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SNOW PLOW INFORMATION



Plowing Procedures During any significant snowfall the goal of the Township road crew is to clear or remove all snow from the roadways in order to provide all motorists safe and passable roadways. All main thoroughfares are priority with the secondary roads being the last to be cleared. While every effort is made to accommodate all Twp. residents, there may be a delay in plowing services for some secondary areas which includes developments. Vehicles parked on the roads may prohibit the plows operating as effectively as the crew would like. Understanding and cooperation is the key to success during this period of time. Property owners are encouraged to adhere to state guidelines when plowing/shoveling ice and/or snow off driveways that lie adjacent to state and township roadways.

Reminder - Please DO NOT PARK vehicles ON STREET during a snowstorm

WHY?

- * If you park in your driveway there will be less snow for you to shovel and it is a great help to the road crew.
- * When the plow trucks navigate around parked vehicles the snow plow unloads at your vehicle.
- * **If the plow truck damages your vehicle the township is not responsible for repairs as per State law.**
- * Road crews can clear roadways better, so after the storm you will be able to park on the street.
- * Piles left on the street tend to freeze solid and could become a bigger possibility of causing damage to your property and township equipment.

DO NOT PARK on SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES, violators WILL be towed at owner's expense.



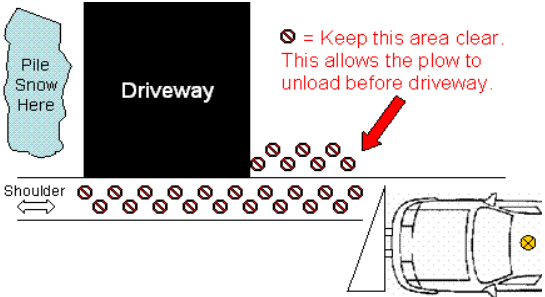
Mailboxes Every attempt is made to avoid damaging mailboxes, however, we must focus on the goal of clearing township streets for the traveling public. Make sure your mailbox post is strong and able to withstand snow hitting the post as it is being discharged from the plow. Mailboxes that are too close to the road or are mounted on poor supports are sometimes toppled. We suggest checking your mailbox; make sure it is firmly attached to the post. Mailboxes are considered a structure in the township right-of-way. All drivers are instructed to drive as slow as realistically possible during wet snows to minimize problems with mailboxes. Wet, heavy snow increases the possibility of mailbox and post damage from plowing operations.



Residents should consider placing a protective shield around their mailbox to help block the force of the snow from damaging their mailbox.

Mailboxes knocked down are the responsibility of the resident.

ELIMINATE snow piles at driveway entrances whenever possible. High accumulations of snow obstruct the vision of motorists. **DO NOT** push ice/snow out onto roads at any time. This creates hazardous driving conditions for all vehicles. Please be advised, the result of this activity will be a citation issued from the NLT police, as it is a violation of Ordinance #1-1999.



Basketball Nets During the snowplowing season any sports equipment (net, hoop, or backboard) within the Township right-of-way should be removed. Any damage inflicted by Township vehicles during this season will be the sole responsibility of the property owner.



Please help to clear snow and ice from fire hydrants and storm drains.



Snow Emergency Route

The following are designated as snow emergency routes. During times of snow and/or ice emergencies, **parking shall be prohibited on the cul-de-sac portion of the following streets:**

- Beta Avenue
- Brandthaven Drive
- Buck Run
- Calico Court
- Fawnwood Drive
- Greenwood Drive
- Hill Street
- Joel Drive
- Johns Drive
- Justa Lane
- Kathy Drive
- Laurel Lane
- Linda Drive
- Loretta Drive
- Lovers Lane
- Meadowlark Lane
- Nettie Drive
- Oak Lane
- Oakridge Court
- Orange Lane
- Paradise Lane
- Penny Lane
- Pleasant View Drive
- Primrose Court
- Ruth Drive
- Sandra Drive
- Sherri Drive
- Smokehouse Court
- Snapdragon Court
- Sunset Lane
- Twigg Avenue
- Woodridge Court

parking shall be prohibited on the entire following streets:

- E. Brookfield Drive
- W. Brookfield Drive
- E. Canal St. (between 4th-6th)
- Cedar Lane
- Cherry Street
- Elizabeth Street
- Harmony Hill Drive
- Martin Drive
- Pennsylvania Avenue
- Pine Street
- Sholly Avenue



THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ALL PENNDOT ROADS LOCATED IN NLT.

- Ebenezer Road
- Grace Avenue
- Heilmandale Road
- Hill Church Road
- E. Maple Street
- Mt. Zion Road
- North 22nd Street
- Prescott Drive
- Sandhill Road
- State Route 422
- State Route 72
- Tunnel Hill Road
- Weavertown Road (from E. Maple St. to R Field & Stream)
- 15th Avenue (North of St. Rte. 422 to Weavertown Road)
- 7th Street (State Route 343)

PENNDOT IS IN CHARGE OF SNOW PLOWING THESE ROADS.

