

### President's Message

Wow, I don't know about you, but over the past few months I have often felt as though my head was spinning. So much has happened in our country of late, much of it stemming from the novel Coronavirus, COVID 19.

One of the most prominent changes we have experienced is the impact on our interactions with one another: staying home, social distancing, wearing masks. Who would have thought a year ago that a mask would be a fashion statement!

My thoughts turn to my father, who turned 94 last week: one of the Greatest Generation. He proudly served in both World War II and the Korean War, protecting and preserving this great country for future generations. Now he and his contemporaries have become the most vulnerable to this new threat, COVID 19.

Education is another casualty. At least education in the format to which we are accustomed, whether it be at the K-12 level or higher education. Many of you with school-age children, college students and our teachers, have been forced to make accommodations in order to safely give our children the education they require and deserve.

We are facing social unrest, the likes of which we haven't seen since the 1960s. Disdain for, and violence against members of law enforcement has grown exponentially.

Unemployment has been at an all time high. Many small businesses have closed, unable to withstand the restrictions and the lack of patrons. Some cultural institutions are facing dire financial straits due to the inability to generate revenue through performances.

What can we do? We must work together. We must support local businesses. We must keep one another afloat. If you know of someone in need, check the Borough website for a list of agencies that may help.

One thing we must all do: VOTE. Because, whatever it is that we believe, it is our vote that is our voice. And our voices must be heard. Please note that the polling place for both Precincts 3 and 4 is the Borough Building. Additional information is provided by Councilman Monoski in this newsletter.

Whether you vote in person or by mail, make your voice heard and VOTE, by November 3rd. 🌞

Respectfully submitted,

**Gale Gallo, Borough Council President**



### Trick or Treat

Lemoynne Borough's Trick-or-Treat is scheduled for Thursday, October 29 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in conjunction with our neighboring West Shore communities. As with every year, participation is completely voluntary. We encourage all of our residents to follow safety guidelines established by West Shore Regional Police Department, Pennsylvania state, and the CDC. If you choose to distribute treats, please be sure to turn on your porch light.

It has been a year full of challenging adjustments and perpetual change for many of us, as well as our children. Trick-or-treat is always a fun night in our town! We hope you all enjoy this night safely. We cannot wait to see all the kids and pets in their costumes and the houses decorated for Halloween!

Wishing each and every one of you a very happy autumn! 🌞

**Kasha Griva, Councilmember**

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- November 11 – Veterans Day
- November 26 & 27 – Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 24 & 25 – Christmas Holidays
- January 1 – New Year's Day
- February 15 – Presidents' Day

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1st Thursday of each month, 6:30 pm

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3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30 pm

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## Maintenance Department

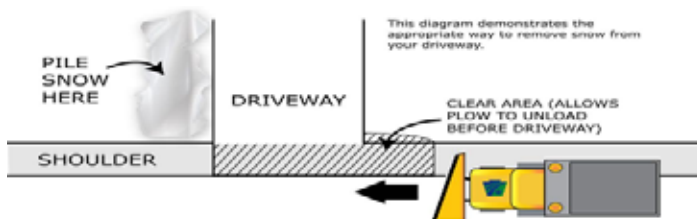
Even though the Covid-19 virus has closed many venues in the Borough, the Maintenance Department has been working the entire time.

The most noticeable project going on in the Borough is PennDOT's paving project on 3rd and Hummel Avenue and the corresponding replacement of gas, water, and sewer lines and installation of ADA ramps and crosswalks. Hopefully as you read this article the work will have been completed and those affected residents are enjoying their new roadways.

The Borough's Maintenance Department is beginning to shift gears from park maintenance and road repairs to fall and winter activities. Weekly street cleaning, and leaf collection has begun, and will continue through December 18th. Leaves placed at the curb after December 18th will be the property owner's responsibility to dispose of. Please remember to take notice of the different parking restrictions in your neighborhoods as this will assist us in keeping the roadways clear.

The upper pavilion at Negley Park has been taken down, the replacement pavilion has been delivered, and the new pavilion is expected to be in place by Thanksgiving.

Snow season is coming. Hopefully, we will have a winter like we did this year, with only one snow plowing event. Please remember as you're shoveling, to place the snow to the right side of your driveway. This will minimize the effect of the snowplow going by and not returning the snow onto your driveway.



As winter weather arrives, remember to slow down and leave more distance between your car and the one in front of you, and always wear your seat belt.

Christmas tree collection is on January 11, 2021 by Penn Waste. Be sure to remove all tree stands, decorations and lights before placing the tree at your normal pickup location.

