

News from Washington Township

Week of May 25, 2020 through May 31, 2020



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Election Day **Tuesday, June 2, 2020**

****The following change have been made for the “June 2 Primary Election” only.**



Polling Precincts and their location are as follows:

Beamers

****Kiski Area Upper Elementary School**
(the former North Washington Elementary School)
4350 Route 66, Apollo

North Washington

Community Church of Pine Run
190 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo

Paulton

Washington Township Municipal Building
285 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo

Oakland CrossRoads

Poke Run Church
1091 Poke Run Church Road, Apollo





ATTENTION WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP VOTERS!

June 2nd is fast approaching and there are many changes that every voter needs to be aware of before coming out to cast your ballot.

- **Mail in Voting.** The deadline for applying to receive a mail-in ballot is May 26th so if you have not applied and/or received one, you will have to go to your polling station to vote. If you **do** have a mail in ballot, it must be received in Greensburg by mail or in person no later than June 2nd. The mail in votes will be counted at the courthouse starting at 9:00 am on June 2nd.
- If you have a mail in ballot and you choose instead to vote in person, you will have to vote provisionally which requires completion of additional paperwork at the polling station.

THE POLLING STATIONS IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP ARE:

1. Washington Township Beamers – Kiski Area Upper Elementary School 4350 Route 66 Apollo
COVID 19 MOVE FOR THIS ELECTION ONLY – DO NOT GO TO WASHINGTON TWP FIRE HALL
2. Washington Township North Washington – Community Church of Pine Run 190 Pine Run Church Rd.
3. Washington Township Oakland Crossroads – Poke Run Presbyterian Church 1091 Poke Run Church Rd.
4. Washington Township Paulton – Washington Township Municipal Building 285 Pine Run Church Rd.

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, CDC REGULATIONS MUST BE FOLLOWED. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- a. The building capacity is 25 people (which includes poll workers) so be aware that you may have to wait.
- b. Social distancing of 6 feet must be maintained at all times
- c. The polling stations have new voting machines. Every voter will be given a paper ballot and a swab for use on the machines. Poll workers will be available to assist you in acclimating to the new machines. PLEASE keep in mind that your ballot must be inserted into the scanner for your vote to be counted.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Westmoreland County Bureau of Elections at 724-830-3150 or visit <https://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/251/Elections>



Best wishes to our 2020 graduates!

Washington Township Coronavirus Emergency Information

Due to the Covid-19 Coronavirus Emergency, Washington Township has decided for the safety and well-being of all of our staff, residents and visitors to limit access to the Township Building.

If you are here with paperwork or paying a bill, please place the envelope in the box provided, and it will be picked up by the office staff at routine times. If you would like a receipt, indicate that on your paperwork. Please do not place cash in the box if at all possible.

To contact the offices, please call the business line of:
724-727-3515

On **Friday, June 5, 2020**, there will be a planned power outage to upgrade facilities. The outage will affect **200** customers in the vicinity of **Markle Rd, Pine Run Rd, Spring Hollow Rd, and White Cloud Rd in Apollo, PA**. Customers will experience a service interruption from approximately **8:00 am to 3:00 pm**.

No accounts identified as “Critical Facilities” will be impacted by this outage.

A call will be made to each customer's phone number as listed on their electric account via the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system. **Customers needing to update their account phone number** or having questions about the outage should call the contact center directly at: **1-800-686-0021**.



Road Work

Construction will begin on Utopia Road between Route 380 and Crestview Drive on Monday, April 27th and will continue till approximately August 15th, 2020. Road will remain open during construction. Emergency vehicles will always have access.



PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

The Township will follow the Westmoreland County’s decision to extend the real estate property tax deadlines. Payments at the discounted amount will be accepted until August 31, 2020 and the face amount until December 31, 2020.

There has been no extension or waiving of fees granted to the school tax. The normal schedule will apply and will be mailed out August 1, 2020.

2020 KUNKLE PARK RENTAL INFORMATION

We are now accepting 2020 pavilion rental reservations.
Call the office to get your date reserved!



Drop off boxes for unwanted prescription medications are located at the Washington Township Police Department (M-F, 8am to 3 pm or call for appointment, 724-727-3410) and other police departments in our area. Other local participation police departments include Allegheny Township, Arnold, Avonmore, Lower Burrell, Murrysville, New Kensington, Upper Burrell, and Vandergrift.

