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JEANNINE (Jen) FIELDING

eannine (Jen) Fielding has been an Executive Assistant for ten years, supporting top executives across a variety of industries from non-profits to defense contractors, mortgage companies and most recently, wealth management. Some of her greatest strengths include providing seamless behind-the-scenes support, anticipating the needs of her executive and teams, and interacting with customers and the public with both warmth and a smile. She has taken an active role in Marketing and Communications for each of her positions, including providing professional proofreading and editing skills, as well as social media engagement. In her personal life, Jen is a former college volleyball player and now Club volleyball coach for TNT Volleyball, Glenside, PA, working with young women to grow their skills both on and off the court. She is a private business coach, helping clients manage life-changing events, such as divorce or job loss. She has two young adult children, her son living and working in Boston in compliance for a financial services firm, and her daughter, preparing for her Master's degree at Virginia Tech University in Structural Engineering. She formerly lived in Warrington Township and plans to move back later this year.

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 11 a.m.

Ome to honor our military heroes and enjoy this meaningful outdoor event held at scenic Igoe Porter Wellings Memorial Field. Warrington's annual Memorial Day ceremony features tributes to servicemembers, patriotic music, color guard procession, remarks from government officials, and refreshments.

Among the speakers at this year's program will be Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick, State Senator Maria Collett and State Representative Todd Polinchock.

Each year, the ceremony includes a recognition of the local veterans whose names are newly engraved on the park's Warrington War Memorial Wall. The 2021 Memorial Wall honorees are: Lloyd E. Kinzel, Army/Air Force, World War II/Korea; Bonnie B. Kinzel, Army, World War II; Lloyd A. Kinzel, Army, Vietnam; Maryann V. Scarpill, Marines, Vietnam; and Vincent Valinotti, Army, Kosovo (Operation Joint Guardian).

At this event, COVID-19 precautions will be followed, including social distancing and hand sanitizing. Igoe Porter Wellings Memorial Field is located at 3095 Bradley Road, Chalfont.

2021 Calendar Refer to Link Articles for locations



Warrington's Mary Barness Community Pool May 31 through September 6, 2021



POOL OPEN HOUSE - Friday June 4th 4-7pm.

Come check out the facility. There will be an opportunity to check out SCUBA at the upper pool, some raffle give-a-ways and Cool Eats will be open for some dinner or snacks.



Warrington Cares Triathlon Sunday, September 12, 2021



Warrington Community Day Saturday, September 25, 2021 (Rain date: Sunday, Sept. 26th)



Fishing Derby Saturday, September 25, 2021



Theater Camp July and August, 2021



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2021 Board or Commission Meetings - ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

BOARD OR COMMISSION	DAY OF MONTH	TIME
Board of Supervisors	2nd and 4th Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Bike & Hike Trails Committee	3rd Wednesday	7:30 p.m.
Communications Advisory Board	4th Monday (alternating months)	7:30 p.m.
Environmental Advisory Council	1st Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Historical Commission /Society	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m.
Open Space and Land Preservation Committee	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Park and Recreation Board	4th Thursday	7:30 p.m.
Pension Advisory Board	7th Wednesday After Each Quarter	11:00 a.m.
Planning Commission	1st Thursday • Workshop 3rd Thursday (optional)	7:00 p.m.
Barness Swim Club Advisory Committee	4th Thursday	5:30 p.m.
Veteran Affairs Committee	Last Monday	4:30 p.m.
Zoning Hearing Board	4th Monday	7:00 p.m.

SIGN UP FOR E-LINK ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

The E-Link, Warrington Township's electronic newsletter is produced on a monthly basis. The Link will continue to be mailed quarterly. Find out the latest information on upcoming events. Also find out about current or proposed developments or projects underway or being proposed. A schedule of special events will also be featured in the E-Link.



To be on the mailing list for the E-Link, sign up through the township's website www.warringtontownship.org/HotTopics.

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FROM OUR SUPERVISOR

Fred R. Gaines, BCEE, P.E., Chair

One of the questions that Supervisors are frequently asked is where did the millions go from the sale of the Water and Sewer utilities?

The Township received \$33.8 million from the sale of both systems. Approximately half of the funds (\$16.3 million) was used to retire municipal debt that was a significant expense on the annual Water/Sewer budget. A major anticipated Bond Issue was eliminated when it was determined that the Township would not require millions for rehabilitation of the existing water and sewer infrastructure due to the sale of the systems.

The majority of the remainder was deposited in the newly created Utility Proceeds Fund (\$12 million) which was established to pay for capital projects for the next few years, thus avoiding having to borrow money to pay for capital projects as has been the norm for many years. An additional \$4 million was used to create a new Tax Stabilization Fund, which was set up to minimize or eliminate the need for future tax increases.

The remainder of the sale proceeds were used to cover transition expenses, employee expenses and other miscellaneous items, such as to make up for the loss of General Fund revenue (approximately \$300,000) per year that the cell towers located on the water tanks that we sold brought in. This source of revenue has been decreasing as mobile phone companies were combined and sold off and are expected to drop off considerably as new technology utilizing Distributed Antenna and Data Collection Units are introduced.

Not only did the sale provide the above mentioned benefits to the residents of Warrington, but through the negotiations of the agreement by the Board of Supervisors, it also reduced water customers bills nearly in half and sewer customers received a rate lock for a 3-year period (it was anticipated that both water and sewer rates would have likely increased if the Township had retained ownership of the systems).

The new Police Station was conceived several years ago. Funds to design and construct it were generated through the normal budgeting process supplemented by a very-low interest Bond Issue. Lions Pride Park was funded primarily by public donations. Supplementary funds for the park have been obtained from government grants, augmented by Open Space Fund money.

Most important, every major decision made along the way of the sale of the utilities and the construction of these municipal facilities was accomplished with the support of and under the watchful eyes of dedicated volunteer citizen committees in conformance with the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act.

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP 2021 BUDGET HAS NO TAX INCREASES

Homestead Exemption Will Remain

Warrington Township announced that its 2021 budget will have no tax increases. The budget was approved via Zoom at the Board of Supervisors meeting on November 24, 2020.

The 2021 budget calls for \$15.2 million in the General Fund to be used for the operations of all township departments. In light of the economic difficulties caused by the pandemic, the Board of Supervisors proposed a budget that held the line on taxes and kept the Homestead Exemption, which gives eligible homeowners a \$3000 reduction in their Real Estate Assessment. In addition, since the water utilities have been sold to North Wales Water, the Fire Hydrant tax has been eliminated. The result is Warrington Township's 2021 budget will be balanced with no new taxes, and the Township eliminated an old tax.