All of us at the Lemoyne Maintenance Department wish you a happy and safe holiday season! 🌞

**Cliff Karlsen, Maintenance Department Superintendent**



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## The Lemoyne Bottleneck Roadway Improvement Project Moves Forward

In the Spring of 2019, we were first introduced to the concept of a road diet. Generally, a road diet is an effort to make a roadway safer and more easily traveled by a variety of individuals, including foot traffic (pedestrians), vehicular traffic, and bicycle traffic. In our town it has long been known that an area where the convergence of these three types of transportation occurs is our own Bottleneck at the east end of Market Street. Most of us have experienced the congestion and confusion that often accompanies a trip through this area, and we have all wished something could be done to address its shortcomings. Traveling in that area at peak hours of traffic can be frustrating and even dangerous.

The time has come for discussions to begin on ways to improve this corridor. Known as the Lemoyne Market Street Roadway Improvement Project, this item has been added to the list of planned projects under consideration by the PA Department of Transportation (PennDOT).

Recently, a meeting was held which involved all stakeholders in the initial discussion regarding this work. This included Lemoyne, Wormleysburg, the West Shore Regional Fire Department, the West Shore Regional Police Department, Cumberland County representatives as well as representatives from Dauphin County.

To be sure, an easy and simple answer to the myriad of problems that face this highly traveled stretch of roadway is not going to be found. It is going to take a number of ideas with communities and individuals from those communities working together to make it a successful endeavor.

There is new technology and newly engineered options that are now available to us that make traffic more easily and readily controlled in different situations, so that this area can become more traversable and traffic flow through the area can be eased and made both safer and less congested. Additionally, anyone who has walked in this area knows that the sidewalks are seriously inadequate for safe walking, and at one point are so narrow and broken as to be treacherous. We also know that travel through this area for emergency vehicles can be difficult. Thankfully, there exists new technology that can make it much safer and easier for these vehicles and these first line responders to do their jobs.

For now, it is a great first step to have this project added to the list of projects which may see implementation in the near future. As things progress, we will continue to keep you informed regarding progress. Borough Council is looking forward to seeing what improvements can be made to the Bottleneck that will make our community safer and surrounding communities more accessible through this Gateway to Cumberland County. 🌟

**Joe Gargiulo, Councilmember**



## Friends of Fredricksen Online Silent Auction

Mark your calendars now for the 2020 Friends ONLINE Silent Auction beginning November 6, with the preview starting October 30. Watch for this year's items to be displayed in the library and online beginning in early October.

We have a variety of programs and activities for all ages taking place this fall and winter both in person and virtually at the library! Visit our website at [www.fredricksenlibrary.org](http://www.fredricksenlibrary.org) for a complete list of events. Be sure to follow us on social media to stay up-to-date on our happenings. Look for us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Thank you for supporting Fredricksen Library! 🌟



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## Sewer Department — Pump Station Replacement

The two oldest and most problematic sewage pump stations, one on Clark Street and one on Walton Street, are being replaced. The physical work started on September 8, 2020 and is scheduled to be completed in early November. This project is being funded by the Lemoyne Municipal Authority.

This replacement project will remove outdated technology that is getting harder to find replacement parts for and installing new equipment that is more user friendly with parts that are readily available. On top of that, it will make operations consistent.

Please be patient with us in these areas where parking and traffic will be affected during construction. 🌞

## Sewer Backup Procedures

In the event of a sewer backup or blockage at your residence or business you should immediately contact **Lemoyne Borough Sewer Department at 717-763-7575**. If staff is not available to answer your call, contact the Collection System Supervisor, **Brian Strait at 717-574-7153**.

When reporting a sewer backup, we will need the following information: name, address, contact information and nature of the backup.

Do not contact a plumber before the problem is investigated by Sewer Department staff. Following this procedure can save us all time and money. 🌞

## Join Grace Church at the Wishing Tree for Lemoyne — December 24, 2020 at 4pm

**History of the wishing tree** — A wishing tree is essentially an individual tree which has been chosen specifically and is used for offerings and wishes. Generally, people will come to these trees and make offerings (in the form of notes, flowers, coins, and more) to have a wish granted, or a prayer heard.

It has been a tough year for many in the Lemoyne area and Grace Church (309 Herman Avenue) thought it would be nice to bring this Irish Tradition to Lemoyne. The idea came about after Pastor Schwartzman read his grandfather's diary, in which he said they brought the town together on Christmas Eve to hear those wishes people wanted to share with the group or for those wishes people wanted to share silently.

The tree will be up starting the first Saturday in December. You can drop off your wishes you want to be read aloud at the church office by placing them in the prayer box in front of the church. If you wish to make a decoration or just place a ribbon on the tree feel free to do so (no political items).

