

East Fallowfield News



FALL 2024

FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

East Fallowfield Township Approves Municipal Complex Feasibility Study

East Fallowfield Township Manager Scott Swichar is pleased to announce that the Township has selected an architectural firm to complete a feasibility study for a new municipal complex. Last year, the Township completed the purchase of a 10.9 acre centrally located parcel on Wilmington Road, which is a leading candidate to serve as the home to a future municipal complex. The municipal complex will combine the Township's police and administrative services under one roof. "The feasibility study is a crucial step in ensuring the project is a success and will help the township make informed decisions," stated Swichar.

A direct solicitation was initiated earlier this year to invite architectural firms to submit proposals to develop a feasibility plan for the Township's proposed municipal complex in conjunction with a review being conducted on the issue by a Municipal Building Committee created by the Township and consisting of several local community members. The Township received proposals from four qualified architectural firms. The Township's Municipal Building Committee interviewed all four prospective consultants, and ultimately recommended that the Township hire Heckendorn Shiles Architects, of Wayne, Pennsylvania. At its meeting on July 23, 2024, the Township's Board of Supervisors approved the proposal from Heckendorn Shiles. Wilson Lambert, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, stated at the meeting that "the feasibility study gets us one step closer to a Township building that we can all be proud of."

The cost of the feasibility study is \$12,850. However, the Township anticipates using a grant from Community Project Funding to pay for the project, with no impact to the Township budget and no Township taxpayer dollars being used for the review.

As part of the feasibility study, Heckendorn Shiles will be tasked with providing data, including cost estimates and spatial recommendations, to determine the best long-term needs for the Township. They will interview key stakeholders to better understand the functions and unique needs of each department. The consultant will also provide an analysis of the proposed site on Wilmington Road to assess any limitations or obstacles to building on the site.

The Township kicked off the feasibility study project with its first public meeting on September 23, 2024. The purpose of the meeting was to review the project's goals and discuss next steps.

"As public input is an important part of the feasibility study, the Township will continue to provide opportunities for the public to provide input on the project," stated Swichar. "We welcome it." The public is encouraged to attend Municipal Building Committee meetings, which are scheduled on the fourth Monday of every month, and Board of Supervisors meetings, which are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. The meetings begin at 6:30PM at the Township building.

"The feasibility study project is expected to last 3-4 months, after which we hope to share next steps as the Township moves forward with this exciting, and necessary, new venture," said Swichar.

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Township Awarded \$555,000 Grant for Municipal Complex Project

East Fallowfield Township was recently selected by United States Representative Chrissy Houlahan as one of 14 Community Project Funding Award recipients for the fiscal year 2024. The purpose of Community Project Funding is to enable Members of Congress to allocate available federal funds to worthy, local projects in a timely manner.

The Township will receive \$550,000 to kickstart the planning, architecture, design, and engineering phase of a new municipal building project that will combine the police department and administration into one building.

The Police Department currently operates in a cramped, outdated one-story house that was converted into a police station. "The current facility was built in the 1940's and does not meet current building codes or policing standards and lacks the basic features that are expected of a modern police station," said Wilson Lambert, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

A 2022 police staffing and assessment report commissioned by the Township and conducted by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) noted numerous deficiencies at the Township's police station that "limit the life of the agency." Examples of deficiencies include the lack of a sally port (garage) to transport prisoners, lack of a holding cell to process inmates, no public restrooms, no training room to teach policing techniques, lack of a secure lobby for citizens to report a complaint, lack of a climate-controlled weapons and ammunition locker, and no counseling space for police officers to meet with victims. The current station is



too small and outdated in so many ways that is impossible to renovate the station to meet modern policing standards.

Township Police Chief Chad Osborn explained, "East Fallowfield Township's Police Department runs the risk of falling behind due to the deficiencies with the current building which could ultimately impact the department's ability to provide public safety services to the community. "A

new modern facility will not only address the deficiencies noted in the DCED report, but our police officers will also be better equipped to protect and serve the community for the foreseeable future," stated Osborn.

The total cost of planning, site design, land development approvals, architecture, and structural design for a new municipal complex is estimated at \$550,000. The Community Project Funding is expected to cover these expenses. The Township expects to begin using a portion of the Community Project Funds this year to pay for a feasibility study that will help the Township better plan for the municipal complex. A date for construction of the municipal complex has yet to be determined and is largely dependent on the results of the feasibility study as well as funding considerations.

