

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

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Upcoming Township Meetings:

- Monday June 13th at 7:00 pm
- Monday July 11th at 7:00 pm
- Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm
- Monday September 12th at 7:00

(all are subject to change)

Help **STILL** Wanted -- Community Disaster

Assistance: We are still looking for individuals to help the community in case of disaster. Please let us know if you are interested. Several recent flooding events remind us of what can happen. Our Emergency Management Team is looking to reorganize and we need help from you!

"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 ***New** (see also page 2)

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

Clyde Boyer – 524-9889

Township Real Estate Tax Collector

William Phillips – **246-5490 (NEW NUMBER)**

911 Center Non-Emergency Number -- 523-1113

Milton State Police Barracks -- 524-2662

Email requests to: WCcomment@dejazzd.com

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

****NEW** Zoning/Code Officer**

The Township has hired Light-Heigel and Associates as the new Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer following the retirement of Richard Wolfe. This will allow "one-stop-shopping" when residents need both Zoning and Building permits.

Some items to note when doing business with Light-Heigel are indicated below:

The primary telephone number to call for the Montandon Office is 570-524-7742. A toll free number of 800-257-2190 is also available to their central office in Palmyra. If you have any issues getting through to the local number, especially after hours, please use the 800 number.

Jeff Kanezo is the primary contact for Zoning or Code Enforcement issues. His extension is 1401 or he may be reached via email at jeffk@light-heigel.com.

Curtis O'Neill is still the primary contact for Building Code issues/permits. His extension is 1450 or he may be reached via email at CurtisO@Light-Heigel.com.

Information and downloads of permit applications can also be obtained at <http://www.light-heigel.com/Info/Municipalities/WChillisquaque.html>

The nature of their work means that they are often "on the road" performing their duties. Below is some information they provided on reaching them. If you experience any problems, please let the Township know so we can assist in resolving the issue and bear with everyone as we transition to these new procedures. Calls will be returned within one business day.

- If no one is in the local office between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., the call will route after 3 rings to their central office in Palmyra. You should advise who you need to talk to and your call will be forwarded to their cell phone. If they are unable to answer, you can leave a message on their cell phone voicemail.
- During non-business hours, after several rings the call will forward to an "automated attendant" and you can enter ext 1401 for Jeff or ext 1450 for Curtis and you will be forwarded to their desk voicemail.

Please Clean up After Your Dogs:

We have had numerous complaints about people walking their dogs and leaving "a mess" on people's sidewalks or yards. This is absolutely uncalled for. If you are one of the offending parties, you must stop it immediately!! This is not only unhealthy, but down-right rude and thoughtless. We have asked people if they witness this to confront the offender and ask for their name. If people do not police themselves, we may be forced to consider other measures. Please be considerate to your neighbors!

Thanks for Years of Service:

The Township would like to thank Rich Wolfe for his many years of service as zoning/code enforcement officer. Rich held this position since it was first created in the 1970's. During that time, much has changed related to zoning and code enforcement activities. It can be a difficult job dealing with people in what can be very stressful situations. The township wishes Rich well in his "second retirement"!

The "frequently asked questions" column will return next issue with information on local zoning and land-use ordinances.

Montandon Community Days -- May 26th Through May 29th

Thursday -- 7:00 p.m. "Montandon Marriage Game" -- Come watch area couples vie for the grand prize. Hosted by Pastor Tom Marker "under the tent".

Friday -- 6:00-9:00 p.m. Enjoy the Band "Top Shelf" -- 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. Various food items will be available for purchase. A dime pitch and cake wheel will also be available.

Saturday -- 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

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

- ◆ Cake Wheel, Pick-a-Pop, Face Painting, Craft Booths, Free Hayrides
- ◆ Fire Cart Crock Sale and Chinese Auction with over 100 items
- ◆ Many Food Vendors and much more
- ◆ **New this year** -- Raffle -- buy your tickets before the 1:00 drawing

Free Entertainment Includes:

- ◆ 10:30, 12:30, and 2:30 -- Re-Creation
- ◆ 10:00 and 12:00 -- Kingdom Kids Puppet Ministry -- Their mission is to present moral, ethical and social issues to kids of all ages in PA, NJ and MD tri-state area.
- ◆ 11:30 Andy Reich
- ◆ 1:30 Randy Robbins

Sunday

7:30-9:30 a.m. Breakfast Sandwiches will be Sold

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

1:00 -- Memorial Parade along Main Street, followed by Cemetery Services
Conducted by American Legion Post 841

Following Parade/Memorial Service -- Pizza eating contest at Bertoni's Pizza

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 event and providing this information

Question/Comment? Submit via email @ WCcomment@dejazzd.com or by mail at PO Box 252 Montandon

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Web Site -- The Township is seriously considering starting a web-site to provide information and resources for you. We want this to be an "active" site and provide you with information you need. The goal is to have this up and running by the end of 2011. But, we need some feedback from you. If you have any ideas for the website, please provide them to us as soon as possible. We plan to include electronic links to permit applications, agendas, minutes and ordinances, but we'd like to know what else you'd like to see on it. As always, you can contact us at WCcomment@dejazzd.com.

Mailing List -- Remember, we are still trying to build an email list to distribute these newsletters and other information electronically. Thanks to those who have provided this information. It allowed us to notify you all electronically of the change in Zoning Officer. Please send us your name and email address and we will send future newsletters to you electronically instead of in the mail.

Newsletter Frequency -- We plan to continue to provide a newsletter several times per year. This will depend on items to report and time availability of the "editor". We will also continue to send out small "blurbs" of information to everyone on the newsletter distribution list, when appropriate. So, if you have email, that is the way to receive timely information from the Township! If you would like to receive information this way, please provide us with your email address as indicated above. Let us know if you have information or ideas for future newsletters.