Several capital projects that will take place or continue in 2021 were presented as part of the Capital Improvement Fund. The proposed projects for 2021 include:

- Repaving of township roads: \$1.2 million
- Construction of an access road from the Township complex to Easton Rd.: \$325,000
- Palomino Streambank Stabilization: \$330,000
- Renovations to the playground at Willow Knoll Park: \$500,000
- Township Building HVAC Upgrades: \$125,000
- Storm Drainage improvements to Warrington Village: \$510,000
- Red Coat Farm Drive Trail repaving: \$25,000
- Historic Preservation-10 Folly Rd. Schoolhouse: \$100,000
- Easton Rd. Pedestrian Crossing: \$100,000
- Rt. 202 to Bradford Dam Trail: \$650,000*
- Community room at Lions Pride Park: \$1,100,000*
- Boardwalk trail extension at Lions Pride Park: \$225,000*
 *Will be undertaken if grant funds are received

The Township's \$25.8 million-dollar budget considers the negative impacts on revenue from the COVID-19 epidemic and allows for no new full-time staff, with the possible exception of a police officer to replace one who is out on medical leave. In addition, capital and operating costs have reduced by all departments, salaries are being adjusted partially on a performance basis and capital spending on some items has been deferred until either later in the year 2021 or the following year.

"The township's budget includes provisions for: (a) meeting our obligations to maintain healthy pension funds for both police and non-uniformed employees; (b) police salary increases resulting from recent contract negotiations; (c) continuing our program of repaving every street in the Township, every twenty years; and (d) ensuring that any new development will comply with the new zoning code," said Fred Gaines, Chairman of the Warrington Township Board of Supervisors. "The Board of Supervisors wishes to thank the employees of the Township who have continued to provide excellent services to Warrington residents and businesses under these unusual conditions."

Another Take on Fireworks: Not Fun for Everyone

By Christian Jones

My grandfather served our country in WWII. We planned to care for him in our house for the rest of his life, but he could not tolerate the constant fireworks, and we were forced to find another place for him to live. Fireworks triggered his post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), significantly increased his panic and anxiety, and ultimately forced a great man-who served our country with all his heart and soul--to live out his remaining life separated from his family. Our hearts will forever be broken over this.

. . . . Warrington Resident

Many people view fireworks as a fun activity. That assumption is no longer true. Did you know that fireworks can cause major problems for many of your neighbors?

Why are there so many fireworks? A law was passed in Harrisburg in October 2017, which allowed consumer grade fireworks to be sold in permitted locations throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Recently, there have been so many complaints across the Commonwealth that four new bills have been introduced in Harrisburg to once again limit the use of fireworks.

The testimony provided above demonstrates how loud noises and visual firework displays can negatively impact Warrington families. This example is focused on someone with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), but what about those with other special needs such as young children, pets, wildlife, and migrating birds? Some report such a severe reaction to the fireworks that they are forced to leave their homes or to use unwanted medications. This is why residents are asking for relief.



Residents need to comply with the laws. PA Article XXIV in Act 2 of 1971 was amended in 2017 and Warrington Township (Ordinance 2018-O-15 & recently passed Ordinance 2020-O-08) both restrict the use of consumer fireworks.

- 1. No one under the age of 18 may purchase, possess, or use consumer fireworks.
- 2. Consumer fireworks cannot be used on public or private property without the express permission of the owner.
- 3. Consumer fireworks and sparkling devices cannot be used within or thrown from a building or motor vehicle.
- 4. Consumer fireworks and sparkling devices cannot be ignited/sent towards a building, a motor vehicle, or another person.
- 5. Consumer fireworks and sparkling devices cannot be used by someone who is under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance, or another drug.
- 6. Consumer fireworks cannot be discharged within 150 feet of an occupied structure, whether or not a person is actually present.
- 7. Consumer fireworks cannot be used except on the following Holidays:
 - a) New Year's Eve- 4PM-1AM
 - b) New Year's Day- 4PM-10PM
 - c) Lunar New Year- 4PM-10PM
 - d) Diwali 4PM-10PM
 - e) Memorial Day 4PM-10PM
 - f) July 4th- 4PM-10PM

If you live in a Warrington neighborhood where homes are less than 150 feet apart, you cannot legally set off fireworks.

Everyone understands that fireworks are festive and were commonly used for 4th of July and New Year's celebrations. Now, some individuals feel that they can use fireworks without any restrictions. This is not accurate. For those who violate any of the above restrictions, a fine of \$600 per violation has been instituted within Warrington Township.

Let's encourage everyone to be considerate of neighbors and animals and become more thoughtful when using fireworks. The Township has formed an Ad Hoc Fireworks Committee to create an exciting public awareness campaign to increase public awareness about safe use of fireworks and the safety of all Warrington residents including animals.

Thank you for your cooperation! Call the Township Police Non-Emergency number if you want to report a firework incident at 215-343-0100. In the event of an Emergency, call 911.



Warrington Township Police Department Receives Accreditation from Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (PLEAC)

ACCREDITATION ENSURES POLICE DEPARTMENTS ARE FOLLOWING BEST PRACTICES

By Daniel J. Friel, Chief of Police

Warrington Township has announced that its Police Department has been awarded accreditation from the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (PLEAC). The accreditation process is specific to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and involves establishing a framework for evaluating agency practices and procedures; improving law enforcement and community relations; and encouraging problem-solving activities within the agency.

Chief Daniel J. Friel remarked, "Achieving accreditation is a testimony to the hard work of the entire department over the last 15+ months. Special credit goes to our command staff, including Lt. Meditz, who was the policy and training coordinator, and Lt. Gottenberg, who trained all of the Sergeants and reviewed every criminal case file to ensure that our officers were meeting the necessary standards." Chief Friel continued, "This is a proud and special time for our police department and we want the community to know that our department meets the highest standards for policing in Pennsylvania and we are committed to maintaining them."



There are nearly 1200 police departments in Pennsylvania, of which more than 375 are enrolled in the accreditation process. Warrington Township Police Department became the 128th police department in the Commonwealth to achieve accreditation and the 16th out of 39 in Bucks County.

"Township officials, members of the police department and I met with PLEAC assessors who indicated that they were very impressed with the police culture here and how everyone works together," said Fred Gaines, Chairman, Warrington Township Board of Supervisors. "The assessors also commended the Township for having the forethought to design the new police station with accreditation in mind."

In recent years, it has become increasingly difficult to qualify for PLEAC accreditation. 139 state standards must be met and followed and each accredited police department must also show proof that all standards are being followed. In addition, each year when new standards are issued, they must be adopted and the accredited police departments must show proof



that the standards have been put in place. Although the Warrington Township Police Department was already meeting many of the accreditation standards, some policies needed to be updated. In addition, Warrington Township Police Department changed its documentation process in order to show proof of compliance to the standards set by PLEAC.

Mark Lomax, a member of the Township Board of Supervisors and Board Liaison to the Police Department commented, "We are extremely proud of our Police Department and all that they do not only to uphold the highest standards of law enforcement, but to maintain great relationships with the residents and businesses in our community."

Photo at left (left to right):

Craig Rudisill, Law Enforcement Accreditation Services
Lt. Robert Meditz, Warrington Police Department
Chief Daniel J. Friel, Warrington Police Department
Michael Murphy, PLEAC Commission
James Adams, PLEAC Commission Program Coordinator
Lt. Glen Gottenberg, Warrington Police Department

Goodman Properties/ Warrington Cares SPRINT TRIATHLON IS BACK!