"I extend my personal appreciation to Representative Chrissy Houlahan for her dedication and hard work in securing these essential funds for East Fallowfield," said Lambert. Updates on the municipal complex project will be posted on the township's website: www.eastfallowfield.org.








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New Mobile ID Device

The East Fallowfield Police Department has recently obtained a new crime-fighting tool: a Mobile Fingerprint ID Device. This device was awarded to the police department by the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association, which oversees the Mobile ID Program.

The Mobile ID Device is a portable unit that securely connects to both state and federal fingerprint databases. When an officer encounters an individual who cannot be identified through conventional methods, they can use the Mobile ID Device on-site to assist in verifying the person’s identity.

The individual places their finger on the device, which then scans their fingerprint and searches the databases for potential matches. If the person’s fingerprints are in the system, the officer can confirm their identity within minutes.

This tool is especially valuable for officers dealing with individuals who provide false information to evade identification. The East Fallowfield Police Department is the first in the area to acquire this technology and will also support neighboring departments in identifying suspects. *This is a link to a brief YouTube video describing how the Mobile ID Device works:*

<https://youtu.be/hTU2C0bLFVQ?si=dvXCKEZ97WhS3Szs>

Retirement of Cherished Police Administrative Assistant

Nancy Baker, the Police Administrative Assistant at the East Fallowfield Police Department, is retiring after a dedicated career that began in 2008.

Before joining the department, Nancy had already accumulated 17 years of experience as a dispatcher with the Chester County Department of Emergency Services. For more than 16 years, she has been a steadfast supporter of both the East Fallowfield community and the police department. Throughout her tenure, Nancy successfully adapted to three different Chiefs of Police administrations and played a key role in the implementation of the department’s current electronic Records Management System.



Nancy takes pride in the great relationships she has built with all officers both past and present, as well as East Fallowfield Township employees. Nancy is excited to start her retirement and is looking forward to traveling and making new memories with her friends and family. We would like to thank Nancy for her time, endless dedication, and tremendous service to the East Fallowfield Community.

Drop -off Box Allows for Safe Disposal of Prescription Drugs



East Fallowfield Township offers a permanent medicine drop box to dispose of unwanted, unused or expired medications anonymously on a year-round basis. The permanent drop box is installed in the reception area of the Township Building (2264 Strasburg Road) and is accessible to residents Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 4:00pm.

“The East Fallowfield Township Police Department provides this service in an effort to help prevent the unsafe use of prescription medications,” said East Fallowfield Township Police Chief Chad Osborn. Osborn stated, “we don’t want prescription drugs falling into the wrong hands, especially those of children and people addicted to prescription drugs.”

What is Accepted:

- Prescriptions
- Prescription Patches
- Prescription Medications
- Prescription Ointments
- Over-the-Counter Medications
- Vitamins
- Samples
- Medication for Pets

What is Not Accepted:

- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Inhalers
- Aerosol Containers
- Ointments, Lotions, or Liquids
- Thermometers
- Medication from Businesses or Clinics
- Needles (Sharps)
- Illicit Drugs



East Fallowfield Environmental Advisory Council Fall 2024 Update

By John Nielsen, EAC Chair

The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) recently welcomed three new members to our group: Charles Reed, Robert Deist and Roger Mustalich. They join current members Joe Heffern, Tanner Burns, Jeanne Berlin, Charles Reed, Deane Madsen, Teri Dickinson, Paul Brenner and me. Thanks all for your volunteerism and support! For those who are not familiar with the EAC, our Mission is as follows:

EAC MISSION STATEMENT

To advocate for the environment, health and well-being of East Fallowfield Township and its residents. We achieve this:

- by recommending policies, actions and services to the Board of Supervisors;
- through community-based education; and
- by forging strategic partnerships with other local, regional and state environmental advocacy, sustainability stewardship and environmental justice groups.

In July we recommended to the Board of Supervisors to reduce plastic pollution by considering a common-sense, single-use plastics ordinance, similar to what many other Chester County Municipalities have in place. For more information on this topic please see www.beyondplastics.org.

