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The East Cocalico Township Supervisors recently approved a new design to be placed on the Police vehicles, and approved the installation of new lighted signs to better mark the entrances to the Township Building and Police Department entrances.

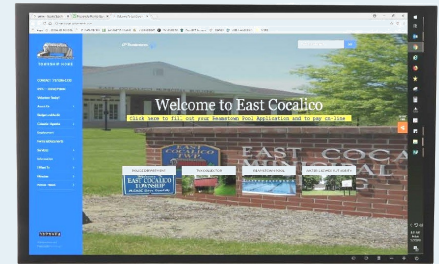


New sign located at N. Reading Rd. and Hill Rd.



New sign placed at the Police Department driveway entrance.

VISIT US ONLINE



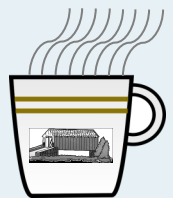
READ THE TOWNSHIP

NEWSLETTER

WHILE ENJOYING

YOUR MORNING

CUP OF COFFEE!



VIEW THE NEWSLETTER ON-LINE FOR WORKING LINKS

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- **RECYCLE RIGHT** See page 2 for important information on the recent changes to recycling.
- **REMEMBERING 9/11:** Support your local fire company and ambulance association.
- **TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT:** Held between 6pm to 8pm on Wednesday, October 31st.

NEW CHANGES IN RECYCLING - START NOW!

The current China restrictions on certain recycled commodities has brought to light a crisis within the U.S. recycling industry. Contamination is the recycling crisis, which has been occurring for several years. Confusion is the norm that led to contamination in the bin. People are often unsure as to what they can recycle; so they recycle "everything". The result is upwards of 20% of what is placed in the recycling bin is trash—and in some instances, contamination is even higher. Compounded with China's ban on mixed paper and mixed plastics (along with some other commodities), this crisis has necessitated an overhaul to recycling across the country.

Over the last few months, LCSWMA has been on the forefront of working toward a solution for Lancaster County that includes: 1) simplifying the recycling process, 2) standardizing the recycling message, and 3) educating people through a campaign called "Recycle Right!". To help make recycling sustainable in Lancaster County for the long-term, **we need everybody's' help!**

Recycling right
doesn't have to be hard.



JUST FOCUS ON THE **BIG 4!** PLACE **ONLY** THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN.

1



CORRUGATED
CARDBOARD

Flattened

2



PLASTIC BOTTLES
& JUGS WITH NECKS

Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed

3



METAL FOOD &
BEVERAGE CANS

4



GLASS JARS
& BOTTLES

All other items, such as those below, **do not** belong in your recycling bin.



It's okay to throw **everything else** away. It will be turned into energy.

Lancaster County has an advanced waste-to-energy process that converts these materials into renewable energy, powering local homes and businesses and helping to reduce our reliance on non-renewable sources of energy. So, when in doubt, throw it out.

Visit recyclerightlanaster.org for more tips.



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BYE BYE PAPER DUMPSTER!



Due to the recent changes in paper disposal and the costs associated with disposing of paper (\$25/ton vs. free) the paper dumpster at East Cocalico Twp. has been taken away!

The cardboard dumpster is staying!
**Please continue to drop-off
your corrugated cardboard. Thank you!**

QUESTIONS?

The recycling crisis has been a widely covered issue in the news recently, and we realize you may have questions.

Please visit LCSWMA
www.lcswma.org/recycling
what can be recycled and how.
Also, follow LCSWMA's social
media pages for helpful
information and tips.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING REVISED TO THE "BIG 4"

The list of acceptable materials for placement in the curbside recycling bin has changed for Lancaster County. Only the following materials (the "Big 4") should be placed in the curbside recycling bin:

- (1) Corrugated Cardboard (to be cleaned and flattened)
- (2) Plastic Bottles and Jugs (must have a neck)
- (3) Metal Food & Beverage Cans
- (4) Glass Bottles & Jars.

Please discard any other materials (including paper) and remember "when in doubt, throw it out". LCSWMA will turn these materials into renewable energy.

REAMSTOWN POOL

2018 Pool & School Calendar

- The first day of school for students is 8/21
- Pool is closed 8/21 through 8/24
- Pool is open the weekend: 8/25 and 8/26 from 12:30pm to 8pm
- Closed the week of 8/27 through 8/31
- Open Labor Day Weekend: 9/1, 9/2 from 12:30pm to 8pm, and 9/3 from 12:30pm to 6pm.
- Closed for the season on Tuesday 9/4.

