

Warwick Township

GENERAL INFORMATION

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1733 Township Greene, Jamison, PA 18929

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WARWICK TOWNSHIP

Bucks County
Pennsylvania

Welcome Warwick Resident! The purpose of this booklet is to try to assist you in getting to know your neighborhood.

You may visit our website for up-to-date information: www.warwick-bucks.org or tune in to Warwick Township's Local Information channel. Comcast customers turn to Channel 22, and Verizon customers turn to Channel 46.

TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT:

Warwick Township is governed by a Board of Supervisors, comprised of three (3) elected members, each serving a six (6) year term.

- Judith A. Algeo, Esquire, Chair
- John W. Cox, Vice Chair
- Edward P. Thompson, Member

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE:

The Township Administrative Office is located at 1733 Township Greene, (*main floor*) Jamison, PA 18929-1621. Business hours are 8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 7:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m. on Friday. The telephone number is 215-343-6100 and the fax number is 215-343-4407. Also, for your convenience, there is a drop-off box for the Township Administrative Offices located at the front entrance (Meyer Way side).

The Township Manager is appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Any and all correspondence to either the Board of Supervisors or any department within Warwick Township should be addressed to:

Kyle W. Seckinger, MPA, Township Manager or
email to kseckinger@warwick-township.org

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURES:

The Warwick Township Administrative Offices close to observe the following holidays:

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| New Year's Day | Independence Day |
| Labor Day | President's Day |
| Thanksgiving Day | Memorial Day |
| Day after Thanksgiving | Christmas Eve |
| Christmas Day | *Winter Holiday |

* Warwick Administrative Offices will be closed for the Winter Holiday between Christmas Day and New Years' Day.

PUBLIC MEETINGS SCHEDULE:

Warwick residents are encouraged to attend public meetings. For occasional variations to the normal meetings schedule, please watch the Legal notices placed in *The Daily Intelligencer* or check our website.

Board of Supervisors meet 7:00^{pm} on the 3rd Monday of each month

Financial Advisory Committee meets quarterly (12:00^{pm} on the 3rd Thursday of February, May, August & November) and as needed.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meets quarterly at 7:00^{pm} on the 3rd Wednesday of each month

Tree Committee meets quarterly at 6:00^{pm} 3rd Wednesday of the month., as needed

Planning Commission meets 7:00^{pm} on the 1st Wednesday of each month

Water & Sewer Authority meets 7:00^{pm} on the 4th Monday each month

Zoning Hearing Board meets 7:30^{pm} on the 1st Tuesday of the month (*please watch for Legal notices in *The Daily Intelligencer*)

All Township Meetings are held at the Township Administrative Building, 1733 Township Greene, Jamison, unless otherwise noted on the Township bulletin board. All meetings are open to the public and you are encouraged to attend. Public Comment is invited on matters discussed.

To regularly receive a copy of agendas or any notifications from the Administrative Office via email, you may send an email to ssorresso@warwick-township.org with the subject line to read "email list". Your email address will not be shared or publicized.

The Township Administrative building is accessible, however; persons needing further assistance should call the Administrative Office at 215-343-6100 prior to any scheduled meeting.

OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION:

A great deal of informational material is available at the Administrative Office, such as paper copies of Zoning Ordinances, Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances, newsletters, etc.

To request any other documents, fill out a Right –to-Know form available on our website or at the Township Offices.

You may also check for information at the Warwick Township website:

www.warwick-bucks.org

Email can be sent to the Township Administrative Office through the "Contact Us" page of the website.

CABLE CHANNEL

Warwick Township has its own Cable Information Channels! Tune in to **Comcast Channel 22** or **Verizon Channel 46** to keep up with the latest on events and activities, as well as general Township Administration information. If you have any questions regarding the Cable Information Channel, you can email our Cable Administrator, Erin Long:

elong@warwick-township.org



Moland House

HISTORICAL INFORMATION:

Warwick Township was officially organized in 1733. With a little imagination, you can picture the traffic on York Road in those days—stage coaches and horse drawn carts. Quite different from today's traffic!

Did you know that George Washington's army of 11,000 men camped here in August 1777? Local legend says that the Stars and Stripes were unfurled before American Troops for the first time during the encampment.

Washington headquartered for two weeks at the Moland House, which lies on the original York Road, one half mile north of Bristol Road. The Warwick Township Historical Society is currently restoring the 18th century farmhouse.