We have recommended to the Municipal Building Committee to look at sustainable and high efficiency building practices for our potential new Municipal Complex facility. The Inflation Reduction Act has grant monies available for this.

We also have been discussing lawn conversion, native plants and invasive plants. Using native plants helps improve habitats for pollinators and other species and reduces the amount of turfgrass to mow. These considerations help reduce runoff and recharge groundwater. See www.homegrownnationalpark.org and <https://extension.psu.edu/changing-landscaping-practices-implications-for-landowners-and-local-officials> for additional information. We are also working to protect and improve our Exceptional Value (EV) streams Shale Run and the unnamed stream which runs along Misty Patch Road.

If you want to get involved as a volunteer on any of these projects, email me at: jnielsen@eastfallowfield.org or attend one of our meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm.

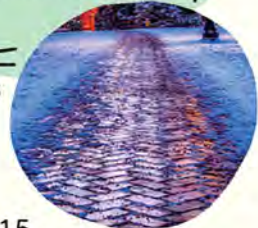
I would like to close by thanking all our Township Committee members, volunteers and Municipal Staff for helping to make East Fallowfield a better place to live and work.



Reducing Pollution This Winter

What you can do to prevent stormwater pollution on your property

1) Shovel as soon as possible after a snowstorm. As a result, less ice will form and you won't need to use as much salt or de-icer.



2) Use safe and effective alternatives to salt. Remember that salt is not effective below 15 degrees Fahrenheit. Sand or kitty litter will give you traction when it's too cold for salt.

3) Plant native species, that are salt tolerant, near paved areas. Not only will these species be able to survive despite the road salt, they will also act as a protective buffer for local waterways.



4) Make sure the storm drains closest to your property are clear of snow and other debris. Do not shovel snow into storm drains since they empty directly into local creeks.



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People's Hall Repair Project Completed



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Thanks to a \$14,000 donation provided by East Fallowfield Township, much needed repairs have recently been completed at People's Hall, marking a milestone in the plan to reopen the building to the public.

The repair work, which included stabilizing dangerously failing ceiling plaster, replacing degraded and faulty wiring, and installing a new drywall ceiling, was recently completed by local East Fallowfield contractors, Source Electrical Solutions and Mummert Ventures. People's Hall, once a vibrant center for gathering of residents, has been closed to the public for years due to unsafe conditions within the building.

People's Hall is a significant regional historic site which originally was part of the mid-nineteenth century anti-slavery movement. It was used as a venue for important abolitionists to express their views and concerns for the future of the young nation. Born of the need for unfettered abolitionist

discourse, the original trustees of People's Hall wanted to provide a forum for the free expression of all ideas and sentiments of the time. It became a place where the people of the township and surrounding areas could meet and discuss any matter, hence the name "People's Hall."

True to that original ambition, through the years People's Hall has been a school, a seminary, a grange hall, home to local Boy and Girl Scout organizations, home to the East Fallowfield Historical Society, a voting location, township meeting site, venue for speakers on numerous topics, and many other functions as needed by the "people" of the township.

People's Hall continues to make additional repairs and renovations to restore the building. The trustees are looking forward to inviting the public back to the building in the fall of this year for events to be determined. In its ongoing conservatorship of the historic site, the trustees invite public participation by volunteering for the many work projects ahead or joining the trustees as a new member overseeing the care of the building and participating in the ongoing fund-raising efforts. As the nation heads toward its 250th anniversary events and festivities, it will be great to have this historic gem open to join in the coming celebrations.



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A.J. Blosenski is the contracted hauler for residential trash and recycling collection for East Fallowfield Township. 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, and is determined by East or West designation, depending on where you live. Recycling collection is unlimited. All Recyclable materials are placed together in a single recycling container. Materials include flattened cardboard, magazines, office paper, brown paper bags, paperboard, newspapers, junk mail, phone books, aluminum cans foil and pie tins, clear and colored glass bottles, and jars, tins or steel cans, and plastic bottles #1-7. 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.

BULK TRASH PICKUP

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.**

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.

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 up to five days.

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 collection service is only available each Monday during the middle of October through the middle of December. Yard waste 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.



How Can I Recycle Computers, Laptops, TVs, Monitors, and Certain Electronic Equipment?

