information you may call Harold Coldren at 717.637.8488, or email him at coldren7201@comcast.net



NEW ON-LOT PROCEDURES

New On-lot Certification Procedures:

The Township recently revised the On-lot Subsurface Sewage Disposal Facilities Ordinance. Two important changes for you, the homeowner:

- The septic hauler of your choice will do the inspection/certification of your system. The hauler will provide the inspection report to the Township.
- The Township fee is now \$30.00

As an owner of a home with an on-site septic system you are required to have the system pumped out, inspected and certified every 4 years by a certified sewage hauler. The Department of Environmental Protection requires the system to be inspected for

any cracks or issues which would contaminate the waters of the Commonwealth. The inspection by the hauler will also verify that the system is functioning as designed. The Township will continue to send you a postcard notifying you of the deadline date for the certification of your system.



ON-LOT SEPTIC CERTIFICATION REMINDER

It is time to have your on-lot septic system pumped and inspected.

The pumping and inspection of your on-lot septic system must be scheduled by _____.

Applications are available at www.westmanheimtwp.com or at the Township office, 2412 Baltimore Pike, Hanover, PA 17331. 717-632-0320

REMINDER: Septic tank manhole must be accessible for proper inspection and pumping.

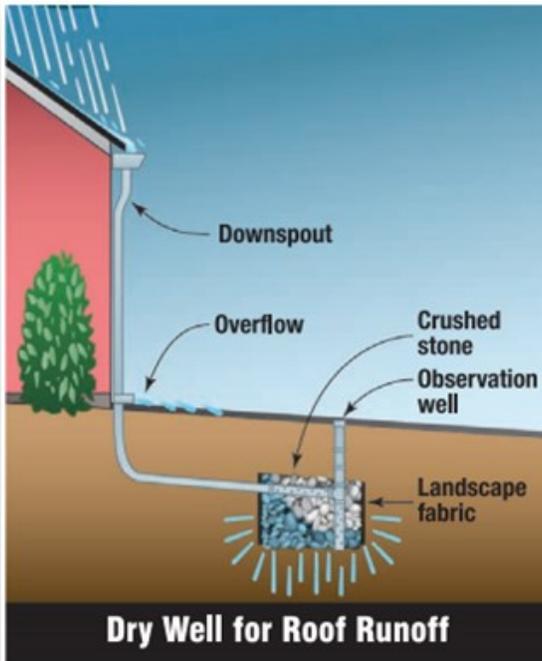
You can find the application for your On--Lot Septic Inspection on our website:

<https://westmanheimtwp.com/departments/administration/on-lot-septic/>



WHAT IS A SEEPAGE PIT?

Do you know why you have a Seepage Pit and how to maintain it?



A Seepage Pit, sometimes called a Dry Well, Stormwater Pit, or Infiltration Pit, is a subsurface storage facility that temporarily stores and infiltrates stormwater runoff from the roofs of structures and impervious surfaces. Downspouts connect directly into the Seepage Pit, which may be either an excavated pit filled with uniformly graded aggregate wrapped in geotextile or a prefabricated storage chamber or pipe segment. Seepage Pits discharge the stored runoff via infiltration into the surrounding soils. In the event that the Seepage Pit is overwhelmed in an intense storm event, an overflow mechanism will ensure the additional runoff is safely conveyed downstream.

By capturing runoff at the source, Seepage Pits can dramatically reduce the increased volume of stormwater generated by the roofs of structures. Though roofs are generally not a significant source of runoff pollution, they are still one of the most important sources of new or increased runoff volume from developed areas. By decreasing the volume of stormwater runoff, Seepage Pits can also reduce runoff rate and improve water quality.

Seepage Pits require regular and effective maintenance to ensure prolonged functioning. The following represent the minimum maintenance requirements for Seepage Pits:

- The Seepage Pit should be checked regularly to ensure that no standing water exists in the facility 3 days after the rain event.
- Thorough inspections of the Seepage Pit should occur at least once a year, as well as after every storm exceeding 4 inches in 24 hours.
- Monitor the Seepage Pit facility to ensure that no sediment, grass clippings, leaves, and other similar accumulations occur on top of, and/or within, the piping or pit.
- Regularly clean out gutters and ensure proper connections to facilitate the effectiveness of the Seepage Pit.
- Check cleanout and overflow pipes for clogs, cracks and proper connection.
- Check area surrounding Seepage Pit for signs of malfunction – such as erosion, channels, or any damage on the downslope indicating increased runoff or overflow.



STAY INFORMED!

Follow Penn Waste on social media for the latest news including holiday and inclement weather delays.

 Facebook: **@PennWaste**

 Twitter: **@PennWaste**

 Instagram: **@PennWaste**

 YouTube: **@PennWasteInc**

To sign up for our e-newsletter: www.pennwaste.com/e-news-signup/

ANIMAL CONTROL

ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

Michelle Klugh

Animal Control Officer

717.916.1413

michelleemoore@yahoo.com



WHO SHOULD WE CALL?

There are dogs loose in my neighborhood – Klugh's Animal Control

My dog escaped my yard and was picked up by Animal Control – Klugh's Animal Control

You suspect animal abuse or neglect – 911 or York County SPCA

You have wildlife such as opossums living under your deck – Klugh's Animal Control or a Pest/Wildlife Removal Company

There is a racoon in my yard that appears to be sick – PA Game Commission

A deer was hit along the road – PA Game Commission

PA Game Commission

Tim Smith

800.228.0791 ● 610.926.3136

WHEN DIGGING, SAFETY FIRST



**Know what's BELOW,
CALL before you dig.**

Safe digging is no accident! Know what's below.

Before you begin digging, state law requires you to call PA One Call at **1.800.242.1776** or **811** at least three days before you dig. All utility companies will be notified of your planned work and will mark the location of any underground lines. Respect the markings and excavate with due care, and be sure to report any and all damage to pipelines, line markers, locator wires, or warning tape to the appropriate utility. If you have a contractor digging at your property, ask the contractor to be extra careful. Make sure there are PA One Call markings and/or flags, and look at the work being done.

You should notify PA One Call before you perform any of the following activities:

- Install a fence, mailbox, yard sign, flag pole, or pole for a basketball hoop.
- Install a deck, porch, patio, swimming pool, or garage.
- Install a sprinkler system, pet perimeter fence, septic tank, leach bed, or sand mound.
- Plant trees or bushes.



WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP



2412 Baltimore Pike Hanover, PA 17331

Office Hours, Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm

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Seated: Jim Staaf, Harold Hartlaub, Terry Ryneerson
Standing: Jeremy Ault & Kyle Krysiak

PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Supervisors- 1st Thursday
of each month at 7:00PM,

Supervisor Caucus at 6:00PM & 3rd
Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM,
Supervisor Caucus at 6:00PM

Planning Commission- 3rd Thursday
of each month at 6:00PM

Park & Rec Board- 2nd Monday
of each month at 6:00PM

Heritage Committee- 1st Tuesday
of each month at 4:00PM

**All meetings are held at the
Township Building & OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC**