

# Happy Fall

# Summit Township Newsletter

Fall 2022—Winter 2023



# Driveway Requirements

Snow and ice takes a tolls on driveways and repairs may be required. Whenever considering a driveway project, contact the Township at 724-285-1168 to determine if a driveway permit is necessary. The cost is \$75.00. If a permit is not obtained, the fee will be doubled. It is the property owner's responsibility to obtain the permit not the contractor. If a contractor states that a driveway permit has been obtained, please require the permit be submitted to you for your records.

Once a permit is obtained, the Roadmaster will meet with you and/or your contractor to go over the Township's specifications. Please take the time to obtain a permit to prevent costly overages to your project because the driveway does not meet the Township's requirements.

## FALL SAFETY TIPS

Fire Places: Use fire place safety. Properly place the screen, do not leave the fire unattended and make sure it is out before going to bed.

**Space Heaters:** Use caution with space heaters to ensure it is vented properly and leave at least three feet of empty area around the space heater.

**Leaves:** When burning leaves, please do not leave the fire unattended. Do not burn leaves in the ditch line.

**Candles:** Exercise caution when using candles and do not leave candles unattended.

Batteries: If you have not changed the batteries in your smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector when Daylight Savings Time arrived, it might be a good time to do so.

# Project Planning

When planning a home improvement project, please call the Township office at 724-285-1168 to determine if a permit is required. Examples of common permits are decks, porches, swimming pools, garages and sheds.

For planning purposes, it takes approximately two weeks to obtain a building permit.

The following items are required for the permit

- 1. A simple drawing of your property showing existing buildings and where the new item will be located.
- 2. The specifications of the project.
- 3. The Certificate of Liability Insurance from your contractor.

## PUBLIC SEWAGE TAP-IN FUNDING AVAILABLE

Grant funding is available through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for low to moderate income residents for the mandatory tap-in fee for the public sewage project.

Applications will be available tentatively in March 2023.





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Each of the following can be reached at the Township office.
724-285-1168

#### **Supervisors**

Willie Adams, Chairman
Richard Green, Vice-Chairman
Larry Osche, Supervisor/Roadmaster
Secretary/Treasurer/Zoning Officer
Roxann Stickney

**Zoning Field Officer** Chuck Montag **Township Building Location:** 

502 Bonniebrook Road Butler, PA 16002

#### Telephone:

724-285-1168

Fax:

724-285-7677

**Email:** 

summittwp@zoominternet.net

Website:

www.summittwp.org

#### **Real Estate Tax Collecto**

Kathy Oesterling 724-283-4645.

Available Wednesday 12:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

#### **Sewage Enforcement Officer**

Doug Duncan 724-679-4860

## Ford Dump Truck

The Township purchased a 2022 Ford Dump truck through the American Rescue Plan funding.



## STUFF A CRUISER

Please stop by the Township building to place a toy in the box for the Saxonburg police "Stuff a Cruiser" event to benefit the Lighthouse Foundation. Toys will be accepted until November 21, 2022

## Seasonal Reminders

Before long, it will be time for snow plowing. Please do not park within three feet along the road. This makes it very difficult for the road department to properly maintain the road. Violators may be ticketed by the Township or Saxonburg police.

The Township is not responsible for mail boxes that are damaged while the road department is salting/plowing the roads.

With hunting season, comes the moving of deer. For removal of a dead deer along a Township road, please call the Game Commission at 814-432-3187. If it is along a State road, please call PennDOT at 724-284-8800.