

East Cocalico Township

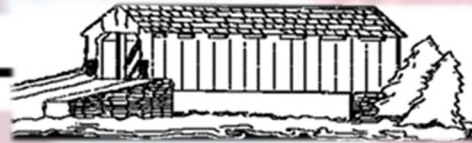
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East Cocalico is a Township of the Second Class and is governed by a three-person Board, the Board of Supervisors. Supervisors are elected to six-year terms.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Lorenzo Bonura, Chairman

Jeffrey Mitchell, Vice Chairman

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Temple Well Water Study: Participants Needed

Researchers at Temple University are looking for families who drink water from a private well for a paid study. They are interest-ed in keeping children safe from illnesses that can be spread by drinking water from private wells. Families will receive a free whole-home UV water treatment system (estimated value of device and installation is \$1,000). Families can participate from home. To be part of this NIH-funded study, families must have a child three years old or younger and live in select Pennsylvania counties. For more information, visit their website at wettrial.org, call (215) 204-5124, or email wettrial@temple.edu.

View the Township newsletter on-line for working links at:

ect.town/newsletters



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REAMSTOWN POOL

NOTE: AT THE TIME OF PRINTING THIS NEWSLETTER, THE POOL OPENING DAYS/TIMES SHOWN BELOW ARE TENTATIVE AND ARE NOT TO BE PRESUMED AS DEFINITE. CONTACT THE POOL OR TOWNSHIP.

- The Reamstown Pool “season passes” and “shared passes” are available.
- Lounge chairs are cleaned every day and when you leave for the day. Place the chair in the seated, fully up-right position, and notify staff that you are leaving for the day.
- Do not throw any sports-related balls in the pool area. Please check with the pool office on what is allowed.

OPEN MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND: May 27 thru May 29, 12:30pm-8pm

OPEN DAILY FOR THE SEASON: June 3 - August 20, August 26, 27

FOURTH OF JULY: Tuesday, July 4th pool will close at 6pm

FRIDAY NIGHT LATE SWIMS: Pool closes at 10pm June 23, July 14 & 28, and Aug. 11

SWIM MEET DATES: Pool closes at 5pm: June 13, 22, 29, July 11, 20, and August 1

SCHOOL DATES: Closed August 28 - Sept. 1

LABOR DAY: Open Sept. 2 & 3 from 12:30-8pm & Sept. 4th 12:30-6pm

POOL CLOSED FOR THE SEASON: Tuesday, September 5th

SEASON PASS OR SHARED PASS: On-line payments are accepted using your credit card for both the “shared pass” and “seasonal pass”, then the next time you go to the pool, your pass will be available for pickup there. The shared/seasonal passes can also be purchased at the East Cocalico Township Municipal Building, 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517, Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:00pm (*cash or check only*). For more information and to purchase a pass, please visit the Township website: ECT.town/reamstown-pool.

DAILY PASSES: Purchased at the pool office only (*cash only*) at least 15 min. before closing.

SWIM LESSONS: Adamstown YMCA 484-4996 or 341-8258
Website: ymca-berkscounty.org/locations/adamstown/

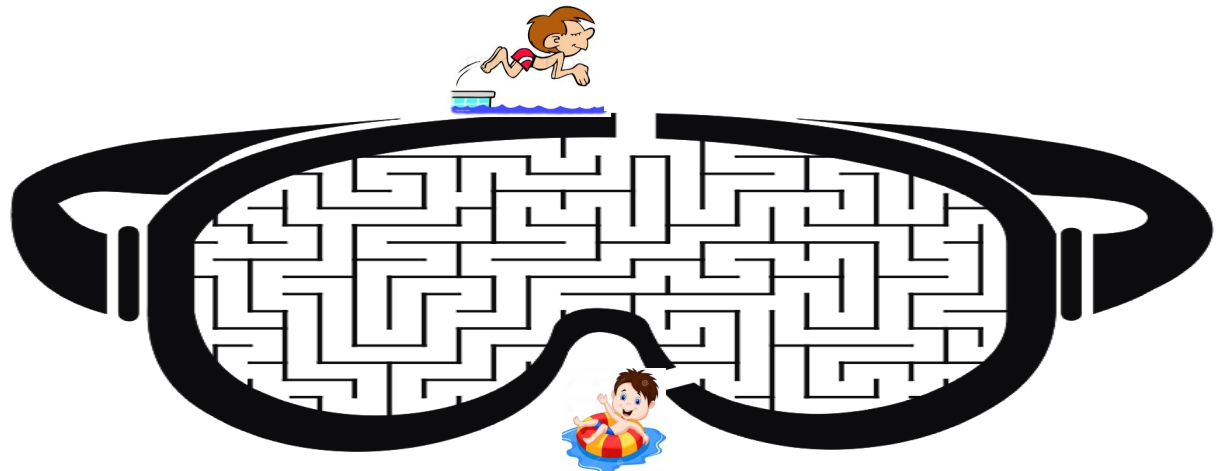
SWIM TEAM: Registration is open. Sign up today! Practices and swim meets are held in the mornings at the Reamstown pool. See ecdolphins.com, or e-mail Amy at nedimya@gmail.com.

