

CUMBERLAND TOWNSHIP

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NOTICE OF TEMPORARY POLLING PLACE CHANGE

CUMBERLAND TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Old Polling Place: 1370 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325

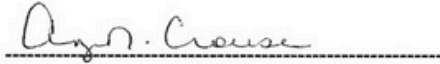
New Proposed Polling Place: 730 Chambersburg Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325

IMPORTANT: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE WILL CHANGE BEGINNING WITH THE NOVEMBER 5th, 2024, PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. FOR ELECTIONS HELD ON AND AFTER NOVEMBER 5th, 2024, THROUGH JANUARY 1, 2026. YOU WILL BE VOTING AT:

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GETTYSBURG, PA 17325

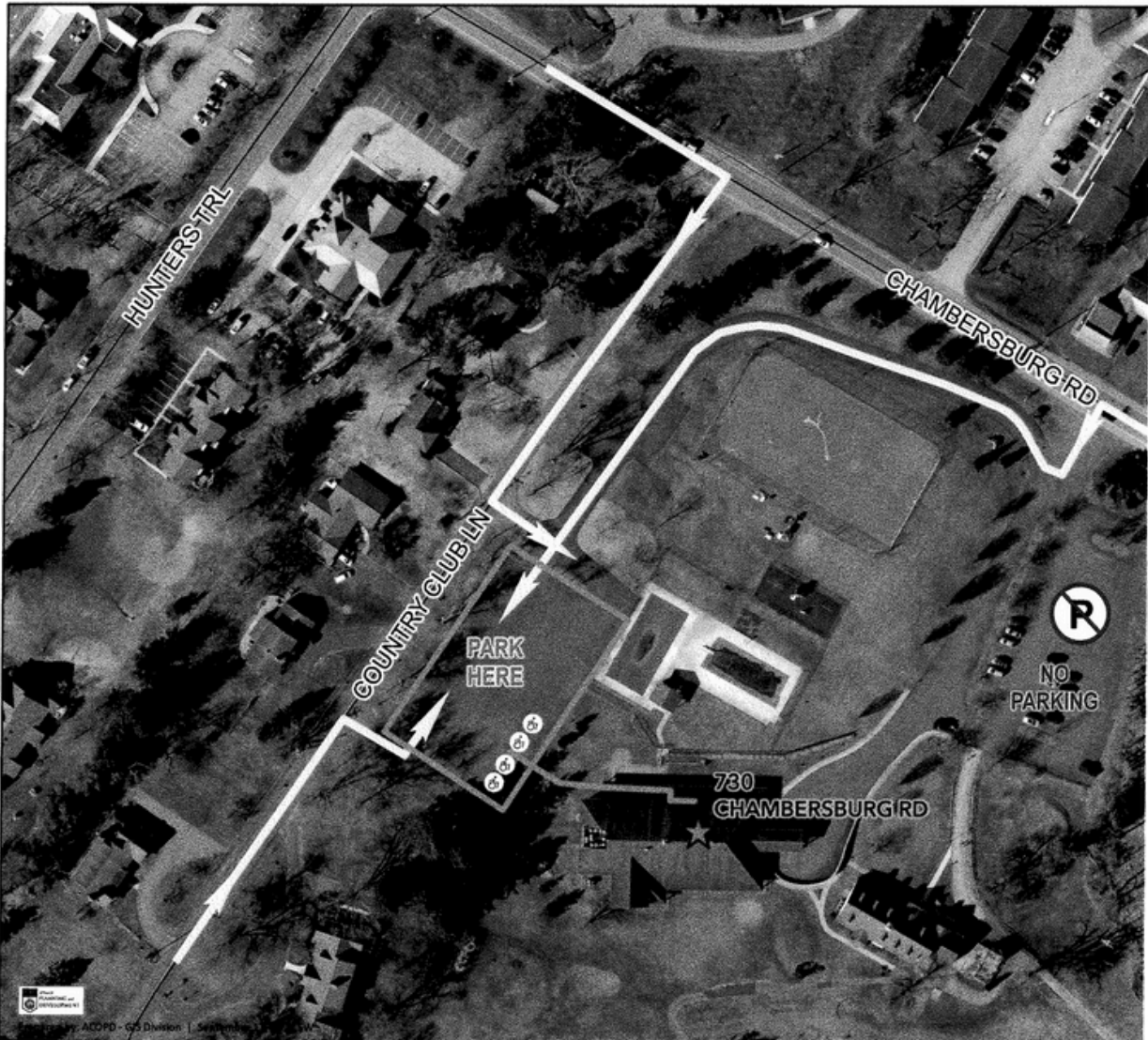
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ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS



Angela Crouse, Director
Office of Elections and Voter Registration

CUMBERLAND #3 and #4: NEW POLLING PLACE 730 Chambersburg Road (former Gettysburg Country Club)



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From the Chairman's Desk...

The Successful Move is Complete!

I am happy to report that the township staff (administration and police) are fully settled into the township's temporary home at 730 Chambersburg Road Gettysburg, PA (the former Gettysburg Country Club banquet facility). This smooth move took many hours of preparation and coordination by the manager, in conjunction with the police chief, road superintendent, and staff. The coordination and move all being completed in-house was a big cost savings to the township. In addition, it was a great show of the teamwork that goes on in Cumberland Township, day in and day out. On behalf of the entire Board of Supervisors, I would like to thank the Cumberland Township Staff for their effort in a smooth and successful move to our temporary home until the building renovations are complete at 1370 Fairfield Road. The new temporary building is lending itself well for the necessary functions of the township.

