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Fall Clean Up will begin October 16, 2023

Only **ONE** collection sweep of the Township will be made.

Please have all items curbside by October 16th at 6:00 a.m.

Once collection has been made, there will be NO return trips.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS for collection are **BRANCHES, STICKS AND TWIGS** Only these items will be collected

- All branches must be cut to **6 foot in length** or smaller and **be less than 6 inches in diameter**
- Place in **neat 6 foot to 8 foot long piles** and **as high as 4 feet** along the curb
- Please place piles parallel to the curb

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS which **WILL NOT BE COLLECTED** are as follows:

- Non-wood items
- NO root systems, grass clippings, or mulch
- NO sod of any kind
- NO chemically treated products
- NO furniture of any type

Any unacceptable items will be left on the property and will be the owners' responsibility to discard.



Example of a good pile

A SUGGESTION FROM THE ROADMASTER – If you and your neighbor have small piles, please consider combining your piles into one larger pile (like the photo to the left) to make it easier for the road crew to pick up. Please keep piles away from obstructions such as poles, mailboxes, cars, etc.



Example of how NOT to place piles

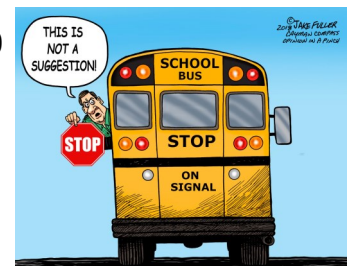
Our Highway Department appreciates your cooperation in this process! Thank you!

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY — Let's keep our children safe!

Our schools will be opening soon and school buses will be transporting our children to and from school. The Pennsylvania Vehicle Code prohibits passing a school bus when its red lights have been activated and the side stop sign is being displayed. It further requires the driver of a motor vehicle to stop at least 10 feet from a school bus taking on or discharging children. The driver of a vehicle must remain stopped as long as the red signal lights are flashing and the side stop signal arms are activated.

The penalty for violating and failing to comply with the requirements of a driver when approaching a school bus with its red signal lights flashing and the side stop signal arms are activated is:

- ⇒ A fine of \$250.00 plus costs
- ⇒ Loss of driving privileges for 60 days
- ⇒ 5 points





FALL LEAF COLLECTION

Township Road Crew will begin leaf collection on
OCTOBER 23 and end on **DECEMBER 15, 2023** **



OR will cease on the first measurable snowfall, whichever comes first.
NO COLLECTION ON - Nov. 7th, Nov. 10th, and Nov. 23rd

Please: rake leaves out 2 feet away from curbing or to within 6" of roadside. Leaves to be collected should be placed away from mailboxes, cars, and other objects to allow space for equipment to operate. Be aware that collection is for **leaves ONLY**. Any other debris or items will damage the equipment and **WILL NOT** be collected.

Do Not: place sticks, twigs, ornamental grass, or any other items in leaf pile. Do not park vehicles on top or near piles to be collected, and please do not bag leaves.

NOTE: There will be a sweep of the entire Township every week. If you do not have your leaves out when the truck passes, leaves will be picked up the following week or can be brought to the NLT Yard Waste Facility.

****In the event of inclement weather leaf collection may be postponed.
NLT's road crew would like to complete leaf collection prior to the arrival of winter weather.
PLEASE PUT YOUR LEAVES OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!**

Online Sewer Payments

If you choose to pay your sewer bill online, we recommend using the link directly from our website at www.northlebanontwppa.gov. Utilizing the customer portal on our website will ensure that your payment is received immediately by our system which credits your account the same day. Your bank, as well as 3rd party sites, allow you to pay online through their company; they then send us a paper check which can take up to THREE WEEKS for our office to receive. **Please be aware when using your bank or a 3rd party site, if your payment arrives late it will be considered late.** You must allow plenty of extra time for their check to reach us by the due date. The only way to be absolutely positive your bill is received on time when paying online is to **use the direct customer portal from our website.** Sewer bills will go out on November 10th and will be due on December 10th. Any payment made on-line must be paid by midnight on December 10th **using the link on our website.**

SEWER BILLING DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

February 10	August 10
May 10	November 10

If you do not receive a bill by the end of these months please call the Township Office at 717-273-7132 for your balance. It is the customer's responsibility to insure receipt of the sewer invoice. We CANNOT waive late fees.

A reminder—In order for a payment to be considered "on time" it must be **in our office by the close of business (4:00 pm) on the due date.** Checks must be in a cashable state. The Authority's Payment Policy DOES NOT allow for forgiveness of any late fees. There will be no exceptions to this policy. If you have any questions, the complete payment policy is on our website.