RENTALS: Need to rent the pool for an private party? Hours are outside the regular public hours during the season. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is due with the reservation application.

REAMSTOWN POOL, 68 REAM ROAD, EPHRATA, PA

Pool Phone: (717) 336-3537 (*only in operation during pool hours*)

Open: Monday thru Sunday, 12:30pm to 8pm (*exceptions shown above*)



2023 Reamstown Pool Rates

Did you know that SEVEN days without swimming makes one WEAK? Come to the Reamstown Pool for a splashing good time!

DAILY RATES — PAID AT THE REAMSTOWN POOL - **CASH ONLY**

Pay cash at: Reamstown Pool, 68 Ream Rd., Ephrata

MONDAY—SUNDAY

DISCOUNT AFTER 5PM

Call the pool for any questions: 717-336-3537

DAILY RATE

(does not include weekends)

PRE-KINDERGARTEN	\$3.00	\$2.00
SENIOR (65+)	\$6.00	\$3.50
STUDENTS	\$8.00	\$4.50
ADULTS	\$11.00	\$7.00

SEASONAL PASS RATES — PAID ON-LINE OR AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING

Pay with card on-line at: www.ECT.town/reamstown-pool

**DISCOUNT RATE
PAID ON OR BEFORE
5/21/2023**

**RATE 5/22/2023
AND AFTER**

Pay cash/check at: 100 Hill Rd., Denver M-F 8am-4:00pm

GROUP PASS (5) + 1	\$200.00 + \$30.00	\$230.00 + \$25.00
SENIOR (65+)	\$60.00	\$85.00
ADULT	\$100.00	\$120.00
STUDENT	\$60.00	\$85.00
COCALICO SWIM TEAM - STUDENT	\$25.00	\$25.00

SHARE PASS IS “ONE” PASS FOR BOTH THE REAMSTOWN & DENVER POOLS:

The pool share pass is a pool pass that merges the Reamstown Pool with the Denver Pool. Denver residents who have a pool share pass will be able to attend the Reamstown Pool, and East Cocalico residents who have a pool share pass will be able to attend the Denver Pool. See pricing and definitions shown below here:

SHARE PASS RATES — PAID ON-LINE OR AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING

Pay with card on-line at: www.ECT.town/reamstown-pool

**DISCOUNTED RATE
PAID BEFORE 5/21/2023**

**RATE 5/22/2023
AND AFTER**

Pay cash/check at: 100 Hill Rd., Denver M-F 8am-4:00pm

POOL SHARE PASS: GROUP (5) + 1	\$275.00 + \$30.00	\$305.00 + \$30.00
POOL SHARE PASS: ADULT	\$175.00	\$205.00
POOL SHARE PASS: STUDENT	\$120.00	\$155.00

DEFINITIONS

Share Pass: Group (5) + 1: Includes unlimited daily access to both the Reamstown and Denver Community Pools for all members within the group during the 2023 pool season. See definition of “Group” below.

Pool Share Pass: Student: Includes unlimited daily access to both the Reamstown and Denver Community Pools for the student during the 2023 pool season.

Group Membership Pass (5) + 1: A Group Membership + 1 includes up to five (5) people in the group for a flat rate. One additional person to the group can be added to the pass for an additional fee as shown above. Please note that at least one member of the group must be 18 years old or older.

Cocalico Swim Team Student: Reduced student rates are available for members of the Cocalico Swim team.



TOWNSHIP NEWS

SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

All plans are available for public review at the Township Building, Mon-Fri, 8am to 4:30pm.

Subdivision and Land Development Questions?

Please contact Township Manager Tommy Ryan at (717) 336-1710.

