



WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

Semi-Annual

PO Box 244, 156B West Main Street, Reinholds, PA 17569

Fall/Winter 2018

Recycling right
doesn't have to be hard.



ONLY THE "BIG" 4 IN BINS



CORRUGATED CARDBOARD:

This includes any size material consisting of a fluted corrugated sheet, like shipping boxes, packing boxes, CLEAN pizza boxes (no grease or food remnants), etc. Flatten all boxes and remove packaging including Styrofoam, peanuts, bubble wrap and plastic liners. Do NOT put paperboard (cereal boxes, shoe boxes), newsprint or junk mail in the bin.

PLASTIC BOTTLES AND JUGS WITH A NECK:

THROW AWAY the lids and **RINSE** out any residue. All other plastic material is considered trash. Ignore the numbers, as they don't indicate if the item is recyclable. Do NOT put plastic bags, toys, buckets, packaging, Styrofoam, hosing, furniture, or other plastic items in the bin.



METAL FOOD AND BEVERAGE CANS:

This includes all food and beverage cans made from aluminum or steel.

THROW AWAY, REMOVE the lids completely and **RINSE OUT** any residue. Do NOT put metal hangers, cooking pots and pans or other scrap metal like foil and pie plates in the bin.



GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS:

This includes clear, green and brown glass bottles and jars. **THROW AWAY** the lids and **RINSE OUT** any residue. Do **NOT** put light bulbs, dishes, glassware, window or automotive glass, vases or any other glass material in the bin. Do your best to not break glass bottles, as there is no market for recycling broken glass.



RECYCLE RIGHT

NEVER PUT PLASTIC BAGS IN
YOUR RECYCLING BIN

They get tangled in the sorting
equipment at the recycling center

Please return plastic bags to retailers



It's okay to throw **everything else** away.

LCSWMA will transform discarded waste into
renewable energy!

WHEN IN DOUBT. THROW IT OUT!

TRICK OR TREAT



Trick or Treat
will be held on
Wednesday, October 31
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm



ELECTION DAY SUB SALE

The Reinholds Fire Company and the
Schoeneck Fire Company will be selling R&K subs
on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at
township polling places.

Municipal Snow Removal Policy

As we approach winter, we are taking this opportunity to provide a summary of the Municipal Snow Removal Policy and share some helpful guidelines:

At the start of the storm, all trucks are sent out to their assigned areas with the instructions to salt hills, intersections and curve areas first, then all other areas. When there is sufficient depth to the storm to warrant plowing, the drivers are instructed to make one pass in each direction on the street and to make one pass in and one pass out in the cul-de-sacs. Heavily traveled roads will be plowed first and then less traveled areas, as well as developments and cul-de-sacs. After each one is passable, the procedure of pushing back the snow to the road edge and cleaning out the cul-de-sacs will begin. This operation may not begin until the following day or days depending upon the severity of the storm. The road crew does their best to keep the roads passable and to not push snow into driveways, around mailbox areas or damage grass in the right-of-way.

Thank you for your patience during the winter season.

Helpful guidelines to follow:

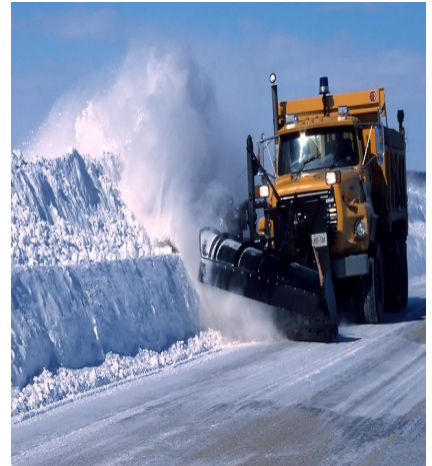
- * Park off the road and in your driveway or in one of our township owned parks. If your driveway is steep or you have multiple vehicles, please park at the mouth of your driveway and off the road. In cul-de-sacs, please park all vehicles off the roadway.
- * Wait to shovel snow from the last five feet of your driveway until the roadway is plowed to full width.
- * Do not put snow on streets or on neighboring properties. It is illegal to shovel or blow snow onto township or state roads.
- * For your safety, if there is a fire hydrant on your property, please clear the snow from the hydrant.

SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTE

A snow emergency route has been created for: **Chapel View Drive, Redstone Circle, Highland Court, Parkview Drive, Steeple Court, Village Spring Lane, Farrow Lane, Pheasant Lane, Krueger Drive, Hollow Road, Pelham Rd, Cedar Court, Circle Drive, Bridle Path Way, Hill Drive, Walnut Lane, Green Court, Pine Crest Drive, Martin Circle, Boulder Drive, Pebble Lane, Sandra Circle, Clearview Drive, Joshua Circle, Sunrise Lane, and Linda Lane.**

Road Crews will clear the roads completely allowing emergency vehicles easy access in these restricted areas. From the time there is an accumulation of any measurable snow or sleet until it has been substantially removed from the streets, a snow emergency will exist and there will be no parking permitted on the designated streets.

During that time, parking will be permitted on grass and sidewalks without ticketing. Additional parking will also be available in Chapel Gate Park, Schoeneck Park and the Township Building. Cars parked on those streets during a snow emergency route will be issued tickets by the police.



LOW HANGING TREES & SHRUBS

All residents are reminded to take care of any low hanging trees and/or shrubs on their property. If the trees or shrubbery on your property are growing onto or over the roadway, please trim the branches. Tree limbs hinder larger trucks, school buses and snow plows from moving freely on the roadway.

Failure to remove any low hanging trees and shrubs may result in that area not being plowed.

Thank you for your cooperation!



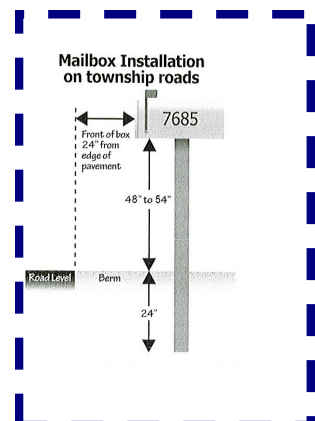
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON MAILBOXES & SNOW

Please keep the face of the mailbox a minimum of 2 to 3 feet off the edge of the road. It would be good to have a pull off area at the mailbox. Please keep in mind that the cutting edge on the plow is 18" from the edge of the plow.

(Please see diagram for installation)

The mailbox owner is responsible for repair or replacement of the mailbox if the mailbox was damaged by the pressure of the plowed snow, and there was no physical contact with the snow plow equipment.

Please maintain your mailbox throughout the year by checking for deteriorating wood, rusty nails and screws. Also, if your mailbox is made of hard plastic, it could become brittle in cold weather and be damaged by heavy snow.



WOODY WASTE DISPOSAL

55 Woodcrest Road
Ephrata, PA 17522



For a small fee, Martin's Mulch will help dispose of your woody waste such as tree branches, shrubs, etc. You can contact them by calling (717) 733-1602.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you notice a street light outage, please obtain the two pole numbers located at the bottom of the pole, the one begins with a "4" and the other with an "S" and call the township office at (717) 336-8720 with this information. We need this info to report the light outage to PPL. Thanks for your help!

BURN PERMITS

If you are planning to do open burning of woody yard waste/brush, you will need to pick up a burn permit. Burn permits are only good for a maximum of 30 days. After 30 days, you must obtain a new permit.

Burn Permits are available in the township office Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

**Drop Box available after hours**

You may drop off:

- Water/Sewer Payments
- Street Light Tax Payments
- Building Permit Applications, etc.



The Drop Box is located to the right of the front door.

DO I NEED A BUILDING PERMIT?

Permits ARE required for ALL construction projects as well as a fence, shed, or a change in use of a property.

Permits ARE NOT required for sealing driveways, painting, wall-papering, new flooring, sidewalks, replacement windows, swings, and replacement of siding or roofs (unless there is a structural change)

TOWNSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings are held monthly in the township meeting room on the following days:

Supervisors:

1st Thursday at 7 p.m.
3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Planning Commission:

2nd Monday at 7 p.m.

Authority

2nd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Zoning Hearing:

2nd Thursday at 7 p.m.

Park Board:

4th Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Please visit the township website for meeting dates and times, as well as, park information, community events, meeting minutes and zoning hearing ads:

www.westcocalicotownship.com

**STREET LIGHT TAX BILL**

The 2018 Street Light Tax Bills were mailed on March 1, 2018.

If you normally receive a Street Light Tax Bill but did not this year, please call the township office at (717) 336-8720 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

**BEFORE YOU DIG**

Safe digging is no accident! If you are installing a fence, deck, or digging for a mailbox post, patio or other excavation project, it is important to:

Know What's Below.

Dial 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776 before you dig.

**AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE**

The following items are available at the township office for use in recycling:



* Household Battery Collection Bags

* Recycling Bins

• PROTECT OUR WATERSHED •

WINTER TIPS



SHOVEL

Shovel snow onto vegetated areas. Grass and plants will act as a natural filter once snow melts, reducing runoff that goes down stormdrains directly to rivers and streams.



