

TIGHT BUDGET ADOPTED; NO TAX INCREASE

Township Commissioners have adopted a \$28,211,981 budget, which projects significant decreases in revenue and minor increases in expenditures, excludes pay increases for Township employees, and, for the 29th straight year, does not increase the real estate tax.

Township Commissioners said the tight budget reflects today's economic conditions and is necessary to keep services at a high level. They anticipate a cash carryover from 2009 at \$700,000, which is down sharply from previous budgets.

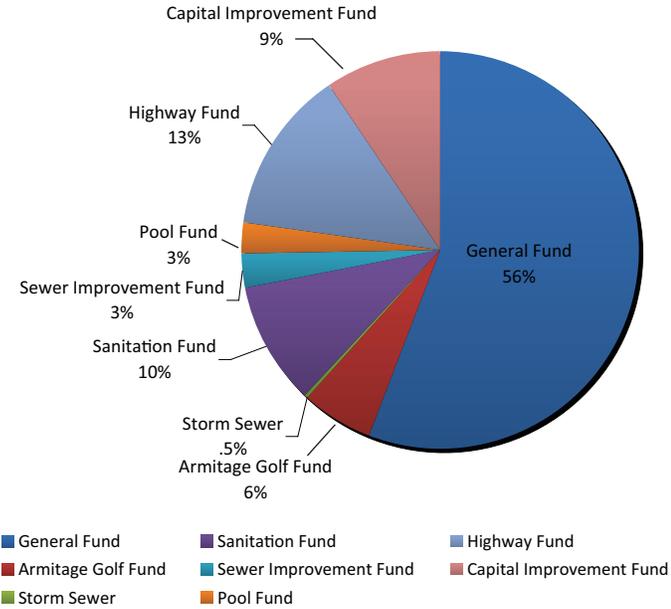
Commissioners said the only increase in 2010 will affect sewer system users. Sewer rates will rise to \$105.75 a quarter, up from \$94.40. The increase is to offset federally man-

dated improvements to the sewer system and wastewater treatment plant. The next scheduled increase is in 2012.

Major revenue sources for 2010 are the earned income tax, \$4.3 million; the \$52 Local Services Tax, estimated at \$900,000, which will help pay for the new Highway Maintenance Facility and the new Emergency Services Building North, both constructed between 2005 and 2006; the real estate transfer tax, \$900,000; and the 0.18 mill real estate tax, \$504,000.

Major expenditures include \$4,214,901 for police, fire and ambulance services; \$1,601,082 for the Highway Department; \$1,027,077 for Recreation; and \$825,025 for Administration.

2010 BUDGETED EXPENDITURES



Golf and Pool Rates Increased Slightly

Township golfers and swimmers will enjoy their sports in 2010 at generally the same prices as in 2009. Except for a few minor changes, rates at Armitage Golf Club, the busiest course in the Harrisburg region, will remain the same as the 2009 rates.

Commissioners anticipate Armitage's 2010 revenue at \$1,266,298 and expenditures at \$1,066,138, which would produce a surplus of \$200,160.

The Hampden Pool, Commissioners said, enjoyed "another exceptionally good year." The 2010 budget projects revenues of \$767,844 and expenditures of \$482,377. Resident and non-resident membership rates will increase modestly in 2010 while daily admission rates will remain the same.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners took the following actions at recent meeting:

- ♦ Adopted a debt ordinance which authorizes the issuance of \$836,133 in bonds for the purposes of refunding and restructuring a portion of the Township's General Obligation Notes from 2004, 2005 and 2006. The restructuring was done to help balance the Township's General Fund budget for 2010.
- ♦ Appointed Steven S. Campbell to the newly created position of Public Works Director. Campbell formerly was the Wastewater Treatment Superintendent. Campbell, in addition to his wastewater treatment duties, will supervise all maintenance (highway, golf, recreation, etc.).
- ♦ Reported that the Orr's Bridge Road bridge over the Conodoguinet Creek is on Cumberland County's priority list for reconstruction. The project is expected to begin in about four to six years, depending on funding.
- ♦ Directed the Township Manager to send a letter to the PUC expressing the Board's opposition to United Water Pennsylvania proposed rate increase.
- ♦ Authorized a letter to the Cumberland Valley School District Superintendent and school board members urging the district representative to the Cumberland County Tax Collection Committee to vote in favor of equal voting for each member.
- ♦ Nominated Commissioner John V. Thomas to serve as the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners' representative to the Chesapeake Bay Local Government Advisory Committee.
- ♦ Authorized the purchase of a 2010 Ford F450 truck, through a Costars contract, at a cost not to exceed \$37,938.
- ♦ Approved the hiring of Maher Duessel to provide auditing services for the years ending 2009, 2010 and 2011.

Holiday Trash Collection

Because Christmas Day and New Year's Day are on Fridays, trash and recyclables normally collected that day will be collected on Saturday. Trash and recyclables will be collected on the normal schedule the days before both holidays.

Residents are asked to place trash in weatherproof containers Mark E. Rockwell **on or behind the curb** before 6:30 a.m. the day of their trash collection, but no earlier than 6 p.m. the night before, to ensure it will be picked up.

Recyclables are to be placed in containers provided by the Township. **Containers should not be placed on a roadway.**

- ♦ Appointed Jeremy N. Mortorff to the position of Recreation Program Specialist.
- ♦ Reported that Randi L. Spangler will retire in January from the Recreation Department.
- ♦ Recognized and congratulated Timothy W. Lupia on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.
- ♦ Authorized line painting services on various Township streets by Alpha Space Control at a cost not to exceed \$8,500.
- ♦ Approved, with conditions, the preliminary/final land development plan for Islamic Center of PA, one lot on two acres at 5138 E. Trindle Road, zoned Commercial-Limited.
- ♦ Approved, with conditions, the preliminary/final land development plan for F&M Trust Co., one lot on one acre at 3907 Market St., zoned Apartment-Office-Limited.
- ♦ Approved, with conditions, the revised preliminary/final land development plan for Trindle Square and Changes Salon and Day Spa.
- ♦ Re-approved for an additional 90 days, with conditions, the preliminary/final land development plan for Red Stag Holding Co.

Commercial/Industrial Recycling

All commercial, industrial and institutional establishments are required, under state and Township regulations, to establish a collection system for recyclable materials.

The materials that must be collected are high-grade office paper, corrugated paper and aluminum. All haulers and recyclers operating in the Township are required to provide to the Cumberland County Recycling and Waste Authority a quarterly recycling report on the specific form provided by the County.

If additional information is needed, please contact Steven S. Campbell, the Township's Solid Waste Coordinator, at 761-0119.

Find Your Name

The name of a Township resident, selected randomly from computer account records, is "hidden" out of context somewhere in this newsletter. Find your name and we will treat you to a gift certificate to the Caddy Shack Restaurant or, if you are a golfer, a free round of golf at the resident rate at Armitage (cart excluded; also, must have resident ID). If you find your name, claim the reward by calling the Township office at 761-0119 by Dec. 30.

New Township Street Lights To Generate Large Savings

New energy-efficient street lights are being installed throughout the Township, a project that is expected to save the Township approximately \$236,000 annually once the 20-year note to purchase the lights is repaid.

The new lights will qualify for the cheaper rate that PPL offers municipalities that own their own street lights and install the energy-saving bulbs. In addition, the Township said annual maintenance of the lights can be done at minimal cost. It also can rebid the maintenance contract after four years.

The Township is spending \$2,725,300, raised through a General Obligation Note, to buy the street lights from PPL and to upgrade the system. It previously leased the lights from PPL and paid the utility to maintain them at a total annual cost of \$400,000. It expects the project to pay for itself over the next 20 years as a result of the savings.

The lights and the upgrading of underground wiring is being handled by Municipal Energy Managers (MEM) of Olyphant, which will handle maintenance after the job is completed.

As part of the new street light project, the Township is asking residents to report non-functioning street lights on the Municipal Energy Managers website at www.slout.com or call 1-888-566-1329. The website link and toll-free number are available on the Township website, www.hampdentownship.us.