By Jen Fielding

Who/What/When/Where

WC will be holding a Sprint Triathlon/ Duathlon on **Sunday, September 12, 2021** with a start time of **7:00am** at the **Mary Barness Community Pool** located at 2501 Freedoms Way, Warrington, PA 18976

To register, please visit the WC website: www.warringtoncares.org

CONTACT BARRY LUBER OR RENEE SCALLY AT 215-343-9350 FOR MORE INFORMATION







Now that many of us have gotten our vaccines and Covid-19 restrictions are lessening in many areas of our social and physical lives, it's a perfect time to get out and try something you've always wanted to do – a Sprint (mini)Triathlon! Yes, this means you!

Consider what it means to run a Sprint Triathlon – many of us have already done so – just not together. You might have completed a 300-meter swim, a 10-mile bike ride or a 5K run, right? So, why not combine them! Imagine the bragging rights!



And, think of the people you will be helping by participating in this wonderful event sponsored by Warrington Cares (WC), a 501C (3) non-profit organization, which raises funds for local causes. Its Mission states, "All funds raised will be directed towards providing money to local families in need, annual scholarships to graduating high school seniors who reside within Warrington Township, and making donations to other non-profit organizations."

How to Become a Sponsor

If you aren't interested in actually participating in the Sprint Triathlon/Duathlon, then perhaps you'd be interested in becoming a sponsor? This is a great way to get your name and business out there front and center. In past years, there have been over 200 participants in the race. Your name will appear on all signage and even t-shirts worn by staff members and visitors well beyond the day of the event.

WC has hired a professional timing company - DQ Events/DQ Timing Company, which will organize the event (they specialize in these events and will handle the online registration process). DQ Events /DQ Timing Company has over 24,000 Runners/Triathletes in their database and will send an email blast to announce and update this event.

Thanks to businesses like yours, WC has raised over \$60,000 over the past four race events. This year, we hope to help more families by raising even more money! For example, in 2020; WC awarded six non-profits (\$6,000); three food pantries (\$2,000), four families in need during the holiday season (\$1,000), and awarded two high school students \$2,500 college scholarships.

Thank you to Goodman Properties for already signing up as our Title Sponsor! The race is now officially "The Goodman Properties/ Warrington Cares Sprint Triathlon"

Gold Level Sponsor - \$1,000

- Email Blast to 24,000 runners/ triathletes with Sponsors names/logo included
- Your company's name on Webpage dedicated to the race
- Your company's name and logo on the event's shirt given to all participants and volunteers
- A table set-up at the event for your company (if requested)
- Company name mentioned and thanked at the awards ceremony
- Press Release of the event including Gold Sponsor names
- · Banner supplied by you displayed at the race
- Benefit of being a community partner

Silver Level Sponsor- \$500

- Email Blast to 24,000 runners/triathletes with Sponsors names/logo included
- Your company's name on Webpage dedicated to the race
- Your company's name and logo on the event's shirt given to all participants and volunteers
- Company name mentioned and thanked at the awards ceremony for all races
- Benefit of being a community partner

Bronze Level Sponsor - \$250

- Your company's name on Webpage dedicated to the race
- Your company's name and logo on the event's shirt given to all participants and volunteers
- Company name mentioned and thanked at the awards ceremony for all races
- Benefit of being a community partner



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



RON POWELL

Code Enforcement/Zoning Inspector



f you've visited Warrington Township administrative offices or worked here for any amount of time, you most likely know Ron Powell. Ron has been working with the Township since 2001 and currently plays an instrumental role in assisting the Board of Supervisors, Township Manager, the Executive Assistant and many others. He helps interpret the Zoning for residents when they come to research land development parcels or answers questions concerning the permitting of fences, sheds, or decks. He posts public and Zoning Notices throughout the Township – look for those bright orange signs – and you know Ron's been there!

Ron is instrumental in assisting the Codes and Zoning Departments by patrolling the Township looking for Code/Zoning Violations. In fact, he removes signs that are illegally placed in the Right-of way that can be dangerous or distracting.

Ron assists Public Works with identifying property lines, and assists other Departments, as needed. Most importantly, Ron is always friendly and willing to help anybody with anything.

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A little bit about Ron before he came to the Township.

He served in the U.S. Navy – was in charge of a Captain's boat as Petty Officer 3rd class from 1958-1961. Then, his career brought him to the Philadelphia area where he worked at Lockheed Martin from 1967-1998 as a Senior Design engineer, working on various projects which included: spy satellites and InterContinental Ballistic Missiles (ICBM). Ron has been married to his lovely wife Joan for 50+ years. He has two children, four grandchildren and currently resides in Warminster. His hobbies have included - loving to ski and photography.

Ron's favorite part of the job, according to him - "I love to work and talking with the residents."

GIRL SCOUTS HOST EARTH DAY CLEAN UP

By Ivy Ross

The Warrington Township Environmental Advisory Council would like to thank Senior Girl Scout Troop 21031, which hosted a neighborhood Earth Day clean up event along Paul Valley Road and Valley Square Drive.

These areas were littered with trash, and in need of a major clean up. Five Girl Scout troops joined Troop 21031 and a total of 22 Girl Scouts and many adults came together and collected over 42 bags of trash and other items including tires, contractor and realtor signs and other large items that had been discarded in these areas.

The volunteers got a lot of honks and thank you's from people driving by. These wonderful Girl Scouts exemplified what it means to be a Girl Scout. They made our community a cleaner and better place in which to live. Also, they had a blast doing it together!

Girl Scouts.





WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP2020 ANNUAL REPORTS





Zoning Hearing Board

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MEETINGS HELD, 11

January 27, 2020 July 27, 2020 November 9, 2020 February 24, 2020 August 24, 2020 November 23, 2020 June 22, 2020 September 28, 2020 December 8, 2020 June 24, 2020 October 26, 2020

Residential Hearings - 26

Hearings	20
Withdrawals	1
Continuances	
Appeals	1
Carried forward to 2021	

Non-Residental Hearings

Applications	1
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Hearings	3
Continuance	
Appeals pending	3

Additional information for each case may be found on the Zoning Hearing Board's Minutes or in the Decisions and Orders for each individual case. Please visit the township website for the full 2020 Annual Report: https://www.warringtontownship.org/government/advisory-boards/zoning-hearing-board/



HELP IS AVAILABLE "Basic Needs" Resources for Residents

If you're unsure where to start, call 2-1-1 a free and confidential tool to connect people to local resources.

- 1. All Central Bucks families with children can obtain lunches for children in their household. Visit wwcbsd.org/food
- 2. Food pantries: Visit www.bcoc.org for a list of local food pantries. Call ahead as hours may have changed.
- 3. Fresh Connect is an outdoor farmer's market that offers fruit and vegetables for free, Tuesdays at Warminster Community Park from 12-1, year-round. https://wwbcoc.org/i-need-help- with/food-2/fresh-connect/.
- 4. If you are in need of shelter, call the Bucks County Housing Link at 1-800-810-4434.
- 5. Internet www.internetessentials.com offers free internet for qualifying households for 2 months right now.
- 6. Visit https://www.attorneygeneral.gov/covid19/ for a rights and resources guide.
- 7. Visit https://www.uwbuckorg/covidresources/ for other COVID-19 resources in the County.