If you would like to get involved with the Historical Society, please go to their website at www.moland.org for more information

Also, those of you who are history buffs or photographers will not want to miss seeing Neshaminy Warwick Presbyterian Church or the Eight Arch Stone Bridge, spanning the Neshaminy Creek, built in 1804.

TOWNSHIP CENSUS:

As of the 2020 Census, Warwick's population has increased to 14,851, a 2.9% increase since 2010. The area of Warwick Township is 11.14 square miles.

WARWICK TOWNSHIP TAX COLLECTOR:

Warwick Township's Tax Collector is Denise Betts, whose office is located within the Warwick Township Administration Building. To call for hours, the telephone number is 215-491-0611 or email: warwicktaxbetts@aol.com

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Warwick Township is fortunate to be protected by a wonderful team of volunteer firefighters from Warwick Fire Company N^o. 1 and the Hartsville Fire Company!

These are volunteer organizations, therefore, community support and fund-raising are crucial.

Both fire companies depend on the dedication and public-spiritedness of our volunteers to provide protection for our community.

Training sessions for Volunteer Firefighters are held every Tuesday night from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Training classes are available through the Bucks County Emergency Services Training Center for basic firefighter training as well as training in all areas of emergency operations.

Anyone who would like to volunteer to serve their community as a firefighter, administrative member, auxiliary member, or if you simply want to learn more about the Fire Company, you may call:

Warwick Fire Company 215-343-9971 www.warwickfd.com

Please feel free to leave a message or stop in when you see cars in the parking lot.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Township roads are maintained by the Public Works Department under the supervision of Mark Rambo, Public Works Director. The Public Works Department is located at 2045 Guinea Lane, Jamison.

PHONE: (215) 343-6100
EMAIL: mrambo@warwick-township.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

The Township employs eighteen (18) full-time Police Officers, under the direction of Chief Mark Goldberg.

Should you need to call the police department for non-emergency matters, please call 215-343-0100 or email at warwickpolice@comcast.net

PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT:

If you have questions regarding permits or zoning matters, you may send an email to:

kbeach@warwick-township.org or

If you have any questions regarding subdivision and land development matters, you may send an email to:

bmckeever@warwick-township.org

WHEN IS A PERMIT NEEDED

Permits are needed for but not limited to: the erection of a sign, building, accessory building, deck or shed, fence, change or use of a building or business, construction of a swimming pool or alterations to home or business.

The Township also requires occupancy inspections prior to turn-over to each new owner or tenant for residential, commercial and industrial uses. If you have any questions about contemplated construction, a proposed use change or occupancy change, please contact Kristen Beach, Deputy Zoning Officer at 215-343-6100.

LICENSE - INSPECTION - CODE ENFORCEMENT:

PERMITS **are required** for all additions, basement finishes, sheds, decks, fireplaces, chimneys, pools, fences, dormers and window or door enlargements and re-roofing (shingles only, no more than two layers are allowed). Also electrical and-or plumbing fixtures, and heating, venting, or air conditioning system installation or replacement. Paver, brick or slate patios set in sand or screenings require a Zoning Permit only, unless there are stairs or the diversion of storm water, then a Building Permit is also required.

PERMITS **are NOT required** for replacing exterior siding or windows and doors when replaced in-kind.

Why do we need permits?

1. First and foremost is to ensure a safe structure. Your building plans are reviewed by certified inspectors, knowledgeable in building, plumbing and mechanical codes. They also inspect your project at several points along the road to completion. This ensures that your structure meets the BOCA Building Codes, adopted by the Township.
2. With our homes occupying smaller lots these days, we have set standards to keep us from encroaching on our neighbors' properties. With your zoning review, you are meeting those requirements for setbacks, or distances from your boundary lines. We also make sure that your project doesn't obstruct the flow of storm water (as through a swale); encroach on any Township right-of-way; or obstruct the view of traffic along our roadways.

Your permit fees are calculated (depending on the project) by the cost of the project, square footage and number of fixtures or, flat fees are used.

CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION

All residential new construction and commercial contractors and sub-contractors are required to register with the Township Administrative Office. Contractors need to supply the Township with a current certificate of insurance.

It is **ILLEGAL** to:

- burn without a permit from the Fire Marshal.
- have a residence, commercial or industrial building without an easy-to-read street number.
- perform or contract electric, plumbing, HVAC, without a permit.
- make structural alterations to your home without a building and zoning permit.
- to fail to erect a fence around any swimming pool. The fence MUST be non-climbable and a minimum of four (4') feet high with a self-closing, self-latching gate.
- store abandoned or junk motor vehicles on your property.
- allow or permit your dog to stray at-large.
- obstruct any waterway in any manner, at any time.
- park more than one commercial vehicle (9,000 lbs. limit) on a residential property. The vehicle must be a primary means of transportation.
- let weeds or grass grow over six (6") inches high.
- cause or permit growth of vegetation, open shrubs or trees which obstruct vehicular vision.