When reporting a street light problem it will be necessary to provide the pole number to MEM.

Yard Waste Facility

The Yard Waste Facility is open from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the first and third Saturdays of each month until the first weekend in January. **The facility will be open on Saturday, Jan. 2, for residents who want to drop off their Christmas tree.**

Additional information on the facility is available on the Township's website, www.hampdentownship.us

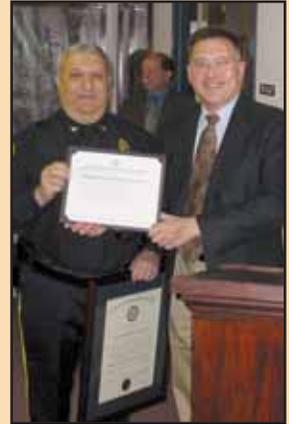
New Business

The following businesses have opened, relocated or expanded in the Township:

- Mikado's, 4717 Carlisle Pike
- Black Consulting Services, 5275 E. Trindle Road
- Little Joe's Pizza, 5315 E. Trindle Road
- New Hope Ministries, 5228 E. Trindle Road

POLICE RECOGNITION

Township Police Chief Michael Andreoli receives special award from Dick Hammon (photo below) of the Pennsylvania Police Chiefs' Association and a certificate from Cumberland County Commissioner Gary Eichelberger (top photo), each recognizing the Police Department's recent accreditation by the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. The Department is only the third in the County to receive accreditation.



"7" YEARS IN A ROW!
"Simply the Best Public Golf Course"
— Harrisburg Magazine

Armitage Golf Club



DECEMBER-FEBRUARY

Weekdays: Walking — \$13 • Riding — \$18
9 Holes Walking — \$8 • 9 Holes Riding — \$12
Weekends/Holidays: Walking — \$15 • Riding — \$20
9 Holes Walking — \$10 • 9 Holes Riding — \$14

GOLF COURSE/PRO SHOP HOURS:

8 a.m. Weekdays – 9 a.m. Weekends
Call 737-5344 for Tee Times/Golf Outings or
Book online at www.armitagegolfclub.com

Youth/Teen Programs

Daytime Kinderygm

This is a developmental floor gymnastics program for children 3 to 5 years old, with emphasis on social and gross motor development, physical fitness and movement education while learning numbers, colors, shapes and words. It will be held from 12:35 to 1:20 p.m. on Mondays, Jan. 18 to Feb. 22, at the Emergency Services Building. The cost is \$62. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8002).

Kinder Tots

This is a special class for two year olds that is designed to develop gross motor skills, creativity through movement, physical development and body awareness while having fun learning numbers, colors, shapes and songs. Parental assistance is required.

Daytime: Mondays, 11 to 11:30 a.m., Jan. 18 to Feb. 22, Emergency Services Building. (Code 7991)

Evening: Wednesdays, 5:30 to 6 p.m., Jan. 20 to Feb. 24, Recreation Building Activity Room. (Code 7989)

The cost is \$46 for either class. Residents receive a \$5 discount.

Kinder Dance

This is a developmental dance/movement and fitness program for youngsters 3 to 5 years old that teaches the basics of ballet, tap, acrobatics and creative movement.

Daytime: Mondays, 11:40 a.m. to 12:25 p.m., Jan. 18 to Feb. 22, Emergency Services Building, (Code 7964)

Evening: Wednesdays, 6:15 to 7 p.m., Jan. 20 to Feb. 24, Recreation Building Community Room. (Code 7960)

The cost is \$62 for either class. Residents receive a \$5 discount.

Judo

The course, taught by the Harrisburg Judo Club, is for children 9 to 16 years old, of all levels of ability. It will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, Jan. 13 to March 3 in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8164)

American Girl Tea Party

This class is for children ages 5 to 10. Bring your doll along to a tea party where you will learn proper table manners. Lemonade and cookies will be served. Please dress up. The tea party will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 12, in the Recreation Building Pre-School Room. The cost is \$40. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8216)

Adults

Fitness Camp

Change your body in one month with this multi-faceted, moderate to intense program of exercise and nutrition. A certified personal trainer will lead the series of exercises. The six-week camp will be held from 6 to 7 a.m. Monday to Thursday in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$125. Residents receive a \$5 discount. Returning participants will receive a \$20 discount.