So please come join us to hear the wishes, join in Christmas songs, and have some treats. 🌞



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## Administration Committee

As budget season approaches in October, Council began a series of workshop sessions on the 2021 budget, followed by budget presentations at the regularly scheduled Council Meetings. Input from the public is very welcome. The meetings were held on the following dates: Tuesday, October 6—General Fund Capital Reserve/Liquid Fuels/Fire Services, Wednesday, October 14—Pool/Stormwater, Tuesday, October 20—Sewer/Sewer Capital Reserve, Thursday, October 22—General Fund and Tuesday, October 27—All Funds.

All of these meetings are open to the public and will be held via the Zoom platform. Please check the website ([lemoynepa.com](http://lemoynepa.com)) for details.

On August 6, Council recognized Shelly Page, owner of VRAI Restaurant, for her assistance during the COVID-19 response. Ms. Page has provided over 900 meals to Washington Heights families and more than 300 meals to frontline workers at UPMC Pinnacle Hospital. Ms. Page was assisted by Sharon Patterson Turner and Donna Savage in her efforts. Council thanked them for their caring and dedication to our community, and to the health care professionals who have been so vital to the pandemic response.

Council is moving forward to extend our current contract with Penn Waste. Current service includes unlimited trash and recycling collection every Tuesday, one bulk item weekly, and yard waste collection every third Saturday from April through October. Also, Christmas Tree pick up is currently scheduled for January 11, 2021. You can find detailed information specific to Lemoyne Borough on the Penn Waste website at <https://www.pennwaste.com/municipalities/lemoyne-borough/>. 🌞

**Sue Yenchko, Council Vice President**

## It's a Great Time to Fall Back Into Activities!

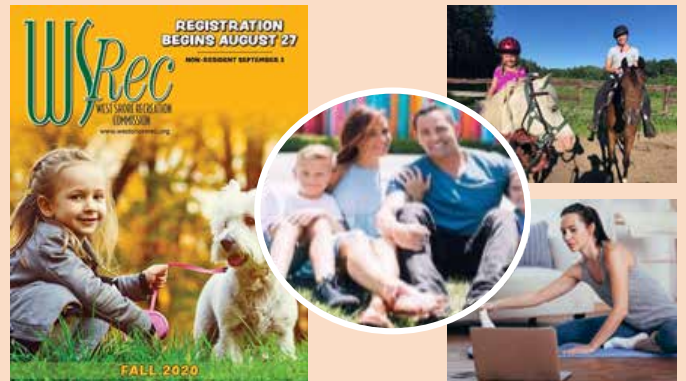
WSRec is excited for the community to be together again and to enjoy recreation-based programs & experiences this season!

Fall is here and everyone is starting their routines all over again. It is important to stay active, learn something new and find activities to integrate into your daily life.

Many of you have relied on WSRec for your activity fun as well as health and wellness opportunities. Unfortunately, the pandemic crisis has had a significant impact on West Shore Rec's ability to generate revenue. If you are able, we would be deeply grateful for any financial support you can give.

To register for an activity or to make a donation, visit our website at [www.westshorerec.org](http://www.westshorerec.org) or call the WSRec office at 717-920-9515. You can also donate by sending a check to: West Shore Rec., P. O. Box 413, Lewisberry, PA 17339. 🌞

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## The "Buzz" About Little Free Libraries (LFLs) in Lemoyne

