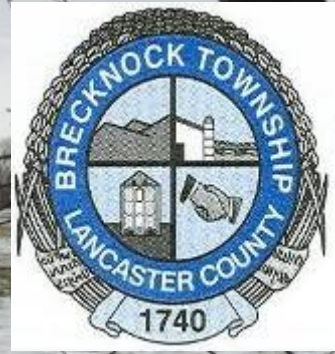


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## FALL/WINTER 2024 NEWSLETTER

The Park & Recreation Committee would like to invite everyone to their annual TRUNK OR TREAT event on Saturday, October 26th from 5p.m. - 7:30 p.m. There will be candy, campfire food, prizes, and The Magic of Erick Hershey will perform at 6:00 p.m. Come on out and enjoy the fun! .



### NEED A FORM?

Applications for Building Permits and Zoning Permits are available in the lobby of our office. Also available, at any time, are Sewer Visual Inspection Forms and Driveway Permit Applications. For your convenience, we also have a drop box for payments and paperwork.



**1** Increase your following distance in severe weather, at dusk and dawn and when in an area with wet leaves.



**2** Check your vehicle's headlights, taillights and turn signals to ensure they are working properly since darkness will be a part of many driver's morning and/or evening commutes. Make sure you turn on your headlights as the sunlight fades.

- CHECK**
- HEADLIGHTS
  - TAILLIGHTS
  - TURN SIGNALS

**3** Be sure you have tires with sufficient tread depth in case of an early season snow.

**4** Have your vehicle's heating and wiper systems checked to ensure they are working properly.



**5** If you see one deer, slow down and remain cautious. More from the herd are bound to follow.

### Important Information Gehman School Rd Bridge

The Gehman School Road Bridge closure is not a permanent closure. This bridge is a shared bridge with East Cocalico. Both townships have come to agreement on a plan of action to replace this bridge.

Unfortunately, during a recent bridge inspection, the deterioration of the steel beams has increased to a level that PennDOT has deemed unsafe. They informed Brecknock and E. Cocalico Townships that for the safety of the traveling public the bridge needed to be closed.

Please be patient with both Townships while we work through a lengthy design and permitting process before we can begin this work.

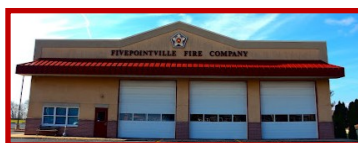
### SUPPORT YOUR



Our local fire departments depend on their annual fund drive and their fundraising events to keep in operation. Please come out and support your local fire companies at one of their upcoming events:

#### Bowmansville Fire Company

January 11, 2025: Winter Feast



#### Fivepointville Fire Company

November 9, 2024: Breakfast

January 1, 2025: Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner

March 8, 2025: Breakfast

**Both Fire Companies also have Facebook pages!  
Check them out for updates on their events.**



## INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

### Street Light Not Working???

Call the Township Office at (717) 445-5933. We can report it to PP&L. We will need the set of numbers from the pole. The bottom numbers will begin with the letter S.

Reflective house numbers can be ordered through your local fire company.  
**Fivepointville Area**  
717-445-4933  
**Bowmansville Area**  
717-445-6293

### Yard Waste Recycling

Yearly permits are available at the Terre Hill Borough Office  
300 Broad St.  
Terre Hill, PA 17581  
(717) 445-4581

### ON LOT SEPTIC SYSTEMS:

Brecknock Township was required by PADEP to implement a maintenance program for all on-lot sewage systems in the township. As part of this program, property owners are required to have their septic systems pumped out every three years and visually inspected by the pumper.



Brecknock Township has a Facebook page. Check out upcoming Park & Recreation Department events for the community. Find us at: BRECKNOCK TOWNSHIP - LANCASTER COUNTY.

## ZONE 1

**DUE BY 12/31/2024**

Please send completed inspection forms to the township office.

During a snow event, Brecknock Township's first priority to open the main roads (that we are responsible for that are not covered by PennDOT) to one lane to secure passage for emergency vehicles. The Road Crew will then open the local roads and then cul-de-sacs. They will repeat the process "curb to curb". Please keep in mind the plow trucks do not intentionally push snow into the end of our driveway or mailbox area, with limited space and snow amounts, it cannot be avoided.

We ask for your help during these times:

- \* Please keep all vehicles off of roadways during snow events.
- \* Please remove all portable basketball nets from the streets.
- \* Please do not pass plow trucks on the road.
- \* Please remember to shovel sidewalks around your home.
- \* And most importantly, please be patient. We will work as fast as we can to clear the roadways.



