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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

AED INSTALLED AT TOWNSHIP'S PARK

Hello, Residents of East Fallowfield. I hope everyone had a great winter and is looking forward to spring! First, I wanted to give a big thanks to David's Drive 831 and Aidan's Heart Foundation which partnered with us to install an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at the Township's community park. This device has been installed in a heated weather-proof cabinet on the front of the park's restroom building and stands ready to save lives if needed.

I'd like to acknowledge the invaluable support of Christy Silva, the founder of Aiden's Heart Foundation who helped us install this potential life-saving device and David Turner, the president of

David's Drive 831 who provided the donation for the AED equipment. Both David Turner and Christy Silva recognize the importance of having AED devices in public spaces since both of their sons passed from cardiac arrest. Their commitment to our community's safety is truly appreciated!

An AED, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. AEDs are small portable machines that analyze a person's heart rhythm, determine whether a shock is needed, and use voice or screen prompts to guide the rescuer through the process.



prompts to guide the rescuer through the process.

While we hope to never use this AED, its presence significantly improves the chances of surviving a sudden cardiac arrest. Once again, thank you David and Christy!

OUTGOING AND NEW TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

I'd also like to take this opportunity to welcome and congratulate Michael Domboski as a newly elected township supervisor. Domboski was sworn in by Magisterial District Judge, Nancy A. Gill, at the township's reorganization meeting in January and took his seat at the table. He will serve a 6-year term. Domboski is a familiar face in East Fallowfield serving as a chair on the Township's Planning Commission. At the meeting, Wilson T. Lambert, Jr. was also re-elected for another 6-year term to the Board of Supervisors and was re-appointed to serve as the 2024 Board of Supervisors chairperson. Furthermore, Township Supervisor, John Nielsen, was appointed as the 2024 Board of Supervisors vice chairperson.

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Park and Recreation Committee

Chairman: Teri Dickinson Members: Clare Small, Fred Weiss, Chrissy Ali, Robin Barnes Burdik, Jonathan Egger, Stephanie Scotton, Anita Madsen

Planning Commission

Chairman: Michael Domboski Vice Chairman: Deborah Stoff Members: Joe Perzan, Sue Monoghan, Joseph Heffern, Guido Giuntini, Ray Smith

Historic Commission

Chairman: Joe McCormick Secretary: Sue Monaghan Members: Clarence Rhoades III, Connie McLaughlin, Chad Peterson

Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC)

Members: John Nielsen, Joe Heffern, Tanner Burns, Jeanne Berlin, Charles Reed, Deane Madsen, Teri Dickinson, Paul Brenner Katja DiRado (Alternate)

NEW TO THE TOWNSHIP?

Request a new resident information packet by email at secretary@eastfallowfield.org or call 610-384-2104



Attendees will have the opportunity to hear about future park improvements and open space preservation in East Fallowfield.

May 30th, 2024 | 7-9 pm East Fallowfield Township Building

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or visit:

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From the Manager's Desk continued from cover

Likewise, we'd like to give a big heartfelt "thank you" to Joseph "Joe" Heffern who finished his 6-year term as a Township Supervisor. Joe was elected as a Township Supervisor in 2018 and served continuously through 2023.

During his tenure of community service, Joe exhibited strong leadership and played a vital role in supporting significant and positive changes to East Fallowfield Township. Most importantly, Joe has generated significant support for our local fire departments and emergency services. We greatly appreciate Joe's strong contributions to East Fallowfield by his continuing to serve on various township boards, including the Township's Planning Commission and Agricultural Security Commission.

Joe has spent countless hours during many long evening meetings helping to ensure that we live in a healthy, attractive, and prosperous community. I thank him tremendously for his ongoing commitment to our Township!

On behalf of the Township Board of Supervisors and staff, I wish you and your family a wonderful spring season. I hope to see you out and about the township!

Sincerely,

Scott M. Swichar

Township Manager





Township Receives \$250,000 in Grant Funding for Traffic Calming Safety Measures

East Fallowfield Township was a recent recipient of \$250,000 in grant funding from the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Statewide Local Share Account (LSA) and Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF) for traffic calming improvements in the Newlinville section of the Township.

