



New Supervisor: Matthew Heller



Ferguson Township welcomes Matthew Heller to the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Heller was appointed and sworn in on July 12, 2023, to fill the vacated Ward I seat. He will serve through the remainder of the term, which ends December 31, 2023.

Prior to his appointment to the Board, Supervisor Heller served as chair of the Pine Grove Mills Small Area Plan Advisory Committee.

2023 Sustainable PA Conference Planned with Chair Strickland's Leadership

Board of Supervisors Chair Lisa Strickland serves on the Planning Conference Committee for the 2023 Sustainable PA Annual Conference to be held in Gettysburg November 1-3, 2023 in Gettysburg. The 2023 conference promotes sustainable practices in Pennsylvania and explores ways to reach local community energy emissions reduction goals.

Ferguson Township is recognized as a Certified Gold Community by Sustainable Pennsylvania. The certification is offered by The Pennsylvania Municipal League in cooperation with Sustainable Pittsburgh and allows local governments to showcase their progress toward sustainability initiatives that improve organizational efficiency and effectiveness.

For more information and to register for the conference, visit sustainablepa.org.



Ferguson Township Takes the LEED®

The Ferguson Township Public Works Building earned Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) GOLD certification from the U.S. Green Building Council on February 15, 2023, for implementing practical and measurable strategies and solutions in the construction of its new public works facility. A plaque presentation ceremony was held on May 25 to celebrate this achievement formally.

Explore Ferguson Township Public Works Building's LEED Dashboard at www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/LEED-dashboard to learn more about the building's sustainable and energy efficient features.



Coffee and Conversation



Join Ferguson Township for Coffee and Conversation!

When: Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM

Where: Harner Farm at 2191 West Whitehall Road, State College, PA 16801

Township Receives Bicycle Friendly BusinessSM Award

The League of American Bicyclists recognized Ferguson Township with a Bronze Bicycle Friendly Business (BFB) award, earning it a place alongside more than 1,400 businesses across the country contributing to the movement to build a more Bicycle Friendly AmericaSM.

The Township encourages bicycling as a transportation option with continued support of regional bike events and annual Bike Month activities. The Township also provides amenities, such as bike racks, and acts as a Spin e-bike drop off location.

As part of the BFB network, Ferguson Township will have access to a variety of tools and technical assistance from the League to support cyclists and biking infrastructure.



Ferguson Township Operational Improvements

In the 2023 Operating Budget, Township Manager Centrice Martin notes her priority to achieve a goal of Best Management Practices for Operations from the 2017 Ferguson Township Strategic Plan. This focus aims to improve operations as a means to protect the Township from ransomware and malware attacks, bring aging infrastructure up to date, make processes more efficient, and digitize workflows. Steps taken include:

- ▶▶ The transition to a new Cisco Webex Calling telephone system in August. The upgraded telecommunications system provides improved dependability, functionality, and security.
- ▶▶ Employment of CivicClerk[®] agenda and meeting management software which streamlines the agenda preparation process. For information on how to navigate meeting documents, visit the Portal User Guide at www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/PortalGuide.

Whitehall Road Regional Park Update



In August, Centre Region Parks and Recreation (CRPR) Authority members, CRPR staff, current and former Centre Region Council of Governments executive directors, and the Ferguson Township Manager and Chief of Police toured construction progress at Whitehall Road Regional Park.

Phase I of the park's construction remains underway throughout the fall of 2023. Visitors are asked to refrain from entering the park until construction is complete. Follow CRPR on social media and at www.crpr.org for updates.

Taking on New Roles in the Centre Region

Fire Director: Shawn Kauffman



Shawn Kauffman has been appointed the Centre Region's new Fire Director. He has previously served the Centre Region as Emergency Management Coordinator, Fire and Life Safety Inspector, member and Chief of Alpha Fire Company, and Interim Fire Director. Learn more about the Regional Fire Protection Program at www.crcog.net/fireprotection.

CRPR Director: Kristy Owens

Kristy Owens was appointed as Director of Centre Region Parks and Recreation (CRPR). She previously served as CRPR's Recreation Services Manager and, most recently, as the agency's Interim Director. Learn more about parks and recreation services in the Centre Region at www.crpr.org.