2025 Budgeting is in Full Swing

On October 15, 2024 the Board of Supervisors was presented a draft of the 2024 year-end budget projections, along with the 2025 proposed DRAFT budgets at the annual budget workshop that was open to the public. As always, this workshop was very informative and allowed for productive conversations between the various departments of Cumberland Township and the Board of Supervisors. The BOS were presented with the General Fund Budget, Fire Tax Fund Budget, State Fund Budget, Capital Reserve Budget, and Parks and Rec Budget. Having these different budgets is a great asset to the township for long term planning. A lot of time, research, and discussion goes into making these different budgets accurate year to year. This year was no different! The staff did a great job of presenting the budgets to the Board of Supervisors.

Front entrance to the temporary admin offices.



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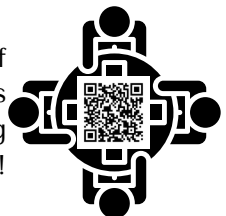
Shaun Phiel
Chairman, BOS

Meeting room at 730 Chambersburg Rd.



Your Board of Supervisors
meets the 4th Tuesday of every month
at 7:00pm 730 Chambersburg Road

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From the Manager's Desk...

As fall approaches Cumberland Township is getting ready to release the bidding documents for the renovation project for the overdue expansion of our police facilities, updated ADA compliancy, and providing better accommodations for the residents and operations of the Township. The Township continuously works hard to keep this project as cost effective as possible.

The projected timeline is to have things complete and moved back in by the end of 2025. Items that have help lower projected expenses include:

- Temporary Building Lease with American Battlefield Trust = \$0.00 (Estimated \$150,000 savings)
- Township Staff preparation and move. (The only expense was rental of a box truck with liftgate)
- High Density File systems (Secured two donated systems for installation – Estimated \$50K in savings)
- Furniture (Secured a majority of slightly used furniture for \$19K vs over \$100K for new)

With savings also comes a huge "Thank You," not only to the Board of Supervisors but also our other elected officials for all the supportive efforts and time they have spent helping the residents of Cumberland Township. The most recent award received was October 22, 2024 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority for \$100,000 under the LSA Statewide program. Those funds will be utilized to add increased security measures to the Township Building. In the past year we have had Representative Moul, Senator Mastriano, and Congressman Joyce take the time to visit our Township and discuss the future as well as its challenges.

Our temporary offices at 730 Country Club Lane are working well with minor repairs here and there to keep things operational. As a reminder, the Elections that were held at our normal location 1370 Fairfield Road have been also temporarily moved to this site. The Township is strictly the polling facility and any questions regarding elections or the process should be directed to the Elections/Voter Registration office located at 230 Greenameyer Lane Suite 100, Gettysburg or by calling 717-337-9832.

Hope everyone has a safe and happy year-end to 2024!

David Blocher
Township Manager

Keep up with
Building updates and
Township Meetings!
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Preserve our Heritage - Provide Quality Services - Plan for our Future

From your Maintenance Department...

Summer Wrap Up

With the summer construction and maintenance season coming to an end Cumberland Township Highway Department has completed numerous projects this past year both in-house and contracted. Starting with projects the team completed with resources within the department were the completion of the Twin Lakes 1 development reclamation and paving. This project was completed by the team with outside help from neighboring municipalities, Franklin, Straban and Mount Pleasant Townships and rental equipment from C.E. Williams and York Excavating. This project was completed in phases that started in 2020.

Along with various routine projects, we replaced storm sewer pipes along parts of Blackhorse Tavern and Herts Ridge Roads. These were dilapidated pipes that needed replaced in preparation for future road improvements. Traffic lines were also repainted for better visibility and navigation throughout township roadways. We will be utilizing a rented boom mower to control vegetation around the township this fall. This is an annual project that helps with sight distances and visibility on our roadways.

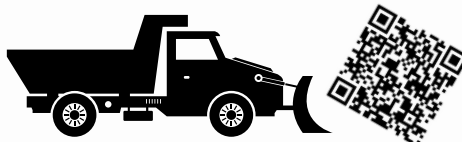
Winter Operations Plan

Our Winter Operations Plan is built on the foundation of Safety and Levels of Service. The definition of Level of Service is defined as "The observed or desired pavement conditions at various points in time during and after winter weather events."

It is the expectation of our residents that the Township will keep all the roads sufficiently passable during and following a winter weather incident. To accomplish this, the Township may implement a Snow and Ice Emergency Plan, (Ord. 2/14/2006), also the Township will provide, to the extent reasonably possible, effective and efficient measures consistent with generally accepted standard practices to restore mobility. Due to the many variables associated with winter weather, each event is unique. Factors that influence when and what measures we use include: air and pavement temperatures, wind speeds and directions, precipitation rates and types, time of onset, duration and traffic activity. Availability of equipment, personnel and materials are also key factors that influence the effectiveness of snow and ice control efforts.

It is important to note that there are many variables that can affect the ability of the Township to fully execute a snow removal operation. It is intended to convey to all – employees, elected officials, the media and the public at large – that storm conditions, material and supplies limitations, and availability of operable equipment and trained personnel are vital factors, and some are beyond our control.

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Did you know? Road closures, road work, and road emergencies will be broadcast via the Savvy Citizen App. Sign up today to stay in-the-know!

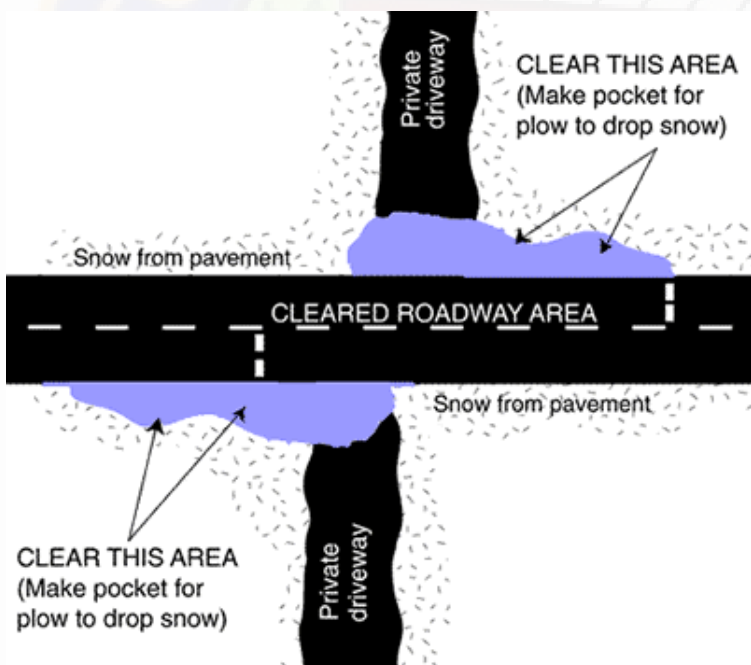
From your Maintenance Department... Cont...

