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Elizabeth Township, Lancaster County, PA - Spring 2025 Newsletter

(For the Residents of Elizabeth Township)

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Welcome to Spring in Elizabeth Township!

As the days grow longer and the landscape bursts into bloom, we're excited to share updates, events, and community highlights to keep you informed and engaged this season.



Elizabeth Township continues its partnership with Warwick Ambulance for emergency medical service. Residents are encouraged to support this vital service by purchasing a subscription directly from Warwick Ambulance. Subscription details and sign-up information are available on their website. www.warwickems.org/membership/

Local Volunteer Fire Companies, including Brickerville, Brunnerville and Penryn, provide coverage to the Township. Please remember to support them with your time and resources. Their service is invaluable and greatly appreciated! Always be aware of emergency vehicles as they pass on their way to a scene: PA State Laws require us to move over and let them through as quickly and safely as possible.



Community Development & Planning

Our Planning Commission, comprising five dedicated township residents, reviews subdivision and land development plans, providing recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and the Lancaster County Planning Commission. We appreciate their commitment to thoughtful growth and community well-being. Their meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Our Zoning Hearing Board, comprising three (with one alternate) residents, also dedicate their time and talents to the Township as they hear cases from applicants seeking ways to improve their homes and businesses. The Zoning Board holds meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Permits are required for many projects, whether residential, agricultural or commercial. Contact the Township zoning officer, Scott Hain at David Miller/Assoc. for more info @ 717.898.3402 x116. Our Sewage Enforcement Officer, Len Spencer, is available at 717.989.5439.

The Township maintains a list of candidates who have expressed interest in serving on the Planning Commission, Park Board, or Zoning Hearing Board. If you would like to add your name to the list, please contact Loren Miller at the Township with a letter of interest including your CV/Resume.



Infrastructure & Public Works

Spring is a busy time for our Public Works Department. Crews are out maintaining roads, managing stormwater systems, and ensuring our public spaces are clean and safe. Please be mindful of workers and equipment when driving through active work zones. This year's projects include road paving projects on Oak Lane and Blantz Road, as well as cleaning up roadside gutters, drains and tree lines.



Parks & Recreation

Elizabeth Township Community Park is the perfect place to enjoy the season. Whether you're walking the trails, playing sports, or having a picnic, the park offers something for everyone. Check out our 9-hole disc golf course and walking trails at the Township Park on Rt 322 at Keener Rd. Stay tuned for upcoming events and programs designed to bring our community together. Pavilion rentals are available and are coordinated through the Warwick Regional Rec Commission at Lititz Rec. Check with Ron at 717.626.5096x229.



Upcoming Events

The public is invited to attend the 2025 Music in the Park Series, held at the Township Park, 30 Park Drive, Lititz, PA. All concerts start at 5:00 p.m.at the Pavilion. If the event of inclement weather, the events will move to the Brickerville Fire Co. Hall. Baron Stiegel Lions Club food wagon will be available for refreshments. Please bring your favorite chair or blanket, if held in Park

- June 21 Nomads 50's and 60's old time Rock 'n Roll
- July 19 Hammer Creek Blue Grass
- Aug 23 Easily Amused All types of Pop/Country/Oldies

The series is made possible from donations from businesses and individuals and the Township would like to thank those sponsors who helped make this possible including:

Lititz Towing

Adams Service Center

Little Lot Car Lot

David Miller and Associates

Gardner and Stevens, PC, and others.

We look forward to a vibrant and engaging spring and summer season with all of you. Thank you for being an integral part of Elizabeth Township!



FUN FACT: Lancaster County was part of Chester County until 1729, when it was split off.

Warwick Twp was an original 1729 Township with Elizabeth Twp splitting of it in 1757 and then Clay Twp later splitting off Elizabeth Twp in 1853.



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The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) requires all municipalities, including Elizabeth Twp, to track the square-foot amount of impervious surfaces there are in the Township, by property address, through a program called MS4. An impervious surface is a building, driveway, garage, barn, or other improvement that sheds (not absorbs) rainwater. Any water that is not absorbed needs to be dealt with in a way that mitigates flooding, as well as handled in a manner that reduces erosion and contaminants from making their way into our streams, rivers (like the Conestoga and Susquehanna) and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay. Not following these standards can result in the Township facing fines and a reduction in access to State and Federal funding/grants. The Township, unlike other nearby local municipalities, currently does not charge residents an annual stormwater fee to address the costs of complying with the MS4 program. The Township does require all new construction and additions (including driveways and sheds) to address MS4 issues in their building applications. Call the Township for more information if you have any questions re: MS4 issues.



Stay Connected

For the latest news, meeting schedules, meeting agendas and minutes, and community resources, visit our official website at www.elizabethtownship.net as well as find us on Facebook.

The Board of Supervisors meet on the 2nd Monday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The Planning Commission meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The Zoning Hearing Board meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The Park Board meets Sept 4 and Nov 6, 2025, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Check the Township website for upcoming Agendas and past Minutes.

DID YOU KNOW? MOVE OVER, SLOW DOWN



PA's "Move Over Law" requires drivers approaching an emergency response area who are unable to safely

merge into a lane farther away from the response area to "pass the emergency response area at a speed of no more than 20 miles per hour less than the posted speed limit and reasonable for safely passing." An emergency response area is where an emergency vehicle has its lights flashing, or where road crews or emergency responders have lighted flares, posted signs, or try to warn travelers. Offenders face fines, possible license suspensions, and increased penalties if accidents occur that seriously injure or kill another person. Please be aware, too, of road workers on State and Township roads that may be working on summer road projects, including paving and construction such as bridges.

The Township is hiring for Road Laborer. Please contact us for more info. Also indeed.com and LNP News.

The Lititz Public Library has several summer events including Summer Reading Programs and a Concert Series. Check their website for more information at www.lititzlibrary.org.