Regional Property Maintenance Code Update

The updated *Centre Region Rental Housing and Building Safety Code, 2023 Edition* went into effect August 1, 2023. Key changes to the Code include *Section 101.6 Tenants Rights* and a new addition, *Chapter 11 Emergency Alarms*.

Residents, landlords, developers, and stakeholders can visit www.crcog.net/crca to view the updated code online. Questions or reports of violations can be addressed to Kathy Woods at kjw@crcog.net or by calling (814) 231-3056.

2023 Halloween Trick or Treat

The Centre Region Council of Governments scheduled Trick or Treat for Tuesday, October 31, 2023, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

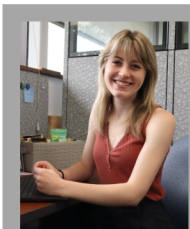


Township Celebrates Community Servants

In May, the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors celebrated Public Service Week, Public Works Week, Police Week, and EMS Week with proclamations, news stories on the Township's website, and social media features of staff. These national weeks of recognition aim to recognize and honor the professionals who are committed to serving the Township and working for the betterment of the community.

Ferguson Township Internship Program

The Township's internship program introduces young professionals to careers in local government.



Jenna Etter

Assisted Administration to promote July as Parks and Recreation Month.

Penn State University / Class of '24 / Communications

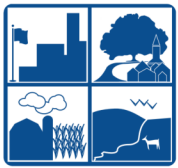


Diana Deleon

Assisted Finance & Tax to digitize financial records and workflows.

Penn State University / Class of '26 / Engineering

Residents That Serve, Thank You!



On August 17, 2023, Ferguson Township held the annual Authorities, Boards, and Commissions (ABC) Appreciation Dinner at Tom Tudek Memorial Park. Manager Martin kicked off the event with a warm thank you to all residents that serve on one of Ferguson Township's ABCs for their time, expertise, and counsel.

Special guest and speaker John Brenner, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Municipal League, reminded attendees of the importance of working together, as was done during the building of the playground at Orchard Park in State College Borough.

On September 5, the Board appointed a number of volunteers to serve on the Tax Review Board, Zoning Hearing Board, Tree Commission, and Pine Grove Mills Small Area Plan Advisory Committee. The Board also appointed their first representative to serve on the Regional Human Relations Commission. This representative will join other regional representatives when the Commission is called to review and adjudicate cases filed in accordance with the Anti-Discrimination Ordinance.

Terms set to expire on December 31, 2023, for ABC members and representatives of authorities will be advertised during the fall open application period. Interested residents are encouraged to submit an application to be considered for an opportunity to get involved in your local government.

Township Detective Honored for Cold Case Work



On May 15, 2023, the Board of Supervisors issued a proclamation in recognition of successful cold case investigative work led by Ferguson Township Detective Caleb Clouse. Pictures left to right is Township Manager Centrice Martin, Supervisor Gracie-Griffin, Vice-chair Stephens, Chair Strickland, Detective Clouse, and Supervisor Thompson.

Detective Clouse was also honored to receive the 2022 Centre County Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award and an honorary citation from Senator Chris Dush and the office of Senator Wayne Langerholc Jr.

Free Car Seat Safety Checks

Whether you are a new or seasoned parent, guardian or caregiver, Ferguson Township Police would like to help ensure that your child is secure in your vehicle. Visit www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/police-department/webforms/child-safety-seat-checks to schedule a free appointment with one of our officers certified in child safety seat installation. Ferguson officers will help ensure you have the right seat for your child and show you how to properly install it and fasten the straps.

School Bus Red Light Laws

Motorists are reminded that it is unlawful to pass a school bus with flashing red lights. All school buses in the State College Area School District are fitted with cameras and all violators will be reported. If convicted, violators face a fine of \$250, 5 points on their driving record, and a 60-day license suspension.



2023 Tax Rates

The due dates listed below may be extended because of weekends. Please refer to your tax bill for exact due dates. Contact the Finance Department with any questions you may have at (814) 238-4651.