MEETING DATES

For your convenience, **both the Township and the Police Dept.** have **24 hr. exterior drop off boxes.** The phone number for our police department and county dispatch are listed below:

Police Dept.: 717-273-8141
County Dispatch: 717-272-2054

Board of Supervisors—3rd Monday at 7:00 pm
Planning Commission—2nd Monday at 7:00 pm
Municipal Authority— 2nd Thursday at 7:00 pm
Parks & Recreation—1st Tuesday at 7:00 pm
All meetings are held at the Township Building.

POLICE NEWS

We are experiencing thefts of motor vehicles and thefts from motor vehicles in the area. Please keep your car doors locked and remove any valuables, including keys, from your vehicle. If you must keep anything of value in your car, try to have it hidden.

A reminder to the public, we serve you 24/7. If you need our services, please call the Police Department at 717-273-8141. Our office is open 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. After 4:00 PM, your call will automatically be forwarded to County Dispatch. However, we have Officers on patrol 24/7.

Additional Parking and Walking Path at Lenni Lenape

Additional paved parking at Lenni Lenape was completed earlier this year.

We also applied for, and were awarded, the Marcellus Shale Grant from the County to help fund the final phase of the walking path as shown here in red.

The project will be completed this fall.

**WATER DEBT/LOAN**

The water project was installed in the eastern area of the township in 2005. The original bond was in the amount of \$3,374,500.00 with payments going through 2035.

In 2016 the bonds were refinanced in the amount of \$2,197,000.00 to a traditional bank loan.

At the end of 2020, we renegotiated the terms of the water loan to a 1.60% interest rate through 2027 and then it will increase to a variable rate between 2.75% to 4.25% for the remainder of the loan. By converting to monthly payments, reducing the interest rate, and making extra payments on the principal, the loan is currently scheduled to be paid off in August of 2030.

The current balance as of 8/15/23 is \$687,435.15.

The quarterly customer charge of \$60 all goes towards paying down the debt, which is part of our water operating expenses. Only those customers who are within the water project area pay this fee. The fee shows up on the residents' water bill from the City of Lebanon Authority, who collects the fee and then forwards the money monthly to us.

Extra payments are made from the tapping fees paid for new connections.

SEWER DEBT/LOAN

In 2016 the bonds were refinanced in the amount of \$8,818,000.00 from municipal bonds to a traditional bank loan. We also reduced the interest rate to 2.33% until 2022 which would then increase to 4.25% for the remainder of the loan which was 2029.

At the end of 2020 we renegotiated the terms of the sewer loan to a 2.04% interest rate for the duration of the loan. By converting to monthly payments, decreasing the interest rate, and making extra payments on principal, the loan is currently scheduled to be paid off in July of 2025.

The current balance as of 8/15/23 is \$740,992.04.

The quarterly customer charge of \$78 is primarily used for daily operation and maintenance of our sewer system and a small portion goes towards paying down the debt.

The water usage fee is simply a pass-through fee that goes to the City of Lebanon Authority to treat the sewage flows. They set the fees and bill the Township and we in turn pass the fee on to the customer.

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NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP LITTER LADIES

LuAnn Horn and Kathy Redinger, fondly known as the "Litter Ladies," were recognized by the GLRA with the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Community Pride Award. LuAnn and Kathy spend countless hours, on their own accord, taking daily walks in areas within the community that are littered and pick up trash in neighborhoods, along roadways, waterways, and in local parks. Specifically, in North Lebanon Twp, the pair have walked the Lebanon Rails Business Park year-round, picking up litter and making sure it's disposed of properly. They have been provided safety vests, gloves, garbage bags, and use of municipal waste dumpsters for the trash they collect.

The ladies were nominated for the award by Supervisor Ed Brensinger. "North Lebanon Township is honored to nominate and present the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Community Pride Award to LuAnn and Kathy, our "Litter Ladies." Their litter patrol and clean-up of high litter areas in North Lebanon Township and surrounding municipalities is greatly appreciated. We hope their voluntary act of service to the community will inspire others to do the same."



If you know of a person or group who should be recognized for their litter clean-up efforts, please contact Bonnie Grumbine, Recycling Coordinator.

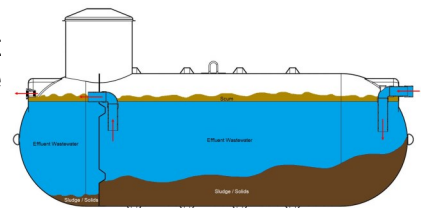
On-Lot Sewage Management Program Update

The North Lebanon Township Sewage Management Ordinance requires that every property owner who has an on-lot sewage disposal system have their treatment/septic tank(s) pumped once every three (3) years within the year the municipality is due.