The different priority ranking of streets and roads in Cumberland Township are established to maintain efficient and effective traffic flow. For winter maintenance operations, there may be some deviation due to special considerations such as, but not limited to, emergency response and schools. The following is a priority classification schedule for Cumberland Township:

- Priority 1: major arterial streets
- Priority 2: collector streets, minor arterial streets, special routes
- Priority 3: residential streets, development side streets and cul-de-sacs

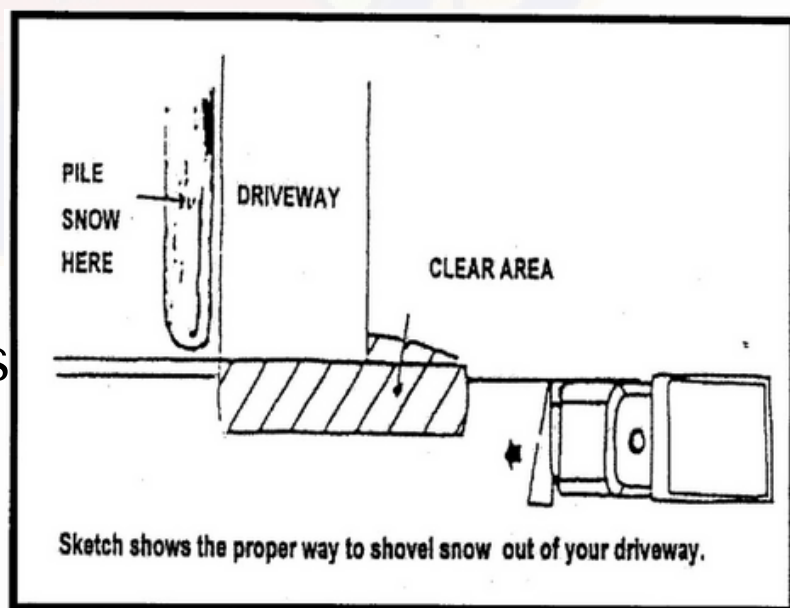
The Maintenance Department utilizes an arsenal of snow fighting equipment operated by trained and experienced staff. Please use caution when approaching a snowplow and give them room to work. Safety is top priority for the traveling public and our operators. Get to know two of our teammates working hard to keep your roads safe each day on the next page!

Shoveling Tips



A message from PennDOT:

PennDOT offers tips on shoveling your driveway to avoid being plowed in. After a snowstorm, how many times have you shoveled your driveway only to have it plowed in again? PennDOT suggests that you clear an area to the right of your driveway (as seen in the diagram below) to give the snow on the blade of the plow a place to empty before it gets to your driveway. This way you won't have to do the same job twice! PennDOT also reminds you that it is illegal to push snow from a parking lot or driveway onto a state highway.



Chris Walter
Superintendent of Roads



Snow emergencies will be broadcast via the Savvy Citizen app. Sign up today!

More from your Maintenance Department...



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Meet Jordan!!

What is your job title and how long have you worked for the township?

- ★ Assistant Roadmaster, 16 years

What initially attracted you to the township and working in local government?

- ★ I was attracted to the township because it was an opportunity I could turn into a long-term career!

Describe your role and tell us what you enjoy most about it!

- ★ I act as a backup to our Roadmaster, Chris. I enjoy being outside each day and the variation of daily tasks. Every day is different!

How do you like to spend your free time? What are your hobbies?

- ★ I enjoy going to the beach, fishing, and hunting!

Do you have a favorite book, movie, or TV show you'd recommend?

- ★ I recommend watching The Hill. Great show.

What's the best piece of professional advice you've ever received?

- ★ Work hard and do your best!!

How do you stay motivated and productive at work?

- ★ I am motivated by wanting to improve our community.

What's one thing you are looking forward to in the next year, either personally or professionally?

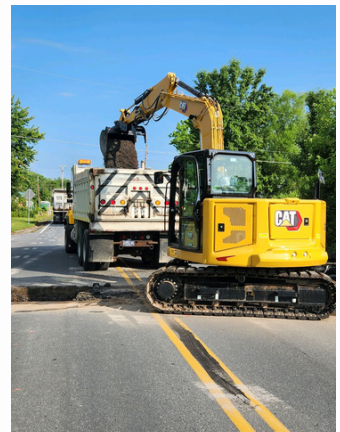
- ★ I am always excited to see how my kids perform in their sports each season!



Jordan hard at work!



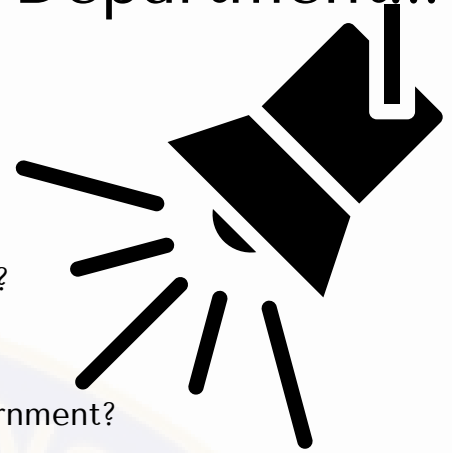
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THANK YOU, JORDAN, FOR YOUR
UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO
OUR TOWNSHIP!!