SNOW REMOVAL

Warwick Township Ordinance #2014-02 requires the clearing of sidewalks within 36 hours of snowfall, sleet or freezing rain. Failure to comply will result in the issuance of a warning, further failure to comply will result in a fine.

For your information and convenience, you can view, and download, Warwick Township's Ordinances via a link on our website:

www.warwick-bucks.org

These ordinances and others have been adopted to protect the health, safety and welfare of our residents. Through enforcement, they enable us to keep the neighborhoods and community a place where we want to live.

WARWICK TOWNSHIP PARKS SYSTEM:

The Parks and Recreation Board, a five (5) member advisory board, is made up of residents who volunteer their time and expertise, and advise the Parks and Recreation Department on policy and special events.

Dan Sharapan, the Parks and Recreation Director, can be reached at dsharapan@warwick-township.org. Dan oversees the daily operation of the department including programs & facilities.

Erin Long, the Program Coordinator, can be reached at elong@warwick-township.org. Erin is responsible for the programming of all the recreation programs and camps for the Township. If you ever have a new idea, want to see something offered, or would like to volunteer, please contact Erin.

Following is a brief description the parks system in Warwick Township:

WARWICK COMMUNITY PARK, located at the Township Building, just off Meyer Way, is 27 acres. Amenities include a large pavilion with a fireplace and restrooms, a small pavilion (electric is available at both pavilions), an in-line skating rink, multi purpose fields, two lighted basketball courts, a 1.5 mile black-top multi-use path, horseshoe pits and the Recreation Station Playground and the ever popular spray pole. Spray pole hours are 10^{am} to 7^{pm}, seven days a week, typically Memorial Day to Labor Day.

GUINEA LANE PARK, located at 2045 Guinea Lane is 36.86 acres. Amenities include a tot-lot playground, a basketball court, four (4) pickleball courts, two (2) tennis ball courts, six (6) baseball fields, whiffle ball field, a small pond and a small pavilion with electric.

HAMPTON CHASE PARK, located at the corner of Dark Hollow Road and Almshouse Road, is 20 acres. Amenities include two (2) softball fields, a multi-purpose field, a small pavilion, a tot lot playground, a small pond and a walking path.

JAMISON HUNT, located on W. Rockspray Drive is 12.28 acres. Amenities include a tot-lot playground, three (3) tennis courts, a converted in-line skating area and a basketball court.

HIDDEN POND, located on Long Pond Drive is 10 acres. Amenities include a tot-lot playground, a basketball court, a baseball field and a small pond.

MEMORIAL PARK, located at 1200 Memorial Drive is 50 acres. Amenities include Safety Town, a large playground, a pavilion with restrooms, and nearly 1.5 miles of black-top path.

Activities:

Year round activities are planned by the Parks and Recreation Department. Activities range from arts and crafts to sports to dancing to weeklong camps and are offered for all ages. You can go to the Township website at www.warwick-bucks.org and click on Recreation Events to see the latest program offerings. Online Registration is available

Special Events:

We hold several special events throughout the year. These include our Annual Egg Hunt, Halloween Happening, Spring Cleaning Flea Market, Rib Cook Off, Lewy Body Dementia Walk, Foul Shooting Contest and our Holiday Celebration. These events will take place if 100% sponsorship is secured for each event. Keep your eyes on our website and the newsletter for more information.

Organized Sports:

The sports organizations use Township parks and are given permits for the fields on a yearly basis. If you have an issue with an organization, DO NOT CALL THE PARKS & REC. DEPARTMENT. You MUST deal directly with the sport organization.

Residents are kept abreast of activities, programs and general Township information through the Township newsletter, ***Within Warwick*** and the Township website: www.warwick-bucks.org as well as Warwick's local cable information channels:

COMCAST (Channel 22) or VERIZON (Channel 46).

ATTENTION SENIORS!

All Warwick Seniors are invited and are very welcome to join St. Cyril's Senior Group, which meets the third Tuesday of each month, 10:00 a.m., at St. Cyril Social Hall, 1410 Almshouse Road. For further information, call: 215-343-1288 or watch Warwick Cable Information **Comcast (Channel 22)** or **Verizon (Channel 46)**.

