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## PROJECTS THIS SUMMER

The paving schedule has been **POSTPONED** this year due to the extremely high costs. In preparation for next year, the Township has contracted with Mr. Rehab to perform some storm-water relining. We will also be doing some inlet rehabilitation. The following roads will be impacted: **Beta Avenue**

**Sholly Avenue**

**East Brookfield Drive**

**West Brookfield Drive**

Township crew will be completing surface patching on **Horizon Blvd.**

Be aware that line striping will occur later this summer. Do not drive over wet paint, as this may impact your vehicle. Paint removal from your vehicle is at YOUR cost.

**Verizon** is in the process of installing FiOS throughout various areas of the Township within the right-of-way.

Expect delays, especially during peak travel times. We are asking everyone to please observe signs, flaggers, and workers on the road.

Stay alert and drive with caution.

Help keep our workers safe!

### Please be Cautious of Township Workers



Mowing equipment will be moving throughout the Township. Please use caution while traveling and do NOT attempt to approach the equipment as it could result in a serious accident.

Please remember, if you are having mulch delivered it **MUST** be "dumped" on your property and NOT within the street or road right-of-way.



## POLICE ADVICE

We just finished the first waive of aggressive driving. The second round is coming soon. Please drive safely and watch your speed.



We are currently seeing an increase in the Amazon scam. NEVER give your personal information and DO NOT open anything in your email you are not expecting or is unfamiliar. If you are unsure, you may call us to assist you in determining if it is a scam or not. If you are asked to purchase pre-paid gift cards, Apple I-Tunes cards, Google cards, or any other type of card, **IT IS A SCAM.**

With warmer on the way, please be cognizant of leaving your pets or children in the car. The temperature inside a car is much greater than outside the car. Do not take your pets along for the ride if you will need to leave them in the car while you shop.



The new Libre Law improves outdoor tethering conditions for dogs. Under the law, dogs can be tethered **no more than 9 hours** in a 24-hour period, **must have water and shade**, and **cannot spend more than 30 minutes** in temperatures above 90 degrees or below 30 degrees.

## Wastewater Tips & Reminders

**GREASE**—DO NOT pour grease down any drains. This includes kitchen sinks, dishwashers, toilets and any other pipe that is connected to your sewer pipe. The grease will end up in your sewer line and can result in a backup.

**VENT CAPS**—DO NOT bury your vent caps. The vent makes it easier for the sewer gases to get outside of your home rather than being released in your home. They are also how oxygen finds its way into the waste pipes so bacteria can break down.

**WIPES**—We DO NOT recommend flushing these items down the toilet. Even though they are advertised as flushable, the reality is quite the opposite. The material used is not biodegradable, and can cause significant obstructions in your sewer pipes and at the pump stations.

**Right-of-Ways/Easements**—If you have a sewer Right-of-Way or an Easement on your property please keep the area clear so that we can enter and maintain the sewer line. These areas should not have any structures such as sheds, fences, pools, trees, plantings, ponds, etc.

### PA One Call System

Know what's below. Dial 8—1—1 before you dig or call 1-800-242-1776. You can also visit their website at [www.paonecall.org](http://www.paonecall.org) and submit your request online. There is NO fee to the property owner for this service. You may think you know where all underground utilities are located. It is better to be safe rather than sorry.

**The Township and the Police Dept.** both have a **24 hour exterior drop off box**. The phone number for county dispatch is listed on the Police Dept. door for after hour office needs:

**Dispatch: 717-272-2054**

**Police Dept.: 717-273-8141**

## SEWER BILLING

You should have already received your May sewer bill in the mail. If you did not receive your bill, please call the Township Office for your balance.

**All sewer bills are due Friday, June 10th.**

If you are paying in person you will need to be in our office by 4:00 pm on June 10th.

You may place your payment in the 24 hour drop box located in the front of our building just to the right of the main doors. Payments must be in the drop box by 7:30 am June 11th, the next business day to be considered "on time".

You can send your payment in the mail. If you are mailing your payment, please allow plenty of time for the mail to arrive in our office.

You may also pay your bill online using the sewer payment portal located on our website's home page ([www.northlebanontwppa.gov](http://www.northlebanontwppa.gov)). Any payments made online must be paid by midnight on June 10th to be considered "on time".

Your **check must be in a cashable state**, meaning your check must be signed, filled in correctly, and there must be sufficient funds in the account. If any of these things are not correct, the penalty process will begin.

We continue to receive checks where the digit amount does not match the written amount. It is the bank's legal position to accept the amount written out. If this happens you may incur late fees and penalties. It is your responsibility to insure your check is in a "cashable" state and is made out in the correct amount due.

Late fees **CANNOT** be waived as per policy.

You receive a quarterly invoice from the North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority for your sewer usage. This bill is for your **sewer usage** as well as operation and maintenance of the sewer system.

If you are connected to public water, you also receive a separate bill from the City of Lebanon Authority for your **water usage**. This bill is only for your water consumption.

