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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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January is a month of new beginnings—a blank slate filled with possibilities. As the winter chill settles in, it's a time for reflection, resolutions, and cozy moments by the fire. Whether you're diving into a good book, enjoying the quiet beauty of snow-covered landscapes, or setting goals for the year ahead, January is the perfect time to embrace a fresh perspective. Let's savor the season and make the most of its peaceful charm as we step confidently into 2025.

Warm Coats for Kids Distribution



Brrr! Have you felt those frosty temperatures lately? Winter has made itself right at home, and the Back Mountain Police Association is here to help keep local kids stay toasty and warm. They're hosting another Warm Coat Giveaway tomorrow, January 28th, at the State Street Elementary School in Larksville—because no child should have to shiver their way through the season!

This event is all about spreading warmth, literally! Kids in need can pick out a cozy coat to keep the cold at bay. It's free, it's heartwarming, and it's the perfect way to beat the chill.

So, grab your mittens and scarves, and head on down to 355 East State Street, Larksville, PA 18704. For more details or to find out how you can lend a hand, reach out to the Back Mountain Police Association through the social links below.

Let's make this winter a little brighter—and a whole lot warmer—for the children in our community. Don't let Jack Frost win!

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www.backmtpolice.org/default.html

December Meeting Minutes Approved

At the January 8th Regular Supervisors Meeting, the Board of Supervisors approved the meeting minutes from the December 9th, 2024, Public Work Session and the December 11th, 2024, Regular Supervisors Meeting. The approved minutes are now available for public viewing. You can access them via the eCodes platform for a detailed record of the discussions and decisions made during these meetings.

www.ecode360.com/KI2368/documents/Minutes



Improved Safety Measures at Compost Site Exit

Kingston Township has accepted a proposal from Tri-Boro Fencing contractors to replace and relocate the chain link fencing at the compost site exit. This decision was made to address safety concerns and enhance visibility for vehicles leaving the site.

The Township's Public Works Department road crew will first remove the existing fence with their exceptional expertise, ensuring the area is prepared for the upcoming improvements. Following this, Tri-Boro Fencing will install a 220 foot new chain link fencing at each gate to provide a safer and more efficient exit with an improved line of sight.

This project underscores Kingston Township's commitment to maintaining safe and accessible facilities for all residents.

Kingston Township Receives Recognition and Shares Project Updates

At the December 11th Supervisors Meeting, three heartfelt thank-you letters were read aloud highlighting Kingston Township's dedication to service. Young Ye Park expressed appreciation for the Department of Public Works, Chief Williams of the Jackson Township Police Department commended Officers Fuches, Carter, and Schaszberger for their invaluable assistance, and the Back Mountain Memorial Library extended gratitude for the Township's generous donation.

In addition to these acknowledgments, updates were provided on several exciting construction projects. The long-awaited water line installation at Center Street Park is set to begin in the coming weeks, weather permitting. Meanwhile, the East Franklin Street Bridge project is on track to start in February or March, following a bid opening this month to address the water main removal. Looking ahead to this Spring, construction on the Harris Hill Road Bridge is expected to kick off as engineers complete the final design work.

Stay tuned for more updates as these projects progress and continue to enhance our community!

Center Street Park Moves Forward

Kingston Township has accepted the engineering and grant management proposal from Benesch Engineering for Phase 3 and Phase 4 improvements at Center Street Park. This project will focus on creating a more inclusive, accessible, and enjoyable space for residents and visitors.

The planned upgrades emphasize recreation, environmental sustainability, and enhanced community access. Stay tuned for updates as these exciting developments take shape!

The Dilly Dispatch

This Christmas, our very own K9 officer, Dilly, aka the "Dutch Dynamo," was hard at work spreading festive joy to everyone around. While most of us were enjoying time with family, Dilly was on a special holiday mission: to brighten the day with her unique brand of cheer!

On Christmas Day, Dilly was out and about, visiting with neighbors and friends, offering her famous K9 charm. With her eager eyes and wagging tail, she made sure everyone she met felt the warmth and joy of the season. Whether she was posing for photos with families or sharing in the festive spirit, Dilly's presence was the highlight of the day.



Dilly truly made Christmas a little brighter for everyone around her, showing that the season of giving doesn't have to be about gifts—it's about connection, joy, and a touch of K9 magic. The Dutch Dynamo definitely knows how to make the holidays special!

2023 Kingston Township Financial Audit

As part of Kingston Township's commitment to transparency, we are pleased to share highlights from our 2023 financial audit. The audit, conducted by Rainey & Rainey Certified Public Accountants, confirms the Township's dedication to sound financial management and efficient use of public resources. Importantly, the audit reported no findings, reflecting the Township's adherence to best practices in financial management. The audit reflects sound fiscal management, with resources strategically allocated to maintain balanced operations and support future projects. The Township will continue prioritizing responsible financial planning and strategic investments to enhance services and infrastructure for residents.

Winter Parking Ordinance in Effect Until March 31st

A friendly reminder that the Winter Parking Ordinance remains in effect through March 31st, 2025. Parking on Township streets is prohibited between 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM and during snowstorms (plus 8 hours after a storm ends).

