

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

E-newsletter

For the week of

November 28 through December 4, 2022



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Municipal Authority of Washington Township Agenda December 1, 2022, 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Announcements
 - a. The next scheduled meeting will be on Thursday, January 26, 2023.
 - b. The Municipal Authority's Office will be closed on Monday, December 26, 2022, for the Christmas Holiday
 - c. The Municipal Authority's Office will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2023, for the New Year's Holiday
5. Agenda Items Discussion
6. Motions
 - a. Approve Minutes of October 27, 2022, as presented
 - b. Approve the October 2022 Treasurer's Report
 - c. Pay bills as presented
 - d. Approve the 2023 Budget as presented
 - e. Reappoint Jennifer Bombalski as Secretary/Treasurer for 2023
 - f. Retain the firm of Long & Long, with Wesley T. Long, Solicitor, as primary contact for 2023
 - g. Retain Senate Engineering Co. as Authority engineering firm, with Robert Grigas as primary contact for 2023
 - h. Hold Regular Meetings the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, except for the November and December meeting which will be consolidated into one meeting held on the first Thursday of December
 - i. Approve Resolution 2022-03 to accept the Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure from North Meadows Phase II
 - j. Approve Resolution 2022-04 to apply for a Stormwater H2O Grant for the Paulton Stormwater Project
 - k. Approve Resolution 2022-05 to apply for a PA Small Water and Sewer Grant to remediate manholes in Washington Acres

- 7. Unfinished Business
 - a. Legal
 - i. MAWT General Items
 - (1) Liened and delinquent customer accounts
 - (2) Unconnected Properties
 - (3) Condemnations
 - b. I&I Investigation and Testing
 - i. Random I&I Testing
 - ii. Manhole Checks
 - c. Storm Water Infrastructure Status
 - d. Engineering
- 8. New Business
- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Adjournment

2023
KUNKLE PARK PAVILION RENTALS

*On December 1st, we will begin taking reservations for the 2023 rental season.
Any questions, please contact the office.*



**Blue reflective address number signs are available at the township office.
The cost for these signs is \$15 each.**



Drop off boxes for unwanted prescription medications are located at the Washington Township Police Department (M-F, 8am to 3 pm or call for appointment, 724-727-3410) and other police departments in our area.

Other local participation police departments include Allegheny Township, Arnold, Avonmore, Lower Burrell, Murrysville, New Kensington, Upper Burrell, and Vandergrift.

Residents can bring any outdated or unwanted prescription or over-the-counter pills, inhalers, ointments, creams, sprays and pet medicines. Medicines should be deposited in sealed bottles, bags or other containers; patient information can be removed or crossed out.

Needles and injectable drugs will not be accepted.



The **Washington Twp. Volunteer Fire Department** has a Donation Box for gently used clothes that benefits the Paralyzed Veterans of America. The Donation box is in the fire hall parking lot next to the Aluminum Can Trailer. (A portion of the can trailer proceeds go to Fire Prevention Programs.)

The **Washington Twp. Volunteer Fire Department** is always looking for new members. Young men and women may join as early as age 14 to be a junior member. To inquire, you may call the firehall at 724-727-3079 or stop down on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 for more information and an application.



If you notice any suspicious activity in your neighborhood, do not hesitate to dial 911. Residents are encouraged to visit these free sites:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Washington-Township-Police/123134821066134>
Nixle (www.Nixle.org)



For more information on **Murrysville Medic One**, please visit their website:
<https://www.murrysvillemedicone.org/>

MS4-Stormwater

Updated information on the "MS-4 Stormwater Program" is always available on our website, www.washingtontownship.com. Click on the "Services and Information" tab and select "Storm Water-MS4". You can select and view the pages/videos for any of the topics listed.

<https://www.washingtontownship.com/stormwater-management---ms4>



Gill Road – closed to thru-traffic indefinitely.

TREE TRIMMING NOTIFICATION

The Public Works Department will continue tree trimming as necessary. There is also an outside contractor doing some of the work. Tree limbs or shrubs which hang approximately 3 '-5' off asphalt edge (except in yard areas around houses), approximately 2'-3' off asphalt edge in yard areas around houses and low hanging limbs up to approximately 16'-18' high, become a hazard and cause damage to buses and trucks and interferes with proper snow removal. We would greatly appreciate it if all residents trimmed their trees in this area.