Even more from your Maintenance Department...

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Meet Jacob!!



What is your job title and how long have you worked for the township?

- ★ Skilled Laborer, 10 months

What initially attracted you to the township and working in local government?

- ★ I was eager to provide a service for the community that I grew up in. Additionally, being raised on a farm taught me skills that I knew would be put to good use.

Describe your role and tell us what you enjoy most about it!

- ★ In my crew, we're the guys that clear trees off the road after a storm, plow the streets in the winter, and do a little bit of everything. I'm always ready to jump in where I'm needed. I get to drive all the big equipment, who wouldn't love that!?

How do you like to spend your free time? What are your hobbies?

- ★ I like spending time with my friends and family. Whether it's having a cookout, going on a hunting or fishing trip, or hiking the Appalachian Trail. As long as I'm outside with good company, I'm happy!

Do you have a favorite book, movie, or TV show you'd recommend?

- ★ I would recommend the book "Leading with the Heart" by Mike Krzyzewski. His approach to leadership is very inspirational. One of my favorite quotes from the book is "Discipline is doing what you are supposed to do in the best possible manner at the time you are supposed to do it."

How do you stay motivated and productive at work?

- ★ I work ten hour days, so my productivity is brought to you by CAFFEINE!

What's one piece of advice you would give to someone starting out in local government?

- ★ Do not hesitate to go above and beyond, give every project your best effort. You're part of a team, so be the type of coworker you would want on your crew!



THANK YOU, JACOB, FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING WORK ETHIC
WHILE KEEPING OUR TOWNSHIP IN EXCELLENT SHAPE!



Jacob keeping your roadways clear!

From your Chief of Police...

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Meet Rich!!



What is your job title and how long have you worked for the township?

- ★ Police Officer, I have been with the department for 24 years. I started part-time in 2000 and moved to full-time in October of 2014.

What initially attracted you to the township and working in local government?

- ★ I have lived in the Gettysburg area all my life. I like the small town feel and since growing up here, I've fostered deep ties with the community, which helps me in my career as an officer.

Describe your role and tell us what you enjoy most about it!

- ★ As a patrol officer, I answer calls for service from the public. One aspect of the job I really enjoy is helping people in their greatest time of need. When arrived at a call, not only do I deal with the problem, but I also get to know the people and families I get to interact with. It gives me an opportunity to earn the trust of our community, which helps for future calls!

What is one project or accomplishment you're particularly proud of?

- ★ Building the School Resource Officer program at GASD! Through hard work and dedication, I was able to keep the program running for approximately 8 years. I feel a great sense of pride knowing I made a positive impact in a lot of children's lives. I really strived to make myself available 24/7 for the children and their families in times of crisis. I treated each child like they were my own. I built a lot of impactful relationships during my tenure and the numerous young men and women I've had the pleasure of helping often check in with me post-graduation!

What is something unique or interesting about you that most people don't know?

- ★ When not wearing a uniform, I enjoy learning new trades on my own. I have replaced broken pipes, remodeled a bathroom, refinished kitchen cabinets, tiled a shower, etc. I joke about being a handy man once I retire from policing. I get satisfaction seeing the finished product... and knowing I saved money makes it all worth it!!

Did you know? Emergency alerts are broadcast through the Savvy Citizen App! Sign up today!



From your Chief of Police... Cont...

How do you like to spend your free time?

- ★ So many house projects! I also enjoy fishing, hunting, and spending time with my lovely wife and 3 great kids!

What is the best piece of professional advice you have ever received?

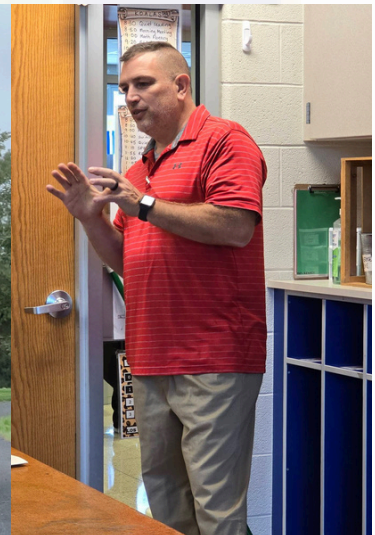
- ★ I was once told that the job as a Police Officer is all about the people because we work for the people in the community. I think about this often when dealing with a stressful situation while at work. I have the ability to put myself in their shoes and see how I would personally feel if I was in that situation before I make the decision on how I am going to help them.

THANK YOU, RICH, FOR YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE AND MAKE A LASTING, POSITIVE IMPACT ON OUR RESIDENTS!!

PtIm Keeper engaging with community members at Gettysburg Fire Department's annual Open House.

PtIm Rich Keeper, working hard to keep our township safe!

PtIm Keeper giving a talk on neighborhood safety to the HOA of Patriot's Choice neighborhood.



Chief Matthew S. Trostel



Your CTA Board...

Rich Redding, Chairman
Tom Shealer, Vice Chairman
Steve Niebler, Treasurer
Tracey Barrick, Secretary
Steve Toddles, Member
Jim Williams, Member



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Meet John!

1. What is your job title and how long have you worked for the Authority?

★ I am a Plant Operator and have been working for CTA for 14 years!

2. When you aren't holding down the fort at our two plants and seven pumping stations, how do you like to spend your free time?

★ Archery hunting and watching college football.

3. Do you have a favorite book, movie, or show you'd recommend?

★ Smokey and the Bandit

4. Who inspires you, both personally and professionally?

★ Our plant superintendent.. Shawn Kessel!

5. What is one piece of advice you would give to someone starting out in local government?

★ Pay attention to what the old guys in the trade have to show you. They are a wealth of knowledge!