The schedule: **Dec. 28-Feb. 4 (Code 7919)**

Aerobic Movement

The winter session will be held from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Tuesday and Thursdays, Jan. 5 to March 25, at Aldersgate United

Methodist Church on Jerusalem Road. The cost is \$75. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8304)

Tai Chi

Participants will gain balance, strength, flexibility and coordination while reducing stress. Suitable for all levels of fitness. The class will meet as one group for all levels. Classes will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays from Jan. 14 to May 13 (no class Feb. 18, March 25, April 22) in the Recreation Building Activity Room. Instructor: Andrew Baker of the Movement Arts Institute. The cost is \$105. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8236)

Belly Dancing

This class is for women of all shapes, sizes and ages. Strengthen, tone and appreciate your body. Classes will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 14 to Feb. 18, in the Emergency Services Building. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8204)

Self Defense

This course is for persons at least 13 years old and will show you how to use your center of balance along with gravity to defeat an attacking assailant. You will learn to use the bicep ride, hip butt, rhino, turtle and anaconda if the fight should go to the ground. These moves are simple but highly effective. The class will meet from 8 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 13 to March 3, in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8170). A second session will be held from March 17 to May 5. (Code 8173)

Introduction to Garment Sewing

This class is designed for those who have never sewn or need a refresher course. It will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 19, at the Discount Vacuum & Sewing Center. The cost is \$10. Residents receive a \$2 discount. (Code 8224)

Introduction to Quilting

Program participants will learn about the tools, terms and fabrics that are used in quilting, the fastest growing segment of the sewing industry. The class will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 15, at the Discount Vacuum & Sewing Center. The cost is \$10. Residents receive a \$2 discount. (Code 8221)

Ballroom Dance

Instructors from Ballroom Break will introduce participants to popular social dances. Partners are preferred but not required. Classes will be held from Jan. 5 to Feb. 9 in the Recreation Building Community Room. The cost is \$70 a person. Residents receive a \$5 discount. The schedule:

Beginner — 7-8 p.m. (Code 8246)

Intermediate — 8-9 p.m. (Code 8245)

Country Line Dancing

Tamora Stum will teach popular dances that are great exercise for all ages. Classes will be held in the Recreation Building Community Room. The cost for the intermediate course is \$40 and \$35 for the beginner course. Residents receive a \$5 discount. The schedule: Jan. 7 to Feb. 11

Beginner — 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. (Code 8260)

Intermediate — 7:30 to 9 p.m. (Code 8259)

Adult Tap Dance

Tap your way to fun and exercise. Hard-sole shoes may be worn to the first class, although tap shoes are recommended. The class will be held on Thursdays from Jan. 7 to Feb. 11 on the

Good Hope Middle School auditorium stage. Instructor: Tap Pups. The cost is \$65.

Beginner Level II – 6-7 p.m. (Code 8210)
Beginner Level I – 7:15-8:15 p.m. (Code 8209)

Pilates

The course will be held from 11 to 11:45 a.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, Jan. 5 to Feb. 26, in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$90. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8233)

EZ Weight Loss 101

This 12-week program advises proper nutrition, food choices and encourages exercise. Each person will receive personalized weekly one-on-one coaching. Cash and prizes will be awarded to the top three participants who have lost the largest percentage of weight in 12 weeks. Each week participants will weigh in and consult with coaches. The cost is \$35. Residents receive a \$5 discount.

Daytime classes are held from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Jan. 19 to April 13 in the Emergency Services Building. (Code 8073)

Evening classes are held from 5:15 to 6 p.m., Tuesdays, Jan. 19 to April 13, in the Recreation Building Activity Room. (Code 8070)

NEW!! Candy Making 101

Learn to make and decorate gourmet chocolate truffles and make mousse in 10 minutes with just three easy steps. Registration cost includes all supplies. The program will be held in the Recreation Building Community Room on Friday, Dec. 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m. (Code 8665)

The cost is \$20. Residents receive a \$2 discount.