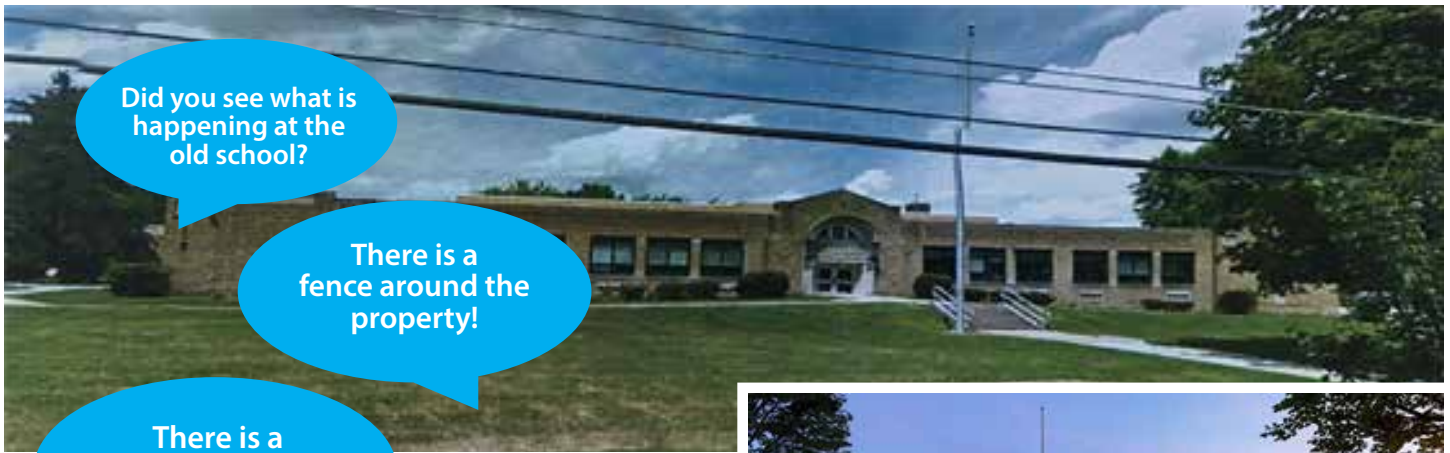
The first two Little Free Libraries have been installed!!! One is located across from Grace United Methodist Church at 309 Herman Avenue and the second at Classic Drycleaners at 665 Market Street. Soon they will both be filled with books and registered with the world's largest book-sharing movement at <https://littlefreelibrary.org/>! As Councilmember Griva shared in our Spring Newsletter, Little Free Libraries will soon be popping up throughout the Borough. This has been a collaborative effort that began with the generosity of Mr. Larry Means, creating these beautiful "Bee A Reader" themed library boxes. The Friends of Fredricksen Library group



and Councilmember Griva are working together to keep these libraries filled with children's books so that every child can have access to a book. Thanks also to Lemoyne's Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Bob Oakes, who worked with the Ahold Company to provide benches, and to the Lemoyne Maintenance Department for installing these awesome little libraries. Thank you to Grace United Methodist Church and Classic Drycleaners for allowing

the first two installations of the LFLs. If you or your business would like to sponsor additional future LFLs across Lemoyne, please contact [kgriva@lemoynepa.com](mailto:kgriva@lemoynepa.com). 🌞

## Lemoyne Middle School's Next Chapter



Did you see what is happening at the old school?

There is a fence around the property!

There is a "SOLD" sign posted in the front!

Are they tearing the building down?

Thankfully, the answer is, 'No, it is not being torn down. It is being preserved. If you have a minute, let me tell you the good news and the story behind it.

First, a bit of history. The Lemoyne Middle School was built in 1926 as a high school for the Lemoyne community and some surrounding areas. Over its 86-year history the school has seen many students enter and leave its hallowed halls. Some would go on to become civic leaders, fight in our wars and become successful citizens who have contributed generously to our society. There still are members of our community who attended there.

When the West Shore School District was formed in 1966 from four districts in Cumberland County and one district in York County, the school became part of that consolidated program. In 1976, after being a junior high school for 10 years, it became a middle school as part of the District's total educational program and stayed that way until 2012 when it was closed due to constricting budget issues that affected every corner of our state and our country. In the years prior to its closing it had been recognized for many accomplishments including being named the "Pennsylvania Middle School of the Year" in 2006 by the Pennsylvania Middle School Association in the first year the award was given.

It was decided that the building should be sold, and after years of being left shuttered and abandoned the District sold it to the Real Estate Collaborative (REC), a subsidiary of the Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation (CAEDC) which is, itself the economic development arm of Cumberland County. Their plan was to tear it down and build something completely new on the site.

This gave rise to a citizen's group from Lemoyne who organized to save the building and preserve a sense of community and urban-suburban living which had grown up around the site over the years.

Lemoyne Borough Council listened to these people and in the midst of opposition to it being demolished, the REC decided,



instead, to sell the building to another developer; one who could preserve its status as an important community landmark.

In September of 2019, Mr. Derek Dilks, a member of the R.S. Mowery Company, entered the picture. He and his team purchased the building from REC and proposed saving the building in its entirety and converting it into residential living space. Over the years Mr. Dilks had extended experience in rehabilitating old properties, schools in particular, and converting them into modern living space. He thought this would be a perfect use of the building and so did the Borough.

In their application Mr. Dilks explained that his group would **... "propose to redevelop the former Lemoyne Middle School property..." "The existing building footprint would be utilized in its entirety" ... "It is the intent of the project to utilize as much of the existing building as possible to maintain the fabric of the community and preserve the historic nature of the old school."** (Quotes taken directly from zoning application.)

So, my fellow Lemoyne citizens, the reason for the fence is to secure the property while work is being done. Security cameras have been installed to keep the property free from trespassers. Citizens who live or work near the building will be seeing daily activity as the site is cleared of unneeded material and work begins on the remodeling.