We cannot be held responsible if there is any damage to your trees. If you are concerned with the health of your trees, please either trim them yourselves or hire a qualified tree arborist.

If you need any further information, please contact *Rick Huffman* at the township maintenance building at 724-727-9669. Also, if you have any other road-related concerns, please don't hesitate to call. We always appreciate the information.

We will also be trimming shrubs and trees that restrict vision at intersections.

Please be aware that our township ordinance prohibits parking on streets. This is especially important during the winter months when the plows need to have access. This will be enforced.

Lions' Brooms are available for purchase at the Municipal Building

REGULAR BROOMS-\$10

LARGE BROOMS-\$12

PUSH BROOMS-\$20

CHILDREN'S BROOMS - \$6

WHISK BROOMS - \$5



If interested in helping your local community, join the Lions' Club!
Their monthly meeting is held at the Township building every 3rd Monday of every month at 7PM.



Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling Recycling Center Hours

General Public:

Mondays Noon – 5 p.m. (Closed-Labor Day, Sept. 6)

Wednesdays 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Fridays 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

2nd Saturday of Each Month 8:30 a.m. – Noon

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.westmorelandcleanways.org/westmoreland-cleanways-recycling-center/>

724-879-4020



Residential recycling

1 Wesco Lane

Export, PA 15632

724-519-7646

<https://www.eloopllc.com/residential-recycling>

**Heating Assistance/
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)**

The 2022-2023 LIHEAP season is open.

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps families living on low incomes pay their heating bills in the form of a cash grant. Households in immediate danger of being without heat can also qualify for crisis grants. The cash grant is a one-time payment sent directly to the utility company/fuel provider to be credited on your bill. These grants range from \$300 - \$1,000 based on household size, income, & fuel type. Remember: This is a grant & does not have to be repaid.

Here are two ways to apply for LIHEAP:

- **Online:** Apply for benefits online using [COMPASS](#), the online tool for Pennsylvanians to apply for health and human service programs and manage benefit information.
 - **On paper:** You can download a paper application, print it, fill it out, and return it to your [local county assistance office](#).
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**CALL IF YOU CAN.
TEXT IF YOU CAN'T.**

Local Events



We will once again be collecting new, unwrapped toys at the Municipal Building to benefit **“TOYS FOR ALLE-KISKI KIDS”**, which help the less fortunate children in our local area.

A box has been placed in the main entrance of the Township building (285 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo) until December 12th.
Thank you in advance for your donations.

(This organization does not charge any admin fees, gas fees, or pay any employees. Every toy and every dollar go directly to the toys for the kids and every toy donated for the kids is dispersed the year it is donated)



**Baskets
Raffle**
NEED NOT BE PRESENT
TO WIN

Kiski Area

DJ
Rockin'
John

Stuff-A-Bus Toy Drive



Friday, December 9th from 5-8

@ KA High School Atrium

Each Toy Donation earns 1 Free Auction Basket Ticket

COME DRESSED AS A CHRISTMAS CHARACTER *OR NOT*

& GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN WITH



SANTA OR THE **GRINCH**



Food Trucks

- *Wok on Wheels
- *Hot Ash Pizza
- *Sweetie's Ice Cream



Free Activities

- *Face Painting
- *Hot Cocoa
- *Holiday Crafts
- *Christmas Coloring
with a Cop

ALL PROCEEDS STAY LOCAL and BENEFIT "Alle-Kiski Kids"

Contact Jodi @ 724-882-3381 or jodi.king@kiskiarea.com

Monetary Donations made payable to "Allegheny Township"



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Santa is coming to Washington Township!

*The Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company
has volunteered to ride Santa through the Township on
Saturday, December the 17th*

*Santa is expected to leave the Firehall
between 4:00-4:30 PM*

*Heading north to the Paulton Area,
then back south to Wellington Estates,
and ending in Washington Acres*

This event is subject to weather permitting conditions

Breakfast with Santa!



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022

8:00 to 11:00 am

**Poke Run Church Presbyterian Church
1091 Poke Run Church Road**

Adults and Children Ages 11 & Over - \$7.00

Children Ages 4 to 10 - \$4.00

Children 3 years and under eat FREE!