The 'Newlinville Village Master Plan', completed by the Township in 2021, identified a severe speeding problem in Newlinville. According to the master plan, traffic calming should be a high priority action item, and the implementation of traffic calming measures will help provide a safer and more comfortable environment for walking and biking. The proposed improvements include two landscaped center islands, radar speed display boards, transition striping on Route 82 (Doe Run Road), as well as safety improvements, such as new curbing and driveway aprons at the intersection of Route 82 (Doe Run Road) and Newlinville Road. "Roadway safety continues to be a top priority for the Township's Board of Supervisors and administration," said Township Manager, Scott Swichar. "These grants will advance our work by bringing necessary traffic calming measures to Newlinville." Construction is scheduled to begin later this year.





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Police Sergeant Graduates from Northwestern School of Police Staff & Command

The East Fallowfield Township Police Department is pleased to announce the recent graduation of Sergeant Brian Simmons from the prestigious School of Police Staff and Command at Northwestern University. Sergeant Brian Simmons has successfully completed the 22 week online Staff and Command program. The School of Police Staff and Command provides upper-level college instruction in a total of 27 core blocks of instruction and additional optional blocks during each session. The major topics of study include: Leadership, Human Resources, Employee Relations, Organizational Behavior, Applied Statistics, Planning and Policy Development, Budgeting and Resource Allocation.

Sergeant Simmons's major project for the course was a Staff Study of the East Fallowfield Police Department's new officer Field Training Program. The Staff Study resulted in the agency adopting a new Field Training program using current best practices and new technology to track the progress of new police officers.





Missing Pet Protocols!

If my pet is lost, what do I do? The East Fallowfield Police Department encourages you to call the police station at 610-384-9163 Ext. 1 or dial 911 to file a report about your missing pet. The Police Department can advertise your missing pet information on social media. The pet owner is encouraged to check local social media sites for found pets. The pet owner can contact the SPCA to see if their pet was recovered and turned into the SPCA.

I found a stray pet, what do I do? The East Fallowfield Police Department encourages you to call the police station at 610-384-9163 Ext. 1 or dial 911 to file a report about the found pet. Please avoid taking a found pet directly to the SPCA as the pet owner and the Department is charged a fee for the service provided by the SPCA. The East Fallowfield Police Department will respond and has several tools at our disposal to reunite lost pets with their owners.

The Police Department can scan the pet for an identification microchip with an Identification Microchip Chip reader donated by Dr. Marc Daniel from Brandywine Valley Veterinary Hospital.

The Police Department has the ability to research reports of lost pets to identify owners. The Police Department can post a picture of the lost pet on social media to learn owner information. If the owner of a pet is unable to be located, the Police Department will contact the SPCA to recover the stray pet. The goal of the East Fallowfield Police Department is to reunite pets with their owners!

East Fallowfield Township Donates \$9,000 to Coatesville Area Public Library



At the December 12, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting, the Board approved a \$9,000 donation to the Coatesville Area Public Library (CAPL). The Coatesville Area Public Library is a regional library serving the City of Coatesville, Caln Township, East Fallowfield Township, Modena Borough, South Coatesville Township, Valley Township, and West Bradford Township.

"The Coatesville Area Library is a great community asset that offers a variety of benefits to our local community. We are happy to support this important asset," said East Fallowfield Township Board Chairman Wilson, T. Lambert, Jr.

Pictured left to right: Wilson T. Lambert, Jr., East Fallowfield Township Board Chairman; Scott Swichar, East Fallowfield Township Manager; Carolyn Johnson, President of the Library's Board of Trustees; and Amber Timlin, the Executive Director of the Coatesville Area Public Library.





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Board of Supervisors Adopts 2024 Township Budget

PUBLIC INPUT AND APPROVAL OF BUDGET:

East Fallowfield Township's Board of Supervisors approved the 2024 Township Budget at their meeting on December 12, 2023. At the December meeting, Township Manager, Scott Swichar highlighted the Township's commitment to public input and stated that there have been numerous opportunities throughout the budget process to provide input. Public meetings were held on October 10, October 24, November 14, and December 12.

NO GENERAL FUND TAX INCREASE; SLIGHT MILLAGE INCREASE FOR FIRE/EMS:

Swichar noted that there is no millage increase in the General Services Fund (which pays for the operation, personnel costs, and general expenditures of Township government). However, the 2024 budget was adopted with a slight increase in the Fire/EMS Fund of .75 mills (from 1 mill to 1.75 mills). The millage increase will fund Modena Fire Company and Westwood Fire Company operations both of which provide essential fire protection and emergency medical services to residents of East Fallowfield Township. The increase, which aims to address critical public safety needs, is broken down as follows: 0.69 millage specifically for Fire Protection and 0.06 millage specifically for Advanced Life Support (ALS) Services.