6. What's a fun fact or quirk about you that your colleagues might find surprising?

★ I like to study WWII history!



THANK YOU, JOHN, FOR YOUR
PHENOMENAL EFFORT AND
POSITIVE ATTITUDE!!

Want to know more or get involved?
The CTA Board meets the 2nd
Monday of each month at 3:00pm
730 Chambersburg Road

Keep an eye on the
Savvy Citizen app for
upcoming sewer board
meetings!





The Authority recently celebrated the 30th work anniversary of our Plant Operations Manager, Todd Williams. Todd started with the authority in 1994, and has since been at the helm, helping grow our township and ensure the highest standards of wastewater treatment for our residents.



Our dropbox has moved! You can access it at the temporary municipal offices located at 730 Chambersburg Road. The dropbox is located off the parking lots accessed from Country Club lane.

THANK YOU, TODD, FOR YOUR 30 YEARS OF HARD WORK AND INSPIRATIONAL LEADERSHIP!!

Scenes from our service area...

Chase cleaning out the debris basket of a manhole



South Plant tank cleanout



North Plant tank aerobic stage



South Plant in anaerobic stage



Save checks and time with auto-pay!
Automatic payments can be set up through our customer portal at cta.authoritypay.com!

Capital Improvements Corner

- Route 116 Culvert/Sewer Relocation - Complete
- Boys School Road Sewer Extension- Complete
- South Plant Siphon Replacement- Substantially complete
- South Plant Post Equalization, UV System, & Digester Conversion- Quotes compiled, equipment orders forthcoming
- Greenmount Sewer System- Preliminary scope
- Retrofit Old Mill Pump Station- Project awarded to PSI, Inc.

Let's Talk Storm Water!

Exploring the Watersheds of Adams County

As we embrace the beauty and diversity of our natural landscapes, it's essential to highlight the vital role our watersheds play in maintaining the health of our environment. Adams County feeds two different major watersheds, the Potomac River and the Susquehanna River. Watersheds are not just geographical features; they are lifelines that support our ecosystems, communities, and the local economy.

What is a Watershed?

A watershed is the land over which water flows before it drains into a larger body of water. Several key creeks in Adams County flow into each watershed, eventually ending up in the Chesapeake Bay. The Conewago, Bermudian, Latimore, Opposum, Beaverdam, and Beaver Creeks flow to the Susquehanna, while Marsh, Rock, Alloway, Middle, Piney, and Tom's Creeks flow into the Monocacy and ultimately the Potomac.

Importance of Adams County Watersheds

1. **Water Quality:** Healthy watersheds are crucial for clean water. They filter pollutants and sediments, ensuring that our drinking water and local streams remain clean and safe.
2. **Habitat for Wildlife:** Our watersheds provide essential habitats for numerous species. From migratory birds to amphibians, the rich ecosystems supported by our watersheds are vital for maintaining biodiversity.
3. **Flood Mitigation:** Well-maintained watersheds can help absorb excess stormwater, reducing the risk of flooding in our communities. This is increasingly important as climate change brings more extreme weather patterns.
4. **Recreation and Tourism:** The natural beauty of our watersheds attracts residents and visitors alike, offering opportunities for fishing, hiking, and birdwatching. These activities support local businesses and foster a connection to our natural environment.

Community engagement is crucial for the health of our watersheds. Here are some ways you can get involved:

- **Participate in Clean-Up Events:** Join local organizations, like the Watershed Alliance of Adams County (adamswatersheds.org), for river and stream clean-up days. It's a great way to give back and meet fellow community members who share your passion for the environment.
- **Educate Yourself and Others:** Attend workshops and informational sessions on watershed management and conservation. Knowledge is power, and understanding the challenges facing our watersheds can lead to meaningful action.
- **Support Local Initiatives:** Look for local conservation programs that aim to restore and protect our watersheds. Your involvement can make a significant difference!
- **Reduce the use of chemical fertilizers, weed killers, and other household chemicals** that may end up in our stormwater systems. Remember, all drains lead to the ocean!



Learn More About Healthy Adams County



Healthy Adams County is a community health partnership dedicated to the continuing assessment, development, and promotion of efforts toward improving physical, mental, and social well-being. The organization began in 1996 and has been administering Community Health Needs Assessments every 3-5 years so it can address the top priority needs of the community. Please visit our website at www.healthyadamscounty.org to find out about our task forces that have been created over the years to work on those needs. We are always looking for new people to join us in our work.

Healthy Adams County is a 501 (c) 3 organization and also a department of WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital.

The past three years we have been focusing on the following priority areas: Mental Well-Being, Food Access and Housing, Care for All, and Healthy Communities. We also continue to focus on other areas such as End of Life Planning, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention, and Women's Cancer.

Here are a few activities and resources that our task forces work to provide to the community each year:

Physical Fitness Task Force: Spring and Fall Walking Parties, Winter and Summer Hikes, 2 free 5K's on Memorial Day and Labor Day and their Ice Cream Walk Fundraiser.

Behavioral Health Task Force: Suicide Awareness Walk and prevention activities, Bring Light to the Night Walk, Mental Health Forums, Mental Wellness Day at the Market, Behavioral Health Resource Guide that can be found on our website, Mental Health First Aid Trainings, Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) trainings, and Trauma Informed Trainings.

Adams County Women's Cancer Coalition: Dinner of Hope for Cancer Survivors held in October.

End of Life Committee: Preparing Through Life for End of Life Forum, End of Life Resources and Information Guide, Death Cafes, and Film Screenings.

Community Wellness Connections: Passport to Wellness Program coming in March of 2025.

Adams County Food Policy Council: Runs two food programs with partners in the community. Now taking applications for the Fruit and Veggie Bucks program. (Flyer attached)

If you would like any information on these programs or to join any of our groups please reach out to Kathy Gaskin, Executive Director at kgaskin@wellspan.org

Kathy Gaskin
Executive Director

Stay on top of
Healthy Adams
County events by
signing up for
Savvy Citizen
today!!