PHOTO WITH SANTA - \$2.00 each – May be purchased at the door

Santa's Store features: Miniature poinsettias, assorted Christmas ornaments and decorations, and gift items...all available for reasonable seasonable prices!

Proceeds benefit Poke Run Presbyterian Church Education Programs and Missions

Breakfast tickets and photo tickets available at door.

Questions? Call Church Office at 724-327-5563.



AA Meetings each Wednesday @ 6PM

@ Union Presbyterian Church.

656 Route 380

Murrysville, PA 15668

For more information, you may call the church @ 724-337-3042

Please join us for our monthly free

Community “Soup for the Soul” Luncheon

AND BRING A FRIEND!!!!

2nd Wednesday of the Month

October through May

Doors open at 11:30am

Soup’s on at NOON!



Poke Run Presbyterian Church

1091 Poke Run Church Rd.

(up from the intersection of Rt. 366 and Rt. 66)

724-327-5563

December 14, 2022

January 11, 2023

February 8, 2023

March 8, 2023

April 12, 2023

May 10, 2023



**Bingo is held every Friday evening at the
Washington Township Firehall,**

4078 Route 66, Apollo, PA. Doors open at 5:30 PM, card sales start at 6:00 PM, Early Bird games start at 7:00 PM, followed by regular game play.

😊 **ATTENTION AMAZON SHOPPERS!** 😊

Washington Township Volunteer Fire Co. No 1,
has its own unique charity link.

Log in, and select your charity and then shop as normal on amazon. Same items, same prices. The only difference is 5% of your purchase on selected items is sent to your selected charity. This is at no cost to you and the charity wins!

First go to <https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F> click “Get Started”.

You will then log into your amazon account.

To select the charity, search using: **“Washington Township Volunteer Fire CO No 1”**

Thank you for your continued support!



MURRYSVILLE
COMMUNITY
LIBRARY
Endless Possibilities.



Come to the library on Saturday, December 10 at 11:00am and make a Mini Gingerbread House using graham crackers, icing, and a lot of candy! Children of all ages are welcome! Register at www.murrysvillelibrary.org

Exploring Our Emotions

In the aftermath of necessary COVID isolation, many children are still learning social-emotional skills. One foundational skill includes identifying emotions in ourselves and others. This event will help children explore their emotions using books, songs, and a craft.



WHO: Children ages 3-5 years old

WHEN: Friday, December 2nd at 1pm

WHERE: Murrysville Community Library
Conference Rooms

During the story time, children will learn about basic emotions, appropriate ways to express them, and common situations when these emotions might arise. This story time event will be hosted by a graduate level mental health counseling intern from Sprout Center for Emotional Growth and Development in Murrysville.

If your child or family is experiencing emotional difficulty in daily life, please contact sproutcenterconsult@gmail.com for further information about counseling services.



SPROUT
CENTER FOR EMOTIONAL GROWTH
AND DEVELOPMENT, LLC



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Township Numbers and Personnel

- Washington Township Municipal Building.....724-727-3515**
285 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613
Supervisors: Richard Gardner, Joseph Olszewski, Matthew Thornton
Admin. Sec. /Treasurer: Lynn Stascak
Assistant Sec/Treas. /Open Records Officer: Barb Antoniono
Planning Department: Jennifer Bombalski
- Municipal Authority of Washington Township..... 724-727-5881**
283 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613
Secretary: Jennifer Bombalski (mawt@comcast.net)
- Police Department.....724-727-3410**
289 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613
Chief: Scott Slagle
- Tax Office.....724-727-3521**
287 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613
Tax Collector: Ann Marie Getty (washingtontax63@yahoo.com)
- Road Department.....724-727-9669**
3788 Route 66, Apollo, PA 15613
Director of Public Works: Rick Huffman
- Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department.....724-727-3079**
4078 Route 66, Apollo, PA 15613
- Building Code Official800-682-6342**
Brian Rearick
MDIA (Middle Department Inspection Agency)
- Sewage Enforcement Officer.....724-548-7743**
Spurgeon Shilling, SEO
Sewage Enforcement Agency
- Code Enforcement Officer.....724-727-3410**
Chief: Scott Slagle
- Emergency Management Coordinator..... 724-571-7211**
Sandra Smythe