FUNDING FOR ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT:

The 0.06 mill increase will provide funding to Westwood

Ambulance Service for Paramedic/Advanced Life Support medical coverage, ensuring comprehensive emergency medical services for the entire Township. This step was necessitated by the sudden relocation of paramedic units by Tower Health and regional hospital closures.

TRANSITION TO PAID FIREFIGHTERS:

In response to the diminishing number of volunteer firefighters, the 0.69 mill increase will fund the hiring of full-time firefighters for Westwood Fire Company and Modena Fire Company. This transition to paid firefighters aims to ensure reliable fire protection 24/7, supplementing the valuable work of volunteers, especially during periods with fewer available volunteers.

AVERAGE TAXPAYER IMPACT:

The average homeowner with a real estate assessed value of \$136,116 currently pays \$407.00 a year in Township Real Estate Property Taxes (General Purpose and Fire/EMS) for all township services. (Please remember that the "assessed" value is typically a much lower rate than the fair market value of a particular property). With the millage increase in the 2024 budget, the average taxpayer would see their annual township real estate tax bill increase to about \$510, an increase of \$103.

Trash/Recycling Collection Fee Increase

The Township's contract with Waste Management expired on December 31, 2023, and there were no options to renew the agreement.

In order to find the lowest possible rate for residential collection of trash and recyclables, the Township put the trash program out to bid in 2022, and again in 2023. As part of the Township's competitive bidding process, five contractors bid on the Township's trash and recycling collection contract in 2023: A.J. Blosenski, Whitetail Disposal, Republic Services, Waste

Management, and J.P. Mascaro & Sons.

A.J. Blosenski was the low bidder on both the three-year and five-year contract options. As the Township is required by state law to approve the lowest responsible bid, East Fallowfield Township's Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to award a three-year, \$2,337,959.52 waste and recycling collection contract to A.J. Blosenski, Inc. As part of the agreement, the Township or the hauler may extend the contract for up to two additional years after the initial three year term.

Below are comparisons of the five bids received in 2023:										
Description of Bid	A.J. Blosenski, Inc.	Whitetail Disposal, Inc.	Republic Services of Pennsylvania, LLC	Waste Management of Pennsylvania	J.P. Mascaro & Sons					
3 Year Trash/Recycling/Bulk Pricing (TOTAL)	\$2,337,959.52	\$2,821,300.74	\$2,854,470.00	\$2,886,356.64	\$3,300,504.00					
2024-Weekly Trash/Bi-Weekly Recycling/Monthly Bulk	\$727,176.00	\$911,258.13	\$905,462.00	\$906,664.32	\$1,080,840.00					
2025-Weekly Trash/Bi-Weekly Recycling/Monthly Bulk	\$778,255.68	\$938,595.88	\$950,736.00	\$960,936.48	\$1,098,864.00					
2026-Weekly Trash/Bi-Weekly Recycling/Monthly Bulk	\$832,527.84	\$971,446.73	\$998,272.00	\$1,018,755.84	\$1,120,800.00					

While A.J. Blosenski's contract will be more expensive than the previous multi-year contract with Waste Management, it is important to note that collection costs have increased industry-wide. As noted above, this provider offered the lowest rates submitted through the competitive bidding process.

Higher tipping fees for waste taken to the Chester County Solid Waste Authority landfill and an increase in processing fees imposed for recycling materials were two additional factors considered in determining the need to increase the trash fee. As a result of the increased costs incurred, the Board of Supervisors increased the 2024 trash fee by \$140, from \$310 (the annual fee in 2023) to \$450 (the new fee in 2024).

EFFORTS TO MINIMIZE IMPACT

The Township undertook extensive efforts to avoid a significant increase in the costs associated with the hauler contract, while maintaining the existing level of service.

For example, the Township purchased new 95-gallon recycling bins as an effort to cushion the impact of higher fees charged by trash haulers and to stabilize collection costs over the next several years. These bins are being funded by a \$192,600 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

COMMITMENT TO FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

We want to assure you that the decision to raise the trash fee and Fire/EMS tax were made only after careful consideration. The Township's administration and staff have been actively working to reduce spending and pursue grant funding opportunities to stabilize finances and minimize the need for tax increases. We understand the importance of fiscal responsibility, and we are committed to continuing discussions on how to best control costs in 2024 to maintain a steady tax rate.

