# East Cocalico Township

# Community First

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# THE REAMSTOWN POOL CLOSED FOR THE SEASON ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH









### Trick or Treat Night in East Cocalico Township

At their May 5, 2022 meeting, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 2022-07, a policy on the date and time for Trick-Or-Treat night:

- ✓ If good weather: **October 31st** is established as the Trick-or-Treat date, between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- ✓ If inclement weather on October 31st: **November 1st** is Trick-or-Treat between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.





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# TOWNSHIP NEWS

### INTRODUCING NEW ZONING OFFICER

East Cocalico Township has contracted with Technicon Enterprises, Inc. II to provide contracted Zoning and Code Enforcement Services for the Township. Please contact Technicon for any Building & Zoning Permit questions:



Technicon Enterprises, Inc. II 610-286-1622

Building questions: Jo Tyndall 610-286-1622 ext. 105

Zoning questions: Ted Nelson 610-286-1622 ext. 102

Any inspections required for a building permit are outlined when a permit application is approved and issued. Calls for inspections must be made at least 24 hours in advance of when an inspections is needed.

Building and Zoning Permit Documents can be viewed and downloaded from the Township website at the address: https://www.ect.town/zoning-codes/pages/building-and-zoning-permit-documents

# THANK YOU

### FOR VOLUNTEERING!



At their June 16, 2022 public meeting, the Board of Supervisors presented donation checks to the Emergency Services Agencies and the Adamstown Library.

They were recognized and thanked as a whole for volunteering their services to the community.

### **Back Row—Pictured from left to right**

Chairman Romao Carrasco, Board of Supervisor Secretary Jeffrey Mitchell, Board of Supervisor

### Front Row—Pictured from left to right

Jeff Garner, Reamstown Fire Company President Jim Black, Stevens Fire Company President Vice Chairman Lorenzo Bonura, Board of Supervisor Donny Stover, Smokestown Fire Company Chief

Missing from photo: Adamstown Library Representative

### TOWNSHIP MANAGER

At their June 16th Meeting, the East Cocalico Township Supervisors approved to hire the Keystone Municipal Solutions (a Harrisburg-based recruiting firm) to seek candidates suitable for Township Manager since the previous Manager, Mike Hession, returned to Denver Borough as full-time manager. We thank Mike for stepping in as Township Manager for the past year, and wish him all the best. "Thank You Mike!"



# TOWNSHIP NEWS

### **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

East Cocalico Township public meetings are held as "in-person" public meetings with social distancing. Unless otherwise specified, all meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building, 100 Hill Road, Denver.





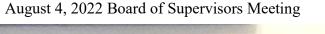
**Attend Virtually:** Attend a Board of Supervisor meeting via "live" Zoom. See the Township website for dates, times, and log-in instructions (www.ECT.town).

**ZOOM:** Zoom is a free cloud-based video conferencing service you can use to virtually meet with others (by video or audio). For log-in instructions, go to the Township website www.ECT.town, view the meeting calendar, and click on the meeting date for log-in instructions.



**YOUTUBE:** Missed a Meeting? View the recording of the Board of Supervisor meeting. The recording is uploaded to YouTube approximately 24-hrs after a specific Board of Supervisor Meeting date.

Please visit YouTube (www.YouTube.com), type in the "search" box: East Cocalico Township Board of Supervisor Meeting. YouTube is a free video sharing service that allows users to watch videos posted by others.





Even while vacationing in Italy, Vice Chairman Bonura was able to attend the Supervisors Meeting via Zoom.



# SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

LABOR DAY — Sept. 5th

PATRIOT DAY — Sept. 11th

- Volunteer today! Support your local Fire Company and Ambulance.
- Are you interested in a reflective house number? If so, you can order one through your local fire company today.
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- See this and previous newsletters on-line with working links.

# **RECREATION BOARD NEWS**

- The trees that were planted in Fishing Creek Park to replace the Emerald Ash Borer infestation seem to be doing well.
- We are in the process of purchasing four more basketball hoops and some benches for the Reamstown Park
- Just a reminder to our Homestead Residents, if you haven't done so already, please mail back the survey that we sent to you. Your input is very important to us.
- We would like to encourage all our Township residents to attend the Recreation Board Meetings, they are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month at the Township Municipal Building, 100 Hill Road, Denver, starting at 7:00 p.m.





