



Leet Township Newsletter

194 Ambridge Avenue
Fair Oaks, PA 15003
724-266-2280



Fall 2022

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Leet Township Commissioners Act on Residents of Ambridge Ave/Main Street Truck Traffic Concerns

In 2019 it was brought to the attention of the sitting BOC about the increase in truck traffic on Ambridge Ave. and Main Street. There was no action taken then or in 2020 or 2021. On January 10, 2022, at the regular township meeting, a resident complained to the BOC about the truck traffic on Ambridge Ave. and the current BOC initiated an action plan to address this issue. In the succeeding months the Township Engineers, PennDOT, and Representative Gaydos's office were contacted to assist in resolving the issue with the increase in truck traffic on Ambridge Ave. and Main Street.



On June 27, 2022, PennDOT agreed to conduct a traffic study which has been completed, and a report was submitted to the Township on August 24, 2022. In their report, PennDOT concluded that S.R. 4036 warrants a restriction for trucks over 40 feet in length (WB-50 Trucks). This does not affect emergency vehicles, buses, pickups, or local deliveries.

At the behest of the Public Safety Committee a meeting was held on September 1, 2022, with the representatives of PennDOT, House Representative Gaydos and staff member, Commissioner Stephansky, Manager Betsy Rengers, and Interim Chief Brian Jameson. We reviewed PennDOT's findings and advised them of our community's safety concerns regarding the types of trucks and what they are transporting that is coming through our community. We additionally asked that a weight study be conducted. PennDOT has agreed to do a weight study and due to the current workload, they advised this will be performed in the coming weeks.

PennDOT advised the signage for the length restrictions was on order and they were installed on September 27, 2022. When the results of the weight study are concluded they will be shared with the community. Our Board of Commissioners is committed to doing everything that is legally possible to ensure the safety and well-being of all Leet Township residents.

We wish to thank House Representative Valarie Gaydos and her staff for their support, PennDOT representatives, current Board of Commissioner members, and Leet Township Staff for working diligently in initiating positive action to address the truck problem that persisted for the past three years.

-Leet Township Board of Commissioners

Commissioners Upgrade Leet Township IT Systems

This year, Leet Township Commissioners identified insufficient IT processes at the Township Municipal Building. They worked tirelessly researching IT protocols for cyber safety and security. They identified equipment needs for the Police Department and the Administration. Commissioners found that the current systems could not pass a public safety audit and they immediately took action to correct the issues.

After many interviews, the Board decided to hire Bob Patterson from Up and Running Computers. Bob has years of experience and had the necessary clearances and certifications to work on the Police Department's computers. Since then, Bob spent many hours working at Leet to upgrade the computer systems and security, and install the necessary firewalls and NAS drives, and he has been a great resource for the Township's IT needs!

Welcome New Leet Township Employees Jessica Leety and Ken Battaglia

Leet Township welcomes two new employees to the team. Jessica Leety is the new Administrative Assistant. Jessica has been a life long resident of Leet and attended Quaker Valley High School. She received a Bachelors Degree from the University of Pittsburgh in Social Science and worked as a Social Services Coordinator. Jessica has been a great asset to Leet!

Ken Battaglia is joining the Leet Township Police Department in the position of Full Time Patrol Officer. Ken comes from Bridgewater Police Department and received an Associates Degree from Beaver County Community College. Ken is the Leet Township Police Department JNET-TAC Officer.

Welcome Jessica and Ken!

A Request from Watson Institute to Leet Township Residents

Dear Residents, the beginning of the school year is upon us! As we prepare to start the school year, Watson Institute requests that residents refrain from using their campus for recreational purposes during school hours from 7 am to 4 pm Monday thru Friday, as it distracts students and takes them away from their school work. Thank you for helping Watson with this issue!

Emergency Management Update

The recent landfall of hurricane Ian in Florida should be a good reminder for us to be prepared for severe weather events as we head into fall and winter. We are not typically in the path of hurricanes but sometimes we do get hit by severe rain and winter storms. We are lucky in Leet Township that we don't have too many natural or man-made hazards to worry about compared to other places, but we should still be prepared for the worst.