2018 Pool Season Stats

- **Pool Share Pass:** This was the first season the pool share pass was offered (a pass that merges the Reamstown Pool with the Denver Pool). At the print of this newsletter the pool share pass total was 21.
- **On-Line Payment Center:** This was the first season pool memberships were accepted on-line www.EastCocalicoTownship.com. At the print of this newsletter the on-line sign up total was 152.
- Total number signed up on-line was 173.
- Thank you for your support, input, and suggestions while the new on-line sign up system was implemented.

2018 Pool Season Highlights

Thank you for a great 2018 pool season! Some highlights were:

- The largest crowd was on June 17th with 300 pool patrons.
- Out of 173 memberships, only 2 have opted out of receiving pool text alerts of pool closures and other critical information.
- Very minor incidents happened from a bloody nose to a stubbed toe.

EMERGENCY SERVICES



Ambulance companies across Pennsylvania say they're in a state of financial crisis, and they're asking for help from lawmakers to stay in operation.

"We have lost providers, and we have lost services," said Nathan Harig, of Cumberland Goodwill EMS. "I don't know what the definition of crisis is if we're not already on a sinking ship."

Emergency medical technicians and paramedics joined some lawmakers in Harrisburg on Wednesday to make the case for three bills they believe will help relieve the monetary strain.

One of the bills would increase the rate ambulance at which companies are reimbursed by Medicaid. It would be the first such increase in 14 years and would cost the state an additional \$15 million. Another bill would ensure ambulance and emergency medical services companies are reimbursed for calls in which the patient doesn't need to go to the hospital. Currently, insurance companies and Medicaid don't always have to provide compensation in those cases.

Emergency service providers believe that, if the bills are passed together, the bleeding in their treasuries could stop, and they'd be better positioned to keep responding to emergencies.

"We've had to squeeze as much as possible out of everything, and we're at our breaking point," Harig said. "So we need something to change."

This Emergency Services article (dated June 6, 2018), is reproduced courtesy of WGAL News 8.

[Visit the WGAL News 8 website for more information on this article and videos.](#)

911

Volunteer Your Time

East Cocalico Township requests the community's input to help in the design and build of our newest park! To learn more on how you can participate in the Stoney Pointe Park Community Build, please visit the Stoney Pointe Park Community Build page on [Facebook](#) or reach out to the Township Manager, H. Scott Russell at 717-336-1720 or e-mail at manager@eastcocalicotownship.com

Volunteer Today

Looking to volunteer your time? Then we are looking for you! Volunteers are needed to fill vacancies on the Transportation Impact Fee Advisory Committee and Recreation Board. If interested, contact us at 717-336-1720 or e-mail Township@eastcocalicotownship.com.

PHOTO SLOGAN

A still picture
that is worth
a thousand
words



WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU

SLOGAN

A short but
striking and
memorable
phrase

Submit Your Ideas

Just look around and you will notice plenty of slogans used today. Slogans or pictures are used for items you purchase in the store, restaurants you visit, vacation places, and your local Municipality.

East Cocalico Township is looking for ideas for a slogan or photo slogan. How do you perceive the Township? How is the Township perceived by others? How should the Township be recognized and remembered years from now? This will be a slogan that sets the standard for the area we live in, work in, travel through, everything we do.

Submit your suggestion with your name and contact information by one of the following three ways:

- (1) Place in the drop box located at the front doors of Municipal building, 100 Hill Road, Denver, or
- (2) Mail to: East Cocalico Township, 100 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517, or
- (3) E-mail to: Township@eastcocalicotownship.com.

**Thank you for your
time and suggestion!**

WHAT TO DO WITH ALL THOSE LEAVES?

Here are some tips:

Mulching. It is simple and environmentally friendly, and a cost effective way to fertilize the soil. A mulching blade chops the leaves into small pieces. Start by setting your mower height and remove the bag.

Composting. Another simple environmentally friendly and cost effective way to fertilize the soil and make natural fertilizer. Start with a pile of leaves and mix in some grass clippings (5 to 1 ratio). Stir every two weeks or so. In the Spring you will have a nutrient-rich mulch for your garden and flower beds.

Bagging. A not-so-simple process that costs money. Leaves are placed into bags and placed out for your trash hauler. Ask your trash hauler what the pick-up days are and costs. Kraft bags are available at East Cocalico Township Municipal building for residents.



I received a
face lift!



Thanks to the Road Crew!

The Woody Waste Site received a face lift!

The site was closed from July 5th to July 26th for the purpose of general maintenance and to resurface the area by using the millings from the Denver Road project. This will help eliminate mud during wet weather.