# ABC's OF FAO's

**ANIMAL HOTLINE**: For domestic (stray cats) or wild (ill, injured, in distress), the Organization for Responsible Care of Animals (ORCA) 397-8922 or www.orcarescue.org.

**APPLICATIONS:** Building & Zoning Permits, Land Development applications, subdivision, stormwater management applications and much more: www.ect.town/ building-and-zoning-permits.

**BURNING:** Is not allowed in the Township. If you notice open burning, call the Township Office at 336-1720. If after hours, call the Township Fire Official at 336-4172 or dial 911 as a non-emergency. Permission must be preapproved for open burning.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** Three member Board voted in by the residents: Chairman Romao Carrasco, Vice Chairman Lorenzo Bonura, and Secretary Jeffrey Mitchell.

**BUSINESS IN YOUR HOME:** Contact Technicon for any building & zoning questions at 610-286-1622.

CHRISTMAS TREES: During the season, you can dispose of your Christmas trees at the Township building until January 31st. A site will be marked off. Follow signs.

### **CARDBOARD (CORRUGATED) DUMPSTER:**

100 Hill Rd. (behind building), 8am-4:30pm, Sat. 8am-3pm, no Sundays or Holidays. Park at the gate and walk your cardboard up to the dumpster. If you have a lot of cardboard, come to the Twp. office for a temporary pass.

COCALICO SCHOOL: Phone 336-1413.

**CONTRACTORS LICENSE:** Contact the Attorney Generals Office at 772-2425.

**CRITTERS:** Handled by Game Commission. Call Game Commission 1-610-926-3136.

**DEAD ANIMALS ON TOWNSHIP ROADS: Call** Game Commission 1-610-926-3136.

**DEAD ANIMALS ON STATE ROADS: Call** PennDOT at 299-7621.

**DEER:** If there is a dead deer on a township road, call the Game Commission 1-610-926-3136; if on a State Road call Penn-DOT 299-7621.

**DISPOSAL/RECYCLE** of TVs, computer, antifreeze, batteries, paint, chemicals, etc. Contact Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) 397-9968 or www.lcswma.org/recycling

DOG LICENSE: Purchased at Lancaster County Treasurer 299-8222 or Agway in Ephrata.

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP: www.ect.town.

**ELECTRICAL INSPECTIONS:** Contact Technicon for any building & zoning questions at 610-286-1622.

EMERGENCY: Dial 911.

FALL TAXES: Ausma Buffemyer 336-1406.

FLUORESCENT LIGHTBULBS: Dispose at the township building lobby area (for the small spiral bulbs only), M-F, 8am to 4pm. LCSWMA 397-9968 for the long tubes.

**GRASS:** Not permitted at the Woody Waste Site, (see Kraft Bags). Call your trash hauler or Martin's Mulch 733-1602.

HALLOWEEN—TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT: Please see first page of this newsletter.

**INSPECTIONS:** Contact Technicon for any building & zoning questions 610-286-1622.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE: Magisterial District Justice, call 336-2801.

"KRAFT" LEAF BAGS: Pick up at the Township building, 100 Hill Rd. For Township residents only. Tall recyclable bags are for leaves/ grass for your trash hauler to pick up. Call your hauler for more information.

LIGHT—STREET LIGHT NOT WORKING? If so. write down the two numbers located on the pole, call PP&L 1-800-342-5775 or the Township at 336-1720.

LOCAL SERVICE TAX: Questions? Contact Jill Cordan at 336-1721.

MAILING ADDRESS: East Cocalico Township and Police Dept., 100 Hill Road, Denver. • East Cocalico Township Water & Sewer Authority, 102 Hill Road, Denver.

MUNICIPAL WEBSITES: Looking for a municipality? See www.co.lancaster.pa.us.

NUMBER SIGNS (911 green reflective house signs): Purchased at your local Fire Co.: Smokestown Fire 336-3311, Reamstown Fire 336-3958, Stevens Fire 336-4200.

**OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX:** Contact Jill Cordan 336-1721.

**OPEN RECORDS:** The state's Right-to-Know law serves as a resource for citizens, officials, and members of the media. More information, visit the Township website at: www.ect.town/right-know.