All municipalities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are required to have an Emergency Operations Plan and we have one in Leet Township. However, the basic concept of emergency management is response to emergencies should begin at the most local level before being escalated. This means that the first response to an emergency should start at the home, then the local municipality, then expand to other local municipalities with mutual aid agreements, then the state, and finally the federal level.

To help prepare for emergencies at the home level, I highly recommend the Pennsylvania Emergency Preparedness Guide. An electronic copy can be accessed at www.readypa.org. This website has a great deal of other information as well. I've ordered paper copies of this guide and they should be available at the Township Building in a couple weeks. In the meantime, please contact me with questions or concerns regarding emergency management in Leet Township.

Dave Volk
Emergency Management Coordinator
dvolk@leettwp.org

Join Us for S.H.A.R.P. Training by Certified Instructor Senior Officer Ron Wilson

Open to Residents 14 years of Age and Older

Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 6:00 pm at Leet Township Municipal Building
194 Ambridge Ave, Fair Oaks, PA 15003

Join Leet Township Police Department Senior Officer Ron Wilson for this important *free* seminar on Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Training (S.H.A.R.P.).

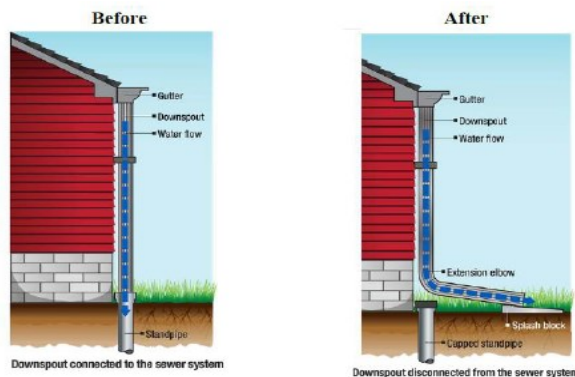
S.H.A.R.P. training provides non-lethal means of preventing an assault from the smallest levels of harassment to the highest levels of physical assault, regardless of size, strength, or experience.

Topics include workplace harassment, public attacks, and identified behaviors.

For more information on this training, contact Senior Officer Ron Wilson at rwilson@leettwp.org or call 412-266-6142.

Disconnect Your Roof Leader Lines from Sanitary Sewers

Leet Township Ordinance Chapter 18, Part 1, §18-105. Prohibited Connections states that no person shall connect or cause to be connected or suffer to remain connected to, with, and of the sanitary sewers of the Township directly or indirectly including, but not limited to, any storm drain, connected rainwater or surface water or run-off. Please check your downspouts to make sure they are not connected directly to a sanitary sewer line.



When disconnecting your downspouts, make sure that the water flow is directed away from the foundation of the house and that it is not directed towards your neighbors foundation.
Downspouts should be directed into a grassy area of the yard and not towards a neighboring property.

Rules, Regulations & Glass Facts



Hours of operations will be from Dawn to Dusk each day.



Glass containers must be rinsed of any perishable debris prior to being recycled.



Adhesive labels & container lids **do not** need to be removed from glass prior to being recycled.



Glass products such as mirrors, porcelain dishware, and light bulbs **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Glass Recycling Facility

Sewickley Riverfront Park Glass
300 Chadwick Street,
Sewickley, PA 15143.

Open to use by Leet Township Residents.

Sponsored by the
Quaker Valley Council of Governments

Sewickley Riverfront Park
300 Chadwick St, Sewickley, PA 15143





Leet Township Police Department
194 Ambridge Avenue
Fair Oaks, PA 15003

Interim Chief Brian Jameson
Sr. Officer Ron Wilson

Officer Charles Galzarano
Officer Jimmy Lema
Officer Ken Battaglia

Officer Barry McQuaid
Officer Mike Pszenny
Officer Nick Vigliotti

Meet Interim Chief Brian Jamesom

I live in Ambridge Borough with my wife and 2 sons ages 13 & 10. I also have a 22-year-old daughter who lives in Ohio.