***NO LEAVES OR GRASS
ARE TO BE PLACED AT THE TOWNSHIP
WOODY WASTE SITE!***

***It is illegal to dump leaves and grass at
the East Cocalico Township's***

Woody Waste Site located at 100 Hill Rd.

***These items are collected by your
trash hauler.***

ALLOWED AT WOODY WASTE SITE

- **WHO?** East Cocalico Township residents only. No commercial dumping.
- **WHAT?** Limbs less than 1½" diam., branches, bush, stumps less than 12" dia.
- **WHERE?** 100 Hill Rd, Denver, behind the municipal building.
- **WHEN?** M-F: 8am—4:30pm. Sat: 8am—3pm. No Sundays or holidays.

NOT ALLOWED AT WOODY WASTE SITE

- **WHO?** Whether you live in the Twp. or your business is in the Twp., absolutely NO commercial dumping.
- **WHAT?** NO grass, leaves, furniture, clay pots, appliances, bricks, treated and untreated wood, skids, stumps larger than 12" dia., large trees, or any other trash of this nature.
- **WHERE?** Call (1) your trash hauler, or (2) Lanc. Co. Solid Waste Mgmt., 717-397-9968, or (3) Martin's Mulch, 973 N. State St., 717-733-1602, or visit www.earth911.com to search
- **WHEN?** Hours as shown above.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT YOUR ON-LOT SYSTEM

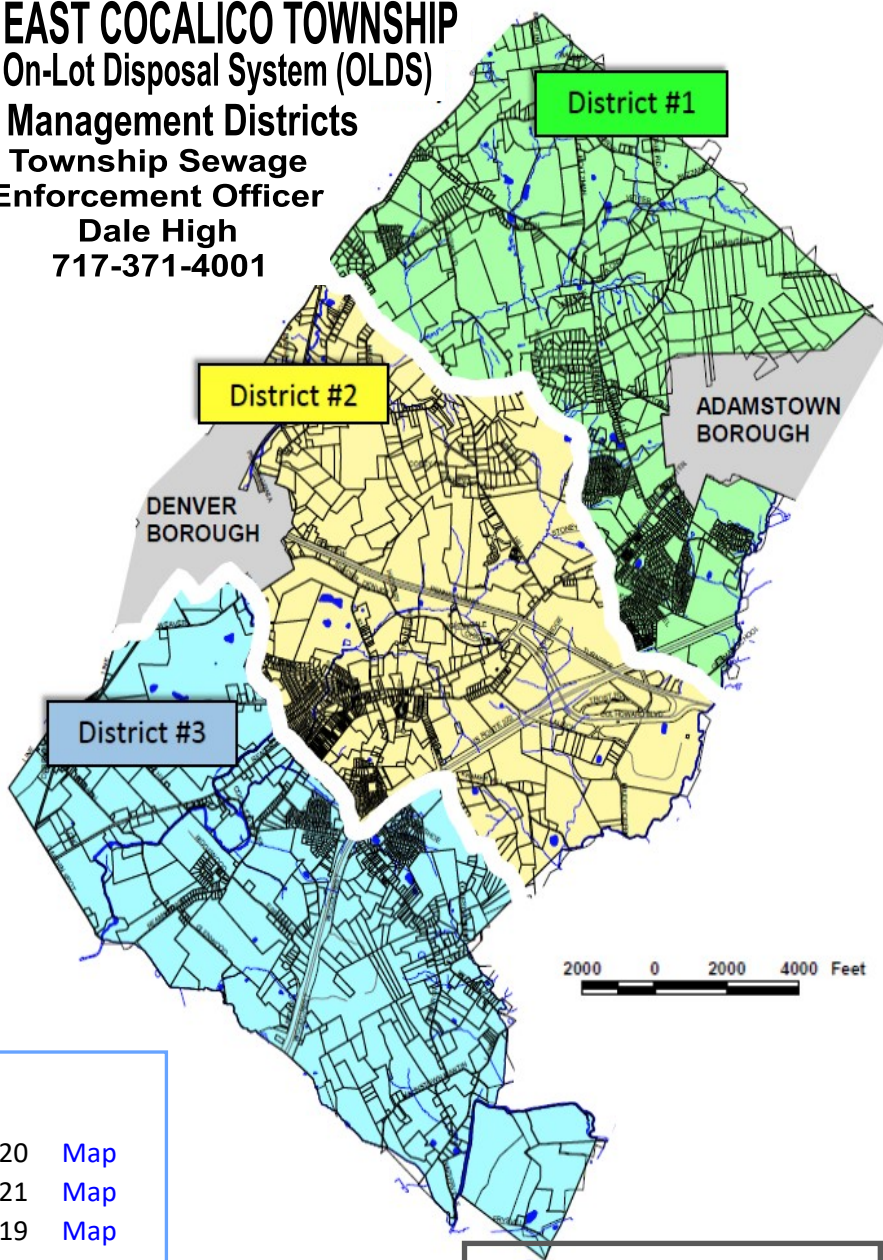
Mandated by the PA State Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), East Co-calico Township adopted Ordinance 2004-06 which requires property owners who have an on-lot sewage disposal system to have their system inspected and pumped every three years by a pumper/hauler that is registered with the Township.