Violators may be fined, so please ensure your vehicle is off the streets during these times to help with snow removal and keep roads safe. Thank you for your cooperation!

Scholarships and Grants for EMS, Firefighters, and Future Leaders

Explore a variety of funding opportunities designed to support education, recruitment, and retention efforts for EMS professionals, firefighters, and students. Whether you're advancing your career in public safety or inspiring the next generation of leaders, these programs provide valuable financial support.

EMS Scholarships: PA EMS Provider Foundation

The Pennsylvania EMS Provider Foundation is now accepting applications for its 2025 scholarship program for individuals pursuing training as a Paramedic or AEMT:

- Paramedics: Must have a minimum of 3 years of EMT experience.
- AEMTs: Must have a minimum of 2 years of EMT experience.

Applicants must be working with or have a guaranteed offer from a licensed PA EMS agency (paid or volunteer). The application deadline is **February 10th, 2025**, and submissions are fully online.

For details, contact Doug Garretson:

- doug.garretson@gmail.com
- [412-760-4185](tel:412-760-4185)
- www.aa-pa.org/foundation

PSATS Achievement Scholarships

High school juniors and seniors are encouraged to apply for \$1,500 scholarships funded in partnership with the Pennsylvania Leadership Institute. These scholarships aim to inspire the next generation of leaders:

- Local Government Achievement Scholarships: Highlight exceptional citizenship through public service and community involvement.
- Academic Achievement Scholarships: Awarded to students demonstrating high academic standards and enthusiasm for education.

The application deadline is **January 31st, 2025**.

For questions, contact Katie Lizza:

- klizza@psats.org
- [717-763-0930](tel:717-763-0930)
- www.psats.org/scholarship/

Firefighter Grants and Reimbursement Opportunities

The Firefighters Association of the State of Pennsylvania (FASP) has announced funding opportunities to enhance recruitment and retention efforts:

- Local Level Grants: Up to \$5,000 for recruitment materials and programs developed by FASP.
- Training Reimbursements: Up to \$1,000 per Firefighter I or EMT training class.

These opportunities are available to PA Fire and EMS agencies who are FASP members. The application deadline is **March 31st, 2025**.

- faspsecretary@aol.com
- www.becomeapafirefighter.com

Pennsylvania House of Representatives Scholarship

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives Scholarship awards two high school seniors annually with a four-year scholarship covering tuition costs at any Pennsylvania college, university, or career school. Funded by private donors, the program supports full-time students who demonstrate academic achievement (3.0+ GPA), leadership, community involvement, extracurricular activities, and financial need. Applicants must also submit an essay on metrics for a Representative's success. The application deadline is **April 15th, 2025**. This scholarship fosters education and civic responsibility across Pennsylvania.

For questions, contact Cindy Sullivan:

- csullivan@tfec.org
- [717-236-5040](tel:717-236-5040)
- www.tfec.org/scholarships/pahr

Pennsylvania House Legislative Fellowship Program

The Pennsylvania House Legislative Fellowship Program is now accepting applications for its summer 2025 semester. Based at Pennsylvania's Capitol in Harrisburg, fellows work in House standing committees or leadership offices, earning compensation and potential college credit. Participants can draft and present legislation, engage with public officials, and explore historic sites. Eligible applicants must be undergraduate juniors, seniors, graduate, or law students with a 3.0+ GPA, attending a Pennsylvania college or residing in Pennsylvania while enrolled out-of-state.

Applications are due by **March 1st, 2025** and can be submitted via email.

- pahousefellowship@pabmc.net
- [717-787-4458](tel:717-787-4458)
- www.pahousefellowship.us/index.cfm

The PSATS Scholarship can piggyback off the EMS scholarship for additional support! Don't miss these opportunities to invest in your future and serve your community. Whether you're pursuing a career in EMS, firefighting, or local leadership, these scholarships and grants are here to help!

Together, these programs offer a range of financial support and resources for those dedicated to public safety and community service. By applying for these scholarships and grants, you can take the next step toward achieving your career goals while making a meaningful impact in your community. Seize these opportunities to grow, learn, and lead!

2025 Spring Clean-Up Dates Announced

Kingston Township residents, mark your calendars! The 2025 Spring Clean-Up will take place from May 1st-3rd, 2025 at the Kingston Township Public Works Facility.

Tickets for the Spring Clean-Up will be available for purchase starting March 3rd, 2025. Stay tuned for more details, and start preparing to clear out your unwanted items!

Christmas Tree Collection Ends Soon

The annual Christmas Tree Collection Program wraps up on January 31st, 2025, at 3:00 PM. Please set your bare trees (with all decorations, lights, and stands removed) at the curb for easy pickup.

Make sure your tree is visible and clear of snow to ensure easy collection. Don't wait—time is running out!



February Events

February 4th, 2025
7:30 PM
Planning Commission Meeting

February 10th, 2025
7:00 PM
Board of Supervisors' Public Work Session

February 12th, 2025
7:00 PM
Board of Supervisors' Regular Meeting

February 13th, 2025
7:00 PM
D.A.M.A. Board Meeting



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Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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