PLUMBER LICENSE: Register with the Attorney General if contractors are performing home improvements totaling \$5,000/ year. Call 772-2425 or visit website: www.attorneygeneral.gov.

**PPL STREET LIGHT:** Not working? Blinking? See "Light" on this page.

**REAMSTOWN POOL:** Closed for the 2022 season on Tues., Sept. 6th (see page 1 of newsletter). Pool phone number is only in operation during season: 336-3537.

**SANITARY SEWER:** 336-1731. Website: eastcocalicotownshipauthority.com, E-Mail: water@ecocalicotwpauth.com see page 7 of this newsletter.

**SKUNKS OR OTHER CRITTERS:** Handled by Game Commission 1-610-926-3136.

**SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Techni**con, Quinn Haller Sewage Enforcement Officer 610-286-1622

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE.** Jim Cox 610-670-0139.

**STREET LIGHT**: Not working? See Light.

TAX COLLECTOR: Jill Cordan 336-1721. Forms and information can be found at: www.eastcocalicotownship.com.

TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT: See page 1 of this newsletter.

TRASH HAULERS: Six registered trash haulers are in the Township for 2022. Please call the Township for a list, or visit the Township website.

**VOTING/LOCATIONS:** Your vote counts! Please see page 5 of this newsletter.

**WOODY WASTE SITE:** Located behind the township building for Township residents who purchased a \$15 annual access card. NO commercial dumping, leaves, grass or lumber.

www.eastcocalicotownship.com/recycle -trash/pages/woody-waste-information

WATER & SEWER: 102 Hill Rd., 336-1731. See page 7 of this newsletter.

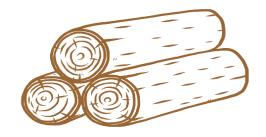
YARD SALE SIGNS: Do not attach anything to telephone poles.

**ZONING:** Contact Technicon for any building & zoning questions 610-286-1622.



### **Woody Waste Drop Off Area**

East Cocalico Township has a gated/secured facility designated for the disposal of woody waste. An "access card" is needed to use the facility, and only residents of East Cocalico Township who have purchased an access card may deposit tree trimmings and branches at the Woody Waste Site located at 100 Hill Road, Denver.



<u>Allowed</u>: Woody yard waste which includes tree and shrubbery trimmings that are less than 1.5-inches in diameter, and stumps under 12-inches in diameter. All woody waste deposited at this facility *must* originate from within the East Cocalico Township area. Commercial and/or contracted landscaping companies are prohibited from depositing materials at this facility. Disposal of anything other than woody waste is not permitted.

<u>Not Allowed</u>: Weeds, grass, ornamental grass, leaves, clippings, sod, turf, mulch, roots, flowers, garden waste, treated or untreated lumber, saw dust, skids, furniture, picnic tables, pool tables, tires, appliances, bricks, clay or other pots, trash, trash bags, fruit, berries, leaves, needles or rocks. *Please call your trash hauler for disposing of these items*. All materials must be completely free of contaminants, i.e. no ropes or bags used in bundling together for transportation. **ABSOLUTELY NO ILLEGAL DUMPING IS ALLOWED. VIOLATORS WILL BE PROSECUTED.** 

How to Start or Renew Your Card: By Mail: Fill out an application (can be obtained at the Township office or the Township website) and mail the completed application and fee\* to: East Cocalico Township, 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517. When your application and payment are received, an access card will be mailed back to you. See below for fee & schedule\*. Check made payable to: East Cocalico Township. Walk In: applications are available at 100 Hill Road, Denver. Cash and check accepted; check payable to: East Cocalico Township (no debit cards accepted) Mon-Fri 8am-4:00pm. An access card will be issued to you on the spot.

After hours: Complete an application and place in an envelope along with the proper fee (check or cash) and place in the locked drop box located at the Township's front doors (100 Hill Road). When received, an access card will be mailed back to you.

### Per Month Pro-Rate Costs\*

 Jan
 Feb
 Mar
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 Sep
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 Nov
 Dec

 \$15.00
 \$13.75
 \$12.50
 \$11.25
 \$10.00
 \$8.75
 \$7.50
 \$6.25
 \$5.00
 \$3.75
 \$2.50
 \$1.25

<u>Annual cost</u>: \$15.00 per card (January 1st thru December 31st). Payments due before December 31st for the following year. Cash or check made to East Cocalico Township (no credit or debit cards accepted).