PLAN AHEAD

Shovel and scrape early and often. De-icers work best when there is only a thin layer to remove.



USE LESS

A little salt goes a long way. Apply sparingly, and remove slush once the snow melts to prevent refreezing.



RECYCLE

Save money by reclaiming salt for re-use by sweeping or vacuuming the solids from the sidewalk after the storm.



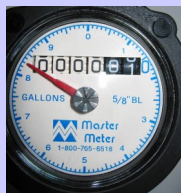
STORAGE

Practice good housekeeping by storing salt or other de-icers under a roof or other cover to minimize polluted runoff.



VEHICLES

Winterize vehicles so that there are no leaks. Do not wash the car in the driveway - ensure that dirty washwater is not entering the storm sewer.



West Cocalico Water Authority

Meters are read four times per year.

Sump Pumps **MAY NOT** be connected to the public sewer system as this overloads the sewer treatment plant.

Water and Sewer bills are mailed quarterly.

You should receive your bill, per the following schedule:

1st Qtr.	Jan/Feb/Mar	by April 15th
2nd Qtr.	Apr/May/June	by July 15th
3rd Qtr.	July/Aug/Sept	by October 15th
4th Qtr.	Oct/Nov/Dec	by January 15th

If you don't receive a bill or have any questions, call the Authority at (717) 336-6265.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

ALL recreational vehicles **MUST** be parked on an all weather surface such as: gravel, macadam or concrete (as shown below). They are not to be parked on grass.

If you are expanding your parking area, you must notify the township of this change.





Going away?
Don't worry about a thing!

The Ephrata Police Department will come and check up on your home while you're away as a courtesy to you.

Call Ephrata Police Department
(717) 738-9265

REINHOLDS FIRE COMPANY

138 W. Main Street, Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-7753

www.reinholdsfirecompany.com



**** October thru April – First Saturday of the month
Blue Grass Festivals in the Reinholds Banquet Hall.**

Sunday, October 7 – Gift Card Bingo

November 1 - Clam Mix Sale

To order, contact any active fireman or call (717) 336-7403.

Tuesday, November 6 – Election Day Soup & Sub Sale

Sunday, February 10, 2019 - Filled Basket Bingo

Saturday, February 23, 2019 – Chicken & Waffle Dinner

March 2019 - Fund Drive Begins

Banquet Hall Rentals: (717) 336 -6266 - leave a message or
email: hallrent18@yahoo.com

**All fundraisers are held at the
Reinholds Fire Company Banquet Hall**

For detailed information on events, please visit the
Reinholds Fire Company website.

ANNOUNCING IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION

The County and Township Tax Bill (Spring Taxes) is sent to you by the **County of Lancaster**. Payments are to be made to the Treasurer of Lancaster. **If you have questions about your Spring Taxes, please call (717) 299-8222.**

Your School Tax or (Fall Taxes) is mailed to you by the **Cocalico School District**. **If you have questions, please call the tax office (717) 336-1406.**

The **West Cocalico Township Office** mails the Street Light Tax to residents that have a street light on their street. **If you have questions, please call (717) 336-8720.**

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2018 TAX RATES

REAL ESTATE TAX	2.175 Mills
REALTY TRANSFER TAX	0.005%
EARNED INCOME TAX	0.005%

STREET LIGHTS \$1.56 per street front foot with a 100 foot maximum

STAY UP-TO-DATE

TOWNSHIP WEBSITE: westcocalicotownship.com

Visit the township website for meeting dates/times, park information, meeting minutes, pavilion rentals, permit applications, zoning, community events, and much more.



FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

For up-to-date news and information happening in the township such as: road closings, emergencies, community events, etc.



SCHOENECK FIRE COMPANY

125 N. King Street, Denver, PA 17517
(717) 336-6767 www.schoeneckfire.com

Saturday, October 13 - Big John Nolt
Chicken BBQ Dinner

Saturday, October 27 - Soup & Sub Sale

Tuesday, November 6 - Election Day Sub Sale

Saturday, November 17 – Bake Sale & Craft Show



**For 2019 Schoeneck Fire Company Events,
visit their website.**

Banquet Hall Rentals: Contact David High
(717) 271-6727

**All fundraisers are held at the
Schoeneck Fire Company Banquet Hall**

For detailed information on events, please visit the
Schoeneck Fire Company website.

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PO Box 244
Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-8720

Authority

156B West Main Street
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Reinholds, PA 17569
(717) 336-6265

Township Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Except Holidays

Township Website:

westcocalicotownship.com

Email:

wcocalico@gmail.com

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Emergency call

Authority's Cell Phone:

(717) 629-7044

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