Property owners will be notified by the Township at the beginning of their pumping year July 1st that you will have one year to pump your septic tank within your mandatory pumping year.

Note: Failure to have your on-lot system pumped by June 30th of the following year is a violation of the Township Ordinance as previously noted above.

Questions? Visit the [Township Website](#) or call the Township office at 717-336-1720.

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP
On-Lot Disposal System (OLDS)
Management Districts
Township Sewage
Enforcement Officer
Dale High
717-371-4001



DISTRICT CHART

District #1 year to pump: 7/1/19 to 6/30/20 [Map](#)
District #2 year to pump: 7/1/20 to 6/30/21 [Map](#)
District #3 year to pump: 7/1/18 to 6/30/19 [Map](#)

2018 REGISTERED PUMPER/HAULERS

John Kline Septic Service 3869 Old Harrisburg Pike Mount Joy, PA 17552 717-898-2333	Nolt Services 728 Rettew Mill Road Lititz, PA 17543 717-738-1066	Thomas H. Erb & Sons 268 Sego Sago Road Lititz, PA 17543 717-626-5591
Marks Septic Service, Inc. 81 Horseshoe Lane Shillington, PA 19607 610-913-0707	Sharp Septic 512, Overlys Grove Road New Holland, PA 17557 717-354-6147	Walter Strohl 670 W. Girl Scout Road Stevens, PA 17578 717-733-2339
Middlecreek Transp. (Lloyd Nolt) 1250 Lincoln Road Lititz, PA 17543 717-733-7226	Sonlight Services 330 Yummerdall Road Lititz, PA 17543 717-738-2149	

Special Funding for Homeowners of Septic System

Special funding assistance is available to eligible homeowners who do not have access to a public sewage system and need to repair or replace their individual on-lot septic system or to connect for the first time to a public sewer system. Please visit: <http://www.phfa.org>

CHANGES TO PA DEP DISINFECTION REQUIREMENTS RULE

On April 28, 2018 the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection published changes to their Chapter 109 Safe Drinking Water Regulations specifically related to disinfection requirements. The East Cocalico Township Authority uses chlorine gas as a disinfectant in its water system. One of the significant provision changes with the new rule requires a 10 fold increase in the minimum disinfection (chlorine) residual measured throughout our water distribution system. The previous regulation called for a minimum of 0.02 mg/l of disinfectant residual in the water distribution system. The new regulation requires 0.2 mg/l. These new requirements apply not only to the East Cocalico Township Authority but to all community and non-community water systems throughout Pennsylvania.

By October 29, 2018 the Authority is required to develop and submit a plan to the PA DEP outlining how we will go about meeting the new disinfection requirements for our distribution system. By April 29, 2019 the Authority must meet these new standards.

The Authority and its engineers have begun the planning and cost analysis process. We have slowly increased chlorine dosages at our well sites in order to better meet the new requirements. Other items under consideration include the possibility of utilizing automatic flushing devices to keep water moving throughout the system, especially at dead end points, installing chlorine boosting stations at select locations and making use of mixing devices in one or more of our water tanks. Additional piping to loop dead ends in the water system will also be considered.

The Authority is fully committed to meeting the new disinfection requirements enacted by the PA DEP. As always our primary mission is to act in the best interest of our customers to provide a sufficient, dependable and safe supply of water and sanitary sewer services, in the most cost effective manner.

The full text of the revisions to the PA DEP Chapter 109 Safe Drinking Water Regulations can be found on the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* website at: <https://www.pabulletin.com>. You can also contact Lisa Daniels, Director, Bureau of Safe Drinking Water at P.O. Box 8467, Rachel Carson State Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8467, 717-787-9633 or email her at ldaniels@pa.gov with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the PA DEP's new regulations.

AUTHORITY BILLING CYCLE

From time to time we get calls from customers asking when the next water/sewer bill will be mailed. Sometimes a customer will misplace their bill and not realize it until the payment due date has passed. Except for our larger customers, the Authority reads meters and mails bills on a quarterly basis. Please refer to the Authority's yearly billing cycle chart. If you don't receive your quarterly bill within a few days after the mailing date or you misplace it, please give the Authority a call at 717-336-1731. We'll be happy to issue you a replacement bill so you can keep your account current and avoid any late penalties.