**MAKE SURE TO PACK YOUR EMERGENCY TRAVEL KIT BEFORE YOU NEED IT**



## WHEN THE SNOW FALLS...



Wear loose-fitting, lightweight, warm layers, rather than one heavy layer of clothing.

Take breaks while shoveling snow – overexertion can bring on a heart attack.

Help firefighters by keeping fire hydrants clear of snow.



Did you know you can rent out facilities at our parks? Pavilions can be rented for the day at \$75.00. All of our sport fields, hockey rink, and pickleball courts can be rented too! For just \$10.00 per hour.

We will begin accepting Rental Reservations for 2025 after the new year. Just call our office during our business hours and we would be happy to help schedule you!

**BE PREPARED FOR A WINTER STORM**

Winter storms create a higher risk of car accidents, hypothermia, frostbite, carbon monoxide poisoning, and heart attacks from overexertion.

FEMA  
FEMA V-1014/ June 2018

Winter storms and blizzards can bring extreme cold, freezing rain, snow, ice, and high winds.

Greater risk

Can last a few hours or several days

Can knock out heat, power, and communication services

**New additions are being made to Brubaker Park:**

New lights were added for the hockey rink and pickleball courts.

New lighting is being added to the one baseball field.

Nature play area being added behind Beaver Lodge.

Stay tuned for more improvements in 2025!



**IF YOU ARE UNDER A WINTER STORM WARNING, FIND SHELTER RIGHT AWAY**

- Stay off roads.
- Stay indoors and dress warmly.
- Prepare for power outages.
- Use generators outside only.
- Pay attention to emergency information and alerts.
- Look for signs of hypothermia and frostbite.
- Check on neighbors.



In accordance with 2020 decennial census, Brecknock Township's population now exceeds the minimum thresholds contained in the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act (ACT 101) passed by the General Assembly in 1988, and is obligated by law to implement a recycling program for its citizens.

As a result, all trash haulers in Brecknock Township must collect recyclables and submit

reports to the township on a regular basis that reports where they are disposing of the recyclables.

All persons within Brecknock Township shall deliver and dispose of Household Hazardous Waste materials to the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Facility. Contact the facility for current hours of operation at: (717) 397-9968. For a copy of the Recycling Ordinance, please visit the online Code of Ordinances at <https://ecode360.com/BR1339/Home>.

**House Hold Hazardous Waste includes the following materials and other materials of similar nature:**

- \*Anti-Freeze
- \*Batteries
- \*Chlorinated Hydrocarbons
- \*Fluorescent light bulbs and other mercury- containing devices
- \*Gasoline and kerosene
- \*Grease and rust solvents
- \*Oven, toilet, and drain cleaners
- \*Paints, rust preventatives, stains, and wood preservatives
- \*Pesticides, fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, rodenticides, roach and ant killers
- \*Photographic and pool chemicals
- \*Thinners, solvents, and furniture strippers
- \*Transmission and brake fluids
- \*Used oil or other hydrocarbon-based lubricants
- \*Wood, metal, rug and upholstery cleaners and polishes



Did you know?

PennDOT has a new customer care portal that allows you to submit concerns about roads, signs, construction, and driver and vehicle services to them directly.

<https://customercare.penndot.gov/>.

Submissions are not monitored outside of normal business hours, which are Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For life-threatening emergencies, call 9-1-1.



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**Board of Supervisors 2nd Tuesday**

Jerry Long – Chairman  
David Leinbach – Vice Chairman  
Andy Baum – Member  
Carol Martin – Secretary/Treasurer/  
Admin.

**Sewer Authority 2nd Monday**

Mike McHenry \* Roger Sauder  
Grant Wise \* Steve Tomasko \*  
Robert Thompson

**Park & Recreation 3rd Monday**

Garry Messner \* Jeff Tudor \* Wanda  
Swarr \* Megan Baum \* Brandon Steffy  
\*Daniel Horning \* Corina Stubbs

**Zoning Hearing Board 3rd Tuesday**

Ken Martin \* Melanie McHenry \*  
Steve Hildebrand

**Planning Commission 4th Tuesday**

Dean Imhoff \* James Regener \*  
Christine Storms\* Delbert Martin

**All Meetings are held at the  
Brecknock Township Building at  
7pm and are open to the public.**

Andy Baum – Roadmaster  
Levi Hoover – Zoning and Codes  
Enforcement Officer  
Kristy Firestone - Office Asst./  
Newsletter Designer