Township Real Estate

Collector: Ferguson Township
Rate: 2.422 mils, effective January 2023
Due Dates: April 30 - Discount
June 30 - Face amount
December 31 - Deadline to pay

School Real Estate

Collector: Ferguson Township
Rate: 47.6544 mils, effective July 2022 (2022-2023 school year)
Due Dates: August 31 - Discount
October 31 - Face amount
December 31 - Deadline to pay

County Real Estate

Collector: Centre County
Rate: 7.84 mils, effective January 2023
Due Dates: April 30 - Discount
June 30 - Face amount
December 31 - Deadline to pay

Real Estate Transfer Tax

Collector: Centre County
Rate: 2.75 percent, effective January 2023 (of which 1.25 percent goes to the Township, .5 percent goes to the School District, and 1 percent goes to the State)

Township Earned Income Tax

Collector: Centre Tax Agency at Borough of State College
Rate: 1.4 percent, effective January 2023

School Earned Income Tax

Collector: Centre Tax Agency at Borough of State College
Rate: .95 percent, effective July 2022

Local Service Tax

Collector: Centre Tax Agency at Borough of State College
Rate: \$52 per year, effective January 2023 (includes \$47.00 for the Township and \$5.00 for the School District)

Township Adopts 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan

Following two special meetings and solicitation of public comment, the Board of Supervisors adopted the 2024-2028 CIP on August 1, 2023. Visit www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/CIP to view the adopted CIP.

Ferguson Township's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) outlines plans for capital expenses of \$2,500 or more, with a life span of more than one year, including such projects as buildings, roads, and the purchase of major equipment and vehicles.



2024 Operating Budget is Underway!

Special Meetings to review the Township's proposed 2024 Operating Budget are scheduled for October 24, 2023, and October 26, 2023, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Both meetings will be held in a hybrid format at the Township's Main Meeting Room and virtually via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86036178752>.

Suburban Park Improvements Underway

In 2019, a revised master plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors for the 13.75 acre Suburban Park in the Overlook Heights neighborhood. The revised master plan identifies improvements that will enhance the park's natural features and beauty, while providing the opportunity for people of all ages to enjoy active and passive recreation. The construction of improvements began in July with anticipated completion by the end of the year.



While work is being performed, the tennis courts, play area, and pavilion remain open; however, the on-lot parking area is closed to the public. The park can be accessed from Vairo Boulevard and East Aaron Drive. Alternate parking can be found on Marjorie Mae Street or along East Aaron Drive. Special attention should be provided to no parking locations. Suburban Park is located at 101 Suburban Avenue, State College.

Mobility and Lighting Improvements in Pine Grove Mills

A Pine Grove Mills Mobility Study requested by the Board and conducted by the Township Engineer in 2022 identified the need for new parking regulations in PGM. Following approval by the Board on August 1, 2023, parking spaces were painted and new signage was installed within the month.

Also, the Township was awarded \$700,000 of Transportation Alternative Set-Aside funds for the construction of bike and pedestrian improvements, which consists of bike path shoulder improvements on both sides of Pine Grove Road from Deepwood Drive to Ross Street, as well as a sidewalk connection on a section of South Water Street. The project is expected to be completed by the end of 2023.

Other work in PGM includes the addition of banners and decorative lighting throughout the village, as well as the conversion of existing ornamental lights along portions of East Pine Grove Road and Nixon Road to LED lights. Included in this project is the installation of new lighting controls which allow Ferguson Township Public Works to service the lights and remove them from the West Penn Power flat rate fee system, placing them on a metered connection that will reduce costs.

New Accessible Pedestrian Signals

Ferguson Township has installed Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) at the intersection of College Avenue and Bristol Avenue. This makes four locations in the Township that have been fitted with APS buttons to assist visually impaired pedestrians cross safely. Other APS can be found at the intersections of College Avenue and Corl Street, Blue Course Drive and Martin Street, and Aaron Drive and Martin Street.

The APS emit a constant beep to notify pedestrians of the existence and location of the button. After pushing the button, an audible "wait" can be heard, followed by a seven-second percussion tone to alert pedestrians when it is safe to cross. An audible countdown lets pedestrians know how much time is remaining to cross.