Please be aware that these are two separate entities at two different locations.

### **Stormwater runoff pollution and how to reduce it**

Stormwater runoff is rain that falls on streets, parking areas, sports fields, gravel lots, rooftops or other developed land and flows directly into nearby lakes, rivers and streams. The drizzling or pounding rain picks up and mixes with what's on the ground. Oil, grease, metals and coolants from vehicles, fertilizers, pesticides and other chemicals from gardens and homes, bacteria from pet wastes and failing septic systems, soil from construction sites and other bare ground, soaps from car or equipment washing, and accidental spills, leaky storage containers, tobacco spit and whatever else ends up on the ground. The polluted runoff then rushes into nearby gutters and storm drains and into streams, lakes, rivers and bays. In most areas, stormwater runoff enters these waters without being cleaned of pollutants.

#### **Why is stormwater a problem?**

Across the U.S., unmanaged stormwater runoff has caused serious damage to streams, lakes and estuaries, particularly where land uses change from rural to urban activities. Stormwater runoff can also contaminate drinking water supplies.

#### **Poorly managed stormwater causes three big problems**

Pollution from stormwater contaminates our waters, closes local businesses, and harms or kills fish and other wildlife. As stormwater passes over developed land, it picks up pollutants and transports them to the nearest storm drain and eventually streams, rivers and bays. Flooding harms streams and wetlands and destroys habitats needed for fish and other wildlife. Unable to soak into the ground, stormwater quickly flows or floods downstream from developed land during the rainy season. As a result, floods can damage homes and businesses, flood septic system drain fields and overwhelm streams, wetlands and wildlife habitat. Water shortages in growing communities may occur, especially in developed areas where water cannot filtrate through, such as roads, parking lots and rooftops. These surfaces keep rainfall from soaking into the ground and replenishing groundwater and streams used for drinking water or fish habitat.

#### **What can you do?**

It is a problem that everyone plays a part in solving. It is a problem that residents can change by stopping small, individual activities that cause pollution and result in large-scale pollution. It is a problem that communities can manage to prevent stormwater runoff as development takes place. You can do a lot to help minimize stormwater problems.

#### **Start with doing one of the actions on the following list:**

1. Maintain your car or truck. Never dump anything down a storm drain. Always recycle used oil, antifreeze and other fluids. Fix oil leaks in your vehicles.
2. Wash your car at a commercial car wash rather than in the street or in your driveway. If you wash your car at home, wash it on your lawn.
3. Drive less. Leave your car at home at least one day each week and take a bus, carpool or bike to work. Combine errands when you drive. Get vehicle emissions checked and repaired.
4. Cut down on fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides. If you use these chemicals, follow directions and use them sparingly. Don't fertilize before a rainstorm. Let your lawn go golden brown in the summer months; it will rebound in the fall. Compost or mulch lawn clippings. Preserve existing trees or plant new ones - trees hold rainfall and help manage stormwater.
5. If you are on a septic system, maintain the system. Septic systems require regular inspections, maintenance and pumping, or they will fail, cost a lot of money to fix and could pollute nearby lakes and streams. Have a professional inspector check your system regularly and have it pumped out when needed.
6. Pick up after your pets and keep animals out of streams. Scoop your dog's poop and properly dispose of it. Make sure fences and other structures are keeping cows, horses and other animals out of streams. Compost manure in a designated area so that it doesn't wash off into nearby waterways.
7. Reduce impervious surfaces at home and increase the vegetated land cover of your property. Impervious surfaces include your roof, driveway, patios and lawn. Reduce rooftop runoff by directing your downspouts to vegetated areas, and not to the storm drain on your street. For your driveway and patios, consider putting in permeable paving or patterns of cement and brick that allow water to filter through it.



### TREE DEDICATION

Consider adopting a tree in memory of a loved one. We have trees available at Lenni Lenape and at the Township Community Park. We recently added additional shade trees surrounding the playground and pavilion area at Lenni Lenape. There are many varieties available for you to choose from. The cost is \$300 per tree. You can also purchase a plaque from our pre-approved designs which we will install free of charge.



Benches and disc golf sponsorships are also available if you are looking to promote your business.



Brochures and information are available on our website as well as at the Township Office.

### Additional Parking and Walking Path at Lenni Lenape

We applied for a Local Share Grant from the State to help cover some of the costs to construct additional parking at Lenni Lenape which is to include paving the newly constructed parking area as well as paving the existing parking lot.

We also applied for the Marcelus Shale Grant from the County to help fund the final phase of the walking path as shown here in red.



### PAVILION RENTALS

Are you planning a family reunion? What about a group picnic? North Lebanon has several pavilions available for rent to hold your function. It is a great opportunity to get together and enjoy the outdoors. We have playgrounds, walking paths, full service pavilions with kitchen amenities, open air pavilions and bathroom facilities. Please be reminded that all pavilions require a rental agreement with the Township.



