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WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTERS

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Warrington Township

SUMMER 2025 - Digital Edition

2026 Township Budget Developments

Work has begun on the development of the 2026 Warrington Township budget which will begin on January 1, 2026. The good news about our budget is we continue to end each budget year with expenditures less than revenues, and we are delivering services in the most efficient manner possible. Every expense is scrutinized to ensure that it is necessary and at the best value possible.

However, we are facing growing challenges that can no longer be ignored or passed along for others to address in the future. The two main challenges are the financial and manpower sustainability of the Wellsville Fire Company at a level that is necessary and appropriate to ensure adequate fire and rescue services for township residents and the need to make significant repairs to our roadways and bridges. These two critical services are becoming more challenging to fund without finding new sources of revenue, which means the Board of Supervisors must consider raising our real estate millage rate. We simply cannot continue to find ways to cut existing expenditures to meet these two critical needs without jeopardizing services such as snow and ice removal, roadway maintenance, and other vital services.

How did we get in this position where we are facing these challenges?

- The township has not had a tax increase in a very long time. In fact, our millage rate (0.21 mills) has essentially not changed since at least 1969, that's over a half century ago! Costs to run a township government have certainly increased over the past 56 years.
- The costs of continuing to sustain the Wellsville Fire Company through fundraising and occasional grants and the lack of volunteers make it difficult to ensure timely responses to emergencies.
- Our roads and bridges are aging and deteriorating. If we do not begin to address these needs on a larger scale, projects will become more difficult and expensive.

- The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Pinchot State Park & State Game Lands 242) owns about 8% of the land in this township and pays \$0 dollars in taxes, but the fire company must provide services, and the township must take care of the roadways that serve these areas.
- We deliberately want to remain rural and manage growth. New growth brings in tax revenue (usually not enough to serve the new growth and requires even more expensive township services), and growth is counter to our comprehensive plan and ordinances.
- Our main source of revenue is the Earned Income Tax; the local tax withheld from your paycheck. Our Township residents are aging, and retirement income in Pennsylvania is not subject to paying a local earned income tax.
- The need to continue having at least one year's budget balance of funds for emergencies. This money is set aside to address costs associated with unplanned costs such as flood damage. Look recently at places in Lancaster County where roadways and bridges were destroyed by flooding. We need to be prepared for these events. We do not want to begin spending our emergency funds just for the sake of avoiding making tough and unpopular financial decisions.

No one likes to consider raising taxes or paying them. If the Board of Supervisors do increase the real estate millage, please be assured it will be kept to the level necessary. Controls are and will be in place to ensure efficiency, accountability and used for the intended purposes of fire and rescue services and repairing our roadways and bridges.

These budget discussions will continue between now and November when the 2026 budget is due. All discussions will be held during regular Board of Supervisors meetings and advertised budget workshops. You will find these dates on our website, or you can call the office at (717)432-9082.

"The earliest settlements in the region, now embraced in Warrington Township were made in the year 1735"

*From History of Warrington Township,
George R. Prowell*

Rich York County History History of Warrington Township

Warrington Township is a township in York County, Pennsylvania United States. It was erected by the authority of the Lancaster County courts in 1744 from neighboring townships. Many of the township's earliest settlers were of English heritage, immigrating to the township from Lancashire, England. The township's name derives from an English town of a similar name. In 1783, Warrington Township, which geographically included Washington Township, had 173 houses and 11 mills.

There are many files of history of Warrington Township on our website:

warringtontp.org

- Wending through Warrington-a history of Warrington homes and residents
- Wells Whips Factory-history of the factory in Wellsville
- History of Wellsville Borough
- History of Pinchot Park
- Beaver Creek Flood of 1826



Check out the history of Warrington Township on our website

*On a regular basis, **toss** items that hold water and are no longer used, such as old tires, buckets, and broken items.*

York County Mosquito Control

York County Mosquito Control Division routinely samples mosquitoes collected throughout the County and tests for West Nile Virus. Mosquito Control also conducts a comprehensive larvacide and spray program during the season that **mosquitoes are most active, from late spring to early fall**. Recent tests conducted in York County have produced positive West Nile Virus results. At this time, Mosquito Control is

not aware of reported cases of West Nile Virus in humans or animals in York County. The County plans to continue testing and spraying efforts. Mosquito Control recommends the use of insect repellent and long sleeves/pants to cover exposed skin. It is important for residents and businesses to regularly **tip** any standing water on their property,

especially in containers such as tires, flower pots, tarps, toys, and bird baths. Mosquitoes grow in water, so reducing the mosquito population is done by removing the breeding habitat.



Burning plastic can affect air quality, public health

Burning Plastic? Think Again...

Burning plastic releases carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases, contributing to global warming and climate change.

Given the urgent need to reduce our carbon footprint, burning plastic is a step in the wrong direction. Plastic is made from non-

renewable resources like oil and natural gas.

While burning plastic may seem like an easy fix to reduce waste, the long-term effects can be severe—both for your health and the planet. By understanding the environmental, health, and economic consequences, we can make more informed decisions when it comes to handling plastic waste. Next time you think about burning a piece of plastic,

consider the alternatives. Whether it's recycling, reducing, or proper disposal, every small action can make a difference in the fight against plastic pollution.