Community Safety

Heartsaver CPR (mouse)

Participants will learn adult, infant and child CPR in this American Heart Association course. The class will be held in the Recreation Building Pre-School Room. The minimum age is 11. The cost is \$50. (Cost of classes with AED training is \$55.) Residents receive a \$5 discount. The schedule:

Dec. 10 (Thursday) 6-9 p.m. (Code 7873) (AED)

Dec. 12 (Saturday), 8-11 a.m. (Code 7863)

Jan. 7 (Thursday), 6-9 p.m. (Code 8266)

Jan. 16 (Saturday), 8-11 a.m. (Code 8263) (AED)

Sports

PICKUP ADULT BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE. CALL THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT, 761-4951, FOR DETAILS.

HMMS Soccer

The Hampden-Middlesex-Monroe-Silver Spring Youth Soccer Association (HMMS) will register youngsters for the fall 2010 and spring 2011 seasons from 1 to 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 7 and 28 at the Cumberland Valley High School cafeteria. All players who played in the fall of 2009 will remain on the same team for the spring 2010 season. Children who did not play in the fall of 2009 but are interested in playing in the spring of 2010 must register on Feb. 7. Look for the "spring registration" table. Spring registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Children playing soccer with HMMS during the 2009-2010

Snow Policy

In the event of inclement weather, the Recreation Department will use the following guidelines: If the Cumberland Valley School District has a morning delay, all morning recreation programs will be canceled. If the district cancels classes for the entire day, all programs will be canceled. If early dismissal, all evening programs will be canceled. Program participants may also call the Department's weather cancellation line at 761-4951 to hear a recorded message on the cancellation of programs. 

seasons should receive a pre-printed registration packet by mail in January. Registration forms will also be available online at www.hmms-soccer.org, at the Recreation Department and at registration.

Youth Baseball

The Hampden Youth Baseball Association will register youngsters 6 to 18 years old from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Jan. 9 and from noon to 4 p.m. on Jan 16 in the Recreation Building Community Room. Players must be Township residents and turn 6 years old by April 30, 2010. New registrants must have a copy of their birth certificate. Call Dee Bachman at 943-5774 for more information.

Girls Softball

The Cumberland Valley Softball Association will register players (ages 5-19 and living in the Cumberland Valley School District) from 8 a.m. to noon on Jan. 23 and from noon to 5 p.m. on Jan. 30 in the Recreation Building Community Room. For more information, call Tammy McGee at 730-9058, Bruce Befort at 421-8515, or visit the website at www.cvsoftball.com.

Men's Softball

The Hampden Sunday Rec League and the Stan Fetrow "over 35" Men's Softball League are looking for teams. Meetings are scheduled on Jan. 31 in the Emergency Services Building. The Rec League will meet at noon. The "Over 35" League will meet at 1 p.m. Call Gary Gabriel at 514-1076 for more information.

CV Girls Lacrosse/Open House

Spring registration will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 12, in the CV High School cafeteria. An instructional level program is offered for girls in grades 2 through 5, and a competitive league program is offered to girls in grades 6 to 12. All players must reside in the Cumberland Valley School District. For forms, fees and details check the website, cvschools.org, then "Athletics", then click on "Team Web Pages," then "CV Girls Lacrosse."

CV Youth Cheerleading

The CV Youth Cheerleading Association is offering programs to children in K through 8th grade. K-2nd grade are introduced to the basics of cheerleading. Age appropriate competitive squads are available for all children in 3rd to 8th grades. Seasons typically begin in August. For information on registration dates, go to

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RECREATION

www.cvcheer.org. You may e-mail questions to registrar@cvcheer.org.

Trips

New York City – Do You Own Thing – March 20 and April 24

This “do your own thing” trip can be taken on March 20 (Code 8271) or April 24 (Code 8272). The bus will leave at 7 a.m. from the Hampden Pool parking lot and depart from New York at 7 p.m. The cost is \$55 a person, and \$10 is non-refundable. Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Cancellation must be made at least one month in advance of the trip to receive a refund, minus the deposit.