A New Zoning Ordinance for Warrington

By William M. Connolly, Supervisor

Warrington Township has just completed the draft of an entirely new Zoning Ordinance. The process of public meetings, public input, and ultimate adoption is now beginning. At 283 pages in length, it was a major undertaking. The obvious question is why an entirely new ordinance?

The short answer is because the old one had so many problems it was irredeemable.

Planning and Zoning are two of the most important functions of a local government. In Pennsylvania it starts with a Comprehensive Plan that sets a direction and vision that reflects the desires of the citizens. A Zoning Ordinance is a set of detailed regulations that specify the kind of uses permitted, their location, how much of them and requirements to ensure good design, adequate open space, and minimizing development related problems like flooding and traffic.

Written piecemeal over many years prior to 2016, the old ordinance didn't reflect a vision of community desires. The result was a population that doubled in 20 years (1997-2016), massive and sometimes poorly planned commercial development and ever-increasing traffic problems. The old ordinance did not reflect the planning vision of Warrington residents. Rather too often, it reflected the wishes of developers. Many, many projects had their own zones written by developers and adopted by successive Boards of Supervisors. The result was a complex, confused document that was of very little use to anyone but developers. In short, it couldn't be fixed.

By 2016, it was clear that enough was enough. It was time to start over. The first step was a community-wide survey to find out the hopes and concerns of the citizens of Warrington. A very large majority of the people thought that there had been too much development, that it was too dense, that traffic was even worse, that we had enough age-restricted housing, and that we needed to pay more attention to open space and protection of the environment.

Pennsylvania law requires that municipalities "in the path of growth" accommodate it, but it also encourages good planning.

The next step after community survey was a review and updating of the Comprehensive Plan. By law, this has to be done before a new zoning ordinance can be contemplated. It was found that the Comprehensive Plan needed very little work. The problem was that the Township had not followed it in 20 years. That's not the way it should be, but that's the way it was.

So how does the new zoning ordinance attempt to correct these problems? It is not easy to describe the many ways it does so in a short article but these are some of the highlights:

- It reflects the wishes of the Township's residents, as expressed in the survey, rather than the wishes of developers.
- It reduces the average number of homes that can be built on currently vacant land by about two-thirds of what was permitted under the developer-driven process.
- It encourages new developments to provide for at least 65% of the developed land to be permanently preserved as open space.
- It eliminates the very intensive (4 to 6 story) buildings that were allowed in certain areas in order to preserve the suburban/rural character of Warrington and keep it from becoming urbanized.
- It simplifies the zoning along Route 611, eliminating the very large number of project-specific zones that crept into the old ordinance and replacing many of them with a simplified new zone that encourages higher quality uses with higher design standards.
- It provides a new zone between Upper State Road and Route 202 that will add job opportunities in high quality tech-related uses. Warrington's existing development is heavily tilted toward retail and residential. This zone will provide some balance.
- The ordinance contains a number of provisions designed to reduce the burden of zoning on homeowners who are making improvements to their properties like decks, patios, pools, and additions. The developer-driven zones often did not provide for such improvement and that resulted in homeowners having to make expensive and time-consuming trips to the Zoning Hearing Board, just to improve their property. The new ordinance ensures that requirements as consistent with existing neighborhoods and provides a way that expansions of lot coverage can be accomplished without a trip to the Zoning Hearing Board.

The result of all this effort will be a community where any development will be located where it makes sense, not just where a developer wants it, where poorly planned overdevelopment is relegated to the past, and where the ordinance will be user-friendly to the homeowner.

The draft is posted on the Township's website. The Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors will be holding public meetings to gain public input. Please use those opportunities to make your views heard. This is for you and your community.

STATUS OR TOWNSHIP GOALS

AS OF APRIL 1, 2021

Goals in orange have been completed

GOALS - 2021	STATUS	NEXT STEP
Enhance communications with residents via increased social media/website posts, new Facebook/Youtube videos and Cable TV programming.	Six episodes of The "Spotlight on Warrington Businesses", have been produced and posted on our website and Facebook The first episode of "Coffee with the Chief" has been produced and posted. The first episode of Public Service Announcements has been posted (Public Works preparing for a snow storm)	Post on Social media, Cable channel and website. Shoot weekly, or bi-weekly videos and share with the public. Will also be programming some seasonal/ occasional videos (Lions Pride, Swim Club, Emergency Services car seat installations and various Capital projects underway). Will also be shooting video series titled "did you know" highlighting unique features in Warrington such as the airport, Holbert Racing, 10 Folly Rd. Schoolhouse, the Nike Missile base, etc.
Identify Suitable Location for Salt Shed near the eastern end of the Township	The Township Manager has looked into a few areas to locate the Salt Shed. Recently, the Township Manager discussed the possibility of locating the Salt Shed on Horsham Air Guard Station property in conjunction with their upcoming new main entrance project.	Continue to explore options and follow up with the Air National Guard as their project moves along.
Implement new Document Management System	SCANTEK is currently in the midst of the import/ export process of documents within the existing document management system to the new Laserfische document management system. They have encountered issues with the transfer of metadata and are currently working on a solution.	Once import is complete, train staff concerning use of new system.
Education and Public Outreach concerning the dangers of Consumer Fireworks use	Banners placed and removed until the weeks leading to the permitted Holidays. Contest complete and prizes awarded.	Continue to hold committee meetings on a regular basis and continue to include educational articles within LINK and E-LINK during appropriately timed issues.
Pond to Wetland Conversion Construction- Lions Pride Park (DCNR Funding)	Princeton Hydro in Conceptual Design Phase of project.	Proceed to final design and possibly begin construction towards the end of 2022.
Establish Warrington Township as a Walkable Community	Grant for Segment B of the Rt. 202 to Bradford Dam Trail submitted, awaiting possible award. Grant submitted to PECO- Green Region program for enhancements to Weisel Preserve awaiting possible award. DCED grant under review for construction of boardwalk in wooded area of Lions Pride Park. CKS is working on the design of a pedestrian crossing of Easton Road in Shetland Drive alignment project and improve the crossing at Freedoms Way and Oxford.	Continue to identify potential trail connections and continue to seek grants for these opportunities. Plan and design the construction of a pedestrian access from Anderson Way trail to Dubree Avenue.
Determine best use for 15 acre parcel on Bristol Road across from Barness Park	Athletic Organization Roundtable meeting held to gather input from all of the organizations. Discussed all of their needs and the status of their organizations.	Waiting for feedback from all of the groups in order to determine the next step in planning the use of the space.
Construct Road from Police Station to Shetland Drive	Permits have been submitted to PennDot. We are working with our neighbor, Homestarr Realty on signage and final details of the plan.	Once PennDot approval is received, put the project out to bid. Construction to begin in late 2021.
Conservation Easements on newly acquired land from Emerson Farms, Grove Valley Farm and Laurel Crossing	Conservation Easement on Emerson Farms being finalized with Natural Lands.	Determine if we want to put a conservation easement on Grove Valley Farm and Laurel Crossing, and if it can be one easement if preserved land is contiguous.
Master Plan for Mill Creek Preserve, Weisel Preserve and Emerson Farms Preserve ongoing	Natural Lands actively working on the Master Plan.	Completion of plan and decisions to move forward on construction of parking and trails on the Mill Creek Preserve.
Seek and Purchase High Quality Open Spaces		Seek and purchase high quality open spaces.
Update all Financial Policies		Finance Director to work on updating all financial policies. First policy update anticipated to be completed by the end of June.
Improve Online Services to Residents and Contractors through the use of fillable forms on Township website	Currently working with SCANTEK and Laserfische on the implementation of Document Management software.	Once Laserfische is implemented, Asst. Manager will work with SCANTEK and Laserfische to get fillable forms and processes onto the Township website.