Please consider supporting your local Volunteer Fire Department!

Oct 19th Pit Beef & Pit Turkey Platters are \$11.00

Just sandwich \$8.00

Get it to go or we will have picnic table set up to eat at station

Food can be purchased at 11:30am

12 Days of Christmas Money Drawing

Tickets can be purchased from a Barlow member or by calling station at 717-334-1717

Cost is \$10 per ticket

2025 Lottery Calendars.

Calendars can be purchased from a Barlow member or by calling station at 717-334-1717

Cost is \$20 for the whole year.

Please feel free to visit our website at www.barlowfireco.com or our Facebook page- Barlow Volunteer Fire Department!

Eric Hubbard
Chief



Join Our Team!!

Gettysburg Fire Department is actively recruiting volunteers for multiple opportunities within the department!

Volunteer opportunities include:

Junior Firefighter Program (ages 14-17)

Aspiring firefighters attend monthly trainings to learn valuable life lessons, explore their interests, and take state-certified courses while protecting Gettysburg.

College-Level Tuition Program (ages 18-21)

Learn about firefighting, rescue operations, fire police, and EMS. Participants of this program can qualify for higher education scholarships, setting them on a path to success!

Volunteer Program- (ages 18+)

Volunteers participate in everything from emergency services to administration duties. Whether you're in the action or helping behind the scenes, you can help us protect Gettysburg!!

Visit
ProtectingGettysburg.com

For more information!!

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR GAME COMMISSION...



Be BearWise
AT HOME

Six At-Home BearWise Basics



Never Feed or Approach Bears

Intentionally feeding bears or allowing them to find anything that smells or tastes like food teaches bears to approach homes and people looking for more. Bears will defend themselves if a person gets too close, so don't risk your safety and theirs!



Secure Food, Garbage and Recycling

Food and food odors attract bears, so don't reward them with easily available food, liquids or garbage.



Remove Bird Feeders When Bears Are Active

Birdseed and grains have lots of calories, so they're very attractive to bears. Removing feeders is the best way to avoid creating conflicts with bears.



Never Leave Pet Food Outdoors

Feed pets indoors when possible. If you must feed pets outside, feed in single portions and remove food and bowls after feeding. Store pet food where bears can't see or smell it.



Clean & Store Grills

Clean grills after each use and make sure that all grease, fat and food particles are removed. Store clean grills and smokers in a secure area that keeps bears out.



Alert Neighbors to Bear Activity

See bears in the area or evidence of bear activity? Tell your neighbors and share information on how to avoid bear conflicts. Bears have adapted to living near people; now it's up to us to adapt to living near bears.

Black bear is a species; common colors include black, brown and cinnamon.



Learn More:
BearWise.org
Helping People Live Responsibly with Black Bears



BearWise® created by bear biologists, supported by state Wildlife agencies

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Township Treasures

Trail Spotlight- The Cart Paths

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Coverage: Some Shade

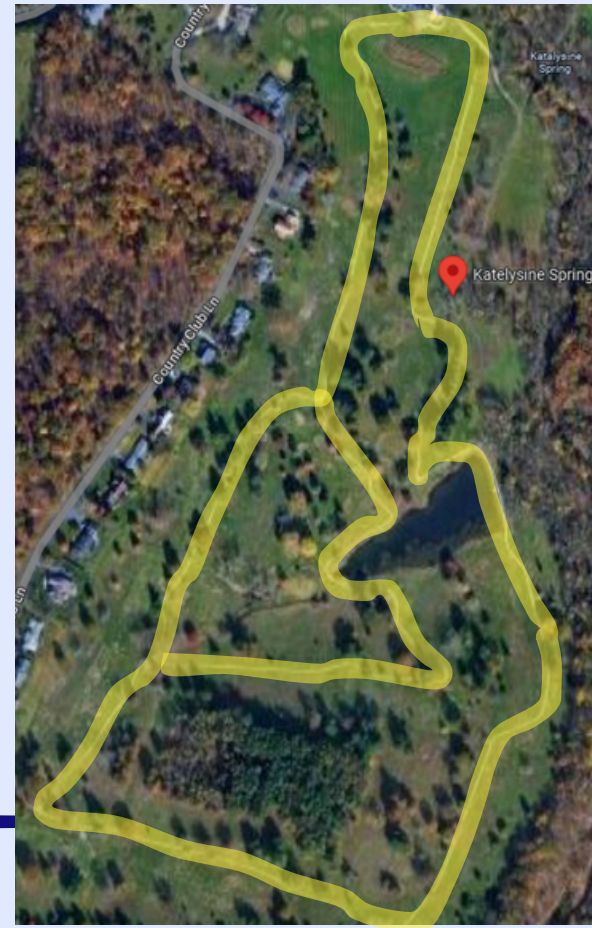
Traffic: None

Gradient: Flat Surface: Gravel

Parking: There are various parking lots onsite to utilize for trail access.

Helpful Info: The trail begins on the eastern side of the Gettysburg Day Spa building. Follow the old golf cart paths around the outer edge of the property.

Source: adamswellness.org



Katalysine Spring

Katalysine Spring has a rich history intertwined with the Civil War and the healing practices of the 19th century. Discovered in the mid-1800s, this natural spring was celebrated for its mineral-rich waters, believed to have therapeutic properties. The name "Katalysine" is derived from the mineral content, specifically potassium and calcium, which were thought to promote health and well-being.

The aftermath of the Battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War saw the town transformed into a makeshift hospital for thousands of wounded soldiers. As the town sought to recover, Katalysine Spring emerged as a popular destination for those seeking solace and healing, attracting visitors and locals alike who believed in the restorative powers of its waters.

