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A Word from Supervisor Bob Potts

Dear Residents:

Richmond Township's Board of Supervisors is committed to fostering both community engagement and business growth while responsibly managing our budget and maintaining our current tax rate.

In 2024, we made significant progress without increasing costs for residents. We kept our vehicle fleet operating efficiently, avoided major repair and replacement expenses, and used federal funds to enhance township facilities—including new siding and a roof at the recreation facilities, and improving the landscaping. We are also actively pursuing grants to support future community projects such as new playground equipment and improvements to the veteran's memorial.

Looking ahead, we have ambitious plans for 2025, including:

- Road Maintenance: Keeping our roads safe and well-maintained.
- Broadband Expansion: Extending high-speed internet access to underserved areas.
- Recreation Facility Redevelopment: Upgrading community spaces to better serve residents.

Your involvement is vital to Richmond Township's success. We encourage you to join us in shaping a stronger, more vibrant community; please review the 2025 calendar of events in this newsletter and the township's website.

Thank you for your support and participation!

Sincerely,

Bob Potts, Richmond Township Supervisor

John Brown Heritage Association

The John Brown Heritage Association has been given a wonderful gift. The Ed Edinger family of Meadville has graciously donated the adjoining lot to the tannery site on John Brown Road. Ed Edinger has been the driving force in the JBHA for decades and has worked tirelessly to preserve and promote the legacy of the abolitionist John Brown, his life in Richmond Township and the connection to Crawford County. It is our hope to expand the tranquil tannery setting here in the Township. The French Creek Archeological Society has completed another "dig" at the tannery site and many of the artifacts are on display at the Richmond Rec Building. We would like to really acknowledge and thank the Township Supervisors who have helped and enabled the display to be possible. If you have a group that would like a brief presentation on John Brown and his legacy in our township, please give a call. Please stop by and visit the site. Also visit their website johnbrownheritagecc.com. They can be reached at (814) 720-5764.

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A Word from Supervisor Glenn Sharpe

Hello residents,

I have been a supervisor for some time now, this being my 12th and final year. I would like to thank you residents for your help and patience through these years. I also need to thank all the supervisors I have had the pleasure of working with. In working with these individuals, I think we have made responsible decisions.

This year we have had an old-fashioned winter, lots of snow and brutal cold. Again, our road crew did a great job keeping the roads open. Now with spring coming, the roads are in rough shape. The guys will be out trying to smooth them out the best that they can, depending on the weather. When the frost comes out, they will be doing everything to get back to smooth roads again. And speaking of the road crew, I need to thank John and Brian for their hard work maintaining the equipment for the roads.

Township cleanup day is April 26. That is always a busy day, and we could use extra help that day. Recreation Complex cleanup will be May 3rd and the Memorial Day service will be May 26th. If anyone can help at any of these events, it would be greatly appreciated. ~Glenn Sharpe, Richmond Township Supervisor

Building and Septic Permits

Springtime is just around the corner, so please remember to get a building permit before you start construction. Please contact Prosek Inspections at (724) 927-2020 for building permits, and Mike Simmons at (724) 815-3349 for septic permits.

Township Clean-up Day Details

We are encouraging all residents to aid in cleaning up our community by picking up road litter and bringing those items to clean-up day. Items that will NOT be accepted include chemicals, hazardous items, contractor waste, tires, paint, household garbage, shingles, barrel debris, and electronics which require recycling by state law (TVs, computers, monitors, tablets, phones). Appliances will be accepted WITHOUT freon.

TOWNSHIP AUDIT 2025

We want to thank our elected auditors for once again completing the audit of our township's finances. A recent financial report has been advertised in The Meadville Tribune.

NO TAX INCREASE FOR 2025

We are pleased to announce that there will be no need for a tax increase for the year of 2025 in Richmond Township.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Annual Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 12th, 10 am – 8 at the Township Rec building

Township Clean-up Day – Saturday, April 26th, 7 am – 1 pm at the Township office/garage

Rec Facility Clean-up Day – Saturday, May 3rd, 8 am at the Township Rec building

Primary Election Day – Tuesday, May 20th, 7 am – 8 pm at the Township Rec building

Memorial Day Service – Monday, May 26th, 10 am at the Township Rec building