Happily, instead of closing the book on this fine, old structure, we are opening a new chapter in its long and proud history.

As this is being written the Lemoyne Planning Commission has approved the request for certain variances and has sent its recommendation to Borough Council for final approval. By the time you read this these steps will have been completed. We are moving forward. Keep an eye out Lemoyne. There is more to come. 🌟

**Joe Gargiulo, Council Member**



# 5 Tips to Help You Properly Dispose of Hot Ashes



- 1** Allow ashes to cool in the area where you had the fire for several days. These areas are designed to contain their heat safely.
- 2** When it is time to dispose of ashes, test to ensure the hot ashes are cool by placing them in a cardboard box or paper bag before disposal. In this situation, never leave these ashes unattended until they are cool enough for disposal. If the ashes are too hot, they will begin to burn through the box or bag.
- 3** Transfer the cool ash to a plastic bag and then tie it shut. This will ensure any dust from the bagged ashes does not get into our employees' eyes or lungs.
- 4** Do NOT put any ashes in a trash container. They should be left on the ground beside your trash container. By sitting them outside of the cart, we can confirm the ashes are NOT hot before placing them in the truck.
- 5** NEVER dispose of hot ashes with yard waste material. By placing ashes with yard waste, such as tree trimmings and leaves, the potential for fires increase substantially.



# Community Development Parks & Recreation Committee Fall 2020

While the Community Development/Parks & Recreation Committee did not meet in April or May due to the COVID shutdown, we resumed meetings in June via ZOOM (what a great technology!) and have moved along on several issues:

- Update on the Negley Park pavilion: The “kit” to rebuild the upper pavilion has been delivered. The county has given us the OK for construction, and weather permitting, the new pavilion should be in place by Thanksgiving.
- Following a CD/P&R Committee walk through at Negley Park in June to spotlight problem areas and look for opportunities for improvements, trees were the main subject of discussion. Many ornamental pear and other inferior trees have grown so much that the incredible view of the river and cityscape has been all but obliterated. We asked the Shade Tree Commission (STC) to assess the situation and make a recommendation to Council. The STC recommends that 14 trees along the lower pathway (and two other locations) be removed to open up the view. Council may take action on this recommendation following consultations with arborists before the end of the year. Any comments on this proposed action are welcome and should be made to Cindy Foster, Borough Manager, at cfoster@lemoynepa.com or by leaving a message at 717-737-6843.
- The Historic and Museum Commission is now working on the final wording of the Pennsylvania Historic Marker to be installed in Memorial Park commemorating the Susquehannock Indian Village located at that site 450 years ago. Marker dedication will probably be in late spring of 2021.
- A COW is coming to Negley Park!!! Through the generosity of Mary Webber Weston and Tim Weston, one of the cows from the 2008 Harrisburg Cow Parade has been donated to Lemoyne as a charming attraction for the Park. The beautiful design painted on it is titled, “Tumbling Blocks” and that cow was featured on the cover of the Harrisburg Cow Parade book! Join us in thanking Mary and Tim for this wonderful addition to our park!
- The CD/P&R Committee continues to examine the results of the 2019 Community Survey to consider suggestions for changes that will make Lemoyne an even more desirable place to live. We welcome your participation in the discussions that are held during our regular monthly meetings (second Thursday at 6 PM). You can tune in from home and participate via ZOOM!

- A major concern from the Community Survey was that many trash cans are left out without lids allowing animals to get into the cans and scatter trash. Please help Lemoyne keep all neighborhoods free of litter around trash storage areas by “lidding” all cans and picking up any trash nearby. Also Due to COVID-19 and all of us staying close to home, our parks have seen quite an uptick in use for walking and exercising. That is a good thing. We are also seeing much more litter being left in our parks, especially around benches or sitting places. Please take your drink cups, napkins, food leftovers, etc. to the many trash cans that are spaced around the parks. Let’s keep our parks clean so that everyone may enjoy a litter-free experience of nature and the outdoors. Thank you everyone!
- Three important phone numbers that can be helpful to keep nearby: 1) A non-emergency police number for WSPD (instead of calling 911) is 717-737-8734. 2) The non-emergency police number for Harrisburg/Dauphin County is 717-558-6900. 3) Should you need to speak to someone from PennWaste (regarding pick-up issues) call PW customer service at 717-767-4456. When issues come up, please consider whether something is a genuine emergency, or actually a non-emergency but important to report. 🌞

**Sue Yenchko, Council Vice President**

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## Codes/Zoning Department

Happy fall Lemoyne!! To say we have had an interesting spring and summer would be an understatement to say the least!! We have had to exercise our creativity and innovativeness to insure continued uninterrupted service to our community. Being new to the team, it has been my great privilege to get the opportunity to meet and get to know many of you despite our current circumstances. In a short period of time I affectionately call Lemoyne my own and feel a part of the Community. Thank you!