Your concerns are important to us, and we appreciate your understanding and ongoing support. We value the open dialogue with our community and remain dedicated to serving the best interests of East Fallowfield Township.

Residential Trash Information

NEW TRASH HAULER IN EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP

On January 1, 2024, A.J. Blosenski became the new contracted hauler for residential trash and recycling collection for East Fallowfield Township.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

Trash pick-up is every Friday. Please note that when a holiday falls within the week, trash/recycling pickup will be picked up on Saturday. Holidays are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. Holidays that fall on a Saturday or Sunday do not affect your trash pickup.

Collection of trash is limited to what will fit inside the 96 gallon Township-provided container. Please put your trash toters out Thursday night to ensure your trash is not missed during pickup.

Recycling collection is every other Friday according to the recycling calendar below. Recycling collection is unlimited. Should your recyclables not fit in your 96-gallon Township-provided container, you could use your own container clearly labeled as 'Recycling,' or place flattened cardboard that will not fit inside the recycling container next to your recycling container. If you feel you need an extra recycling container, let us know! The Township has a limited supply of extra (pre-owned) containers that we can make available at no charge. Contact us for more information on how to receive an additional container.

THE 2024 RECYCLING CALENDAR February March April

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BULK TRASH PICKUP

January

Bulk trash is collected on the first Friday of each month. There is a limit of two bulk items once a month for each collection day. *What are 'Bulk Items?'* Any items including carpet (cut and tied bundle measuring no more than 4 feet in length), furniture, exercise equipment, lawn furniture, large toys, mattresses/box springs, storm sashes, screens, and other household waste. Note: E-Waste, Construction Waste, Hazardous Waste, or Tires will NOT be accepted.

NO APPOINTMENT IS NECESSARY FOR COLLECTION OF YOUR BULK ITEMS

Bulk waste must be placed curbside the night before, or prior to 6:00 a.m. on the scheduled day of collection. Please note that A.J. Blosenski requires that all mattresses and box springs placed outside for bulk collection must be wrapped in plastic. This is in accordance with industry standards and is for the safety of hauler employees. Unwrapped mattresses are a hazard risk due to potential pests as well as the potential for excessive weight due to precipitation. Plastic mattress bags may be purchased at most hardware and home improvement stores.

Residential Trash Information continued from page 9

Appliances containing Freon must have a certified tag from a technician to document that the Freon has been properly removed. Appliances are collected by appointment only. Call us at 610-384-2104 or email: trash@eastfallowfield.org to schedule collection.

ELECTRONICS ARE ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING

Township residents can drop off electronic items (Televisions, Computers Laptops and Tablets, Monitors, Computer Keyboards, Computer Mice, and Printers) at the FREE recycling drop off center at the Township's Municipal Building-2264 Strasburg Road. The drop off site is open on weekdays from 9:00AM until 4:00PM, No appointments are necessary.

Anyone dropping off electronics MUST first stop at the Office and show a valid ID or a copy of a utility bill identifying that they are a resident of East Fallowfield Township. Electronics may NOT be left outside at the Municipal Building or collection site when the facility is closed. The service is FREE for Township residents.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Curbside Wood Chipping Service Curbside collection is done the first Monday of every month. Please note that there is no need to call us to schedule collection! However, your clippings MUST be at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the collection date. If they are not out on time, collection crews will not go back to pick them up. Note that depending on weather conditions and the amount of yard waste placed at the curb, there may be delays and collection may take several days to complete.

Limbs/branches shall be no more than six feet in length. No single piece shall be more than four inches in diameter. Tree and shrub trimmings only; No vines. Trimmings, which include

vines, will not be picked up. All trimmings must be piled next to the curb or at the end of the driveway. Trimmings should be piled neatly with the cutoff ends pointed toward the curb. Township employees will not come on private property to remove trimmings.

Curbside Seasonal Leaf Collection: Curbside Leaf collection service is only available each Monday during the middle of October through the middle of December. Leaves MUST be at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the collection day. If it is not out on time, collection crews will not go back to pick it up. If you must dispose of clippings or leaves please containerize them (preferably paper bags). Plastic bags will not be taken. Collection service is free, but there is a limit of ten paper bags for each collection.

If you want to avoid raking, an environmentally friendly alternative is 'mower mulching' over your leaves, providing nutrients and natural fertilizer to your lawn.