I am a 1990 graduate of Moon Sr. High School and attended Fairmont State College on a Football Scholarship for Criminal Justice. After an injury, I left Fairmont State and returned to Pennsylvania and completed my Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice at the Community College of Beaver County. In 1994, I applied for and was accepted entrance into Indiana University of Pennsylvania's Part-Time Municipal Police Academy at Carnegie Mellon University. I graduated from the Police Academy in December 1994 and was subsequently hired part-time in February 1995 by the Leetsdale Police Department. I was also hired as a part-time officer in Ambridge Borough, Crescent Township, and Bell Acres. In December of 1998, I was hired full-time in Ambridge as a Patrolman.

I specialized in crime scene processing, advanced latent fingerprinting, and advanced computer forensics. In 2008, I became the department's Information & Technology Officer and began running my shifts as a Shift Supervisor and was responsible for administrative duties such as scheduling, patrol, budgeting, and grant writing. In 2009, I was promoted to Acting Sergeant and then Sergeant in 2010. In 2014, I was promoted to Lieutenant. In 2017, and again in 2020, I spent time as the officer in charge of the Department. I then retired in June of 2021 from Ambridge and was hired part-time by Baden Borough. I am currently still employed part-time with Bell Acres and Baden Borough.

During my career, I also worked on the Attorney Generals' Drug Task Force assisting & investigating drug violations. I have been to numerous trainings on Homicide, Interviewing, and Investigations, as well as Police Officer Executive Training (POSIT) & High Impact Supervision. I am also a Certified Field Training Officer since 2009 after completing the required course at Penn State University. I have had training from the FBI National Academy in Crisis Management, Terrorism, & Violent Extremism.

I am excited to have the opportunity to work towards a better Leet Township with the professional police officers that love & serve this community.

- Chief Brian M. Jameson

In an Emergency, Dial 911

Please make sure you dial 911 when you have an emergency, or you need a police officer to respond quickly. When you call 911, the officer on duty is notified immediately and will respond asap. Also, 911 keeps a record of all calls. This information allows the officers to create detailed reports of all incidents. Please refrain from calling the Township Managers Office during an emergency as this may cause a delay in the response time.

Join our Notification System: Swift 911

Go to <http://leettownship.org/> to add your contact information to Leet Township Swift 911 to receive emergency notifications and announcements from the Township.





Fair Oaks Fire Department
 190 Ambridge Avenue
 Fair Oaks, PA 15003
 Non-emergency:
 724-266-6133
 www.fovfd.org
 Fire Chief: Nathan Turner



Thank you to Residents for Supporting the Fair Oaks Fire Department Fund Drive

The department would like to thank everyone that contributed to our annual fund drive in 2022. If you have not contributed yet, reminder letters will be mailed out in October. Fair Oaks Fire Department only solicits donations by mail. Your donations are tax deductible and help us to complete necessary capital projects and purchase equipment that could otherwise not be purchased with the available operating funds.

In 2022 your generous donations helped us complete the complete reconstruction of the concrete driveway in front of the fire station.

Volunteer Opportunities Available

The department has many opportunities to volunteer. If you have an interest in finding out more about those opportunities, please visit the station on a Monday night. Practice and training takes place the 1st, 2nd and 4th Monday of the month starting at 7 P.M.

The Fair Oaks Fire Department Auxiliary holds events to support the department. You can find out about events to support the department on their Facebook page. They also need volunteers. The auxiliary maintains a self-serve food patty at the fire station and runs events that support the department like the most recent Cash Bash held at the station. In December the auxiliary will be selling a monthly cash prize ticket good for the month of December. Tickets are available for purchase from members of the auxiliary or can be purchased online by following the link below.



DECEMBER 2022

BASED ON THE PA EVENING PICK THREE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 \$50	2 \$50	3 \$100
4 \$100	5 \$50	6 \$50	7 \$50	8 \$50	9 \$50	10 \$100
11 \$100	12 \$50	13 \$50	14 \$50	15 \$50	16 \$50	17 \$100
18 \$100	19 \$50	20 \$50	21 \$50	22 \$50	23 \$50	24 \$250
25 \$300	26 \$50	27 \$50	28 \$50	29 \$50	30 \$50	31 \$250

4 NUMBERS PER TICKET

\$20 DONATION

Once again thanks for your financial support but that is not the only help that is needed. Please consider volunteering your time at the department. Local volunteer fire departments are an important part of what makes a community like Leet Township a great place to live.