East Fallowfield Township offers a free year-round drop-off service for residents. State law prohibits certain electronics (such as televisions or computers) from being thrown away or disposed of at landfills.

The Township's drop-off site is located at the Township Building (2264 Strasburg Road). The site is open weekdays from 8:30AM to 4:00PM, unless the Township is closed due to a holiday. No appointment is necessary, and the service is free. However, anyone dropping off electronics MUST first stop at the Administrative 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.

Acceptable electronic items include:

- Televisions
- Computers
- Laptops
- Monitors
- Computer Keyboards
- Computer Mice
- Printers

The Electronics Drop-Off Recycling Program is provided at no cost to East Fallowfield Township taxpayers.

East Fallowfield Township 2025 Recycling Schedule																											
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■ = West of Youngsburg Road & Fog Hollow Road ■ = East of Youngsburg Road & Fog Hollow Road

Observed holidays are noted in **BLUE**. Collection days that fall on or after the holiday will be delayed one day.
EXCEPTION: If holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there is no change in service prior to or after the holiday.



Important Information from East Fallowfield Township:

- The first scheduled trash pickup will be during a "scheduled" holiday week, so it will be pushed back one day from Friday, January 3 to **Saturday, January 4, 2025**.
- The first scheduled recycle day for the **WEST** side will be on **Saturday, January 4, 2025**. The next West recycle day will be two weeks later, on Friday, January 17, and so on.
- The first scheduled recycle day for the **EAST** side will be on **Friday, January 10, 2025**. The next East recycle day will be two weeks later, on Friday, January 24, and so on.
- If you have any questions or need to report a missed pickup, please contact the East Fallowfield Township office at trash@eastfallowfield.org, or call 610-384-7144 and press the prompt for "TRASH."



East Fallowfield Township Memorial Picnic Table Program

The perfect way to remember and honor loved ones.

Quality crafted outdoor tables are the perfect way to remember loved residents and showcase local organizations. These durable tables have a plastic shell that is 30 times thicker than paint or power-coating and resists UV rays, mold and mildew. With a timeless cast bronze plaque your table will leave a lasting message of celebration and add to the beautification of East Fallowfield Township's Park.



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- Walk-thru design and wide base offer spacious seating
- Rounded edges on tabletop and seats add extra comfort
- Built to last - 15 year guarantee against breakage
- Picnic tables will be placed in public spaces within the township's community park
- ADA accessible

For more information contact:

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Township Manager
484-800-6908 (office)
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(email)

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2264 Strasburg Road,
East Fallowfield, PA 19320



8 ft. ADA Table with 8" x 2" Bronze Plaque Up to 3 lines of text, 20 characters/spaces per line (max.)	\$1,900
8 ft. ADA Table with 10.5" x 3" Bronze Plaque Up to 4 lines of text, 28 characters/spaces per line (max.)	\$2,000

More than “Just Books”



This summer has been full of great adventures at the Coatesville Area Public Library! From pirate treasure hunts to boat races, exotic foods and reading challenges, we continue to provide a variety of programs and events that will delight people of all ages!

We’re excited to continue our partnership with East Fallowfield Township and have participated in a number of community events including the East Fallowfield Children’s Concert, where we gave away books. We also sponsored the Police Department’s ‘Coffee with the Chief.’

The library has faced some challenges as well. During the heavy storms which left many neighbors without power, our library suffered severe flooding on our basement level. Our main program rooms,

planning spaces, and our new Kid’s Zone were all damaged. We won’t let a little water damage stop us, though!

While we work with contractors to repair our downstairs rooms (and make them better than ever) our staff has shifted many of our programs to the main floor of the library. There is still lots of adventure to be had this fall and winter at Coatesville Area Public Library!

Keep your eyes peeled this fall for the return of our popular Magician, Ed Schmitt, as well as an Instrument Petting Zoo, Nature’s Explorers, and a Banned Books Week Festival in partnership with Looker Books on September 28th. We’ll have visiting local authors, free SWAG, Quizzo (for kids and adults), and activities to celebrate books of all kinds.

To raise money for the construction and repair costs of our lower rooms, we are partnering with Boscov’s Friends Helping Friends. For a \$5 donation to the Coatesville Library, receive a shopping pass for a 25% off shopping event on October 22nd.