Drop off Yard Waste Service: Residents can also drop off yard waste year-round at the Central Chester County Recycling Authority. This composting service is available on the second Saturday of every month (second and fourth Saturday during the months of April, May, August, and September) from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 2240 Upper Gap Road, Coatesville (South Coatesville). This is a free service available to Township residents.

For more information about the Township's trash/recycling program, call 610-384-2104 or email us at: trash@eastfallowfield.org







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Meet the East Fallowfield Township Environmental Advisory Council

by John Nielsen, Township Supervisor & EAC Member

Unless you're directly involved or you've been paying close attention to township goings-on, you may not know that what was formerly known as "The Strategic Planning Steering Committee" got a makeover!

East Fallowfield Township Resolution No. 2022-18 changed the name, scope, and purposes of this committee, and it officially became the Environmental Advisory Council (or EAC, for short) on October 25, 2022. The EAC is now focused entirely on environmental preservation and improvements in East Fallowfield Township!

The EAC is comprised of volunteers from the community and currently includes Joe Heffern, Jeanne Berlin, Teri Dickinson, Tanner Burns, Deane Madsen, and John Nielsen (me). Currently there is one vacancy on the EAC, so we still have a need for more volunteers!

The EAC's scope involves reporting recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on plans and programs to promote the conservation of natural resources for the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment within East Fallowfield Township.

In 2023, the EAC's projects included completing the Township's first-ever Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory. Tracking energy use, energy expenditures, and greenhouse gas emissions are important steps in developing local policies to increase energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

The EAC also completed its 'Name a Stream' Project for the previously unnamed stream that crosses South Bailey Road, Oaklyn Road and South Caln Road. You might ask if it even matters whether a stream is named. Yes, it does! Having a name will provide a sense of pride and ensure that the community is committed to protecting this important waterway. As part of the application process, the name "Shale Run" was accepted by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and is now the official name of the stream.

projects include researching recommendations regarding township ordinances that affect issues such as wildlife habitat, stormwater management, singleuse plastics, open space, and native plant species.

The Council's upcoming projects for 2024 include:

- Researching grant opportunities to promote education and outreach, potentially partnering with Coatesville Area School District science teachers and ecology/sustainability clubs or
- Establishing a watershed group in the Township, through Penn State Extension;
- Establishing a woodland conservation group, comprised of private land owners;
- Continuing to support the township's open space planning; and
- Encouraging community engagement.

We welcome your help! We're excited to continue the work we've been doing on behalf of our community, and we encourage anyone interested in getting involved to contact the Township office, or email me directly at jnielsen@eastfallowfield.org.



2024 Parks and Recreation Year at a Glance

by Teri Dickinson, Parks and Rec Chair

Calling all residents! Spring is right around the corner and the days are getting longer. Whether enjoying our beautiful township Park, walking your pup, playing on the playground, or attending an event, our Park has something for everyone! The Parks and Recreation Committee is working behind the scenes to bring some exciting new events to life in 2024. We meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 PM and we invite all residents to join us, contribute ideas, and volunteer at events!

You can check out our Parks Committee's event updates at the East Fallowfield Township Community Park Facebook Page as well as on the Community Page. Feel free to contact me at tad411@comcast.net with any questions. Thank you!



Real Estate Tax Collector Announcement

Beginning January 1, 2024, the Township has contracted with Berkheimer Tax Administrator to be the Township's new tax collector. Your bill will no longer come from the County of Chester Treasurer's Office. It will now come from Berkheimer Tax Administrator. The change to the new tax collector was a cost savings measure that will save the Township several thousand dollars a year.

Bills were mailed on February 1st which is consistent with prior years. No changes have been made to the discount rate/due date, face amount due date, and penalty rate/due date. The only change is the collector.

By Law, your Real Estate tax bill is mailed directly to you, and it will be noted on the bill that you must forward the bill to your mortgage company if applicable. In general, tax collectors have agreements with some major mortgage companies who may also receive the necessary information to pay your bill.

Real Estate Tax Inquiries should be directed to the Berkheimer Real Estate phone line at 610-599-3143 or 1-800-360-8989 Option #3 and questions can also be submitted online on their website (www.hab-inc.com) or to RET@hab-inc.com.

Certifications can be requested online at:

https://www.hab-inc.com/real-estate-tax-certification-request-form/ Receipts can be requested online at:

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The mailing address is: HAB-MISC, PO Box 25144, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002

Where Does Your **Real Estate Tax** Dollar Go?