Research Feasibility of Stormwater Management Authority		Assistant Township Manager and Township Engineer to look into existing authorities, policies, legislation, staffing, operations, and capital project needs concerning stormwater management.
Research Feasibility of establishing County Public Transportation/Bus Stops within the Township	Have not started	Will reach out to Doylestown Dart, Bucks County TMA and Representative Todd Polinchock to begin dialog
GOALS - 2020	STATUS	NEXT STEP
Seek PA law amendment to allow for Mercantile and Business Privilege Tax for Municipalities that do not currently have one	Senator Collett is discussing this with another Senator in the Pocono region. Representative Polinchock doesn't believe the current climate (prior to COVID-19) is ready for this kind of discussion/move.	Check in periodically with Senator Collett and Representative Polinchock. Chairman Gaines to discuss with fellow Supervisors.
Plan for, and begin the reuse of the Police Station for Administration use	New conference rooms construction is complete. All staff has been relocated to new offices Carpeting of offices is complete. Painting of offices is complete. Sprinkler piping has been relocated. Removing a doorway has been completed. Retiling of the restroom floors is completed. Rehabilitation of the new lunchroom is completed. Carpet replacement in lobby and Yannich Meeting room has been completed. New chairs have been received. A new seal for the dais has been installed. Mold remediation has been completed.	Goal complete! Most of the work done by Public Works employees saving the township a significant amount of money. Great job by Joe Knox and his staff.
Develop Fact Sheets for frequently asked Zoning questions (fences, sheds, tree trimming, draining, etc.)	FAQ Sheet posted to Township website.	Goal Complete
Develop policies to ensure all information is current on website and social media outlets	The Communications Coordinator is reviewing the website and Social Media on a bi-weekly basis to ensure that all information is current.	The plan is to increase this review to a weekly basis.
Continue to improve the quality of life within the community and the delivery of services by obtaining grants	Grants administrator is working on or recently applied for the following grants: CDBG Grant for Willow Knoll Park, Lions Pride Park Community room, Rt. 202 to Bradford Dam Trail Construction (segments B & C), Electric Vehicle charging stations, Boardwalk extension through Lions Pride A PECO Growing Greener Grant was recently received in the amount of \$10,000	Continue to seek grant opportunities.
Hold Referendum for Earned Income Tax increase for Open Space Funds	Board voted to hold off on this initiative until 2021 due to Covid-19.	We will re-visit this issue with the Board in March or April to see if they want to consider a 2021 implementation or defer until 2021.
Implement Performance Evaluations	Department Heads have submitted performance evaluations to the Township Manager. Township Manager reviewed performance evaluations.	Goal Complete.
Obtain Police Department Accreditation	Accreditation achieved.	Kudos to the Police Command staff and the entire dept. on achieving accreditation. Goal Complete.
Plan for and move Police Department to the new Police Station	Police moved into new station.	Goal Complete
Work with DCED to complete the Fire Services Study and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors	The Taskforce has made recommendations to the Board of Supervisors of which recommendations to implement from the DCED Fire Services Study.	Meetings will be held quarterly to continue to monitor the situation. Goal Complete.
Establish 3 new Police Outreach Events/Activities Every Year	Police launched CRIMEWATCH TV in January 2021. They now have their own television channel broadcasting in their lobby.	More to follow as we navigate through this pandemic.
Reintroduce the School Resource Officer into Operation	Police are waiting to hear back from the School District for the 2021-2022 school year once they re-open facilities full-time again.	
Bring Police Department to peak efficiency staffing		One new full-time officer is to be hired in Spring 2021.
Signage project for Parks and Open Space	Signs and sign posts are beginning to be installed.	Public Works will install the signs under the direction of the Open Space chair.
Operation Plan for Lions Pride Park	We are still exploring the options of staffing (paid), volunteers, or increasing Park Steward presence. We currently do not have a sufficient office on site.	Consider treating as all other parks until a time where we have a facility to house staff and amenities. Pursuing a grant to build a new community room in place of the old art building.

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Increase Recreation programming/opportunities	Planning summer programming for 2021. We will comply with all state and County guidelines	Continue to monitor the pandemic situation to offer nature based, and sports camps for 2021.	
Achieve Swim Club self-sufficiency	New signs installed at the intersections of 611 and Freedoms Way and Freedoms Way and Liberty to highlight the pool. Swim advisory committee developed and administered survey at the end of the season.	Planning on operating the swim club with all amenities, events, and adding some new programming (SCUBA, art classes, etc.).	
GOALS - 2018 THRU 2019	STATUS	NEXT STEP	
Design and construction of Police Station	Construction complete.	Goal Complete.	
Overhaul of Zoning and SALDO and Ordinance	Ad Hoc Committee completed a page by page review of the final draft of the Zoning Ordinance.	The Bucks County Planning Commission is to make a final clean draft available at the next in the near future. At that time, the draft may be placed on the township website for public review and comment. This will be in addition to the public review and comment period required by the Municipalities Planning Code following advertisement of the ordinance for adoption. Following that, there is a need to obtain authorization from the Board of Supervisors for advertisement as required by the Municipalities Planning Code.	
Update Zoning and Map	Will be completed once the zoning ordinance revisions are adopted.	Will be completed once the zoning ordinance revisions are adopted.	
Research improvements to Bristol and Easton Rd. intersection	A conceptual design had been laid out approximately five years ago. A draft study prepared by Michael Baker International proposed some turning lanes. The study has not been finalized.	Obtain budget figures for roadway improvements from CKS and authorize the township engineer to prepare plans to submit to PennDOT. Identify all ROW acquisition requirements.	
Revise and Update Verizon Franchise agreement	The Cohen Law Group, representing Bucks County Consortium, is finalizingnegotiations. A draft of the agreement should be ready for the Board of Supervisors soon.	Once draft contract is received, we will make it available to the public, hold a public hearing to get resident feedback and then place on an agenda for Board consideration.	
Develop Inter-Municipal Agreements	New Britain Township's comments have been addressed.	We are awaiting word from New Britain Township on the final draft. Once they approve, we will have an agreement for the Board's consideration.	
Develop Inter-Municipal shared equipment/ purchases/personnel	The sharing of a street sweeper with Warwick Township fell through. We will continue to look for opportunities to work with our neighboring municipalities	Continue to explore equipment sharing/personnel sharing between neighboring municipalities.	
Begin Implementing Parks Rec. & Open Space Plan	202 to Bradford Dam trail under construction and portion from Stump Rd to Pickertown Rd complete. Applying for DCNR grant for, segments "B" and "C" from Mill Creek Rd to Lower State Rd, and Lower State Rd to Belflower Blvd. Pickertown to Barness Park feasibility study completed (not feasible at this time), Street Rd to Phillips still under consideration. Easton Rd trail crossings developed and presented to Bike & Hike committee and approved. Partnership with Natural Lands to preserve and develop Emerson, Wiesel, and Mill creek preserve.	Natural Lands Trust is working on master plans for Emerson, Wiesel, and Mill Creek Preserve. Coordinate the pedestrian crossing at Shetland road with the intersection realignment. Apply for a DCNR grant for segments "B" and "C".	
Human Resources Policies Develop and implement Policies that are referenced in the Employee Handbook.	The Township Manager provided feedback to Human Resources concerning the Military Leave of Absence Policy. Human Resources created a Hiring and Background Policy. The policy was sent to legal counsel and the Department Heads for input. The policy was revised based on comments received.	The Township Manager will advise when he would like to discuss and if need be, move forward with the Military Leave of Absence Policy. The Township Manager will be following up with a labor attorney for input on the Hiring and Background policy. This goal is essentially complete but as needed, policies will be created.	
Master Plan for Mill Creek Preserve	Partnership with Natural Lands established to preserve and develop Mill Creek preserve. Draft master plan been prepared.	Form a "friends "group or working committee for the management of the Mill creek property. Meetings with Natural Lands to be set up by Open Space.	
Master Plan for Weisel Preserve	Natural Lands agreement is working on the master plan.	Meetings with Natural Lands to be scheduled by the Open Space Committee.	
Master Plan for Emerson Farms	Natural Lands easement agreement is under final review. Natural Lands is working on Master plan.	Meetings with Natural Lands to be set up by Open Space.	