There’s so much more to your local library than books. Come check us out and see what you might discover!



Thank You

Thank You To The Businesses

The East Fallowfield Township would like to thank the businesses that appear in this newsletter and to recognize them each as supporters and cornerstones of our community.

It is with their contributions that this newsletter has been produced at no cost to our residents.



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.



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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

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

Stay off roads.



Use generators outside only.



Stay indoors and dress warmly.



Pay attention to emergency information and alerts.



Prepare for power outages.



Look for signs of hypothermia and frostbite.



Check on neighbors.



2024 PARKS AND RECREATION YEAR IN REVIEW

By: Teri Dickinson, Parks and Recreation Chair

The East Fallowfield Township Parks and Recreation Committee began 2024 with a clear goal in mind: to create, enhance, expand, and promote diverse opportunities for our residents and their families. We have successfully completed several new events in 2024 and hope to grow and improve upon them in 2025!

Despite bad weather, our **Health Fair** in May provided vital health information to area residents. Another doggone fun May event (with better weather!) was Rescue and Recover's **Rescue Rally**. Our **Summertime Music Series** was expanded to include a Saturday morning **Children's Concert** to entertain our smallest residents. The third annual **Star-Spangled Bike Parade** offered new entertainment with the inclusion of the Bryn Mawr Mainliners, a men's acapella group and music by DJ Bub Bubba.

And we are not finished yet! Our very first **Touch-a-Truck** event (September 7) and **Flea "Park It" Market and Vendor Sale** (October 12) should generate even more excitement at the park.

Our third annual **Trunk-or-Treat** (October 26), which provides a safe place for families to enjoy Halloween and our annual **Holiday Tree Lighting Event** (December 7) both promote the comradery of the holiday season. In short, our Community Park events are, as always, aimed at promoting community connections and bringing residents together through a broad range of programming. This will continue to be our goal in 2025.

The Parks Committee is also focused on park improvements and conservation of open space. **Tag's Garden** is home to native plants and is designed to attract and support pollinators like bees, butterflies, and birds. Two benches inside the garden provide space for quiet meditation. We will be reaching out to our community for volunteers to help maintain the garden so it can thrive for years to come.

We hold two **Park Clean-Up** events per year, in the spring and in the fall. The next clean-up will be held on Saturday, November 9th. Our pond and trails need continual maintenance and upkeep. It is our hope to revitalize the pond in the near future and to restock it for catch and release fishing events.

Keep up to date on all things Parks by following our Facebook page (**East Fallowfield Parks & Recreation**) or our Instagram page (**eftparksandrec**).

If you are interested in helping to develop our 2025 programming, please contact me at tad411@comcast.net. To date, all park events have been free to residents, but we cannot do it without the help of volunteers. From new volunteers come new and innovative ideas. From new ideas sprout exciting opportunities for our park and for our residents!