- Notices were sent out on April 3rd to all North Lebanon Township residents with on-lot systems
- A second notice was mailed out on July 17th as a friendly reminder of the approaching due date
- **The due date is August 31st**
- You must use a registered pumper/hauler from the list you received with the original mailing
- Currently, there is a thirty dollar (\$30) administrative fee per lot, payable to **North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority**. Please mail all report forms to North Lebanon Township and make all checks payable to **North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority**. You can find frequently asked questions and some of our forms on our website at www.northlebanontwppa.gov.

Anyone desiring an exemption from the assigned pumping cycle must request an exemption form from the North Lebanon Township Office. There are **three ways to Qualify for an Exemption from the Current Pumping Cycle:**

1. Have a qualified inspector evaluate the depth of the solids and scum in the tank. If the total depth of both solids and scum is less than 1/3 full, you would qualify for an exemption. The proper paperwork and fee must accompany this request.
2. If you had your tank pumped within the last year, you can submit the report form and the fee and we will accept that pumping.
3. If you had your sewage system newly built or repaired within the last year you may qualify for an exemption. You must submit a copy of the approved sewage permit and final inspection along with the exemption request form and the administration fee. We will review the request and determine if the type of repair qualifies for an exemption.



ELECTION / VOTER INFORMATION

Exercise your right to vote on Election Day, Tuesday November 7, 2023, at your designated polling location in North Lebanon Twp.

Questions about Voting in Lebanon County can be answered by contacting the Voter's Registration Office at (717) 228-4428.



MAILBOXES

Now is the time to make sure your mailbox post is strong enough to withstand snow hitting the post as it is being discharged from the plow. Mailboxes are considered a structure within the Township Right-of-Way and are the responsibility of the resident. Wet, heavy snow increases the chance of damages from plowing operations.

TREE and BENCH DEDICATION

Consider adopting a tree in memory of a loved one. We have trees available at two of our parks (Lenni Lenape and the Township Community Park). The cost is \$300 per tree. Benches are also available for dedication at Lenni Lenape for a \$500 fee. You can also purchase a plaque which we will install free of charge.



DISC GOLF

Consider sponsoring a hole within our Disc Golf Course located at Lenni Lenape Park. Your sponsorship includes your business name on the tee as well as the basket. The cost is \$400 per hole and is a great way to show your support while promoting your business.

The annual **MS-4 Public Educational Presentation** will be held on Monday, November 20th, 2023 at the NLT Board of Supervisors regularly scheduled meeting beginning at 7:00 pm at the Township Building.



WAYS YOU CAN HELP KEEP OUR WATERWAYS CLEAN

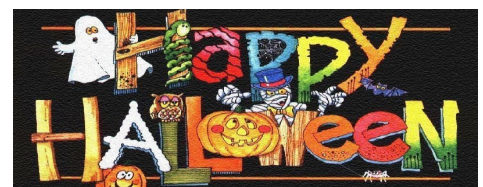
There are numerous things we can all do on a daily basis to help keep pollution out of our waterways. The following are a few examples of everyday things we can do:

- Never dump anything into storm drains
- Pick up litter before it gets into rivers, lakes, or streams
- Use limited amounts of fertilizer
- Do NOT blow grass onto the street

NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK IS November 6—12, 2023



National Recycling Week is a great time to learn about recycling and to start recycling if you haven't already. North Lebanon Township has its very own Recycling Coordinator who is available to give a recycling presentation to your school, scouting, or civic organization within the Township. If interested, please contact the Township Office. Our Recycling Coordinator has the proper state required clearances to make a presentation and it can either be in conjunction with National Recycling Week or at a time more suitable to your organization.



North Lebanon Twp. Office **ONLY ACCEPTS** Cash, Check, or Money orders. **NO DEBIT OR CREDIT CARDS** will be accepted!

Only **Sewer Bills** may be paid using the online payment portal, as per our agreement with them.

2023 OFFICE CLOSINGS
 Labor Day—Sept. 4
 Election Day—Nov. 7
 Veterans Day—Nov. 10
 Thanksgiving—Nov. 23
 Take a moment to remember our **VETERANS!!**



TRICK or TREAT will be held on **Tuesday** **October 31, 2023**



From: 6 pm to 8 pm
Rain date— November 1st



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
Website: www.ebenezerfire9.com
Our Signboard lists scheduled activities.

GLENN LEBANON FIRE CO. 717-865-3948 42 Glenn Lebanon Dr.
Website: 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.



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
OCTOBER 8 - 14, 2023
For more information and
tips on keeping your family
safe, visit the following site:
www.firepreventionweek.org



Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape!

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!!!