***Call the office to reserve your spot today at 717-273-7132.***

Please clean up after your dog. DO NOT leave doggie waste in the streets, in the parks or on other people's property.

We ask you to please be conscientious of the neighboring properties and respectful of their private property.

### Reminder

We have again contracted with Border Patrol to help control the goose population. Please be reminded that it is against the law to feed the wildlife. By feeding the geese, you are not helping with this endeavor.



### VOLUNTEERS

Are you looking for a community service or youth group project?

Are you searching for a project to become an Eagle Scout?

Consider volunteering at one of your local parks right here in North Lebanon Township. We have several areas that could be "adopted" as your project.

We welcome and appreciate all groups and volunteers.

**Office Closed**  
**Memorial Day - May 30, 2022**  
**Independence Day - July 4, 2022**  
**Labor Day - Sept. 5, 2022**

**ATTENTION LEBANON COUNTY****RECYCLE THESE ITEMS****WHEN IN DOUBT → THROW IT OUT**

**NO** Plastic Bags      **NO** Shredded Paper      **NO** Medical Waste  
**NO** Food/Liquid      **NO** Clothing      **NO** Scrap Metal  
**NO** Garden Hoses      **NO** Diapers      **NO** Styrofoam

FOR ALL PLASTICS CHECK FOR THE NECK!  
 RECYCLE ALL PLASTIC BOTTLES, JUGS, & JARS  
 WITH AN OPENING SMALLER THAN THE BASE.

**How to Properly Prepare Recyclables:****Glass Bottles & Jars**

- Rinse, clean, and remove lids
- Labels do not need to be removed

**Newspapers**

- Clean and Dry
- No food contact

**Aluminum Food & Beverage Cans**

- Rinse and clean

**Steel Food & Beverage Cans**

- Rinse and clean
- Remove lid and place inside can

**Plastic Bottles & Jugs ONLY**

- Remove caps
- Rinse
- Crush bottles

**Corrugated Cardboard**

- Dry and flat
- No food contact

Only **fireworks** sold by local vendors are legal for display. **Use of illegal fireworks will be strictly enforced.**

**FREE Paper Shredding Event  
Lebanon County RESIDENTS ONLY**

July 14, 2022  
8:00 AM to NOON



**FREE** Event for Shredding of **PAPER** Documents **ONLY**

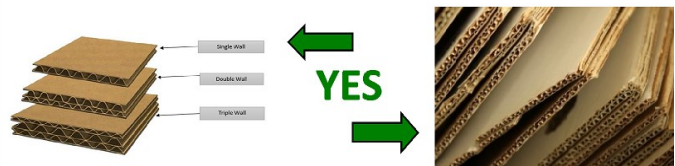
**LIMIT** of **5** File Boxes (12" x 18") or

**5** Brown Paper Grocery Bags Per Vehicle

**NO PLASTIC BAGS**

**PLEASE REMOVE** Binder Clips and Paper Clips  
**ID REQUIRED**

This **FREE** event is being sponsored by the Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority located at 1610 Russell Road in North Lebanon Township. Please call (717)867-5790 with any questions.

**WHAT IS  
CORRUGATED  
CARDBOARD**

**NO**



**MOWING** - A reminder to our residents, when mowing your lawn **please DO NOT BLOW grass clippings into the street.**



This allows the grass clippings to get into nearby storm water inlets or trenches. **Not only is it illegal as per Township Ordinances**, such activity encourages the growth of algae in local streams which depletes the oxygen in the water and impacts fish and other aquatic species. If you choose not to leave your clippings on your lawn, compost them or bring them to NLT Yard Waste Facility. The Yard Waste Facility fee is \$45 per calendar year.



## FIRE COMPANY NEWS



There are 4 VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES working to keep NLT properties safe. Volunteer men and women firefighters are needed. Interested persons should contact any Fire Company member. If interested in Fire Police contact the NLT Police Dept.

EBENEZER FIRE CO.      717-273-2361      442 Ebenezer Rd.  
Email: [ebenezerfire9@gmail.com](mailto:ebenezerfire9@gmail.com)      Website: [www.ebenezerfire9.com](http://www.ebenezerfire9.com)  
Our Signboard lists scheduled activities.

GLENN LEBANON FIRE CO.      717-865-3948      42 Glenn Lebanon Dr.  
Website: [www.glennlebanonfireco.com](http://www.glennlebanonfireco.com)  
Online Raffles—visit our Facebook page.

RURAL SECURITY FIRE CO.      717-273-4472      1301 N. 7th Street  
Reflective address signs may be ordered by phoning the fire Co.

WEAVERTOWN FIRE CO.      717-228-2827      1528 Suzy Street  
Follow us on Facebook.

THANKS FOR ALL THE SUPPORT OF NORTH LEBANON TWP. RESIDENTS, BINGO PATRONS, AND ALL OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEER STAFF. YOUR SUPPORT KEEPS VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES OPERATING!!!