The Township Treebune: State of Our Urban Forest

Ferguson Township actively manages over 4,800 street trees, in addition to the thousands of trees located within Township-owned parks and natural areas. In order to obtain an accurate representation of tree resources, the Township recently conducted a street tree inventory and a tree canopy assessment. The findings were instrumental in completing Ferguson Township's five-year Urban Forestry Management Plan.

Tree Inventory Findings

Of the 4,800 street trees, 95% were rated in good condition. Of the 86 various species identified, the most common were honey locust, red maple, and little leaf linden. Using tree diameter as a relative measurement of age, our urban forest is relatively young, with 78% of trees under 12" in diameter.

Currently, the biggest threats to street trees are lawn mower and string trimmer damage to tree trunks and improper mulching techniques (mulch volcanoes). Results suggest the Township should increase age and species diversity in order to improve the quality and resilience of our urban forest.

Canopy Assessment Findings

In 2020, the Township completed a tree canopy assessment to determine canopy change from 2008 to 2019. Records indicated there was a 1.6% increase in overall Township canopy cover since the previous survey in 2008. The Township's percent canopy is an impressive 47%, which is higher than the state average of 40.7%. However, within the growth boundary, a 6% increase with 31% canopy cover was experienced, still below the national average of 33% for metropolitan areas. Tree canopy is increased as a result of the development of agricultural land and planting of street and landscape trees. According to assessment results, 48% of the Township is suitable for additional tree canopy.



2023-2028 Urban Forestry Management Plan

In early 2023, the Ferguson Township Tree Commission and the Township Arborist worked exhaustively to revise and adopt a new Urban Forestry Management plan. The document is represented through a number of these goals:

- Continue to earn the Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA accreditation and Growth Award
- Increase canopy coverage and identify planting opportunities throughout the Township
- Increase species diversity to improve forest resilience to storms and pathogens
- Improve community support, participation, and tree knowledge through education and outreach
- Develop a proactive maintenance plan, including routine inspections and cyclical pruning schedules

Please remember, a permit is required to perform work on Township owned street trees. These trees are generally located in the Right-of-Way between the sidewalk and curb. Some Rights-of-Way are not easily identifiable. A call to the Township can help you identify the responsible party.

If you have any questions regarding your street trees, email the Township Arborist at arborist@twp.ferguson.pa.us or call (814) 238-4651.

Furthering Commitment to Stormwater Management

Bids will be opened on October 3, 2023, for the Park Hills Drainageway Project, which aims to manage stormwater going into the Park Hills Stream stretching from Devonshire Drive to Park Hills Park. The scope of the project includes stormwater management, erosion control, improvement of utilities in the drainageway, and tree preservation. Construction is anticipated to begin late this year with completion by mid-2025.

Utilizing “Regenerative Step Pool Storm Conveyance” (RSPSC), the project addresses existing erosion, flooding and utility problems, restoring native forest/meadow riparian buffers to improve water quality treatment/habitat and promote groundwater recharge. In an ongoing effort to bring the project to fruition, Ferguson Township secured a grant of \$200,000 from the National Fish and Wildlife Fund in 2021 and in 2023, another \$500,000 was awarded by the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) under the Consumptive Use Mitigation Grant Program.

Residential development constructed prior to implementation of modern stormwater management design/treatment is prone to flooding/damage from unmanaged stormwater runoff, in particular, flash runoff from impervious surfaces. The Spring Creek Watershed is identified as “potentially stressed” by SRBC which means the area has “less water available for sustainable water development and warrants more detailed study, enhanced planning, and proactive management to avoid future water use conflicts and impacts”.



Capture and infiltration resulting from the project will result in more robust water quality treatment and more sustained supply to the Spring Creek Aquifer. Analysis estimates between 47.5-50% of annual runoff from 14.02 acres of directly connected impervious area (draining to the drainageway) will be treated and infiltrated, recharging groundwater. A substantial portion of the increased stormwater runoff conveyed by the drainageway is currently captured by karst features in the Big Hollow (drainageway), one of the largest located near the Radio Park Elementary School. It is generally understood that karst features convey water to the Spring Creek aquifer significantly faster, and without some benefits of water quality treatment, than rainfall which is infiltrated into soils higher in the watershed.