In the late 19th century, the spring became the centerpiece of a spa resort, drawing visitors from far and wide. The Katalysine Spring Hotel was established, providing accommodations and wellness treatments centered around the spring's reputed benefits. This trend reflected a broader movement in the U.S. during this period, where natural springs were seen as havens for health and relaxation. However, as time passed and modern medicine advanced, the spa's popularity waned. By the mid-20th century, the resort closed, and the spring became less known, overshadowed by other attractions in the area, including the Gettysburg National Military Park.

Today, Katalysine Spring remains a point of interest for historians and visitors intrigued by its past. Efforts have been made to preserve its historical significance, and it stands as a testament to the healing traditions of the era. The site not only offers a glimpse into the health practices of the 19th century but also serves as a reminder of the resilience of a community that has endured through the trials of war and recovery. Check out the spring on your walk around the Cart Paths!

Community Bulletin Board

Looking for breakfast in Marsh Creek



No really! Have a GREAT DAY!

The United Lutheran Seminary Presents
Breakfast with Santa
 To Benefit Children's Programs of The
United Way of Adams County
Saturday, December 7, 2024

United Lutheran Seminary 148 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg, PA 17325
 Free Parking
 Menu: Warm & chilled breakfast items with beverages

Registration Required! Available Time Slots:
 8 am - 8:50 am
 9 am - 9:50 am
 10 am - 10:50 am
 11 am - 11:50 am

\$8 per person - Kids under 3 are free
 All children must be accompanied by an adult

Each child receives a free small toy and book!
 Photos taken with Santa using your mobile device!

United Way of Adams County | Rotary Club of Gettysburg | Gettysburg, PA

For more information email: info@uwadams.org or call: 717.334.5809

De la Idea a la Realidad
From Idea to Reality

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STEPS TO CREATE YOUR OWN BUSINESS

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ALL HISPANIC BUSINESS OWNERS AND ASPIRING BUSINESS OWNERS WELCOME!

JUEVES, 24 DE OCTUBRE, 6 - 8 PM
COLEGIO COMUNITARIO DEL ÁREA DE HARRISBURG (HACC),
731 OLD HARRISBURG RD, GETTYSBURG, PA 17325

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 6 - 8 PM
HARRISBURG AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE (HACC)
731 OLD HARRISBURG RD, GETTYSBURG, PA 17325

¡COMIDA Y BEBIDAS!
FOOD AND BEVERAGES!

ADAMS ECONOMIC ALLIANCE Center for **YOUTH** & Community Development
 The Adams County Advantage



Officer Barbagello and Sergeant Rosenberger hanging out at the Community Connections event hosted by Adams County Domestic Relations Office.



it's OK to talk about death

Virtual Death Café
 Held the Third Thursdays of January, April, July, & October
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Bring your dinner or a snack and join the Advance Care Planning Coalition of South-Central PA for open, constructive, life-affirming conversations about living, dying and end-of-life questions. The conversation environment is friendly, non-judgmental, and respectful - held in the comfort of your own home or office.

A Death Café is a group-directed conversation when people, often strangers, gather to talk about the topic of death... with no set agenda, objectives, or themes. Death Cafés are FREE. They are open and respectful of people of all communities and belief systems. Sound morbid? Not at all as the conversation is very life affirming.

To REGISTER: Contact Roberta Geidner at (410) 207-8829 or RIGAConsultingServices@outlook.com. A video link will be sent to individuals after registration is completed. For more information or if you have questions, feel free to call or email Roberta.

AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES | HEALTHY ADULTS | YOUR VOICE MATTERS

This event is being presented by Alpha Inquest Advance Care Planning Coalition, Our Wilkes Advance Care Planning Coalition, Healthy Adams County End-of-Life Committee, and Your Life Your Wilkes Advance Care Planning Task Force of York. The Coalitions promote the conversations and completion of documents needed for Advance Care Planning for people of all ages. Advance Care Planning provides a way to communicate your wishes for end-of-life treatment based on your goals and values.

SNAP Fruit & Vegetable Bucks Registration Information

To join the **SNAP Fruit & Vegetable Bucks** at **Kennie's Market**, you must:

- sign up starting September 3, 2024, at **Kennie's Market Customer Service Desk** in Gettysburg, Biglerville and Littlestown or the **SCCAP Food Pantry** in Gettysburg.
- have a **Kennie's Shopper's Card**. If you do not have a Shopper's Card, you get one free of charge when you sign up for the program.

SNAP Fruit and Vegetable Bucks at **Kennie's Market** begins **October 7, 2024** at **Kennie's Market** in **Gettysburg, Biglerville, Littlestown**. Stop by the customer service desk the first time you use the discount to make sure your **Kennie's card** is activated. You must use your **Kennie's card** to get the discount at the register. The program will run through **May 31, 2025**, or as long as funds last.

During the program period, you will receive a discount of **half off the price of fresh fruits and vegetables**. The discount is limited to **\$25 worth of produce** per day. If you want to purchase **\$25 of produce** you would only spend **\$12.50**. You can spend less than **\$25** and get half off of that amount.

You will be given the option of **completing a survey** when signing up and again at the end of the discount period. It is important that you participate in the surveys as they help us with improvements to the program.

Questions or concerns? Call **717-337-4137** or visit the **Kennie's Customer Service desk**.

October 2024 - May 2025
 Made possible by:
 Healthy Adams County
 Adams County Food Policy Council
 Kennie's Market
 Wellspan Health
 Gettysburg Hospital Foundation

Cumberland Township Maintenance Team working hard!



Cumberland Township Residents, Savvy Citizen® is now available!



Cumberland Township would like to introduce Savvy Citizen. Savvy Citizen is a free notification system for Apple and Android users that will enable the township to send information about important township news and events directly to residents' mobile devices. Residents may access Savvy Citizen by downloading the smartphone app, visiting the website below or scanning the QR code with your phone's camera.