The following projects are now under review:

- Crossing at Cocalico – A subdivision that includes 52 single-family detached dwellings, 56 attached dwellings, and 64 multi-family units, at Swartzville Rd.
- Dutch Cousins Campground – A land development that includes a 15,000 sf multi-use building, a 2,400sf pavilion, and various outdoor recreational facilities, at an existing campground at Hill Rd.
- EHM Properties, LLC - A lot line change at North Reading Road.
- Grande – An 121-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Swartzville Rd.
- Mount Zion Church – A 6,300 sf addition to an existing church at Denver Rd.
- PureCycle – A 325,000 sf recycling and warehouse facility at North Reading Rd and Hill Rd.
- Roechling Medical Center – A 56,600sf addition to an existing medical facility at Denver Rd.
- Slatewood – A subdivision that includes 28 single-family detached homes, 26 semi-detached homes, and 26 townhomes, at Weaver Rd, Line Rd, and Lancaster Avenue.
- Village at East Cocalico – A subdivision that includes 5 single-family detached dwellings and 96 townhomes at Muddy Creek Rd.
- Wabash Landing, Phase III – A subdivision that includes 18 single-family detached homes, seven single-family detached-homes with conversion apartments, 22 semi-detached homes, and 14 attached homes, at Wabash Rd and Stevens Rd.

The following subdivision and land development projects are among those receiving approval in the recent years, and construction has not yet begun:

- East Cocalico Township Building – An 830sf addition to the municipal building at Hill Rd.
- Muddy Creek – A four-unit apartment building on Muddy Creek Church Rd.

The following approved subdivision and land development projects are now under construction:

- Carriage Hill, Phase III – An 18-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Ridge Ave and Lee Dr.
- Carriage Hill, Phase IV – A 17-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Ridge Ave and Lee Dr.
- Catalyst – A 117,000sf warehouse facility at Trost Rd and Muddy Creek Rd.
- Wabash Landing, Phase I – A residential subdivision that includes 16 single-family detached dwellings, 6 semi-detached dwellings, 6 attached dwellings, 4 mixed-use structures, and 12 apartments, at Wabash Rd and Stevens Rd.
- Wabash Landing, Phase II – A residential subdivision that includes 27 single-family detached dwellings, 1 single-family detached-home with conversion apartment, 20 semi-detached dwellings, 18 attached dwellings, 16 apartments, at Wabash Rd & Stevens Rd.

Book Sale



ADAMSTOWN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Book sale at the Adamstown Area Library EVERY TUESDAY 11am-7pm (with the exception of the 2nd Tuesday of each month when the sale will close at 5:30pm).

Lancaster County

Watersheds Website Update

The Lancaster County Conservation District recently updated its Watersheds website, lancasterwatersheds.org. The updated website includes more information on our watersheds, including additional mapping details. Learn more about our local watersheds, and efforts underway to protect and improve them. The website also feature an events page for those wanting to get involved with local conservation efforts in our community.

SMOKESTOWN FIRE COMPANY

- ♦ Chicken BBQ—Saturday, June 10th 10am to 2pm
- ♦ Hall and Pavilion available for rent please call 717-336-2687
- ♦ Volunteers needed for Fire-fighting, Fire Police, Auxiliary, and Fundraising. Jr Firefighter program starts at 14 years old.

Conservation Area and Walking Path at Township Building

In 2021 the Township was contacted by Resource Environmental Solutions, LLC concerning possible locations in the community for streambank and wetland/floodplain restoration projects. RES is an environmental company that assists municipalities and other organizations, in this case PennDOT, with their pollution reduction requirements under their MS4 stormwater permits. MS4 permits require the amount of sediment (suspended soil particles) entering streams to be reduced substantially.

In our case, we are required to reduce sediment by 186,089 pounds per year. PennDOT has far higher reduction requirements than the Township.

With RES, we looked at several potential project sites in the Township, some on private property and also on Township owned land. The most promising site they found was the stream (Stony Run), floodplain and wetlands on Township owned land near the Township Building. A preliminary estimate was that the project could reduce sediment by as much as 470,000 pounds per year.



In this type of cooperative arrangement between the Township and PennDOT, both organizations get sediment reduction credit from the project. The way the arrangement between RES and PennDOT works is that PennDOT pays for the design, construction and maintenance of the project and the Township will provide the site for the work. The Township does not contribute funding for the project. The net result is that the Township gets very substantial sediment reduction credit for free! The land being used for the project is wetlands and floodplain, and therefore would never have been able to be used for development.

In addition to the stream and floodplain restoration, RES is also providing us with public access to the conservation area in the form of a walking path along the edge, including picnic tables. The path will be for both recreation and wildlife observation. Wetlands and streams attract diverse wildlife providing for interesting habitats. This will also provide conveniently located environmental education opportunities.