LEET TOWNSHIP PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Foreman: Andy Wanto
724-266-8072

Department Hours: Monday –Friday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Street Sweeping Schedule August 2022 through October 2022

Wednesdays 9:30am-10:30am Neely, Eckert, Willow, Frank, and Stone Ally

Thursdays 9:30am-10:30am Orchard, Mound, Oak, High, Beech, and Plum

Every Other Wednesday 7:00am-8:00am Quaker Heights, Sewickley Highlands, Leet Acres

Please have vehicles off the roads during your designated sweeping day.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Curbside Leaf Removal Service

Public Works will begin curb-side leaf pick-up the week of October 10th and continue until the week of December 6th, weather permitting.

We ask residents to place their leaves in rows as close to the roadside as possible. Please avoid piling leaves by mailboxes, underneath trees and shrubs, near yard ornaments, and decorations, or in any other hard to reach places, as they may not get picked up.

Please do not mix grass clippings, mulch, sticks or any other yard waste in the piles! It can damage our equipment, and shut us down for unnecessary repairs and maintenance. We will not pick up leaves from hard to reach areas, or if they contain any yard waste/debris. If this situation occurs, please check that your pile is in a good location for pickup and/or remove any debris so we can get it the next time we come around.

Feel free to bag up grass clippings or other yard waste and place it out for regular scheduled garbage pick-up. If you use a contractor for yard maintenance, please advise them of our policies. Thank you!

Please call us at 724-266-8072 with any questions or concerns.



We will be tree trimming around Township signs as well as low branches that may effect the plow trucks. Please take note as these may be on your property and this is being done in an effort to help aide in the upcoming winter months.

Quaker Valley Ambulance Authority Position Available

Leet Township has an open position on the Quaker Valley Ambulance Board. This position requires attendance at the QVAA monthly meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 pm. If you are interested in serving in this volunteer position, please send your *Letter of Interest* to brengrs@leettwp.org by October 19th. Thank you!



Leet Township Tax Collector Position Available

This position pays \$1,000 per year and requires a passing score on the Act 48 Tax Collector Qualification Exam. The responsibilities of this position are provided by Jordan Tax Service.

Interested candidates may apply at 194 Ambridge Ave., Fair Oaks, PA 15003 by October 19th.

Leet Township is an equal opportunity employer.



Daylight Savings Time

Daylight Savings Time begins November 1st. Turn your clocks back and enjoy an extra hour of sleep.



Election Day

Election Day will be held on November 8th. Fair Oaks Residents may cast their votes at the Fair Oaks Fire Hall. Residents located in the Camp Meeting Road area may cast their votes at Watson Institute. Polling hours are from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Trick or Treat in Leet Township & Fair Oaks will be October 31, 2022 from 6:00 pm -8:00 pm



Plum Street Park Pavilion Closes for the Season

After another great summer season, Plum Street Park Pavilion will close the Week of October 31st



Leet Township Municipal Office Holiday Schedule

The Municipal Office will be closed the following days:

Thursday, November 24th (Thanksgiving Day)
Friday, November 25th

Friday, December 23rd (in observance of Christmas Eve)
Monday, December 26th (in observance of Christmas Day)
Friday, December 30th (in observance of New Years Eve)

Upcoming Meetings

October 10, 2022: Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting @ 7:00 pm 194 Ambridge Ave, Fair Oaks, PA 15003

October 11, 2022: Civil Service Commission Regular Meeting @ 7:00 pm 194 Ambridge Ave, Fair Oaks, PA 15003

October 24, 2022: Board of Commissioners Workshop Meeting @ 4:00 pm 194 Ambridge Ave, Fair Oaks, PA 15003

October 27, 2022: Planning Commission Regular Meeting @ 6:00 pm 194 Ambridge Ave, Fair Oaks, PA 15003

Be sure to properly dispose of your household hazardous waste.



Contact Waste Management to use the At Your Door Special Collection Service

Call 1-800-449-7587 or visit
www.WMAtYourDoor.com for more information

Available to residents at no additional cost to participate.

At Your Door
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