PLEASE PHONE PENNDOT WITH ANY CONCERNS AT

717-450-2223

The following developments and roads **are not dedicated to the Township** which means **the Township is not responsible for plowing these roads:**

- * *Crossings @Sweet Briar Ph.4*
- * *Maple Dale Estates*
- * *Watson St. (Gary Ave. to Jay St.)*
- * *Woodlea Ave. (Watson St. to Jay St.)*

CAUTION is urged when approaching any Township vehicle (whether on foot or driving). Visibility is a definite problem when operating these larger trucks. NEVER approach the front of the vehicle unless the driver acknowledges you.

Your safety is important to us.



Medical Routines



Communication with the Township office regarding regular medical routines is extremely important during the winter season. Residents with any health issues which require frequent visits, daily trips to/from medical facilities or medical home deliveries should be communicated to the Township Office in writing as soon as possible.

The following information is required:

Name, address, phone number, and a brief description of the routine medical schedule and days services are needed.

This will enable the crews to be informed of priority situations so when there is a **significant snow fall (6 inches or more)** the road crew will make these areas a priority (this does not mean road crews will be at these residences first, but as soon as possible) during the winter season.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES

The North Lebanon Township Board of Supervisors have adopted an ordinance declaring certain streets in the Township to be posted as SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES throughout the Township.

Chapter 15, Section 111 (Ordinance No. 2-2014) states:

After any snow emergency has been declared it shall be unlawful, at any time during the continuance of the emergency, for any person to: Park a motor vehicle or to allow that vehicle to remain parked anywhere on any snow emergency route.

STORM DRAINS & FIRE HYDRANTS

Winter maintenance of storm drains & fire hydrants is important. Grates & Hydrants must be cleared of debris including leaves, ice, and snow. We kindly ask property owners to assist the Highway Dept. & Fire Depts. by clearing any drains & hydrants that are blocked.

The following is a list of what recyclables are acceptable for curbside collection by your contracted hauler:



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.**



Christmas Tree Drop-Off

The Township will again provide an area for **live undecorated** Christmas trees. This is for trees only. Please do not box or bag the tree.

Drop off will be permitted from **December 26, 2023 through February 17, 2024.** The drop-off area is marked and located outside the yard waste facility gate.



MEETING DATES

- Board of Supervisors—3rd Monday at 7:00 pm
- Planning Commission—2nd Tuesday 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.

Battery Recycling Program

Beginning Oct. 1, 2022 the GLRA will accept all rechargeable and single-use batteries for FREE.

Rechargeable batteries are commonly found in cordless power tools, cordless phones, laptops, cellphones, cameras, two-way radios, and medical equipment.

Single-use batteries cannot be recharged and must be disposed of once they wear out. Examples of single-use batteries are flashlights, clocks, remote controls, smoke detectors, toys, and hearing aids.

Each battery must be under 11 pounds and **MUST BE** placed in an **INDIVIDUAL** clear plastic storage ziplock bag.

Remember ONLY ONE battery per bag.

Plastic bags are available for residents at the battery recycling station.

Illegal Dumping in Yardwaste Facility

There has been an increase in items other than yardwaste, cardboard, mixed paper, and newsprint being left in the NLT Yardwaste Facility. Please **DO NOT** leave items in the yardwaste facility or recycling roll-offs meant for the trash (i.e. light bulbs, furniture, broken tools, etc.).

All instances of illegal dumping in the yardwaste facility are investigated. Camera footage of the incident is captured and handed over to the NLT Police Dept. which could result in fines and/or having yardwaste privileges permanently revoked.

Thank you for your cooperation!

A Notice from the Police Department

DO NOT give out personal information to unknown sources via phone calls, text messages, and emails.

Bring in your delivered packages as soon as possible to avoid them being stolen.

If you see anything that appears to be out of place or suspicious, please call the non-emergency dispatch number 717-272-2054.

STORMWATER FEES

The stormwater fee for 2024 will remain the same at **\$40.00 per ERU** (equivalent residential unit). The Annual Stormwater Fee bills for single family residents (SFRs) will be mailed out the beginning of January. Quarterly bills for the non-SFRs will be sent according to the follow the schedule:

1st Quarter—beginning of January

3rd Quarter—beginning of July

2nd Quarter—beginning of April

4th Quarter—beginning of October

All bills are due within thirty (30) days as noted on the bill. A ten percent (10%) penalty will be added after the due date on all unpaid accounts. A second notice reflecting the ten percent penalty will be sent to the property owner.

Failure to pay the second notice within the stated timeframe will result in a FINAL administrative letter being sent for all accounts carrying a balance, which will include a twenty dollar (\$20) administrative fee.

If payment is not made by the date stated on the final administrative letter, all unpaid accounts will be turned over to the Township Solicitor for collection and additional fees will be incurred by the property owner. Additional fees could total more than four hundred dollars (\$400).