Washington, DC – April 10

The bus will leave at 8 a.m. on April 10 from the Hampden Pool parking lot, arriving near the Smithsonian Institution at about 10 a.m. Travelers will plan their own itineraries. This is cherry blossom time in the nation’s capital. The bus will leave at 5 p.m. from Washington and stop for a fast-food dinner break, arriving in Hampden about 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$45 per person and is due at the time of registration. \$10 is non-refundable. Cancellation must be made at least one month before the trip to receive a refund, minus the deposit. (Code 8276)

American Girl Place in New York City – May 1

The Recreation Department will sponsor this trip to the American Girl Place. Visitors can shop, visit the Doll Hospital and Doll Salon or the on-site Photo Studio. The trip includes lunch at the American Girl Place. The cost, including lunch, is \$80 a person. A \$25 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance is due one month before the trip. The bus will leave the Hampden Pool parking lot at 7 a.m. It will depart New York at 5 p.m. (Code 8277)

Youth Park Certified As Wildlife Habitat

The Conodoguinet Youth Park, off Orr’s Bridge Road, has been certified as a wildlife habitat and Monarch butterfly waystation by the National Wildlife Federation.

The certification is the culmination of work by Girl Scout Troop 597, lead by Lisa Furlong, and the Penn State Master Gardeners of Cumberland County. It is part of a larger program to certify the Township as a Community Wildlife Habitat.

The habitat team is now working to certify Shaull Elementary School and has to certify a total of 150 homes, 5 common areas, and 5 schools to become one of the 35 communities nationwide to receive the prestigious habitat award.

More information is available at nwf.org or by contacting Evan Jenkins at evan_jenkins@verizon.net.



TOWNSHIP CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 1 Board of Commissioners
- 2 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 2 Hampden Twp. Volunteer Fire Company, Emergency Services Building
- 9 Sewer Authority
- 10 Planning Commission
- 15 Industrial Development Authority, 8 a.m., if needed
- 16 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 16 Zoning Hearing Board

JANUARY

- 4 Board of Commissioners
- 6 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 6 Hampden Twp. Volunteer Fire Company, Emergency Services Building
- 13 Sewer Authority
- 14 Planning Commission
- 19 Industrial Development Authority, 8 a.m., if needed
- 20 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 20 Zoning Hearing Board
- 28 Board of Commissioners Agenda Meeting

OFFICE CLOSED

Dec. 25 – Christmas Day

Jan. 1 – New Year’s Day

Jan. 18 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

All meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, unless otherwise noted. The schedule is subject to change.

Note: A two-business day notice is requested for any person with a disability who needs an accommodation to participate in a Township-sponsored program, service or employment procedure. Please call the Township at 761-0119 if an accommodation is needed. To participate in any Recreation Department-sponsored trips, please request an accommodation at the time of registration and no less than 30 days before departure. Call the Recreation Department at 761-4951 if an accommodation is needed. For the hearing impaired, the Township has installed a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD). The TDD phone number is 214-1162.

Tax Collector Hours

Michael Langan, the Township’s Tax Collector/Treasurer, has announced the tax office in the Township Building will be open the following hours:

December

- Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Dec. 14, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Closed Dec. 21 through Jan. 1.

For additional information, call 737-4822.

Christmas Tree Disposal

York Waste will collect Christmas trees at curbside with the regular trash for residents who are billed by the Township. Residents can also drop off Christmas trees on Jan. 2 at the Yard Waste Facility, off Technology Parkway.



Planning/Zoning Issues

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission took the following action at its October meeting:

- Recommended approval of a preliminary/final land development plan for the Islamic Center of PA, one lot on two acres at 5138 E. Trindle Road, zoned Commercial-Limited.
- Tabled a preliminary/final land development plan for Johnny Joes, 5327 E. Trindle Road, zoned Commercial-General.
- Recommended approval of a preliminary/final land development plan for F&M Trust Co., one lot on one acre at 3907 Market St., zoned Apartment-Office-Limited
- Tabled a preliminary/final land development plan for Salem Church Road Townhomes, one lot on seven acres off Salem Church Road, zoned Residential-Towne, owned by Michael Greene.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

The Zoning Hearing Board did not meet in October or November.