From The Public Works Department -

Warrington Township Residents Yard Waste Drop Off Locations:

Only Leaves, branches and logs can be taken free of charge to the following locations: Tradesville Plant in Warrington and Britton Industries.



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3430 PICKERTOWN RD, CHALFONT, PA 18914 Open the 1st - 7th of each month from Dawn to Dusk

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May have to show proof of residency.

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PA ONE CALL ACT 287
CALL 811 OR 1-800-242-1776



For your safety and the protection of utility lines, you first have to make a Pa One Call!

Call 1-800-242-1776 when digging with power equipment.

According to the Act 287, you are required to inform the utilities of any type of work involving the movement of earth with powered equipment. It does not matter how deep you are digging or where you are digging within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The call center is open 24-hours a day, 7-days a week, every day of the year. When in doubt Call 1-800-242-1776 or 811. There is no charge for homeowners. If you have underground electric service, call 811 prior to any type of dig. Better to be safe than sorry.

Many utility companies have aerial and underground facilities. Telephone lines, cable TV lines, gas, water and sewer are just a few that may be encountered. Damage to buried utilities most often occurs when homeowners do not call for utility locations before they dig. After your call please exercise caution within the tolerance zone to avoid interference, or damage to the utilities buried below. For additional information see www.paonecall.org.

Annual Fishing Derby – 2021 is Ready to Catch 'Em!

By Scott Vogin

Missed fishing? We have, too! Let's do a Derby!

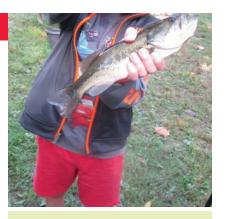
The anglers are welcome to fish along the Little Neshaminy Creek on Warrington Day on September 25th, which can be accessed from the Bradford Dam Trailhead in John Paul Park at Lower Nike. In order to participate, children must bring their own fishing tackle and be accompanied by a responsible adult.

All fish caught will be measured, identified and recorded. Prizes will be awarded for the largest fish, the smallest fish and most fish caught during the derby. This year's awards include some really cool items, like: fishing rods, and other prizes.

The Bike and Hike Committee will be providing bait free of charge. In past years, anglers caught between 60 to 80 fish! Let's see if we can beat that number this year! One angler caught a 12-inch bass, which was one of the biggest fish ever caught.

Fishing derbies bring families and friends together to have fun, learn, and spend quality time outdoors. Children will also learn the basics of fishing.

So that we can get an accurate count as to the number of participants, please visit and register: https://www.warringtonrec.com/info/activities/default.aspx?type=activities



HELD ON WARRINGTON DAY
SEPTEMBER 25, 2021
Between hours of
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Permits, Property Maintenance, Safety, Street Addresses and More

Are you in the process of selling your home?

If so, a Use and Occupancy Inspection is required. The fee is \$125.00. Once inspected, the Use and Occupancy is good for 60 days. You can obtain an itemized list of what the inspector will be looking for and the form that needs to be completed on our website www. warringtontownship.org.

If your home has a sprinkler system, the system needs to be inspected by a third party sprinkler agency, registered with Warrington Township (list available online). If you do not have access to the Internet or if you have any questions, you can contact us at (215) 997-7501 and we will be happy to assist you.



Do You Still Have An Open Permit?

Reminder to residents, if you have an open permit, remember to schedule your inspections!

Unclear if your permit was closed? You should receive a green certificate in the mail. If you are waiting for your certificate, it's possible the inspection was incomplete. To verify if you have an open permit or to schedule an inspection, contact the Building Department at 215-997-7501 (Press 1 to schedule an inspection).



Vegetation Code Limit is Six Inches – No More!

The Warrington Township Code Enforcement Office would like to remind property owners and tenants of property maintenance, especially during the summer months when vegetation tends to grow rapidly.

For reasons of health and safety the Code Enforcement Office would like to take this time to inform residents that letting the lawn or vegetation, such as weeds or plants, grow taller than six inches is a violation of Warrington Township Ordinance, 27 Section 2320 which states "No lawn on any lot shall be allowed to exceed six (6) inches in height."

LOOK! New Fire Trucks On The Way Soon

This past March, the Apparatus Committee, comprised of department staff and Warrington Fire Co. #1 members, traveled to Seagrave Fire Apparatus in Wisconsin for pre-construction of the township's new Aerialscope Tower Ladder and Fire Engine.

The apparatus committee spent close to a week in Clintonville to ensure the apparatus will best serve the community in the future. Both organizations would like to thank the Board of Supervisors and the Truck Committee for their support and hard work!



Car Seat Checks Always Important

Expecting a new family member?
Or is it time for your child to face the other way in the seat?

The Emergency Services Department is certified to conduct a car seat safety check. Please contact the Emergency Services Department at 215-997-7501 to schedule.

Car seat checks are conducted Tuesday - Thursday each week by appointment only between the hours of 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM. Email to schedule or call 215-997-7501 x 302.

Smoke Detectors Save Lives

SAFETY SEAT

Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms.



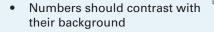
If you or someone you know is in need of smoke detectors or need assistance in checking them contact the Warrington Township office to schedule an installation or home safety check.