Hanging Tree Branches and Dead Trees

Low hanging branches have been known to cause damage to Township equipment and trucks. This is especially bad when they are laden with ice and snow. Property owners are responsible for trimming trees, plants and bushes.

If property owners do not trim trees and plants, the Township is allowed by state law to trim trees within the Right-of-Way to provide for the safety of motoring public.

Dead trees are more likely to topple over due to accumulated ice and snow during the winter months as well as during high winds.

Residents with dead or diseased trees along Township roads should consider having them removed. Thereby reducing your risk of liability should they fall onto passing motorists, utility lines or damaging neighbors property.



BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

As the wind blows and the flurries start to fly, think of the elderly people in your neighborhood. Consider helping or assisting them with shoveling their driveways and walkways. It could be a good way to earn community service hours or to just be a good neighbor.

PARK PAVILION RENTALS

- Annual park pavilion rental fees due by January 31, 2024 to secure your date.
- New pavilion rental dates available February 1, 2024.
- Full kitchen and all open air pavilions require a rental fee.

If you are interested in reserving one of the open air pavilions or one of our full service pavilions, please visit the Township Office. We have added electrical service to one of our open air pavilions at Lenni Lenape.

For a full description of all our parks, pavilion rentals, and rules and regulations please visit our website at www.northlebanontwppa.gov.



DISCARDED AMERICAN FLAGS

There is a drop off bin located in the Township lobby for American Flags **ONLY!** Please do not discard any

other type of flags. They are taken by organizations that perform respectful ceremonies to get rid of flags. They ask that you kindly remove any wooden sticks that may be attached to small flags. Please do not package the flags or place them in bags or boxes.

Only discard the actual flag in the bin. The organizations request that you fold the flag nicely and don't just toss it in the container.

FIRE COMPANY NEWS

As most of you know, our firefighters are volunteers. All of our fire companies are looking for new members to help with all aspects of running the company. This includes helping with day to day operations, fund raisers, and new firefighters. All equipment and training is provided. We also have a Junior Firefighter program. We encourage people of all ages to join and help out so we can continue to offer the best fire and rescue services to our community.

Ebenezer 717-273-2361

Chief Mike Leonard

Glenn Lebanon 717-865-3948

Chief Brian Vragovich

Rural Security 717-273-4472

Chief Gary Boyer

Weavertown 717-228-2827

Chief Donald Steiner Jr.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us through the years.

We greatly appreciate it!!

YARDWASTE RENEWAL 2024

Effective January 1st all yard waste cards will be deactivated and are subject to renewal for the new year. Feel free to stop by the office (after January 1st) to complete the paperwork and renew your card. The residential fee for 2024 will remain the same at \$50 for the year.

SUMP PUMPS

During heavy rain events our sewer pumping stations see a spike in flows. We now have video equipment which allows us to inspect our lines and enables us to see where the extra flows are coming from. Please be advised that sump pump connections into the sewer lateral that services your residence **is illegal**. The City of Lebanon Authority is starting to "crack down" on this type of illegal discharge into the sewer system and is recommending all contributing municipalities do the same.

SEWER BILLING DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS: February 10 ~ May 10 ~ August 10 ~ November 10

If you do not receive a bill by the end of these months, please call 717-273-7132 for your total. We CANNOT waive late fees.

When writing out checks, please consider printing everything except your signature. Banking institutions may not accept illegible writing. Also, please verify the amount written (ex. Thirty-Five Dollars and 00/100) matches the cash number (ex. \$35.00) on the check and the check is signed. Any of these situations may cause the bank to return your check as "unprocessed", thus your account will be shown as unpaid and may incur late charges.

ACH transactions through your bank does not mean the amount you designate for your sewer payment is automatically sent to your sewer account. The bank deducts the amount from your bank account, then the bank prints out a paper check and mails it to the Township via the United States Postal Service. Your account only gets credited once we receive the check from your bank. If you use this process the Township recommends having your sewer payment deducted from your account at least seven to ten business days prior to the due date. **If the check arrives in the Township office after 4 pm on the due date, it will be considered late and your sewer account will be charged the late fee.**

Consider paying your sewer bill online. If you use the online customer portal, your account is automatically credited the same day, whether you pay with a credit card or an e-check. Please be aware that if you pay your bill online after the due date (midnight of the 10th), the late charges will still be applied even though it may not yet be reflected on the customer portal.

The Township Office
ONLY ACCEPTS
Cash, Check or Money orders.
NO DEBIT OR CREDIT
CARDS

The Township and the Police Dept. both provide a 24 hr. exterior drop box. For after hour needs, the phone number for county dispatch is listed below and also on the Police Dept. door.
Police Dept.: 717-273-8141
Co. Dispatch: 717-272-2054

2023-2024
OFFICE CLOSINGS
Dec. 25, 2023
Jan. 1, 2024



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.



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!!!