Remember, stormwater management is extremely important to the supply and water quality of Spring Creek and drinking water. Illicit materials (fertilizers, pesticides, trash, oil leaks, detergent from car wash, pool or hot tub drainage, sediment, salt, landscaping material, etc.) in stormwater runoff impact our surface and groundwater. An easy way to remember this is “Only Rain in the Drain.” Please report illicit discharge to the Township or Department of Environmental Protection. If you have individual stormwater facilities (anything from downspout roof sumps or drywells to management of larger regional facilities), please ensure the facilities are inspected and maintained in accordance with the approved plans, current ordinances, and state requirements. Please contact the Township if you have any questions or concerns.

¹ Susquehanna River Basin Commission. (2021, June) *Comprehensive Plan for the Water Resources of the Susquehanna River Basin: 2021-2041*. Publication No. 325. <https://www.srbcc.net/our-work/planning/docs/comprehensive-plan.pdf>

Resident Guide to Winter 2023-2024 Operations

Snow Removal Operations

Ferguson Township is responsible for plowing and salting nearly 100 miles of roads. Township staff and equipment operators are constantly working together to improve winter weather maintenance. Each snowfall or ice storm differs, and the individual weather conditions determine when the Public Works Department starts and stops winter maintenance.

Priority is given to the main roads, such as Whitehall Road, Science Park Road, and Blue Course Drive. Once the main roads are cleared, the road crew begins clearing the residential and connecting streets. Learn more about plowing and salting streets by visiting www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/winter-operations.

Residents are encouraged to be prepared for hazardous weather year-round. Be sure to follow reliable news sources for updated information; Ferguson Township staff relies on the National Weather Service as well as the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT). Prior to setting off, motorists can visit www.511PA.com to check conditions on more than 40,000 miles of state-owned roadway.



Snow Regulations

Vehicles parked on streets delay snow plowing efforts. Following two inches of snowfall, until 48 hours after the end of snowfall, all vehicles must be removed from the road. Any remaining vehicles will be ticketed or towed. As a courtesy to the Public Works plow drivers, residents are asked to ensure their household members and/or visitors are not parking on-street when any amount of snow is anticipated.

Residents have 24 hours after snow stops falling to clear their sidewalks. The full width of the path must be cleared.

For complaints and questions, please call the Township at (814) 238-4651 and ask to speak with the corresponding staff:

- Sidewalk issues: Ordinance Enforcement Officer
- Snow removal issues: Road Foreman
- Mailbox damage: Public Works Director

(For damage caused by a Township plow or salt truck, please notify the Township within 48 hours.)

Short-Term Rental Permits



In Ferguson Township, property owners are permitted to operate short-term rentals with some restrictions, which may be found in Chapter 27 of the Ferguson Township Code of Ordinances. The Township requires a Short-Term Rental Permit prior to operating, as well as a rental permit from Centre Region Code Administration. A one-time Short-Term Rental Permit fee of \$25 is required with the application to the Township, which can be found on the Planning and Zoning page of the Township's website.

Land Development Plans Currently Under Review

Replot of Tax Parcel (TP): 24-17-17 and 27-17-18

The parcels are located at 917 Fir Dr and the end of Breezewood Dr, respectively. The proposed uses on both lots are single-family residential and located within the Single-Family Residential (R1) Zoning District.

3610 W College Ave Stack-N-Stor Preliminary Land Development Plan

The parcel is located at 3610 West College Avenue (TP: 24-004-079A-0000), is approximately 4.05 acres and is zoned General Commercial (C) and Corridor Overlay (COD). The plan proposes an 85,423 SF indoor, climate controlled self-storage facility and 3,000 SF of outdoor storage, with associated drive, parking areas, sidewalks, utilities, and drainage improvements.

Lucas Minor Subdivision

This plan proposes a replot of TP: 24-008-008A-0000 (Burkett Living Trust) conveying 0.17 acres to TP: 24-008-005-0000. The parcels are located within the Residential Agricultural (RA) Zoning District.