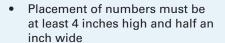


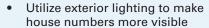
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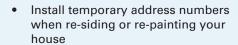
Street addresses should always be visible from the street in the event that an emergency should arise, your home can be found in the most efficient time.

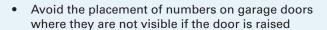
Below are some guidelines to assist in keeping your home visible:



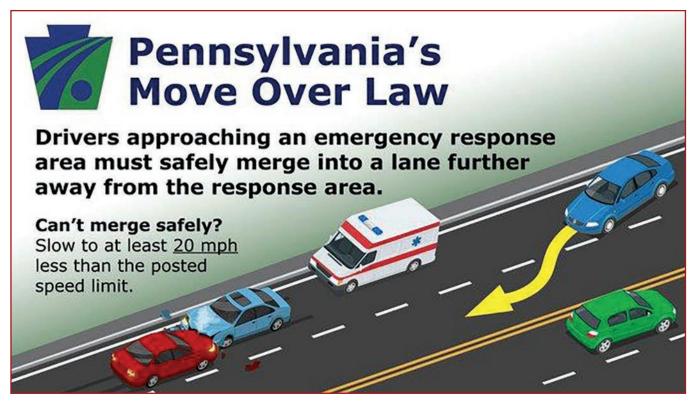








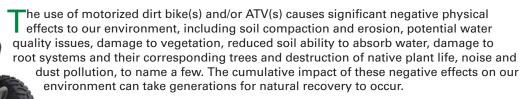
 Wait outside the front door when expecting emergency responders at your home



WARRINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Motorized ATVs and Dirt Bikes – Impacts on our Environment

By Ivy Ross



From the legal perspective, the use of motorized dirt bike(s) and/or ATV(s) is not permitted on any property owned by Warrington Township, including (but not limited to) streets, sidewalks, parks, parking lots, walking trails, designated open space areas, Township storm water management areas and areas designated as "naturalized" or "environmentally protected" areas.

In terms of privately owned property, the use of motorized dirt bike(s) and/or ATV(s) is not permitted on lots of less than two acres in size, per Township Ordinance Chapter 337. Violators are subject to fines of up to \$600 per incident, plus costs of enforcement and any potential court fees.

These provisions are designed to secure, promote and protect the public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, and peace and quiet of the residents of Warrington Township. It is designed to alleviate problems (such as, but not limited to) loud, unnecessary noises within the Township, damage and destruction of property, unauthorized use of private lands, and other inconveniences to the residents of Warrington Township.



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING **EVENT HUGE SUCCESS**

n January of 2021, Warrington Cares hosted a monthlong recycling fundraiser in collaboration with Warrington Environmental Advisory Council (WEAC). This drive collected a variety of hard-to-recycle materials, such as holiday light strings, electical cords, mobile devices, printer cartridges and laptops while provide much needed funds to Warrington Cares to support local families in need.

In the end, we raised almost \$600 and collected: 225 lbs of small electronics (100+ cell phones, 20+ tablets, 30+ laptops, 50+printer cartridges), 90 lbs of electical cables, and 220 lbs of light strings. The total volume would be equivalent to about 6 standard (96-gal) trash carts.

All electronics collected were sent to third-party certified refurbishers and recyclers to ensure maximum environmental and data security compliance.

Special thanks to Zijun Xu, WEAC volunteer, for organizing and managing the logistics of this unique dualpurpose fundraiser.

Did you know that **Recycling Does This?**



One laptop saves 5.11 lbs of carbon emissions



One cell phone saves 16 g of copper, 0.35 g of silver and 0.034g of gold



One laser cartridge saves 25 oz of oil



A single lithium ion battery can contaminate up to 35,000 gallons of water



Conserves minerals that are often mined in conflict zones and endangered species habitats



Plant Buffers along our Streams and Ponds

By Mary R. Stover, P.E., CKS Engineers

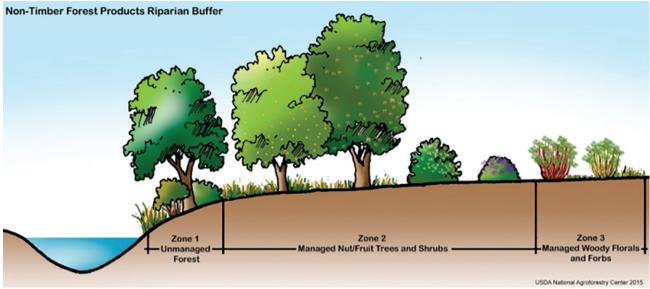
What is a Buffer and Why is it needed?

A riparian buffer along a stream, creek or pond is a vegetated area to help the water quality in the waterway. During a rain event, the water running to the streams picks up soil, fertilizers and pesticides from lawns, and oil and grease from roads or driveways. The vegetated area provides shade, filters the water that runs off the adjacent land into the waterway. Slowing the water down before it reaches the stream also helps to prevent erosion of the soil and streambanks.

How do I plant a Buffer?

Typically a buffer area consists of 3 zones. The size of each zone will vary depending on the space available.





- **ZONE 1:** Along the edge of the stream, creek or pond should be planted with native trees and shrubs that can tolerate wet conditions.
- **ZONE 2:** Adjacent to Zone 1, plant native trees and shrubs, plus wildflowers and grasses to provide a transition.
- **ZONE 3:** Next to Zone 2, plant an area of native grasses and wildflowers to slow the water and allow some to be absorbed into the ground.

How do I Maintain the Buffer?

- Initially, the buffer will need to be maintained with watering and weeding to help the plants establish and remove invasive
 plants.
- The grasses and wildflowers in Zone 3 should be mowed twice a year, in the spring and fall, to prevent overgrowth.
- The trees and shrubs should be pruned to remove any dead, dying or diseased branches.

Where can I learn more about Buffers?

Information about buffers and the appropriate plants can be found on the following websites:

- Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources: https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Conservation/Water/ RiparianBuffers/Pages/default.aspx
- PennState Extension: www.extension.psu.edu

For more stormwater information, please visit the Township website at https://www.warringtontownship.org/departments/planning-development-zoning/storm-water-management/

For any questions or concerns regarding stormwater or if you observe pollutants entering the storm sewer or stream, please call Warrington Township at 215-343-9350.

WARRINGTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION/HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Warrington Community Carnival held many years in the 60's at the corner of Easton and Street Roads before the shopping center was built.





There was food, games and rides and always drew a big crowd.





widened in the 60's. This group

was on the east side. A popular

spot for skating in the winter also.

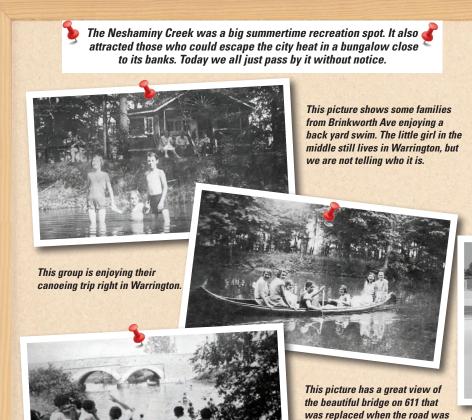
Warrington Day parades on 611 and Bristol Roads in the 1950's



The sponsor sign gives you an idea of what the businesses were then.