East Cocalico Township Authority's Yearly Billing Cycle

<u>Meter Read</u>	<u>Usage Period</u>	<u>Mail Date</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Jan. 2	Oct., Nov., Dec.	Jan. 15	Feb. 15
April 1	Jan., Feb., Mar.	April 15	May 15
July 1	April, May, June	July 15	Aug. 15
Oct. 1	July, Aug., Sept.	Oct. 15	Nov. 15

IDENTIFYING EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY STAFF

Occasionally the Authority's water and sewer operators may need access to a customer's property, home or business to check for problems related to their water or sanitary sewer service. Some of these problems might include unexpected water leaks, a sudden change in water pressure, issues with a water meter, or sewer clogs. Many times our customers will call us directly for assistance or we will notice a problem and make an appointment to investigate. All of our staff are employees of the East Cocalico Township Authority and carry proper identification. When traveling to your home or business they will arrive in white work trucks similar to the one pictured here.

The vehicles will clearly be marked on both sides with the name of the East Cocalico Township Authority.

Don't hesitate to ask Authority staff for proper identification. If you are uncertain about someone claiming to be from the Authority, please don't allow them into your home. During business hours Monday through Friday you can also call the Authority's office at 717-336-1731 for additional verification.



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DENVER, PA 17517

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DENVER, PA
PERMIT NO. 35

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W: www.eastcocalicotownship.com **E:** township@eastcocalicotownship.com

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

WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY OFFICE 102 Hill Road, Denver, PA 17517. Hours M-F 8am to 4:30pm. **P:** 717-336-1731 **F:** 717-336-1735
W: www.eastcocalicotownshipauthority.com **E:** water@ecocalicotwpauth.com

REAMSTOWN FIRE COMPANY 12 W Church St, Reamstown 17567 **P:** 717-336-3958 **W:** www.reamtownfirecompany.com

SMOKESTOWN FIRE COMPANY 860 Smokestown Rd, Denver 17517 **P:** 717-336-3311 **W:** www.smokestownfire.com

STEVENS FIRE COMPANY 91 Stevens Rd, Denver 17517 **P:** 717-336-4200 **W:** www.stevensfire.net

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

TAXES Joan Fischer, 500 Mohns Hill Rd., Reinholds, 17569. During office hours call 717-336-1721. During non-office hours 717-484-4975.
Mar. through Apr. Hours: Tues. & Fri. 10am to noon, and Fri. 8pm to 10pm, April 30th 8pm to 10pm **W:** www.eastcocalicotownship.com
May through Feb. Hours: First Fri. of month 8pm to 10pm, and first Sat. of month 10am to 12 noon **E:** tax_collector@eastcocalicotownship.com

ZONING OFFICER Tony Luongo, 100 Hill Rd, Denver, PA 17517 Hours: M-F 8am to 4:30pm 717-336-1720 (call ahead) **W:** www.eastcocalicotownship.com/Zoning
E: zoning_officer@eastcocalicotownship.com



2018 MONTH	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 7:30 PM	PLANNING COMMISSION 7:30 PM	PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP 7:30 PM	ZONING HEARING BOARD 7:30 PM	RECREATION BOARD 7:00 PM	WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY 7:00 PM
JANUARY	2*, 18	26	21	10	9	11
FEBRUARY	1, 15	26	21	7	20	8
MARCH	1**, 15	26	21	14	13	8
APRIL	5, 19	30	25	11	10	12
MAY	3, 17	21	16	9	8	10
JUNE	7***, 21	25	20	13	19	14
JULY	NONE, 19	30	25	11	17	12
AUGUST	2, 16	27	22	8	14	9
SEPTEMBER	6****, 20	24	19	12	11	13
OCTOBER	4, 18	29	24	10	9	11
NOVEMBER	1, 15	12	NONE	14	27	8
DECEMBER	6, 20	17	12	12	11	13

*January 2nd: Held on a Tuesday, Organization Meeting. **March 1st: Held at the Stevens Fire Hall, 91 Stevens Road, Stevens. ***June 7th: Held at the Reamstown Fire Hall, 12 West Church Street, Reamstown. ****September 6th: Held at the Smokestown Fire Hall, 860 Smokestown Road, Denver.

Thoughts, comments and suggestions are always welcome! Thank you! Lisa A. Kashner, Township Newsletter Editor