1900 Circleville Road Preliminary Land Development Plan

The plan proposes the construction of a 3,412 SF structure with 3 single-family semi-attached residential units. The proposal includes 11 parking spaces, driveway, sidewalks and other hardscaping around the structure. The parcel is located at 1900 Circleville Road (TP: 24-004-010-0000), 0.55 acres and is zoned Townhouse Residential District (R3). An existing single-family home on the parcel shall remain.

LeCrone W College Ave Replot Minor Subdivision

This resubmitted plan proposes a lot line adjustment to TP: 24-004-079H (130,074 SF) and 24-004-079I (130,276 SF) to add an additional 80,644 SF to TP: 24-004-079H, for a total lot size of 210,718 SF. TP: 24-004-079I would be decreased to 49,632 SF. The parcels are located within the General Commercial (C) and Corridor Overlay (COD) Zoning District.

Le Crone W College Ave Preliminary Land Development Plan

This property is located at 3490 West College Avenue (TP: 24-004-079H-0000). This plan proposes six (6) Self Storage Facility buildings totaling 94,823 SF and 12 parking spaces. The adjoining property at 3510 West College Avenue (TP: 24-004-079I-0000-) proposes some minor changes to the parking lot. Both are zoned General Commercial (C) and Corridor Overlay District (COD).

IMBT Blue Course Drive Final Subdivision Plan

Located along Blue Course Drive at the intersection with West College Avenue. The purpose of this plan is to subdivide Tax Parcel 24-004-,017A,0000- into one Commercial lot and one Stormwater Management lot. The current lot is 9.234 acres. Proposed Lot 1 will be 6.313 acres and Proposed Lot 2 will be 2.921 acres, The parcel is located within the General Commercial (C) zoning district.

1004/1006 W College Ave Vertical Mixed-Use Preliminary Land Development Plan

This plan proposes construction of a 75 foot, 222,548 SF mixed-use building with two subterranean parking levels containing 159 parking spaces. The ground floor will contain 10,810 SF of commercial space with common areas for residents. The second to seventh floors will house 1-3 bedroom apartments, 107 units (255 beds). The parcel is located within the Terraced Streetscape (TS) Zoning District. TP: 24-002A-051-0000

The Peace Center and Cemetery Preliminary Land Development Plan

The Islamic Society of Central Pennsylvania proposes a cemetery and a faith-based place of assembly at 3765 West College Avenue, TP: 24-004-,078C,0000-. The parcel is 10.16 acres, of which, 2.9 acres will be developed. The proposed building will be approximately 6,000 SF with 30 parking spaces. The parcel is located in the Rural Agriculture (RA) Zoning District.

Terraced Streetscape District Rewrite Update

Discussion on the Terraced Streetscape District (TSD), which is located along West College Avenue between Buckhout Street and Blue Course Drive, has continued throughout 2023 with a presentation by Mackin Engineering in January, a public input meeting in March, along with two joint Planning Commission and Board meetings in June and August.

Adoption of amendments to the TSD ordinances is expected by the end of the year. For more information about the TSD, please visit www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/TSDRewrite.

Placing Political Signs in the Township

With the General Election approaching in November, residents are reminded that, under Ferguson Township's Sign & Billboard Ordinance, political signs are considered "personal expression signs" which are permitted in the Township. However, please keep in mind:



1. Residential lots may have up to three temporary signs in the yard.
2. Personal expression signs are only allowed in the yard; they are not permitted to be placed in the Township's Right-of-Way, which is the area between the sidewalk and the street, or in areas with no sidewalk, this is typically the area between the utility poles and the street.

For questions regarding signs, please contact the Township's Ordinance Officer at (814) 238-4651.

Rules Governing Dogs & Animals Running at Large

Animals considered pets must be under the control of the owner or person having custody of the animal. In the townships of College, Ferguson, Patton, and Harris, pets are permitted only on a leash (maximum 6 foot), and pet owners are required to immediately clean up after their pets.

No pets are permitted in the areas of the playground equipment or picnic pavilions in Township parks or nature center.

Pet Ordinance

This fact sheet is designed to answer frequently asked questions about ownership of dogs, cats, and other pets in Ferguson Township.