The Benjamin H. Wilson Senior Center, 580 Delmont Avenue, Warminster, offers a variety interesting activities, including trips, ceramics, arts and crafts, bowling, golf, movies, bingo, lecture programs, quilting, exercise classes, a walking club, in-line dancing and much more.

The Benjamin H. Wilson Center serves anyone over sixty (60) years of age in Warminster, Warrington, Warwick and Ivyland. Lunch is served Monday through Friday at noon—donations are suggested (make reservations a week in advance) Free van transportation is available, including vans capable of transporting the physically challenged. For monthly menus, activity sheets, or further information, call the Center at 215-672-8380

Volunteer Opportunities for Seniors:

There are volunteer opportunities for adults age 55 and over to volunteer in a variety of settings within more than 125 non-profit community organizations! Call 267-880-5700 for more information.

VOTING INFORMATION:



Mail-in registration forms and absentee ballot forms are available at the Jamison Post Office, as well as at the Warwick Township Administrative Building.

Voting Districts are as follows:

District #1— Warwick Township, 1st Floor (1733 Township Greene),
for those who live South of Turkey trot Road and West of York Road

District #2—St. Cyril Catholic Church (1410 Almshouse Road),
for those who live South of Almshouse Road and East of York Road.

District #3—Warwick Township Fire Company (2390 York Road),
for those who live North of Almshouse Road, West of York Road, West of Mill Road and South of School Road (This includes Mill Ridge, Deer Run, Eagle Court, Tripp Avenue and Adams Way)

District #4—Warwick Township, 2nd Floor (1733 Township Greene),
for those who live South of Almshouse Road, North of Turkey Trot Road and West of York Road

District #5—St. Cyril Catholic Church (1410 Almshouse Road),
for those who live North of Almshouse Road and East of York Road (Except Mill Ridge, Deer Run, Eagle Court, Tripp Avenue and Adams Way)

WARWICK TOWNSHIP RECYCLES:

Warwick Grinders-Sparks Topsoil, located at 2616 Rushland Road, is a great place to drop off yard waste. All containers (bags, cans, etc.) must be emptied upon arrival.

What they accept (3 yard max):

- Leaves
- Tree and tree limbs (3" diameter or less)
- Brush
- Christmas trees (must be untrimmed)
- Shrubs
- Small stumps and logs under 6' in length

They do not accept: trash, stumps, grass clippings, pressure treated wood, railroad ties, bamboo, telephone poles, cinder blocks, rock, metals of any kind, tires, concrete or any material that cannot be made into mulch.

The yard waste is composted into double ground mulch, free to Warwick Township residents with proof of residency. Black, brown and red dyed mulch, as well as a natural triple ground mulch is available for sale. For information, pricing, or to schedule a delivery, please call Warwick Grinders-Sparks Topsoil at 215-598-3058 or email info@sparkstopsoil.com

The center is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

OTHER RECYCLING SERVICES:

Did you know that most residential recycling services don't accept batteries or light bulbs?

In May 2021, Warwick Township installed dedicated recycling containers for hard-to-recycling, everyday items. Located in the rear of the Township Administration Building Lobby, residents are invited to deposit their alkaline batteries and incandescent light bulbs, free of charge.

E-WASTE RECYCLING

Every two years, the Township holds an E-Waste Recycling event at 2045 Guinea Lane. For dates, times and a current list of accepted items, please see the Township website at www.warwick-bucks.org

HAZARDOUS WASTE INFORMATION:

PADEP Hotline 1-800-346-4242
 or 215-238-9991
 Bucks County Area 215-345-3400
www.phila.gov-streets
www.dep.state.pa.us

Watch Warwick Township's Cable Information **COMCAST Channel 22** or **VERIZON Channel 46** listing 2021 dates for household hazardous waste pick-up sites!

NOTE: some designated sites will accept old computers and computer related components.

WARWICK TOWNSHIP TRASH AND RECYCLING INFORMATION

Warwick Township does not provide trash and recycling collection. Residents must obtain private trash collection by contracting with a local trash/recycling hauler. A list of approved haulers can be found below.