2023 ROAD PROJECTS

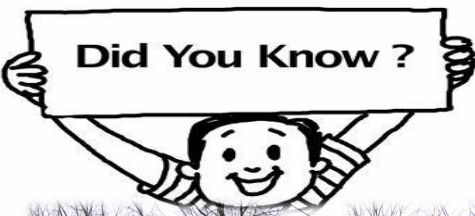
Weather permitting, street sweeping will begin in mid-April.

OVERLAY PROJECTS:

- Reamstown Heights: Oak Lane, Bunker Hill Road - from North Reading Road to cul-de-sac, Meadowlark Drive, Stony Run Road - from North Reading Road to dead end, Sycamore Circle.

OIL AND CHIP:

- Mohns Hill Road - Swartzville Road to dead end
- Martin Drive - Brunners Grove Road to Swartzville Road



What is happening
to the trees at
Fishing Creek Park

Read more at:
beaverinstitute.org



The Boy Scouts
made and donated
bat houses to
the Township.
One was installed
on the Township
Cupola and the
another installed

at the Township Garage.

We currently have five more bat
houses that can be offered to the
public.

Want one? Please
contact the
Township at
717-336-1720.

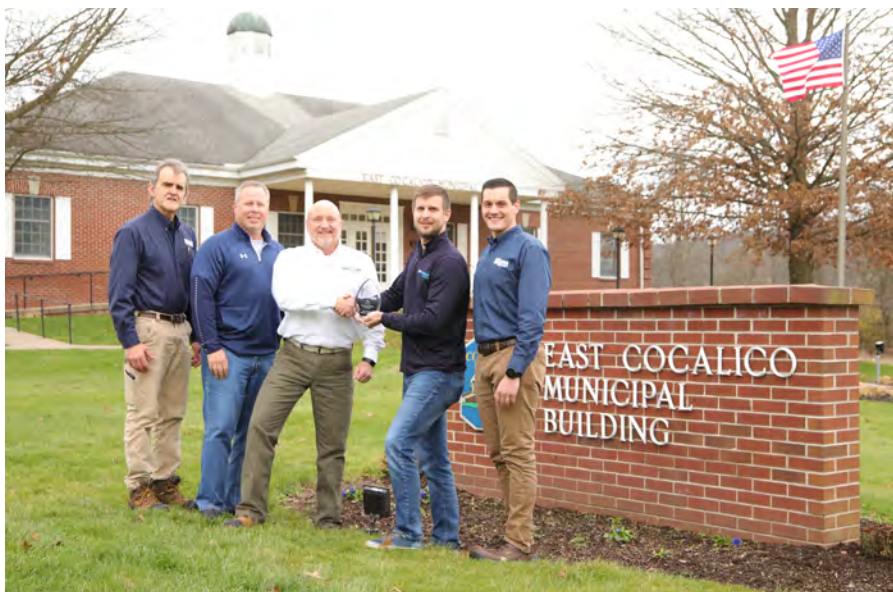


Woof!



PARKS

Taking your dog for a walk is a wonderful way to exercise! Your pet will enjoy it as much as you! Please be respectful when walking your dog by keeping your dog on a leash, clean up after it, and properly dispose of the waste at home. East Cocalico Township Ordinance 2007-03 states fines can be imposed up to \$600.00 for any dog waste that is left behind.



Pictured from left to right: Ken Spitler, ECTA Superintendent; Dan Becker, ECTA Board Chairman; Scott Carl, Sr., ECTA Administrator; Kurt Wagner, PA Rural Water Association; and Mike Galley, ECTA Compliance Specialist

ECTA Receives Pennsylvania Rural Water Association's 2022 Source Water System of the Year Award

On December 8, 2022, ECTA proudly accepted the Pennsylvania Rural Water Association's 2022 Source Water System of the Year award. Consideration for this recognition is made for public water supply systems who adopt and actively implement protection efforts with a Source Water Protection Plan approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. In 2022, the ECTA completed its approved Source Water Protection Plan and has begun systematically addressing its source water protection goals and building partnerships for water conservation. To learn more about ECTA's Source Water Protection, please go to our website at www.eastcocalicotownshipauthority.com and click on the "Source Water Protection" link, or enter <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/a083ef8f180e4d2091864d89059a8184> in your internet browser. Be sure to check out all the great resources available!



ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

Each year ECTA is required by the PA DEP to provide our customers with the Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for the previous year. This report contains important information about the quality of the drinking water we supply to our customers. **Beginning July 1st**, you can view our 2022 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report by typing the following web address into your browser: www.ECT.town/east-cocalico-township-water-sewer-authority/files/ccr2022. You can also view the current and historical reports by going to our website at www.eastcocalicotownshipauthority.com and clicking on the "Annual Drinking Water Quality Report" link. If you do not have access to the internet or would prefer a paper copy of the report, please stop by or call our office to receive one.



NEW WATER AND SANITARY SEWER RATES IN EFFECT

With increases in power and fuel costs to run our 12 well facilities, water treatment plant, five sewer pump stations and maintenance facility coupled with a 40% increase in chemicals and nearly \$180,000 increase in wastewater treatment costs, the ECTA Board approved an 8% water rate increase and 6% sewer rate increase for 2023. **Beginning with usage on January 1, 2023**, the water rate changed from \$7.10 to \$7.65 per thousand gallons of usage and the sewer rate changed from \$12.55 to \$13.30 per thousand gallons of usage. The flat rate sewer charge for sewer customers NOT connected to the water system changed from \$163.15 to \$172.90 per quarter. The new water and sewer rates will first appear on the quarterly bill you receive in April 2023.



FILLING OR DRAINING YOUR POOL THIS SUMMER?

Filling your pool? Customers are reminded that per the ECTA's Rates, Rules, and Regulations, no relief is given from sanitary sewer charges for filling swimming pools or for any other domestic or residential use that does not involve sanitary sewer disposal (i.e., watering flowers/gardens, washing cars, etc.). Draining your pool? ECTA encourages customers to properly dispose of pool water and, **with prior notification and following certain guidelines**, will allow discharge to the public sanitary sewer system. For more information and guidance, visit the FAQ section of our website, send us an email or give our office a call. You are reminded that per the PADEP, pool water must not be discharged into any storm sewer or onto land which may cause runoff into a storm sewer.

If you haven't already, be sure to check out ECTA's new customer portal! It's fast, simple and easy to use. View your bill, make a payment 24/7 (service fee will apply), set up auto pay, register your account and more! Just go to our website and click on the link on our home page to get started!



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DENVER, PA 17517

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EAST COCALICO POLICE, 100 Hill Rd, Denver, PA 17517 M-F 8am-4pm EMERG: 911 P: 717-336-1725 F: 717-336-1737 W: eastcocalicopolice.com
WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY, 102 Hill Rd, Denver, PA 17517 M-F 8am-4:30pm P: 717-336-1731 F: 717-336-1735
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REAMSTOWN FIRE COMPANY 12 W Church St, Reamstown 17567 P: 717-336-3958 W: reamtownfirecompany.com
SMOKESTOWN FIRE COMPANY 860 Smokestown Rd, Denver 17517 P: 717-336-3311 W: smokestownfire.com
STEVENS FIRE COMPANY 91 Stevens Rd, Stevens 17578 P: 717-336-4200 W: stevensfire.org

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP 2023 MEETING DATES

Unless otherwise noted, all of the meetings are held at: East Cocalico Township, 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517

MONTH	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS		PLANNING COMMISSION	PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP	ZONING HEARING BOARD	RECREATION BOARD	WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY
	9:00 AM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM
JANUARY		3*, 19	23	18	11	10	31
FEBRUARY		2, 16	27	15	8	21	28
MARCH	16	2**	27	15	8	14	28
APRIL		6, 20	24	19	12	11	25
MAY		4, 18	22	17	10	9	30
JUNE		1***, 15	26	21	14	13	27
JULY		NONE, 20	24	19	12	11	25
AUGUST		3, 17	28	16	9	8	29
SEPTEMBER	21	7****	25	20	13	12	26
OCTOBER		5, 19	23	18	11	10	31
NOVEMBER		2, 16	27	15	8	14	28
DECEMBER		7, 21	18	NONE	13	12	26

POLICE PENSION MEETINGS: Start at 8:30am: Jan. 18, April 19, July 19, and Oct. 18.

*Organizational Meeting, held on Tuesday, January 3rd @ 7:00pm.

**Meeting held at the Stevens Fire Hall, 91 Stevens Road, Stevens.

***Meeting held at the Reamstown Fire Hall, 12 West Church Street, Reamstown.

****Meeting held at the Smokestown Fire Hall, 860 Smokestown Rd., Denver.

Community First!

Your thoughts, comments, suggestions
on the newsletter are welcomed!

Lisa A. Kashner, Twp. Newsletter Editor