East Buffalo Township Newsletter

November News? Stop right there before you go any further. If you did not change your batteries during the week of fire prevention (October 4-10), make sure you change all your batteries in your smoke alarms and your clocks before you turn them all back an hour on Saturday, October 31st, before you go to bed. We enter the month of November with so much to be thankful for. We begin with **November 1st**, Daylight Saving Ends, so most people will gain an extra hour of sleep. Sunrises and sunsets will be an hour earlier, creating darker afternoons and brighter mornings. **November 1st** is also All Saints' Day, where we should all just take a few minutes to honor all our heavenly family members and those unknown to us. Then on **November 3rd,** Election Day, we all need to get out and vote. **November 11th**, Veterans Day (originally known as Armistice Day) is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces. Fee-fi-fo-fum what is that smell **November 25th**, is it turkey, Thanksgiving Day, fee-fi-fo-fum or is it pie oh me, oh my. As you can see, smell and feel the temperatures start to change, one could only guess that fall is officially here and it will not be long before winter is here too.

Drop-Off Center Recycling Reminders:

The recycling center on Fairground Road will be open on: *

Monday, November 2	–	7am – 3:30pm
Monday, November 9	–	7am – 3:30pm
Saturday, November 14	**–**	***8am – 12pm***
Monday, November 16	–	7am – 3:30pm
Monday, November 23	–	7am – 3:30pm

Curbside Recycling Bins Available:

Curbside Collection will be on **Tuesday, November 3***. Residents need to have their recycling materials along the curb by 7am. Includes aluminum cans and glass bottles and jars (clear, green & brown).

Curbside recycling bins are available for East Buffalo Township residents.

Visit the Township Office Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 4 PM to pick up a bin to be used for curbside collection provided by the Township.

Brush & Yard Waste Drop-Off Reminders:

Last month to receive your permit; no charge; just show us your license that you live in the township. This is for the brush & yard waste drop-off site located on Pheasant Ridge Road open on: * **This site will be CLOSED starting November 30, 2026, and will reopen in April 2027.**

Compost material is free to East Buffalo Township residents. Material must be got on the same days as the center is open. *Material is NOT treated*.

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Leave Collection Reminders:

Curbside Leave Collection will continue throughout the month. The Public Works Crew follows a regular rotation that collects on each street, one time during each collection cycle. Township employees **will not enter private property or private streets** to collect leaves. Final Collection Cycle begins on **Monday, December 7*.** Leaves must be curbside at 7am. Piles with sticks or other debris will not be collected. Avoid placing plies in drainage areas, on roads, or sidewalks. Avoid placing piles close to stationary objects (e.g., mailboxes, fences, hydrants, utility poles, parked cars, trees). Maintain safe distances from vacuum truck.

Meeting Reminders:

The Board of Supervisors will meet on **Monday, November 9 at 5:30pm** for a business meeting and will meet on **Monday, November 23 at 5:30pm** for a work session meeting, both will be at the East Buffalo Township building.

The Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission will meet on **Wednesday, November 11 at 5pm** and will be held at Police Department.

The Planning Commission will meet on **Wednesday, November 18 at 6pm*** at the East Buffalo Township building.

Township Ordinance Reminders:

Please remember to follow the Township Ordinances as you plan your outside fall activities.

The ***Animal Ordinance: Chapter 2***, please remember to keep them on a leash if you are out walking them in public. Most importantly…clean up after them. If you

have pets outside, please make sure they have proper shade, shelter, food, and water.

The ***Property Maintenance Ordinance: Chapter 5, Part 6***, keeping your property maintained. If you or your neighbor is struggling, be kind, reach out and see if you can help them or they can help you. Life is so much easier when we can all work together.

The ***Burning Ordinance: Chapter 7, Part 1***, absolutely ***"No burning trash, brush, or yard waste material"*** in the township unless approved by the Fire Department and Township. ***All residents are required to recycle***.

I know some of us like to have campfires. It must be in a firepit, and flames must be kept under control.

The ***Noise Ordinance: Chapter 10, Part 3***, all outside activities or work are not allowed before 7am and must end by 10pm unless it is an emergency or it is approved by the township.

All ordinances can be found on the township website at ***ebtwp.org***, go to the Publications tab, scroll down to Code of Ordinances.

***Tax Collector New Hours*:**

November and December office hours will be the 3rd and 4th Wednesday from 9am to 1pm.

School Tax **penalty period** will begin *November 1st*.

Real Estate Tax penalty period continues until the end of year.

***Happening Now and Looking Ahead*:**

The Township Office will be closed on **Tuesday, November 3rd** and will reopen on **Wednesday, November 4th**.

East Buffalo Township is looking for volunteers to help plant trees at Turtle Creek Park on **Saturday, November 7th** from **9am to 12 noon**. Bring your gloves and a shovel.

The Township Office and Public Work Garage will be closed on **Wednesday, November 11th,** for Veterans Day and will reopen on **Thursday, November 12th**.

The Township Office, Public Works Garage, and Recycling Center will be closed **Thursday, November 26th, Friday, November 27th and Monday, November 30th**, for Thanksgiving Day and will reopen on Tuesday, **December 1st**.

Winter is coming so now is the time we ask all residents to do a mailbox maintenance check:

The U.S. Postal Service delivers more than 370 million pieces of mail each day, much of that arrives in a mailbox. USPS recommends inspecting, maintaining, and upgrading mailboxes to ensure important documents arrive and to help mail carries deliver efficiently. Mailboxes need to be inspected to ensure they have not been damaged by wear and tear. According to USPS, some of the most common fixes include:

Tighten up: check for and tighten any loose hinges on the door. Take care of any rusty or loose parts.

A fresh coat: Brighten up a rusty or peeling mailbox with a fresh coat of paint.

Stand securely: Make sure your mailbox post is secure and upright.

Be seen: Make sure your house numbers are clear, visible, and easy to read. Replace any missing or faded numbers.

Clear the way: Make sure the area around your mailbox is free of debris or insect pest.

Residents should report mailbox tampering or vandalism to the Postal Inspector at 1-877-876-2455.

Did you know that stormwater drainage is a shared responsibility:

PennDOT is responsible for drainage systems on the surface of state roadways between curb lines and subsurface drainage on state roadways within townships.

Municipalities are responsible for underground drainage systems located within their borders.

Property owners are responsible for drainage on private property, including driveways.

Especially during times of quick-hitting and heavy rainfalls, drainage systems can be overwhelmed fast.

Uncontrolled water flow can deteriorate paved surfaces and the areas beneath them. Residents can help prevent roadway damage by maintaining their driveways and limiting debris washouts.

Rabbit Transit: Need a ride to a doctor's appointment, work, the grocery store, or the people we love. Give paratransit and career opportunities a call at: 1-800-632-9063.

Union/Snyder County Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM and Tuesday: 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM