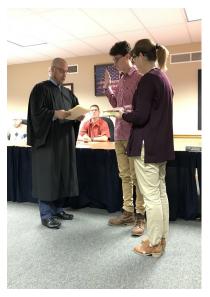
# EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP Fall / Winter 2019 NEWSLETTER

# Welcome Our 2nd

# **Junior Township Supervisor**

East Nottingham Township Supervisors are pleased to welcome our 2nd Student Township Supervisor, Sean Walsh. Sean is a Senior at Oxford Area High School. Sean was sworn in at our October 8, 2019 Board of Supervisors meeting by District Judge Scott Massey & then took his seat at the Board table as a non-voting member. Sean's other activities include the Leo's club, Cross Country, Snowboard, Interact Club and Helping Hands. We look forward to Sean's term with us through August 2020.









Consider writing for us. Do you have an interesting township story you would like to share? Please contact our Township

Secretary at

gastnottingham@zoomintgrngt.ngt



WINTER WEATHER IS AROUND THE CORNER, PLEASE BE MINDFUL WHEN PARKING ON TOWNSHIP ROADS. WHENEVER POSSBILE PLEASE PARK IN YOUR DRIVEWAYS SO OUR ROAD CREW CAN CLEAR THE ROADS.



SCOTT A. MASSEY MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE 305 S. THIRD ST. OXFORD, PA. 19363

OATH OF OFFICE

FOR

EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNHSIP JUNIOR SUPERVISOR

I, SEAN WALSH, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) THAT I WILL SUPPORT, OBEY AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND THAT I WILL DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP JUNIOR SUPERVISOR WITH FIDELITY, SO HELP ME GOD.

Taken, sworn and subscribed before me this  $8^{\rm TH}$  October, 2019.



Sean Walsh, Junior Supervisor

# **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- Chairman Joe Herlihy
- Vice Chairman John Wallace
- Supervisor Art Rieck
- Supervisor Sam Goodley
- Supervisor Bill Weaver



### **SNOW DAY FUN**

#### **Snow Ice Cream**

- 1/2 cups half & half or whole milk
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 4 cups of clean snow or shaved ice

Blend the milk, sugar and vanilla together until the sugar dissolves. Mix 4 cups of snow and stir until you get the same consistency of ice cream. Add toppings or chocolate syrup to make a Snow Sundae!

### **Homemade Play Dough**

1 cup flour,1/2 cup salt, 2 tbsp.
cream of tartar, 2 tbsp. oil, 1 cup
water, food coloring
(optional), scent (vanilla, mint, etc.
optional).

In a saucepan, mix flour, salt, cream of tartar, scent ingredient, and oil. Slowly mix in water until it's all smooth. Then turn the heat on medium and stir until it forms a ball of dough. I used a heatresistant rubber spatula so I could scrape the bottom of the pan easily. Once it's a ball, plop it onto some wax paper until it's cool enough for you to touch and have

During winter fill balloons with water and add food coloring, once frozen cut the balloons off & they look like giant marbles or Christmas decorations.



# **Land Preservation Update**

The residents of East Nottingham Township have reason to be very proud of how our preservation efforts have contributed to making Pennsylvania the leader in farmland preservation. And even more proud of how those efforts have contributed to the quality of life which we all enjoy in our Township.

Agriculture is the leading industry both in Pennsylvania <u>and</u> in Chester County. Our County is second only to neighboring Lancaster County in terms of the value of its agricultural production!

It has proven to be a wise decision by our voters to support our nice Township's current funding mechanism for our open space and farm preservation program.

The preservation effort is very cost effective – for every farm that is preserved, under our Challenge Grant partnership with Chester County, the County contributes 55% of the cost of preservation and the Township contributes 45%. And, because we have our own funding source, the County focuses its efforts in our area – we get acres preserved for less than half the cost!

And, it's far less expensive to preserve land than to develop it. When open space is turned into residential development, municipalities have to offer increased services such as police and fire protection, road maintenance, sewer systems, and new schools. These costs continue forever and can only result in increased taxes. These costs are avoided when land is instead protected as open space – and the cost of preservation is a one-time expense with no recurring expenditures by the taxpayers!

In addition, farms and other protected open spaces provide more tax revenue for local governments than they require back in service expenditures.

For every \$1 received from farmland and open space taxes, local governments spend 7 cents on services. For every \$1 received from residential developments through taxes, local governments spend \$1.11 on services.

As of 2018, our Township has more than 3,650 acres of land out of a total 12,893 acres in the Township that are perpetually restricted - this is almost an entire one-third of the land area in East Nottingham! These acres can never be developed – not only does this keep our future tax increases down (the "economic return") preserved land helps us retain the rural character of our corner of the world – a big reason why many people enjoy living here (the "environmental return"). There are still several large unprotected properties in the Township that, if developed, would result in much more congestion and taxes than we currently see. Now is the time to keep the preservation effort going at top speed before the next period of development comes to our Township.

This link <a href="www.eastnottingham.org/open-space-preservation">www.eastnottingham.org/open-space-preservation</a> shows just how successful our efforts have been both in our township and in Chester County. As the County preservation map shows, not only has East Nottingham been successful in its preservation effort, the townships which abut East Nottingham have also been successful so that the rural character of our part of Chester County is assured for future generations.

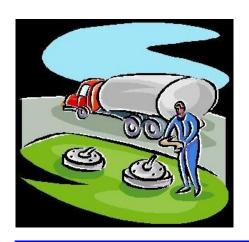
Congratulations!



### WANTED:

East Nottingham Township Historical Commission is looking for folks that would be interested in joining the Historical Commission. Interested people should contact Karen Olivieri at

kolivieri@zoominternet.net for more information.



On-Lot Sewage Management Program Ordinance 28-2012 The Township adopted this ordinance in 2012 to provide for the PA DEP requirement of all on-lot septic systems to be pumped out at least every 3 years. Here are some of the highlights. Routine Inspections – Each person owning a building serviced by an On-Lot Septic System shall employ a qualified Maintenance Contractor to complete routine inspections. Routine inspections shall be completed every 3 years after either the date of initial inspection or a new On Lot Sewage Disposal System installation. Routine inspections shall also be completed every three years after final installation approved by the Chester County Health Department Sewage Enforcement Officer. A written inspection report signed by the qualified Maintenance Contractor shall be furnished to the Township within 30 days of the applicable period described above. The Township will begin enforcing this later this year. To read the entire ordinance or find out

the details go to the Township website or contact the Zoning Officer at (610)932-9812.

# **Upcoming Planning Commission Vacancy**

ENT is looking for someone to fill a vacancy in the Planning Commission that will be open as of January 1, 2020. The Township is looking for an individual who wishes to be involved with the development of the township. Responsibilities of the Planning Commission includes the review of all Subdivision and Land Development Plans and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. It also contributes to the review and update of the ordinances which govern the Township. The term is four years and the Planning Commission meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month, excepting holidays. Interested parties should submit resumes, with letters of intent to the Township Secretary at:

eastnottingham@zoominternet.net or snail mail to:
East Nottingham Township,
158 Election Road, Oxford PA 19363
Attn: Township Secretary
Please submit by November 30, 2019





East Nottingham Township's first Junior Township Supervisor, Elizabeth Estes. completed her term with us on August 13, 2019. Lizzie's monthly report at our meetings were always newsworthy, very informative, thorough always delivered expertly. Her dedication, ability and conduct were exemplary during her tenure with us. Sadly, it is time to say farewell. We wish Lizzie the very best in her future endeavors!

~ From The Board of Supervisors and Staff

# A Note from The Township Building !!!



Regular trash is being put in the Township trash bin (picture left), this is for Township use only. Also, non-recyclable items are being left in and next to the SECCRA Recycling Bins. This is not allowed and causing the Township employees to have to clean this up. Also, please do not leave the bin lids open to avoid anything from blowing out. Your cooperation and understanding in this matter is greatly appreciated. Please continue to keep East Nottingham clean!





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#### EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP

CALENDAR

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

7 PM AT TOWNSHIP

- ♦ November 12, 2019
- December 10, 2019

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

7 PM AT TOWNSHIP

- ♦ November 18, 2019
- ♦ December 16, 2019

SANTA IS COMING TO

EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2019

6:00 ~ 8:00 P.M.

NOTE: Please bring your own camera. Elves will be on hand to take family photos for you.



### **ZONING OFFICER HOURS**

Monday / Wednesday: 8:00 AM—12:00 NOON Tuesday / Thursday / Friday: By Appointment only Please call to schedule appointment (610) 932-9812

www.eastnottingham.org

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