Coatesville Area School District \$0.83

Did You Know?

Approximately 83% of your real estate taxes go to the Coatesville Area School District, while East Fallowfield Township receives only about 8% of Property Taxes.

Coatesville Area School Dist. 41.819 Mills 83%
Chester County (CC) 4.551 Mills 9%
East Fallowfield Township 3.7500 Mills 8%

East Fallowfield Township 2024 Scheduled Meetings

	rd of Supervisor: th Tuesday of month (un			nning Commissio		Park & Recreation Meetings First & third Tuesday of month @ 6:30 p.m.					
January 9	May 14	September 10	January 8*	May 6	September 9*	January 2	May 7	September 3			
January 23	May 28	September 24	January 15	May 20	September 16	January 16	May 21	September 17			
February 13	June 11	October 8	February 5	June 3	October 7	February 6	June 4	October 1			
February 27	June 25	October 22	February 19	June 17	October 21	February 20	June 18	October 15			
March 12	July 9	November 12	March 4	July 1	November 4	March 5	July 2	November 5			
March 26	July 23	November 26	March 18	July 15	November 18	March 19	July 16	November 19			
April 9	August 13	December 10	April 1	August 5	December 2	April 2	August 6	December 3			
April 23	August 27	December 17*	April 15	August 19	December 16	April 16	August 20	December 17			
	oric Commission	V. Sandarana Carana		egic Planning/EA		Municipal Building Committee Meetings					
January 3	May 1	September 4	January 18	May 16	September 19	January 22	May 27	September 23			
January 17	May 15	September 18	February 15	June 20	October 17	February 22	June 24	October 28			
February 7	June 5	October 2	March 21	July 18	November 21	March 25	July 22	November 25			
February 21	June 19	October 16	April 18	August 15	December 19	April 22	August 26	December 23			
March 6	July 3	November 6			Facult	1 64 a a Minara					
March 20	July 17	November 20	+	Variation		ecial Meetings					
April 3	August 7	December 4	Tuesday	January 2		anization Meeting	6:30 p.m.				
April 17	August 21	December 18	Wednesday	January 3	Elected Board of	of Auditors Meeting 6:30 p.m.					
Open Sp		& Environmental R			olic Meetings	- America					
	Thursday	January 25	Committee !	Meeting #6		Please check the township's website					
	Thursday	February 29	PUBLIC MEE	TING #3		for upda	tes or meeting of	cancellations			
	Thursday	April 25	Committee N	Meeting #7		And the second s					

EFT 2024 Holidays (office closed)											
Monday January 1 New Year's Day Monday September 2 Labor Day											
Monday	January 15	MLK Day	Monday	November 11	Veterans Day						
Monday	February 19	President's Day	Thursday	November 28	Thanksgiving						
Monday	May 27	Memorial Day	Friday	November 29	Day after T'giving						
Wednesday	June 19	Juneteenth	Tuesday	December 24	Christmas Eve						
Thursday	July 4	4th of July	Wednesday	December 25	Christmas Day						

PUBLIC MEETING #4

Office hours Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

All meetings to be held at the East Fallowfield Township Office 2264 Strasburg Road

2024 Chester County Household Hazardous Waste Collection

This collection is open to Chester County residents only. **PRE-REGISTRATION/APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED!** Maximum Amount Accepted – 25 Gallons or 220 Lbs. Note: No Metal Drums or Freon Appliances Accepted!

UPCOMING EVENTS: (All Events are 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM)

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024......PHOENIXVILLE

May 30

(Proof of Residency May Be Required) Technical High School (Pickering)

Thursday

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024COATESVILLE

1635 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320

Stone wall entrance-Veteran's Drive-Same entrance as CAT Brandywine – Route 30 across from Dairy Queen, (Proof of Residency May be Required)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2024......OXFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATIVE BLDG.

(Proof of Residency May Be Required)

125 Bell Tower Lane, Oxford, PA 19363

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024.. GOVERNMENT SERVICES CENTER

601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19380

Leave in Orignal Containers!!

ITEMS TAKEN:

- · Paint (Oil only)
- Pool Chemicals
- Gasoline/Kerosene
- Household Cleaners
- Antifreeze
- Varnishes/Stains
- Mercurv
- Turpentine
- · Fertilizers/Pesticides

ITEMS NOT TAKEN:

- Latex Paint
- Used Motor oil
- Tires
- Asbestos
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- Propane
- Helium/gas cylinders
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 - Electronics

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