<u>Lost or Damaged Access Cards</u> should be reported to East Cocalico Township as soon as possible (717-336-1720). The lost access card will then be deactivated. You can purchase a replacement card for a cost of \$5.00.

<u>Woody Waste facility is located</u> behind the Township Municipal Building, 100 Hill Road, Denver. Please use the driveway to the right of the building (the Police driveway), drive straight back behind the Police Station, on your left. Follow signs.



# 2022 PA ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER

Last day to circulate and file nomination papers	August 1
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated by nomination papers	August 8
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated at the primary	August 15
Last day to REGISTER before the November election	October 24
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot	November 1
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in/civilian absentee	November 8
GENERAL ELECTION	November 8
First day to REGISTER after November election	November 9
Last day for County Board of Elections to receive voted military/overseas absentee ballots	November 15
Note: All dates in this calendar are subject to change without notice.	

Courtesy of: https://www.co.lancaster.pa.us/DocumentCenter/View/7273/2022-Election-Calendar

# Smokestown District #3301 Stevens District #3302 Reamstown District #3304 Reamstown District #3304

# EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP VOTING DISTRICTS

General election voting:

Polls open at 7:00 a.m.

Polls close at 8:00 p.m.

Please note! The last day to register is October 24th Civilian absentee ballots must be received by County Voter Registration. Mail-in applications are available at:

https://www.vote.pa.gov/Resources/Documents/

### SMOKESTOWN, DISTRICT #3301

Smokestown Fire Company 860 Smokestown Road (717) 336-3311

### **SWARTZVILLE, DISTRICT #3302**

Peace United Church of Christ 37 East Swartzville Road (717) 484-4400

### STEVENS, DISTRICT #3303

Stevens Fire Company 91 Stevens Road (717) 336-4200





102 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517 P: (717) 336-1731 F: (717) 336-1735 Email: water@ecocalicotwpauth.com www.eastcocalicotownshipauthority.com

### WATER/SEWER PAYMENT DROP BOX



When dropping off your water/ sewer bill payment after hours, please be sure to use ECTA's drop box to the RIGHT of the front door and NOT the Tax Collector's drop box to the left of the front door. Look for the sign marked "Water & Sewer Payments Only."

### NOW IT'S EASIER THAN EVER TO PAY YOUR WATER/SEWER BILL!



ECTA is excited to offer our customers a new online customer portal! You can now view your bill online, and if you register, can view your past history as well. We are now accepting even more payment methods such as Apple Pay, Google Pay, PayPal, and Venmo (service fee will apply). And you've been asking and we listened... autopay is now available! Just go to our website and click on the link to get started.

### ECTA PROJECTS IN THE WORKS

**Stevens Pumping Station Upgrade/Expansion** – Despite supply chain issues and equipment delivery delays, ECTA is finalizing construction activities on our new sanitary sewer pumping station located in Stevens along Line Road near the intersection of Wabash Road. The old station had been approaching full capacity and required a major \$1,000,000 upgrade to support future growth. The new station went on-line in early May 2022, emergency generator startup and testing are underway, and the project is scheduled to be completed by late summer.

**Meadowbrook Area Water and Sewer Rehabilitation & Replacement** – ECTA completed final engineering and design activities for a \$6.0 million project aimed at repairing and replacing over 9,000 feet of damaged or leaking sanitary sewer main and over 10,000 feet of antiquated cast iron water line. The bidding process is underway and contract award for this project should be completed in early Fall with initial construction activities potentially starting in late Fall.

Well M Project – Again, despite supply chain issues and equipment delivery delays, ECTA is finalizing construction activities for our new public water supply Well M located along Line Road. In conjunction, ECTA completed the design and bidding of a \$750,000 water treatment plant upgrade to finalize the connection of Well M to the water treatment plant and begin treatment and utilization of this water supply source. The upgrade project is scheduled to be completed and Well M be put into service by the April 2023. The addition of Well M will help ensure our customers a reliable and steady supply of water for many years to come.