Burning plastic may seem like a quick solution, but its impacts can linger for years, affecting not just the air we breathe but the land, water, and health of those **we love**.

Wellsville Fire Company Event

Annual Fire Prevention Open House, October 8, 2025, 6-9pm.

Meet Your Local Heroes: Meet the firefighters dedicated to keeping our community

Climb aboard, the equipment, and learn how fire-fighting vehicles operate. It's an experience that kids of all ages will enjoy. Come together as a community and learn about the importance of fire prevention. Working

smoke alarms make life-saving difference. Light Refreshments will be served.

We look forward to seeing you there!



2025 Committee Meeting Schedules

Board of Supervisors meet on the **second Thursday** of each month at **6:00pm**.

Planning Commission meets on the **third Wednesday** of each month at **6:00pm**.

Zoning Hearing Board meets on the **first Thursday** of the month at **7:00pm** if a meeting is needed.

Any additional meetings or workshops are advertised in the Dillsburg Banner as they occur and also are listed on our website.

Meeting **Agendas** and **Minutes** can be found on our

website. If you have an item that you wish to have listed on the agenda for any of the board meetings, please **contact our office at least two days prior to the meeting** to have your item included on the agenda.

Agendas are posted on our website 24 hours prior to each meeting. Minutes are posted on the website once they are approved by each respective committee. Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend meetings to help our board and committee members understand com-

munity needs and priorities. Resident presence at meetings helps to increase awareness to be in the know and participate in what is happening in the township.



Attendance provides all participants a chance to voice their concerns, issues, and ideas.

Rechargeable Battery Disposal

DO NOT PUT RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES IN YOUR CURBSIDE TRASH OR RECYCLING BIN!

For Disposal Options Visit:
Call2Recycle.org



In Partnership With:



Do not put Rechargeable Batteries in the regular trash or recycling. Visit CALL2RECYCLE.ORG to find the nearest location that will dispose of your rechargeable batteries properly.

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Director Permit/Zoning/Codes Officer.....Eric Swiger
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Administrative Assistant.....Elaine B Smith
Road Foreman.....Marty Smith
Road Crew.....Michael Coy, Carl Moody

Township Board of Supervisors:

Meetings held 2nd Thursday, 6:00 PM

Jason Weaver-Chairman

Zachary Fickes-Vice Chairman

Jim Smedley, Ed Mattos, Michael L Saylor

Township Planning Commission:

Meetings held 3rd Wednesday, 6:00 PM

Ben Lance-Chairman

James Barton-Vice Chairman,

Carla Repman, Len Kotz, Richard Bensel

Robert Shelly, Alternate

Township Zoning Hearing Board:

Meetings held 1st Thursday, 7:00 PM

(if scheduled)

Allen K Winey-Chairman

Lisa M Frey-Vice Chairman

Kenneth Eshleman, Gregory Seifert, Janelle Lance,

Robert Koppenhaver (Alternate)

Township Engineer:

Cory McCoy, C.S. Davidson, Inc

Township Solicitor:

Brian Linsenbach, Stone, Wiley, & Linsenbach, PC

Sewage Enforcement Officer:

Jeremy Kerstetter, Site Design

Dog Officer: Will Clark.....717-329-5106

York County SPCA.....717-764-6109

YCSPCA Email.....info@ycspca.org

Emergency Management Coordinators:

EMC: Ethan Still

Deputy EMC: Dean Trump

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Adams Electric Services	888-232-6732
Adams-Emergencies/outages	800-726-2324
Blue Ridge Cable TV	717 938-6501
Comcast Cable TV	800-266-2278
Columbia Gas	888-460-4332
Magisterial District Judge 19-3-10	717-432-3618
Frontier Communications	877-647-0750
Game Commission (Dead deer/Twp)	814-643-1831
PennDOT (Dead deer State roads)	717-848-6230
Gifford Pinchot State Park	717-432-5011
Met Ed – Services	800-545-7741
Met Ed-Power outage	888-544-4877
Verizon Telephone/Customer services	800-837-4966
York County Solid Waste Authority	717-845-1066

Board of Supervisors Actions: January 1, 2025- July 31, 2025

- Completed the installation of a new traffic signal in Rossville under budget using a PennDOT grant.
- Approved amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to better regulate commercial scale Solar Energy Systems and Facilities.
- Granted conditional approval for a new wireless communications tower at Ski Roundtop.
- Approved contracts for the double seal coating of Poplar, Minebank, Thundergust, Squire Gratz and Zeigler Roads.
- Approved roadway contracts for stone, asphalt and line painting.
- Re-evaluated building and zoning permit costs and approved the reduction of costs for some permits.
- Established a voluntary 457(b) Deferred Compensation program for township employees to supplement their retirement.
- Approved the upgrade of security camera and connected the restrooms to public sewer at the township park.
- Approved a written policy framework on the funding of the Wellsville Fire Company to ensure the accountability and use of township funding.



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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31st
6:00PM-8:00PM

@ WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL PARK
3325 ROSSTOWN ROAD, WELLSVILLE

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www.warringtontwp.org