For more info:

SavvyCitizenApp.com

Sign up and become a savvy citizen!



We want you!

If you'd like to be featured in our next Dispatch, please reach out! You can submit articles, topics you'd like to learn more about, or photographs from around our beautiful township!

Please send all correspondence to
mvoss@cumberlandtwppa.gov with NEWSLETTER in the
subject line. We appreciate you!

Get Involved!!

Available appointments:

But how??

Have you seen this form?



CUMBERLAND TOWNSHIP

1370 FAIRFIELD ROAD • GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17325
PHONE (717) 334-6485 FAX (717) 334-3632

Citizen Interest Form

Thank-you for your interest in serving on a Commission, Committee, Authority, or Board with Cumberland Township. Appointments are made by the Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors in accordance with the Pa. Second Class Township Code.

Please provide the following information:

Name:

Cumberland Township residence (address):

Phone #:

E-mail Address:

Position you are applying for:

Occupation:

Location of occupation:

Education:

Other information you deem pertinent (attach):

Date:

Signature: _____

Forward to: Michele Long, Township Secretary, 1370 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325; e-mail: mrlong@cumberlandtwppa.gov

The Citizen Interest form can be found in the Document Center at www.cumberlandtwppa.gov!



Planning Commission - an advisory group to the Board of Supervisors on issues and policies related to planning, land use regulation, and community development.

ZHB (Zoning Hearing Board) - a quasi-judicial board to help assure fair and equitable application and administration of the zoning ordinance by hearing appeals on the zoning officer's determinations and by granting relief from the literal enforcement of the ordinance in certain hardship situations.

CTA Board (Cumberland Township Authority) - the governing body of the municipal sewer authority.

GARA (Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority) - within its mission focus, the Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority has been established to organize year round programs and services to help sustain better health and wellness in our community.

HARB (Historical Architectural Review Board) - reviews and makes decisions regarding architectural design, landscaping, and signs for historic resources and buildings within historic districts.



Download Savvy Citizen to be the first to know of open positions and other ways to volunteer for your community!

Appointments generally take place at the reorganization meeting at the beginning of each year, but occasionally need to happen mid-year due to unforeseen circumstances. We accept interest forms all year long!

EVENTS!

October

- 2nd- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a
- 5th- Glass Recycling Center Open
- 9th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a
- 10th- Planning Commission Mtg 5:30p
- 12th- GASD Homecoming
- 12th- Trick Or Treat Trail AC Farmers Market 8a-1p
- 12th- Fall Family Day @ Spangler 10a-3p
- 14th- CTA Board Mtg 3p
- 16th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a
- 19th- Barlow FD Pit Beef
- 21st- GASD Board Mtg 7p
- 21st- GARA Mtg 7p Charlie Sterner Bldg
- 22nd- BOS Mtg 7p
- 22nd- Gettysburg Halloween Parade 7p
- 25th-27th- GettysburgFallBikeWeekend.com
- 30th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a
- 30th- ACHS Mortuary Practices 7p
- 31st- Trick or Treat!

November



- 2nd- Glass Recycling Center Open
- 4th- GASD Board Mtg 7p
- 5th- ELECTION DAY
- 9th- ACHS Fall Fest 9a-4p
- 11th- Veteran's Day Event - Adams County
- 12th- CTA Board Mtg 3p
- 13th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a
- 14th- Planning Commission Mtg 5:30p
- 18th- GASD Board Mtg 7p
- 18th- GARA Mtg 7p Charlie Sterner Bldg
- 27th- BOS Mtg 7p
- 27th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a

Adams County Commissioners Meetings
take place in the ceremonial courtroom at the
Adams County Courthouse

BOS, CTA, and Planning Commission Board meetings are held at 730 Chambersburg Road

December

- 3rd- GASD Reorg & Board Mtg 7p
- 6th-8th- A Gettysburg Christmas Festival
- 7th- Glass Recycling Center Open
- 7th- Breakfast with Santa - United Way
- 9th- CTA Board Mtg 3pm
- 11th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a
- 12th- Planning Commission Mtg 5:30p
- 17th- BOS Mtg 7p
- 18th- AC Commissioners Mtg 9a



November 11 is the Annual Veterans Day
Program at the Gettysburg American
Legion Post 202 at 11am. Refreshments
served afterwards.

Have a township event you'd
like included in our next
edition? Email
mvoss@cumberlandtwppa.gov
with EVENT in the subject line.
We'd love to help you get the
word out!

ACHS- Adams County Historical Society
625 Biglerville Road
Tickets available at www.achs-pa.org



Download Savvy Citizen and stay
on top of fun events happening in
and around our beautiful
township!

Essential Township Contacts

For all your township needs...

Cumberland Township Municipal Building

717-334-6485
730 Chambersburg Road
www.cumberlandtwppa.gov

For all your sewer needs...

Cumberland Township Sewer Authority

717-334-6485
730 Chambersburg Road
Emergency line- 717-253-0122
www.cumberlandtwppa.gov

For all your garbage and
curbside recycling needs...

Waste Connections

717-709-1700
3747 White Church Rd, Chambersburg
www.wasteconnections.com

For all your large item recycling
needs...

Adams Rescue

Mission
717-334-7502
2515 York Road
adamsrescuemission@yahoo.com
www.adamsrescuemission.org

For all your permitting, code
enforcement, and zoning
needs....

PMCA

717-495-4995 ext. 172
1895B York Road
www.pacodealliance.com

For all your water needs...

Gettysburg Municipal Authority

717-334-6738
601 E Middle Street PO Box 3307
www.gettysburgma.com

For all your electricity needs...
Adams Electric Co-Op

1-800-726-2324
1338 Biglerville Road
www.adamsec.coop

Met-Ed

1-800-545-7741
261 S Franklin Street
www.firstenergycorp.com

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of Emergency Services

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717-334-8101