Around town..... seeing all of the upgrades and changes on Hummel Avenue has been exciting. Our residents have done an outstanding job repairing and replacing damaged sidewalks and curbs in front of their homes. The new ADA ramps on the corners are nearly complete and look great.

Many of our residents are taking advantage of this time of quarantining and social distancing. We are very busy and have home projects, new fences, garages, additions, and remodels taking place all over town. Folks are beautifying their properties with new plants, flowers, and landscaping. There is an obvious display of pride in putting one's best foot forward taking place.

The old Lemoyne Middle School on Market Street is finally

about to see new life!! We will see construction and renovations begin this fall as the middle school transitions into Schoolhouse Flats! The developer will preserve the beautiful historic façade of the building while revitalizing this amazing property into a relevant vibrant part of the community again and we all get to watch the gradual transformation as it happens!

As the Governor has given the go ahead for businesses and restaurants to reopen and serve the public, even under new and strange guidelines, we are seeing some new establishments take a chance in Lemoyne. In fact, at the corner of Third and Market Streets your taste buds and sense of smell are in for a pleasant surprise as Dunkin Donuts will be starting renovations to move in soon! Let's make them all glad they came to Lemoyne! The more we patronize our local businesses and keep them profitable, the stronger our community will be.

Cooler weather is right around the corner and the leaves will be starting to fall. Daylight savings is November 1st. When you set your clock to fall back an hour remember to change all the batteries in your smoke detectors! 🌞

**Trisha Rafferty, Codes Enforcement Officer**

## What is Cumberland County Vector Control, and How do we Handle Mosquito Complaints?

Cumberland County Vector Control handles the surveillance of West Nile Virus throughout the county. We set specific data collection traps weekly to monitor areas that have had mosquitoes test positive for West Nile in the past.

How do we handle nuisance situations? If you put in a complaint at [CCPA.net/vector](http://CCPA.net/vector), we will contact you with information on how we will proceed with the complaint. A representative from our office will come to your property to look for standing water. If water is found in something that is easily removable like a bucket or child's toy, it will be dumped. If the water is found containing larvae in a larger or inaccessible object, like a catch basin or a retention basin, we will treat it with a granular BTI product.



*Vector Control employee setting a data collection trap*

If a water source is not found, we will set a data collection trap designed specifically to collect nuisance, meal seeking mosquitoes.



*Vector Control employee treating a retention pond where larvae were present.*

Rarely do we use adult spraying to combat a nuisance program. The reason for this is due to the cycle of the mosquitoes causing an issue. They are mainly active during the daytime, however to lesson our environmental impact we must spray at night. For this reason we must find the source of the mosquito problem and eliminate it. 🌞

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## Message from the Mayor

Welcome fall! I hope you have all been healthy and safe. What a year it's been! It has been nice to see families walking the neighborhood though.

First, I will start with some congratulations to the following couples that I had the privilege to perform their wedding ceremonies:

Bill and Teresa from Perdix, Jason and Shanna from Lemoyne and especially to my son, Tony and Alyssa, also from Lemoyne. It was an honor to have been a part of their special day.

Next, who is Stan Jones? If you google that name, you will find the following information: graduated from Lemoyne High School and the University of Maryland, played in the NFL for the Chicago Bears, and was inducted to the NFL Hall of Fame. Next time you are near Negley Park, note the street sign for Stan Jones Drive.

Lastly, winter is on the way. Looking forward to turkey and Christmas lights. Please refer to my Facebook page or the Borough page for important information and updates. 🌞

Until spring,

**Mayor David G Beasley**

## LMA Refinances Sewer Notes

There has been little good news to be found so far in 2020, but the Lemoyne Municipal Authority did seize an opportunity to lower our debt burden. Currently debt payments on three loans required for our recent treatment plant and collection system upgrades total over \$1 million per year and make up about 35% of annual expenses for the sewer system.

Our largest loan from PennVest, with a current value of \$9.2 million, has a favorable interest rate of 1% and no action is planned for this note. The other two loans, with a total value of \$6.3 million, and maturity dates until 2035, have interest rates of 4.2% and 3.8%.

Sensing an opportunity, with interest rates at historic lows, the Authority issued a request for proposals from financial institutions to combine these two loans into a single loan with better terms. Success was achieved and LMA voted in August to accept a proposal from Truist Bank (formerly BB&T) to refinance both loans at an interest rate of 1.7% and maturity of 2031.

