



SCOTT TOWNSHIP MONTHLY UPDATE

Ordinance Updates

The Township will hold a brief public meeting at the start of its Agenda Meeting on April 9th to discuss adoption of an ordinance pertaining to the keeping of chickens.

Upcoming Meetings

Parks & Rec Committee
April 1st (7:00pm)

Planning Commission
April 3rd (7:30pm)

Bd. Of Commissioners—Agenda
April 9th (7:30pm)

Bd. Of Commissioners—Regular
April 23rd (7:30pm)

Upcoming Events

STPL Trivia Night
April 12th (7:00-9:00pm)

STPL Book Sale
April 19th—21st (varying hours)

Township Holds First Town Hall

The Board of Commissioners along with the Department heads held a town hall meeting earlier this month for the Township residents to address and discuss a variety of topics. Commissioners and staff address questions submitted by residents beforehand and then opened the floor up for follow up discussions. Topics included the cost and construction of the new splash pad, increase in taxes, new garbage contract, and management of Township funds.

The event was attended by nearly 50 residents who engaged in lively discussions with the Township officials. Plans are underway for future events.



Brunch with the Bunny!

Rep. Dan Deasy Awards Grant for Sidewalk Improvement

State Representative Dan Deasy announced a \$127,764.00 grant award for Scott Township for sidewalk improvements along Bow-erhill Road in Ward 4. The sidewalks from Rockhill Rd. down to Painters Run Road will be replaced as part of this Project.

This grant funding was made available from the Department of Community and Economic Development's Multimodal Transportation Fund and approved by the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Proposed Development on Cochran Road Gets Preliminary Approval

Manor Oak One Associates, LLC proposes to build a mixed use building located on the northern side of Cochran Road at the intersection of Roessler Road, the site of the former Max & Erma's Restaurant. Manor Oak intends to develop the site for two eating establishments and a medical office. Acting on a recommendation from the Planning Commission the Commissioners approved a Preliminary Major Land Development application for this project.

This site was previously approved to become a location for Chase Bank, but plans ultimately did not come to fruition.

Partial Payments Approved for Township Contractors

The Township approved Partial Payment No. 2 to Mele & Mele & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$78,595.78 in relation to the 2023 Roadway Improvement Program. The courts in the upper level of the park and punch list items remain before this project can be closed out.

A partial payment to McRandal Plumbing Company was approved in the amount of \$83,430.00 in relation to the new restrooms built as part of the splash pad development.

Congressman Deluzio Secures Funding for Mobile Command Center for Scott PD

Congressman Deluzio secured nearly \$15.5 million dollars in federal funding for Pennsylvania's 17th District. From this, Congressman Deluzio awarded the Scott Township Police Department \$700,000 for the purchase of a mobile command center.

This project will allow the Department to purchase a mobile command center to respond to larger scale incidents and community events. Scott Township PD has experienced serious public safety incidents in the past and did not have access to a mobile command center. The addition of this resource to the Department would allow officers to more effectively and safely respond to large incidents and disturbances. In addition to Scott Township using the mobile command center, the Police Department will share the center available with surrounding agencies, as needed to ensure the safety of our entire community during large scale incidents.

Public Works Employees Agree to Collective Bargaining Agreement

After almost seventh months of negotiations and nearly three months of dutifully working without a contract, the Public Works Department and the Township have agreed to a new five-year contract through 2028. This

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contract will provide for well deserved pay increases of 3.75%, 3.5%, 3.5%, 3.5%, and 3.25% per year during the course of the contract.


Base wages will ultimately rise to \$73,000.00 plus benefits, making the Township’s total compensation package competitive and comparable to neighboring and nearby municipalities. Providing a competitive, family-supporting compensation package ensures that the Township can retain quality employees and continue to attract such employees in the future. The Township has an amazing Public Works Crew who keeps the Township in great shape, and we look forward to continuing to serving the residents of Scott Township together.

Senator Robinson Secures Grant Funding for SHACOG Vactor Truck

In 2022 the Township entered into a multi-municipal agreement through the South Hills Council of Governments for the purchase of a new vactor truck to use within the SHACOG network. As part of that agreement the participating municipalities were required to make additional payments for each week that municipality used the vactor truck.

Thanks to Senator Devlin Robinson’s sponsorship, SHACOG received a grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 to be used towards this purchase. This grant allowed the Township to enter into an amendment of that agreement to remove any additional fees for using the machine. This saves the Township approximately \$15,000 annually.

Fireworks to Light Up Township



The Township approved a two year agreement with Pyrotecnico Fireworks, Inc., to provide a fireworks display for the Townships 4th of July celebrations this summer and next. The show will last for approximately twenty minutes.

Pyrotecnico has provided the fireworks display for the last two years Scott Township. This year’s display will cost \$12,650.00.

Scott Township Public Library Celebrates 23rd Birthday; Hosting Trivia Night and Book Sale

April is a big month for the Scott Township Library as they celebrate their 23rd birthday! April will also see the Scott Township Public Library host two of their biggest events of the year. First up is Trivia Night on Friday, April 12th from 7:00—9:00pm at the Scott Township Community Room. Tickets are \$15 in advance until April 1st and then \$20 until the day of the event with all proceeds benefitting the Scott Township Public Library.

The Friends of Scott Township will kick off their annual book sale on Thursday, April 18th with a member only event, and the public sale on Friday, April 19th (12-4pm), Saturday, April 20th (10am-4pm), and Sunday, April 21st (10am-2pm).

The Board Commissioners approved a new five year lease agreement for the Library space in the Township building this month to ensure the Library can continue serving our residents for years to come. Be sure to stop on by!

Neighborhood Parking Considerations; Enforcement

With warm weather on the horizon, the Township has been receiving some complaints from people out getting their steps in. These complaints are primarily in the Glendale area of Ward 1. At times the sidewalks have become blocked by vehicles, forcing pedestrians into the street. We fully understand the parking difficulties in the area and because of that, the Scott Township Police Department are lenient with vehicles parked on the sidewalk. This is however a violation of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code §3353(a)(1)(ii), prohibiting parking on a sidewalk. Sidewalks must have a clear width of 3 feet for handicap accessibility.

Scott Twp PD will continue to be lenient in our enforcement of this statute, however this leniency has limits. If you must park on the sidewalk, limit it to two wheels only and leave room for pedestrians, strollers, or persons with disabilities to get by without going into the street. The first time you will receive a warning and any subsequent offenses will result in a citation.

STEMS/Glendale Hose Co. Appoint New Chief

Scott Cavey was promoted this month to Chief of the Scott Township Emergency Medical Services (STEMS). This comes on the heels of Chief Cavey being elected to the President of Glendale Hose Company #1. Chief Cavey has been involved with STEMS since 1997, first in the capacity of a part-time EMT. In 1999, STEMS Scott was promoted as STEMS first ever Deputy Chief. Over the years Chief Cavey has worked at developing STEMS to the amazing service it is today.

Scott Township Police Department Adds Officer

The Board of Commissioner approved the hiring of William Gardner, Jr. as a police officer at a starting salary agreement of \$87,461.34 under the current collective bargaining . Officer Gardner will serve a period of one year as a probationary officer.

With this hire the Department is now fully staffed. Officer Gardner rounds out our contingent of 12 Patrolmen, four Sergeants, two detectives, one Student Resource Officer and one Traffic Detail Officer.

Families Enjoy First Easter Brunch with the Bunny

With cold, rainy weather always a potential threat to ruin the day, the Township held a Brunch with the Easter Bunny this year instead of its annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Dozens of families came and enjoyed stacks of fluffy pancakes while the Easter Bunny visited. The kids were so excited to say hello and take their picture with the Bunny. Each little visitor also got to leave with a special Easter treat bag filled with fun and sweets. A Special thank you to Scott and Terri Cavey, life-time members of the Glendale Hose Company #1 for cooking and serving the pancakes for everyone.

Scott Township is still searching for a Concessionaire for the 2024 Pool Season. Please see the website for details. Proposals may be submitted until April 8th