Place Wood Ashes In Sturdy Plastic Bag

Residents who have wood-burning stoves or fireplaces are asked to dispose of ashes in sturdy plastic bags to prevent bags from splitting open. York Waste, the Township's collector of trash and recyclables, also asks that residents not overstuff bags and to twist them shut.

'Operation Ho-Ho'

The Township's Volunteer Fire Company is continuing its "Operation Ho-Ho" during December.

Santa will appear at a series of stops in specific neighborhoods and areas of the Township. The Company hopes this provides an interactive and rewarding experience for residents, by allowing more time for Santa to mingle with the children and to pose for photographs.

There will also be a makeup night on Dec. 14 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Emergency Services Building, 295 S. Sporting Hill Road, in the event you miss his visit to your area.

Residents should consult the Fire Company's website, hampdenfire.com, or the Township's website for more information on dates and stops.



Keep Backboard Off Curblines

The Township is reminding residents who have portable basketball backboards to roll them back from the curb or edge of the street when they are not in use.

The backboards can interfere with street sweeping, leaf collection and snow plowing.

Residents who may have questions can call the Township Building at 761-0119.

Meals on Wheels

Persons who would like to have the services of Meals on Wheels should call 697-5011. Anyone interested in being a volunteer driver in the Township should call Tony Toter at 766-2623.



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS — Seated, from left, President Melvyn C. Finkelstein, Vice President Al Bienstock and Donald R. McCallin. Standing, from left, John V. Thomas and Ken Fetrow.

HAMPDEN TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

230 S. Sporting Hill Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-3097

E-Mail Address: hampden@hampdentownship.us
Office Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

COMMISSIONERS:

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John V. Thomas, Assistant Secretary

Ken Fetrow
Donald R. McCallin

Manager/Secretary
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Published Eight Times a Year:
January 15, March 1, April 15, June 1
July 15, September 1, October 15, December 1

2009-10 Township Snow Emergency Policy

The Township has announced its 2009-10 Snow and Ice Emergency Policy. Residents are asked to review the following policy highlights.

- A “general” or “limited” snow emergency will be declared whenever street conditions are dangerous because of snow accumulation.
- A “limited” emergency normally will be called when eight or more inches of snow are forecast. The emergency will continue for 24 hours after the snowfall ends or until canceled by the Township Manager.
- A “general” emergency will be declared under dire blizzard conditions.
- Vehicles traveling the Township during a general emergency snowstorm (blizzard-like conditions) must have four-wheel drive capability or be equipped with chains or snow tires (all-season radial tires are not considered snow tires).
- **The parking of vehicles on any street, road or highway during a general or limited emergency is prohibited.**

FOLLOWING ARE SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITIES:

- Residents who live on streets that have not been dedicated to the Township are advised that **those**

streets will not be plowed by the Township. Snow removal is the responsibility of the developer.

- Plowing will begin when the snow is three inches deep.
- Top priorities are the main roads, including Orr’s Bridge Road, Good Hope Road, Lamb’s Gap Road, Creekview Road, Central Boulevard, Erb’s Bridge Road and Skyport Road.
- After the main roads are clear and remain passable, road crews will attempt to open the principle access road to each development. However, if the main roads require additional attention, development plowing may have to be halted. After the snow has stopped falling, plows will return to the developments to make a pass on the roads in each direction. Once all development roads are open, plows will return to widen the road, if possible, to the curb.
- Residents can help in three ways: Don’t travel unless necessary; **don’t shovel or blow snow onto plowed or treated streets** (the Township has an ordinance that prohibits this, under penalty of law); **and move your car off the street so that plows have more room to operate.** This is especially critical in cul-de-sacs.
- Residents can also help by removing snow from fire hydrants near their property.

www.hampdentownship.us

WEB PAGE



909-7145

Utilities Department

761-4951

Recreation Department

Emergencies – Dial 911

Non-Emergency – 761-2609

Police Department

761-0119

Municipal Building

Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-3097

230 S. Sporting Hill Road



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