Source Water Protection – ECTA has worked closely with PA DEP and PA Rural Water to develop and receive DEP certification of a new comprehensive Source Water Protection Plan for all of our 14 well facilities. This was a major effort over the past year and a half and will be an effective tool for us to protect our precious water resources. We are currently working with the County and PA Rural Water on an Educational Outreach Program which we hope to launch soon. This program will provide good informational insight to East Cocalico Township residents as well as all surrounding communities as to where our water comes from and how we can all work together to protect this vital resource.



# EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION... DO WE HAVE YOUR MOST UP-TO-DATE PHONE NUMBER?

ECTA uses an automated mass notification system called SwiftReach to quickly call and notify property owners in the event of an emergency situation that may affect our community's public water supply or our sanitary sewer service. To ensure our SwiftReach system can notify you of an emergency situation, we need to have your most current phone number on file.

Updating your information is quick and easy! Please visit our website at www.eastcocalicotownshipauthority.com and click on the "Swift911 Emergency Notification Services" link near the bottom of the home page. You can also call our office at (717) 336-1731 Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and one of our friendly staff members will be glad to assist you.



During the summer and fall months, East Cocalico Township residents may notice ECTA employees working at fire hydrants throughout the Township and see water flowing onto the streets from these hydrants. What you are seeing is ECTA hard

at work conducting a very important part of its required water system maintenance program to ensure the hydrants are working properly and that the water system continues to operate efficiently and effectively.

ECTA attempts to flush every fire hydrant in our system as this flushing procedure will also help remove naturally occurring mineral deposits from the system and ensure that fresh water is always flowing through the water mains. This is one of the many things ECTA does to provide our customers with the highest quality water possible.



## EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP 100 HILL ROAD DENVER, PA 17517

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EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP: 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517 Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm

Phone: 717-336-1720 Fax: 717-336-1724 Web: www.ECT.town E-mail: Twp@ECT.town

EAST COCALICO POLICE: 100 Hill Rd, Denver, PA 17517 M-F 8am-4pm EMERG: 911 P: 717-336-1725 F: 717-336-1737 W: www.eastcocalicopolice.com

WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY: 102 Hill Rd, Denver, PA 17517 M-F 8am-4:30pm

Phone: 717-336-1731 Fax: 717-336-1735 Web: www.ECT.town/east-cocalico-township-authority E-mail: water@ecocalicotwpauth.com

TAX COLLECTOR, Jill Cordan 717-336-1721 Web: www.ECT.town/tax-collector E-mail: Tax Collector@ECT.town

ZONING/BUILDING, Technicon Enterprises, Inc. II Phone: 610-286-1622 (Building questions: Jo Tyndall, ext. 105) (Zoning questions: Ted Nelson, 102)

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOP. Sharyn Young 717-336-1711 Web: www.ECT.town/community-development E-mail: DCD@ECT.town

MS4 (Stormwater) Ken McCrea 717-336-1717 Web: www.ECT.MS4.com E-mail: MS4@ECT.town

**Phone:** 717-336-3537 (only in operation when the pool is open) **REAMSTOWN POOL** 68 Ream Rd, Stevens, PA 17578

**REAMSTOWN FIRE COMPANY** 12 W Church St, Reamstown 17567 Phone: 717-336-3958 Web: www.reastownfirecompany.com

SMOKESTOWN FIRE COMPANY 860 Smokestown Rd, Denver 17517 Phone: 717-336-3311 Web: www.smokestownfire.com

Phone: 717-336-4200 Web: www.stevensfire.org STEVENS FIRE COMPANY 91 Stevens Rd, Stevens 17578

**EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP 2022 MEETING DATES**Unless otherwise noted, all of the meetings are held at: East Cocalico Township, 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517 Please visit the Township website for any changes to the below meeting dates and times.

PLEASE NOTE: Meeting days/times may change, and in-person meetings may require social distancing and require mask wearing. The Board of Supervisors Meetings are held via "live" Zoom and recorded. If you missed a particular meeting, you can view on YouTube.

MONTH	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS		PLANNING COMMISSION	PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP	ZONING HEARING BOARD	RECREATION BOARD	WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY
	9:00 AM	7:00 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM
SEPTEMBER	15	1*	26	21	14	13	27
OCTOBER		6, 20	24	19	12	11	25
NOVEMBER		3, 17	28	16	9	8	29
DECEMBER		1, 15	19	None	14	13	27

<sup>\*</sup>Meeting held at the Smokestown Fire Hall, 860 Smokestown Rd., Denver.