Residents can bring any outdated or unwanted prescription or over-the-counter pills, inhalers, ointments, creams, sprays and pet medicines. Medicines should be deposited in sealed bottles, bags or other containers; patient information can be removed or crossed out.

Needles and injectable drugs will not be accepted.



Police Department

Please be aware that the Police Department is on Facebook and Nixle (www.Nixle.org).

Residents are encouraged to visit these free sites.

If you notice any suspicious activity in your neighborhood,
do not hesitate to contact 911.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Washington-Township-Police/123134821066134>



For more information on **Murrysville Medic One**, please visit our website, www.washingtontownship.com and select "Emergency Medical Services" under the "Services and Information" tab.



Lions' brooms are available at the Municipal building.

While the office is closed to the public, you can still purchase a broom!

Regular Brooms - \$10

Push Brooms - \$20

Children's Brooms - \$6

Large Brooms - \$12

If interested in helping your local community, join the Lion's Club. **Monthly meetings are held at the Township building every 1st and 3rd Monday of every month at 7 PM.** For more information, please contact John Doyle at 724-727-2518.



Gill Road will be closed to thru-traffic indefinitely

TREE TRIMMING NOTIFICATION

The Public Works Department will continue tree trimming as necessary. Tree limbs or shrubs which hang into the right away, in the area beyond the edges of the road and less than 14 feet in height, become a hazard and cause damage to buses and trucks and also interferes with proper snow removal. We would greatly appreciate if all residents trim their trees in this area.

We will try to hand out letters of advance notice if we are in your area. We cannot be held responsible if there is any damage to your trees. If you are concerned with the health of your trees, please either trim them yourselves or hire a qualified tree arborist.

If you need any further information, please contact *Rick Huffman* at the township maintenance building at 724-727-9669. Also, if you have any other road related concerns, please don't hesitate to call. We always appreciate the information.

We will also be trimming shrubs and trees that restrict vision at intersections.

Please be aware that our township ordinance prohibits parking on streets. This is especially important during the winter months when the plows need to have access. This will be enforced.

MS4-Stormwater

Updated information on the “MS-4 Stormwater Program” is always available on our website, www.washingtontownship.com.

Click on the “News” tab for current information.

The 2020 Online Dog License application link can be found on our website under “Applications and Forms”.

www.washingtontownship.com



**Blue reflective address number signs are available at the township office.
The cost for these signs is \$15 each.**



**American
Red Cross**

Water Safety Tips

Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards.



Always swim with a buddy.



If you go boating, wear a life jacket!



Install and use barriers around your home pool or hot tub.



Actively supervise children whenever around the water.



Reach or throw aid to distressed swimmers – don't go!



Always stay within arm's reach of young children and avoid distractions.



Keep toys not in use away from the pool and out of sight.



Be water safe this summer. [redcross.org/watersafetytips](https://www.redcross.org/watersafetytips)

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Township Numbers and Personnel

Washington Township Municipal Building.....724-727-3515
285 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613

Supervisors: Richard Gardner, Joseph Olszewski, Rich Hill
Admin. Sec. /Treasurer: Lynn Stascak
Assistant Sec/Treas. /Open Records Officer: Barb Antoniono
Planning Department: Jennifer Bombalski

Municipal Authority of Washington Township..... 724-727-5881
283 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613

Secretary: Jennifer Bombalski (mawt@comcast.net)

Police Department.....724-727-3410
289 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613

Chief: Scott Slagle

Tax Office.....724-727-3521
287 Pine Run Church Road, Apollo, PA 15613

Tax Collector: Ann Marie Getty (washingtontax63@yahoo.com)

Road Department.....724-727-9669
3788 Route 66, Apollo, PA 15613

Director of Public Works: Rick Huffman

Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department.....724-727-3079
4078 Route 66, Apollo, PA 15613

Building Code Official800-682-6342

Brian Rearick
MDIA (Middle Department Inspection Agency)

Sewage Enforcement Officer.....724-548-7743

Spurgeon Shilling, SEO
Sewage Enforcement Agency

Code Enforcement Officer.....724-727-3410

Chief: Scott Slagle

Emergency Management Coordinator..... 724-571-7211

Sandra Smythe