OWNERS
All owners of any person having a right of property in any dog, cat or other pet, having custody of that animal, or any person who harbors or permits any animal or pet to remain on or around his or her property.

RUNNING AT LARGE
Any dog, cat or other pet being upon any public highway, street, park, or any other public land, or upon property of another person other than the owner, and not being accompanied by an owner or the owner's agent or any other person having custody of said animal, is deemed running at large.

CURIOUS OF ANIMALS AND REMOVAL OF FEES
No person entering, harboring, or in charge of any pet, will allow this pet to soil, defile, or defecate on any common thoroughfare, sidewalk, park, or any place where people congregate or walk. The owner of any pet may curb the animal in the area between the street and the sidewalk; however, all feces must be removed immediately by a sanitary method and disposed of properly on private property. The owner must also remove and dispose of feces in a sanitary manner.

FAULTS FOR REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF FECES
Failure to remove and dispose of feces in a sanitary manner may result in a fine of \$100 for the first offense. The fine amount increases with each subsequent offense. Any default of payment of any fine and costs could result in commitment to the County Jail for a period of thirty days.

RABIES LAW
Rabies vaccinations are required under the Pennsylvania Rabies Inactivation Law. This law was enacted in February 1995 and requires dogs and cats to be vaccinated against rabies when the animal reaches three months of age.

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RABIES LAW (continued)
This law aims to protect both humans and animals. Dogs and cats often have contact with wild animals that could be infected with rabies. Unvaccinated dogs and cats could spread the disease to humans. The fee for rabies vaccination of dogs is \$10.00 per year for the first year and \$5.00 per year thereafter.

Anyone who has a concern about possible rabies in an animal, or who may have been exposed to a rabid animal, should contact the Department of Health at (814) 865-9992. Testing of a possibly rabid animal is offered free of charge through the State Veterinary Laboratory in Harrisburg.

RECORD OF DOGS AND CATS IN FERGUSON TOWNSHIP
In Ferguson Township, it is unlawful for the owner of any dog, cat or other pet to allow or permit the animal to run at large. The first time a dog, cat or other pet is seized, the owner shall pay a fine of \$15.00 to the Township, as well as fees for keeping the animal in a kennel.

Any person allowing a dog, cat or other pet to run at large or a third time could be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$100.00, and/or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 60 days.

LICENSES
The owner of any dog that has reached three months of age or other must obtain a dog license on or before January 1st of each year. Dog licenses may be obtained through the Centre County Treasurer's Office at 430 Market Street in the Williamsport Building, Williamsport, PA 17703. Office hours are 8:30 am - 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT PET LAWS
Contact the Township's Ordinance Officer at (814) 238-4651, extension 3737, or send an email to ordinance@twp.ferguson.pa.us

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Regional Partners

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Centre Region Emergency Management
Phone: (814) 235-7838
www.crcog.net/em

Centre Region Code Agency
Phone: (814) 231-3056
www.crcog.net/codes

Centre Region Parks & Recreation
Phone: (814) 231-3071
www.crpr.org

Centre Regional Planning Agency
Phone: (814) 231-3050
www.crcog.net/planning

Alpha Fire Company
Phone: (814) 237-4127
www.alphafire.com

Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority
Phone: (814) 238-7005
www.centrecountyrecycles.org

Schlow Centre Region Library
Phone: (814) 237-6236
www.schlowlibrary.org

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Township of Ferguson

Brush & Leaf Collection

LEAF COLLECTION	BRUSH COLLECTION
April 3 & 17	April 3 & 17
May 1	May 1
June 5	June 5
July 3	July 3
August 7	August 7
September 5	September 5
October 2	October 2 & 16
<small>(then daily until December 11 unless winter weather prevents collection)</small>	November 6
	December 4*
	<small>(unless weather prevents collection)</small>

Place loose piles curbside by 7 a.m. at the start
of each collection week.

Recycling & Refuse Schedule

*There will be no collection on the following holidays,
with a one-day delay for the rest of that week:*

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

December 25 - Christmas Day

January 1 - New Year's Day

Fall Bulk Waste Collection

October 16-20

More information at www.centrecountyrecycles.org

Christmas Tree Collection

January 8-12