East Fallowfield Township 2025 SCHEDULE

Board of Supervisors Meetings						Planning Commission Meetings																	
Second & fourth Tuesdays of the month @ 6:30 p.m. (except *)						First & third Mondays of the month @ 6:30 p.m. (except *)																	
January 14 & 28	May 13 & 27	September 9 & 23	Jan. 13* & 20	May 5 & 19	September 8* & 15	February 11 & 25	June 10 & 24	October 14 & 28	February 3 & 17	June 2 & 16	October 6 & 20	March 11 & 25	July 8 & 22	November 18 & 25	March 3 & 17	July 7 & 21	November 3 & 17	April 8 & 22	August 12 & 26	Dec. 9, 16* & 23	April 7 & 21	August 4 & 18	December 1 & 15
Parks and Recreation Meetings						Historic Commission Meetings																	
First & third Tuesdays of the month @ 6:30 p.m.						First & third Wednesdays of the month @ 6:30 p.m.																	
January 7 & 21	May 6 & 20	September 2 & 16	January 15	May 7 & 21	September 3 & 17	February 4 & 18	June 3 & 17	October 7 & 21	February 5 & 19	June 4 & 18	October 1 & 15	March 4 & 18	July 1 & 15	November 4 & 18	March 5 & 19	July 2 & 16	November 5 & 19	April 1 & 15	August 5 & 19	December 2 & 16	April 2 & 16	August 6 & 20	December 3 & 17
Environmental Advisory Council Meetings						Municipal Building Committee Meetings																	
Third Thursday of the month @ 6:30 p.m.						Fourth Monday of the month @ 6:30 p.m. (except *)																	
January 16	May 15	September 18	January 27	May 28*	September 22	February 20	June 26*	October 16	February 24	June 23	October 27	March 20	July 17	November 20	March 24	July 28	November 24	April 17	August 21	December 18	April 28	August 25	December 22
Special Meetings																							
Monday	January 6	Township Reorganization Meeting									6:00 p.m.												
Tuesday	January 7	Elected Board of Auditors Meeting									6:00 p.m.												
AJ Blosenski Trash, Recycling & Bulk Dates																							
TRASH PICKUP: Weekly on Fridays except on weeks of AJ Blosenski holidays (there are six), when pickup will be the day after (Saturday): January 4; May 31; July 5; September 6; November 29; and December 27. Please also note that this will include recycling and, if on the first week of the month, bulk pickup.																							
EAST RECYCLING: January 10 & 24; February 7 & 21; March 7 & 21; April 4 & 18; May 2, 16 & 31; June 13 & 27; July 11 & 25; August 8 & 22; September 6 & 19; October 3, 17 & 31; November 14 & 29; December 12 & 27.																							
WEST RECYCLING: January 4, 17 & 31; February 14 & 28; March 14 & 28; April 11 & 25; May 9 & 23; June 6 & 20; July 5 & 18; August 1, 15 & 29; September 12 & 26; October 10 & 24; November 7 & 21; December 5 & 19.																							
BULK PICKUP: First Friday of the month, except during Blosenski holidays that occur during the first week of the month, then on Saturday (always follows trash schedule).																							
EFT Public Works Yard Waste, Leaf, and Christmas Tree Collection																							
CHIPPING/YARD WASTE: First Monday of the month, or Tuesday if there is a Monday holiday (see EFT office closed dates below). PLEASE ALLOW AT LEAST 1-3 DAYS FOR PICKUP, OR MORE IF WE EXPERIENCE SEVERE WEATHER.																							
CURBSIDE SEASONAL LEAF COLLECTION: Every Monday (except holidays, then Tuesday) from Monday, October 13 through Monday, December 8, 2025. Biodegradable bags only.																							
CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP (FOR 2024 HOLIDAY): Monday, January 6; Monday, January 13; and Tuesday, January 21, 2025																							
EFT HOLIDAYS - Office Closed																							
Wednesday, January 1 (New Year's Day); Monday, January 20 (MLK); Monday, February 17 (President's Day); Monday, May 26 (Memorial Day); Thursday, June 19 (Juneteenth); Friday, July 4 (Independence Day); Monday, September 1 (Labor Day); Tuesday, November 11 (Veterans Day); Thursday, November 28 & Friday, November 29 (Thanksgiving); Thursday, December 25 & Friday, December 26 (Christmas).																							
Office hours Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Closed on Fridays between Memorial Day and Labor Day. All meetings are held at the East Fallowfield Township office, 2264 Strasburg Road, East Fallowfield PA.																							



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- ✓ Youth Outdoor/Nature Summer Camp (4th – 6th)
- ✓ Mental Health Screening and Referral (All ages)
 - ✓ Mental Health Club (6th – 12th graders)
 - ✓ Youth Bicycle Club (6th – 12th graders)
 - ✓ Chess Club (all ages)
 - ✓ Fall Fest 2024 (All ages – Family event)
 - ✓ Youth Arts & Food Festival 2024 (All ages)
 - ✓ Mothers' Social Club (All ages)
- ✓ Incredible Years Family Program (Family Program)
 - ✓ Youth Council (6th -12th graders)
 - ✓ Young Men's Group (all ages)
- ✓ Jackie Joyner Kersee Youth Program (3rd – 5th graders)
- ✓ Year-Round School Supplies Outlet (free – All ages)



Use the QR Code to find out more and to register for our programs, activities, events, and resources.



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The Coatesville Youth Initiative (CYI) is an independent non-profit agency committed to youth-led, community change. We train youth leaders, enhance family relationships, encourage prevention education, and build community collaboration.

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