LMA expects to close on this consolidated loan in October. The new note will be paid off 4 years early plus resulting in total savings of over \$1.1 million.

LMA board members are John Carroll (Chair), Will Hesse (Treasurer), Peter Shuntich and Dennis McGee. Please give them your thanks when you see them.

Also, special thanks to former Council member and LMA board member Dan Green, who was instrumental in advancing this process and who is relocating and leaving the LMA board. 🌞

**Gene Koontz, Councilmember**

## Stormwater in Winter

Winter is coming! According to the Farmer's Almanac, Pennsylvania is predicted to have a "seasonably cold, wet, and white winter" ending with a potential blizzard in February 2021.

While we most often reference heavy rainfall, snow and sleet also create significant stormwater issues. When the snow first falls, we are enamored with the beauty of it. After a very short period of time, the snow turns gray or brown due to the salt, oil, chemicals, trash, and other pollutants held by the frozen water. As the snow melts, it runs into our storm drains and carries the water and pollutants (untreated) into small streams, which feed directly into the Susquehanna River and the Chesapeake Bay.

Snowfall can also cause damage on your property. If the ground is frozen, snow cannot melt into the soil. Multiple snow events close in timing or large snowfalls may cause flooding on your land or in areas throughout our town.

Here are some tips to manage stormwater on your property over the winter:

- \* Shovel early and often! Consider using tools such as ice scrapers and flat metal shovels to remove stubborn ice spots. The more snow and ice you remove, the less de-icing chemicals you will need.
- \* A single piece of salt/ ice melt goes far in melting snow. If the salt is crunching as you step on it, too much has been spread on that area.
- \* After the snow melts, sweep up excess salt on dry pavement and dispose in the trash.
- \* Pile snow in areas where it will have the most opportunity to infiltrate the soil, instead of becoming stormwater runoff. Be conscious of avoiding areas where puddling occurs during rainfall.
- \* Clear downspouts to allow snow from your roof to flow and not collect near the foundation of your home.
- \* Please do not pile snow on or block storm drains.
- \* Consider rescheduling outdoor projects to seasons when you can plant native trees, shrubs, or plants to reduce or eliminate soil erosion and stormwater runoff caused by construction.
- \* Notice areas of your property that erode as the snow melts and create a plan to improve these spots in spring. Native plantings are very effective!

I hope you all have a safe, healthy, and happy winter season! ☀️

**Kasha Griva, Councilmember**

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## Hey Lemoyne, What's Your 2020 Voting Plan?

As summer fades into the rear view, fall and the General Election are fast approaching. Are you and your family prepared to exercise your voting rights on Tuesday, November 3rd? Let's talk about deadlines for voter registration, finding your polling place, voting options due to the passage of Act 77 of 2019 and more.

New or updated voter registrations were due Monday, October 16th. First time voters or those who need to update their address or personal information were able to register online, in person, by mail, or at a PennDOT photo or driver's license center. In the future, fast and convenient registration for eligible voters can be done online, here: <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/VoterRegistrationApplication.aspx>.

Registered voters who are planning to vote in person, can find their polling place with the PA Dept. of State's search tool: <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/PollingPlaceInfo.aspx> or, by checking the Cumberland County Bureau of Election's listings, as some polling places have moved or consolidated due to COVID-19: <https://www.ccpa.net/1894/Polling-Places>. Please take precaution and double check your polling place before visiting and be courteous to our dedicated poll workers by observing CDC guidelines: masking, social distancing when possible, and handwashing or using hand sanitizer before using shared voting equipment.

Speaking of consolidated polling places, Lemoyne residents who previously voted at the 3rd Precinct location, Calvary United Methodist Church -- 700 Market St., will want to take note that their polling place is now located at the Lemoyne Borough Building, 510 Herman Avenue. Changes were approved by Borough Council and the County Bureau of Elections due to the property closing. The Borough Building, being a public space that already houses Lemoyne's 4th Precinct, will easily and safely welcome 3rd

Precinct voters on Election Day. Signage will be posted, and mail reminders will be sent to impacted registered voters by the County to inform them of this change.

