

News, Resources, Current Events and Other Information for Residents and Property Owners of West Chillisquaque Township -- Northumberland County

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Montandon Community Days:
May 23-26 --see details on Page 3.

Proposed Zoning Changes -- The Township is considering changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Please see Page 2 for more information.

IMPORTANT – June 12 Emergency Management Meeting – see page 2 for more information.

Upcoming Township Meetings:
Monday June 3 at 7:00 pm
Monday July 8 at 7:00 pm
Monday August 5 at 7:00 pm
Tuesday September 9 at 7:00 pm
Monday October 7 at 7:00 pm
Monday November 11 at 7:00 pm
Monday December 2 at 7:00 pm
(all are subject to change)

Traffic Light at Housels Run Road: Due to increased traffic and a grant opportunity, the Township is pursuing the possibility of installing a traffic light at the intersection with Rt 45 instead of the current "blinking light". We see various pros and cons to this change and we would like your opinion. If you have any thoughts on this possible change, please contact us via one of the methods listed in the newsletter or come to a future Township Meeting.

Keep the Street Clean: Please refrain from blowing grass, snow, leaves etc. on public roads and streets (depending on the season). These can cause slip hazards, block drainage or provide other dangers to others. You could be held liable.

"Who Ya Gonna Call??"

The following is contact information you may find useful for Township business and issues (570 Area Code):

Township Municipal Building – 523-3911

This is an un-staffed office – leave a message and your call will be returned in several business days or call one of the other numbers below as appropriate.

Township Maintenance Building/Roadmaster 742-8102

Township Supervisors:

Vaughn Murray, Chairman 524-0460

Doug Everitt, Vice Chair 524-2745

Willard Miller, Supervisor 524-9777

Code Enforcement/Zoning Permits

Jeff -- Light-Heigel and Associates – 524-7742
(or 800-257-2190)

Building Permits

Curtis -- Light-Heigel and Associates – 524-7742
(or 800-257-2190)

Sewage Enforcement Officer (septic systems)
James Sanders – 922-1218

Milton Regional Sewer Authority (public sewer)
742-3424

Township Secretary/Municipal Services Tax
Cherie Boyer – 524-9889

Township Treasurer
Cherie Boyer – 524-9889

Township Real Estate Tax Collector
Cherie Boyer – 524-9889

911 Center Non-Emergency Number -- 523-1113

Milton State Police Barracks -- 524-2662

Email requests to: WCcomment@dejazzd.com

Visit us on the web at www.westchilli.org

(This information will be updated and repeated in each newsletter)

Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes: Prior to our regularly scheduled meeting, the Township Supervisors will hold a public hearing on Monday July 8, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building at 485 Railroad Street in Montandon. The Supervisors will solicit public feedback on proposed items outlined below. A complete description of the proposed changes may be obtained by contacting the Township or by visiting the website at www.westchilli.org and following the link under Announcements.

Notifications: In an attempt to better notify residents when a public hearing related to a property will be held, in addition to posting a sign, the Township proposes to require that a written notice be sent to all directly neighboring property owners.

Definitions: In order to provide for clearer and more modern definitions for items throughout the Zoning Ordinance, the Township proposes to add or modify various definitions. Those terms include:

- Contractor and Contractor's Yard
- Distribution Center
- Laboratory
- Office Building
- Professional Office
- Rental Storage Facility
- Repair Business
- Restaurant
- Service Business
- Warehousing
- Deleting the definition of Warehouse and Distribution Center.

Several Changes will be made to permitted uses throughout the Ordinance. This includes:

- Contractor's Yard and Rental Storage Facility will be permitted in the Commercial, Industrial and Light Industrial District.
- Distribution Center will be permitted in the Industrial District
- Reference to "Warehouse and Distribution Center" will be changed to "Distribution Center".
- Reference to "Retail, Wholesale, Office, Services, Printing or Repair Business" in various sections will be changed to "Retail, Wholesale, Service, Printing or Repair Business, Office Building."

How these impact you: The Supervisors feel these changes are rather simple and should have minimal impact, but if you have any concerns, please perform further research, contact the Township and most importantly attend the Public Hearing. It is expected that action will be taken to approve or reject these proposed changes that evening.

In the future: In addition to the legal requirements to advertise changes such as this in a Newspaper, the Township intends to notify via newsletter when timing allow, but also through our new Website whenever possible. In the future, look for detailed information on how you can sign up via the website to be notified when any general or specific public hearing is scheduled.

Library: For several years, the Township has been providing some financial support for the Milton Public Library, which is also designated by the State as the official library for our Township. Due to expanded services as well as increased usage by our residents, the Library has asked us to consider increasing these donations. We'd love to hear your opinion on this.

Important Meeting on Emergency Management:

A very important meeting will be held on **Wednesday June 12th at 7:00 p.m.** at the Township Building for all individuals interested in helping in case of an emergency in the Township.

The Township continues to look to reorganize our Emergency Management Team. Several of you have expressed interest in serving for planning or in event of an emergency. Even if you have previously expressed interest, we request you attend this meeting for important information and so we can obtain proper contact information and your various interests. We are scheduling Emergency Management Officials to be present to provide additional information and help answer your questions.

If you are interested, but unable to attend, please confirm your interest by contacting us via methods listed elsewhere in the newsletter. Topics for discussion include:

- 1) Overview of Emergency Management
- 2) Organization of WCT EMA
- 3) Development of Resources
- 4) Review/update of WCT Emergency Plan.

Montandon Community Days -- May 23rd through May 26th, 2013

Thursday -- 7:00 p.m. "Friendly Feud" -- Come cheer on your favorite team as they vie for the title. Hosted by Pastor Tom Marker "under the tent".

Friday -- 6:00-9:00 p.m. Enjoy the Band "Top Shelf" who will once again entertain US -- Bring your lawn chairs and appetites to the tent outside the Township Building to enjoy 100% Danceable Live Music from the 50's to 80's. Burgers, soda and ice cream will be available for purchase. A dime pitch and cake wheel will also be available.

Saturday "Festival Day" -- 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Crafts, Fun, Food & Entertainment -- Enjoy an Old Fashion Memorial Day Weekend

- ◆ Craft and food vendors setup up all day along Railroad and Center Streets
- ◆ Kids' games
- ◆ Chinese Auction
- ◆ Balloon Man
- ◆ Kids' Inflatable Rides

Free Entertainment Includes:

- ◆ 10:30, 12:30, and 2:30 -- Re-Creation
- ◆ Kingdom Kidz Puppets

Sodom School open for tours 10 a.m through approximately 2 p.m.

(weather permitting)

[for your safety, please park in grass lot on East side of school]

Sunday

10:00 a.m. -- Community Worship Service "under the tent", featuring Re-Creation

1:00 p.m -- Parade along Main Street to Housels Run Road, followed by Veterans Services Conducted by American Legion Post 841 at Montandon Cemetery; (parade forms at 12:00)

After the Parade and Veteran Services – Community Picnic back at the tent. Free Hot Dogs, Soda, Baked Beans, Macaroni Salad and Cupcakes

Events will take place in the tent behind the Post Office next to the Township Building and along Railroad and Center Streets

Please come out and support your community with your neighbors and friends at this popular event!

Many thanks to the Community Days Committee and Parade Committee for organizing this annual

Question/Comment? Submit via email @ WComment@dejazzd.com or by mail at PO Box 252 Montandon or now, visit us on the web at www.westchilli.org

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Web Site -- The Township is pleased to announce our website, www.westchilli.org is now your number one location to find information about the Township. While still in its infancy, the site is now up and running. Please check it out and provide feedback. We will be encouraging all interested parties to register to be a user. This will allow you to be more interactive with the site. Even without registering, you will still have access to all public information. Registering will give you the OPTION of receiving notifications when various items are updated on the site. Rest assured, we will not be overflowing your in-box with items, but this serves as a way YOU can control being notified of various items in the Township. More information will be on the website and in the newsletter in the future as we need to perform further testing. As always, you can contact us at WCcomment@dejazzd.com.

Mailing List and Notifications -- We are going to take a new direction with Newsletters. We know that there are still some people who do not have email or access to the Internet and we respect that. Starting one year from now, we will no longer provide paper versions of the newsletter unless you specifically request them. In order to view the newsletter you will either need to be on our mailing list or visit the website. By registering for the web-site and selecting the correct option, we will send you an email when the newsletter is available. Anyone desiring to still receive a paper newsletter must notify the Township. We will send out another announcement and more information in the next newsletter. One option will be to provide notice when you pay your Township/County taxes by mail or in person in 2014 or you may contact Secretary Cherie Boyer at 570-524-9889 to be added to the list. If you do not specifically ask to be added to the paper mailing list, you will no longer receive a printed version starting in the Spring of 2014.