We hope you enjoy these pictures. We are having another Open House at our one room Schoolhouse on June 5th 10 AM to 2 PM. Come out and see the school set up with desks, the teacher's platform, our pot belly stove, and restored bell. Masks are required. We will be making sure everyone is socially distanced. Parking is limited.





Warrington Pool only had one pool before the 1960 renovations. The building you see contained the office, snack bar, lockers, as well as Men's and Women's changing areas. It was before Warrington Village was built and looking out towards 611.

BIKE & HIKE TRAILS COMMITTEE -

Map of Trails Makes Trail Use Easier

By: Andrew Oles, Parks and Recreation Director

The Bike & Hike Trails committee is in the process of conducting an audit of all our existing trails in Warrington. The goal is to further improve the trails map and make it easier for residents to access and use our trails. The latest edition of the map is available in the Township website.

Official trails link several neighborhoods providing a mix of surfaces for walking, jogging and riding. Lions Pride Park and Lower Nike Park both have several trails and are now connected by a pedestrian walkway across Folly Road. Be sure to check them out!

In the near future there will be a connection between Phillips Avenue and the Power Line Trail, along Street Road. As you enjoy our trails, always remember to respect our environment.



Residents can attend the B&H committee meetings, presently by Zoom, at 7.30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Details on the Township website.

DID YOU KNOW _

Did you know... the new draft Zoning Ordinance (ZO) has a new format? The text layout is unchanged from the customary Articles that number I through XI including Subsections, identified as 370-101 through 370-1108. What changed is significant. The draft ZO is reader friendly, more easily understood by the public, property owners and more enforceable by the Zoning Officer. For example, within Article II "Glossary of Zoning Terms" pictures and graphics have been added. The Article consists of forty-one (41) pages. Sixty- three (63) types of signs are listed making it easier for the business community to understand what is permitted.

The next significant change is how "Uses" are identified in each zoning district. Previously, all types of residential uses; single family houses and garden apartments or commercial uses; the flower shop and a shopping center were lumped together. The draft ZO gives each use an alphabetical and numerical designation.

A1-A7 Agricultural Uses
C1-C11 Institutional Uses
E1-E46 Retail/Commercial/Consumer Uses\
G1-G12 Industrial Uses
B1-B17 Residential Uses
D1-D6 Office Uses
F1-F3 Utility Uses
H1-H10 General Accessory/Structure Uses

The draft ZO identifies twenty-eight (28) existing residential subdivisions that do not conform to the zoning district. These neighborhoods are identified, shown on the draft Zoning Map, and recognized that they were approved with lesser zoning standards. Now if the homeowner wishes to add an addition, enlarge a deck, pave a driveway or other improvement to the lot he or she will not have to go to the Zoning Hearing Board for a variance if the improvement meets the zoning standards established when the subdivision was built.

OD1b OD2a OD2b OD2c OD2d	Meadowbrook Mill Creek Village Arbor Ride 2 Oak Creek Parkview Perry Farm	OD4 OD5 OD6 OD7a OD7b	Somerset Walk Legacy Oaks Lamplighter Castle Hill Orchard Hill Turnberry	OD9b OD10 OD11 OD12 OD13	Meridian at Valley Sq Warrington Pointe Bluestone Creek Villas at Lamplighter Forest Ridge
OD2f OD3a	Warrington Glen Warrington Meadows Arbor Ridge 1 Maple Knoll	OD8b OD8c	High Grove Penns Woods Sweet Briar Warrington Station		Spring Meadows Parkway —— means Overlay District

The draft Zoning Ordinance is on the Township website.

From the Parks & Recreation Department —



SUMMER 2021 WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP'S RECREATION PROGRAMS

Online Registration: www.warringtonrec.com First create your household account, add all family members and confirm your email address – you are ready to register!

Warrington's Mary Barness Community Pool Open and Full of Fun!

By Andrew Oles

Summer is here and the pool is open! We are looking forward to an exciting summer with special event days like Diving for Coins, Float'n Fridays and Family Fun Days. We hope that everyone is ready to relax and enjoy the facility.

We will post monthly schedules at the entrance to the pool and make announcements during the days to let you know what's coming and when. Our staff is excited to have you all back and looking forward to re-connecting with all of our regulars and meeting patrons new to our pool.

We will do our best to make the summer both enjoyable and safe for everyone following all safety guidelines and cleaning procedures. Once again we will have our concession stand (Cool Eats) open starting at Noon daily. They have an extensive menu and are conveniently located at the end of the main building.

The pool is open from 11am to 8pm on the weekends until Saturday June 12th when we will be open seven days a week. Memberships can be purchased online at https://www.warringtonrec.com/info/activities/default. aspx?type=memberships

We are the home of the Warrington Dragons swim team for swimmers ages 5-18. Practices and home meets are held at Warrington's Mary Barness Community Pool. Check out the Dragons website for more information on how to be a part of this great swim team. http://wstdragons.org

LIONS PRIDE PARK IN FULL SWING

By Andrew Oles



he summer is beginning and our new Park is everything we hoped it would be! Lions Pride Park provides a great location for safe and exciting recreation opportunities for users of all ages.

Please take the time to enjoy some quality outdoor time with your friends and family. There is a spacious pavilion that can be rented for gatherings of all kinds (birthday, reunion, anniversary, or just friends). Contact Jeanine Winslow at jwinslow@warringtontownship.org for more information on how to rent the pavilion.

The walking trails offer users the chance to walk, run, and bike all while staying properly distanced. We have new and exciting changes and additions coming to the park to enhance the already expansive recreation offerings - stay tuned!

Please, when using the park, help us keep it neat and clean by using the available trash receptacles. We look forward to seeing you at Lions Pride Park this summer.

From the Parks & Recreation Department _____



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The week ends with a Free Show for family and friends on Friday. We will be following CDC guidelines and masks will be worn.

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Season 3: Palomino Park, July 1 – July 29, 4:45–5:30 pm

Season 4: King Park, September 2 – October 7, 5:00–5:45 pm (no tennis September 16)

Little Aces (recommended ages 7–10): \$72

Season 2: Palomino Park, May 20 – June 17, 5:30–6:30 pm

Season 3: Palomino Park, July 8 – July 29, 5:30–6:30 pm

Season 4: King Park, September 2 – October 7, 5:45–6:45 pm (no tennis September 16)

Juniors (recommended ages 11–13): \$72

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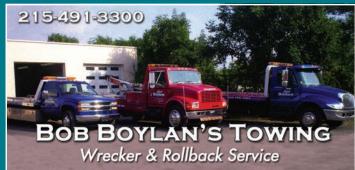
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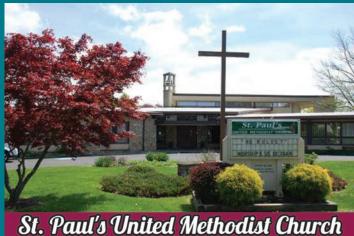
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