

Warrington



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TOWNSHIP MANAGER
TIMOTHY J. TIEPERMAN

June 8, 2010

MEMO TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FROM: TIMOTHY J. TIEPERMAN
RE: MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Snow Emergency Ordinance: Although it is the midst of summer, staff is preparing a snow emergency ordinance for early discussion in consideration and preparation for the 2010-2011 winter season. During the last codification, certain elements regarding the Township's snow emergency procedures were inadvertently omitted and are not enforceable. This new ordinance would restore prior regulations and provide enhancements where necessary. A draft copy is attached. [Attachment A]
- B. BPT Supreme Court Appeal: Mr. Casey reported that the appellants have until June 30, 2010 to submit their brief before the Supreme Court on the narrow provision pertaining to gross receipts. The deadline for the Township submission will be thirty (30) days later. Berkheimer has been provided with a copy of the revised resolution regarding the parameters under which the interest and penalty will be waived. The deadline for the 2009-2010 tax bills was June 1.
- C. Palomino Basin Update: The permit from the Army Corps of Engineers has been secured. Carroll Engineering is processing the notice to proceed. We are still awaiting final resolution to some DEP regulations pertaining to the spillway. We are also accepting petitions from any volunteers who would like to assist in the removal of the fish at the basin. Interested residents should contact the Township Manager's office at mail@warringtontownship.org.
- D. Tall Grass Complaints: Mr. Lesniak reported that his office has received several dozen complaints about tall grass. Many of these complaints emanate from non-specified properties. In discussing with the Solicitor the appropriate enforcement remedies, it was agreed that certified notices would be sent out to all absentee landowners with a five day cure time after which the Township will issue citations and impose liens where necessary. A sample letter was distributed and attached. [Attachment B]
- E. Maple Avenue: The project is close to completion. The pork chop islands have been completed along with the handicap pavement improvements requested by PennDOT. Paving repairs around the pork chops should be completed this week. Line painting contract with Guidemark has been approved and is being scheduled for next week. These markings include requests made by our Police Department to improve safety as well as enforcement. Glue down reflective posts will be

provided at each pork chop to curtail driveovers. We also plan an additional sign on Kansas Road northbound to state that all 611 north traffic must turn left. Hopefully, with PennDOT approval we should have everything operational by June 18, 2010.

ATTACHMENT “A”

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARRINGTON,
BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,
TO AMEND THE WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP
MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Warrington Township has enacted the Warrington Township Codified Ordinance, Chapter 15, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, regarding traffic regulations on certain streets/roads within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Warrington Township deems enforcement of traffic movement and parking during snow emergencies to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Warrington Township; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it, and it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Board of Supervisors of Warrington Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby **ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** by authority of same as follows:

Amend Chapter 15, Part 9, Snow and Ice Emergency, to read as follows:

901. Declaration of Snow and Ice Emergency.

In order to facilitate the movement of traffic and to combat the hazards of snow and ice, the Chief of Police (or designee), may declare a snow and ice emergency (designated in this Part as "snow emergency"). Information on the existence of a snow emergency shall be given by the Township of Warrington through radio, newspaper, website, or other available media, and information on the termination of the emergency may be given by use of the same media. (Ord. 95-3, 2/21/1995)

902. Alternate Side of Street Parking

A. Whenever snow falls to a depth of two (2") inches or more than one hour, all parking upon the streets or highways of the Township is hereby prohibited. When and where a resident of the Township has access to a garage, driveway or other facility for off-street parking or when and where a vehicle of a nonresident is parked adjacent to premises the owner or occupier of which has access to a garage, driveway or other facility for off-street parking, said vehicles shall be placed in the off-street parking facility. In cases where a resident of the Township does not have access to a garage, driveway or other facility for off-street parking or where a vehicle of a nonresident is parked adjacent to premises the owner or occupier of which does not have access to a garage, driveway or other facility for off-street parking, then, and only in such event, shall parking be permitted upon the street or highway; provided, however, that such parking on the street or highway shall be only on one side thereof as follows: during even-numbered years parking shall be on the even-numbered side of the street, and during odd-numbered years parking shall be on the odd-numbered side of the street, provided, further that where parking restrictions are permanently in effect, such restrictions shall prevail, notwithstanding the provisions of this section.

B. Any vehicles parked on Township streets or highways, not in accordance with the provisions of Subsection A, shall be towed at the owner's expense and the owner fined in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

903. Parking Prohibited, Driving Motor Vehicles Restricted on Snow Emergency Routes During Emergency.

After any snow emergency is declared, it shall be unlawful, at any time during the continuance of the emergency, for any person:

- A. To park a motor vehicle or to allow that vehicle to remain parked anywhere on any snow emergency route designated in 904 of this Part; or
- B. To drive any motor vehicle on any such snow emergency route, unless that vehicle is equipped with proper tires for snow and ice or chains.

904. Snow Emergency Routes Designated.

The following roads are designated as snow emergency routes:

Street	Between
Bristol Road	Valley Road and Upper State Road
County Line Road	Valley Road and Upper State Road
Easton Road	County Line Road and Doylestown Township Line
Folly Road	County Line Road and Bristol Road
Limekiln Pike	County Line Road and Upper State Road
Lower State Road	County Line Road and Bristol Road
Pickertown Road	Bristol Road and Upper State Road
Street Road	Valley Road and Lower State Road
Stump Road	County Line Road and Pickertown Road
Upper State Road	County Line Road and Bristol Road
Valley Road	County Line Road and Bristol Road

904. Penalty for Violation.

Any owner, person, firm, association or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Part, upon conviction thereof, shall be liable to pay a fine which shall not exceed \$100 and all costs incurred by the Township for each and every offense.

ENACTED and ORDAINED this day of , 2010.

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ATTEST:

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ATTACHMENT “B”

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May 19, 2010

Owner Name
Address
Warrington Pa 18976

Subject: TALL GRASS

Dear Resident:

Township staff has discovered that the grass around the property you own at _____ in Warrington Township, Pennsylvania, has not been mown recently.

You may not be aware, but letting your lawn grow taller than six inches is a violation of Warrington Township Property Maintenance Code, which states "No lawn on any lot shall be allowed to exceed six (6) inches in height."

Please be sure to mow your lawn within five days of this letter, and please be sure to keep your lawn mowed so that it stays below six inches.

By May 26, 2010, please mow the site so that the grass is shorter than six inches as required by Township regulations. If you have any questions, or any concerns about this timeline, please contact me at (215) 343-9350, extension 105, or by e-mail at rpowell@warringtontownship.org. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

For Warrington Township,

Ron Powell,
Code Enforcement Officer