Additionally, new to Pennsylvania voters this year are the reforms signed into law with the passage of Act 77 of 2019. Many things have changed due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, but election reform was not necessarily one of them. The Pennsylvania General Assembly expanded absentee voting to include no-excuse mail-in voting back in October of 2019, with the rare showing of bipartisan support. In brief, those election reforms, which many of you have experienced during the June 2nd Primary, now allow voters to vote by mail with no excuse required. Joining 33 other states and Washington D.C., Pennsylvania voters can now apply for a no-excuse mail-in ballot online, by mail, or in-person at their County Bureau of Elections office. Apply early before the October 27th deadline to avoid delay in receiving your ballot: <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/OnlineAbsenteeApplication/#/OnlineAbsenteeBegin>. Lemoyne voters with completed and sealed ballots can mail or deliver ballots in-person back to the Cumberland County Bureau of Elections Office by Election Day, Tuesday, November 3rd at 8pm. Voters who cannot remember if they subscribed to the permanent

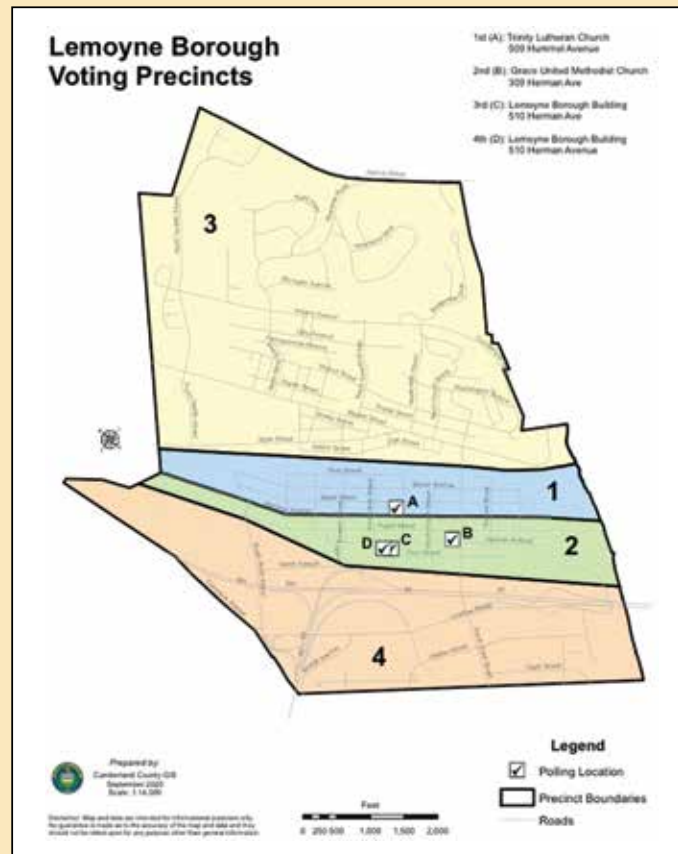
mail-in voting list, or wish to track the status of their mail-in ballot can check their ballot status online at: <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/pages/ballotracking.aspx>.

Thank you for taking the time to educate yourself on these latest election reforms and announcements. Take the time, today, to discuss with your family how you each plan to vote during this upcoming election. I encourage you to stay informed, stay safe, and most importantly vote!



Sincerely,

**Jesses Monoski,  
Councilman**







Dear Current and Past Participants,

Many of you have relied on West Shore Rec over the years for your activity fun as well as health and wellness opportunities. Unfortunately, the pandemic crisis has had a significant impact on West Shore Rec's ability to generate revenue.

Since over 80% of our budget comes from program revenue, we are struggling to sustain the organization through the end of 2020. We investigated other funding opportunities, but the Commission does not qualify for any federal, state or county financial assistance programs.

For the past 52 years, West Shore Rec has been here for the community and desires to continue being a resource for those seeking a healthier lifestyle, new skills and fun for you and your children.

We realize many of you may also be experiencing financial hardships. However, if you are able, we humbly ask if you would join the effort to help sustain West Shore Rec with a donation of any amount today.

With your support of West Shore Rec, you can play an essential role in contributing to the quality of life in your community and for the benefit of future generations!

The various ways to donate are listed below:

**Online** — enroll in the "Donation to Sustain West Shore Rec" activity and enter the dollar amount you would like to give on the enrollment screen (ActiveNet will charge a processing fee for credit cards).

**Phone** — call our office at 717-920-9515 to donate by credit card (this avoids any credit card processing fee).

**Mail** — send a check to West Shore Rec Commission, P.O. Box 413, Lewisberry, PA 17339

Thank you very much for any support you can give. Every penny helps!

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## Negley Park Upper Pavilion Project Moving Forward!

Replacement of the upper pavilion at Negley Park is finally moving forward! The Rigidply structure with its Caribbean Blue roof was delivered to the site over the summer in anticipation of assembly and installation. The notice to proceed with the project, funded by a mix of grants through Cumberland County and matching Borough funds, was issued in late September. In addition to assembly and installation of the pavilion itself, the cement pad will be replaced, and the brick fireplace will be repaired. We're pleased to report that, weather permitting, the contractors expect the project to be completed by Thanksgiving. 🌞