TRASH AND RECYCLING HAULER INFORMATION

Advanced Disposal

Contact #: 215-723-0400
Customer Support: <https://www.advanceddisposal.com/customer-care.aspx>
Website: <https://www.advanceddisposal.com/>

George Leck & Son

Contact #: 215-675-8000
Email: admin@georgeleckandson.com
Website: <http://www.georgeleckandson.com/>

Gold Medal Environmental

Contact #: 1-866-410-7575
Email: info@goldmedal.net
Website: <https://www.goldmedal.net/>

Republic Services

Contact #: 215-723-0400
Customer Support: <https://www.republicservices.com/customer-support/contact-us>
Website: <https://www.republicservices.com/>

Waste Management

Contact #: 1-800-869-5566
Customer Support: <https://www.wm.com/us/residential>
Website: <https://www.wm.com/us>

White Tail Disposal

Contact #: 610-754-0103
Email: Info@whitetaildisposal.com
Website: <https://www.whitetaildisposal.com/>

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS:

- POLICE EMERGENCY **9-1-1**
- FIRE EMERGENCY. **9-1-1**
- Police NON-Emergency 215-343-0100
- Fire NON-Emergency 215-343-2415
- Police Administration 215-343-6102
- Animal Control (Warminster) 215-672-1000
- Anonymous Tip Line 215-491-3525
- Better Business Bureau 215-985-9313
- Birth & Death Certificates 215-560-3055
- Bucks County Administration 215-348-6000
- Bucks County Area Agency on Aging 267-880-5700
- Bucks County Board of Assessment 215-348-6219
- Bucks County Board of Elections 215-348-6154
- Bucks County Community College 215-968-8000
- Bucks County Conference and Visitors Bureau 215-639-0300
- Bucks County Commissioners 215-348-6433
- Bucks County Conservation District 215-345-7577
- Bucks County Consumer Protection 215-348-6060
- Bucks County Coroner 267-880-5040
- Bucks County Courthouse 215-348-6700
- Bucks County Department of Health 215-345-3318
- Bucks County District Attorney 215-348-6345
- Bucks County Housing Authority 215-348-3845
- Bucks County Legal Aid 215-781-1111
- Bucks County Mental Health Services 215-442-0760
- Bucks County Victim Assistance Unit 215-348-6292
- Bucks County Opportunity Council 215-345-8175
- Bucks County Planning Commission 215-345-3400
- Bucks County Recorder of Deeds 215-348-6209
- Bucks County Recycling Coordinator. 215-345-3414
- Bucks County Register of Wills 215-348-6265
- Bucks County Youth Center 215-340-8300
- Central Bucks School District 267-893-2000
- Comcast Cable 1-800-266-2278
- Department of Transportation 1-800-932-4600

STATE LAWMAKERS

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Gov. Tom Wolf
508 Main Capital Building,
Harrisburg, PA 17120
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Richboro, PA 18954
215-942-5157 fax: 215-942-5166
rtomlin@pasen.gov

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Honorable Meghan Schroeder (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5)
755 York Road, Suite 105
Warminster, PA. 18974
215-441-2624 fax: 215-441-2627
mschroeder@pahousegop.com

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U.S. PRESIDENT:

President Joseph Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500
202-456-1414 fax: 202-456-2461
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Honorable Brian Fitzpatrick
1717 Langhorne-Newtown Rd.
Suite 400
Langhorne, PA 19047
215-579-8102 fax: 215-579-8109
www.fitzpatrick.house.gov

DISTRICT JUSTICE:

Honorable Stacy Wertman
1720 Kendarbren Drive, Suite 711
Jamison, PA. 18929
215-343-0627

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, LCSW, Chair;
Robert Harvie, Jr, Vice-Chair;
Gene DiGirolamo, Commissioner

Administration Building
Doylestown, PA 18901 215-348-6000

WARWICK TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL EMAIL: warwickpolice@comcast.net

WARWICK TOWNSHIP WEBSITE: www.warwick-bucks.org

Warwick's Website has a section ("Contact Us") for you to send email should you wish to contact the Township Administrative office with any comments, questions or suggestions.

WARWICK TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION EMAIL ADDRESSES:

- Manager: KSeckinger@warwick-township.org
- Assistant Twp. Manager- Finance Director: BWilhelm@warwick-township.org
- Assistant to the Manager: SSorresso@warwick-township.org
- Fire Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer: BPrato@warwick-township.org
- Public Works Director: MRambo@warwick-township.org
- Parks & Rec. Program Coordinator: ELong@warwick-township.org
- Parks & Rec. Director: DSharapan@warwick-township.org
- Planning-Zoning Director- Flood Plain Administrator: BMckeever@warwick-township.org
- Deputy Zoning Officer: KBeach@warwick-township.org
- Permits Clerk-Receptionist: ELong@warwick-township.org
- Receptionist: GDickson@warwick-township.org
- Planning & Zoning Admin. Asst.: NEC@warwick-township.org
- Building Inspector: BuildingInspector@warwick-township.org

