



June 2023 e-Newsletter

**New Agenda Portal, Food Truck Permits, Road Micro-Surfacing,
and More!**

Ferguson Township's New Agenda and Meeting Management Software



Ferguson Township has partnered with CivicPlus[®] to implement its CivicClerk[®] agenda and meeting management solution. This software will streamline the automation of the Township's agenda and meeting minutes management processes and enable convenient access by citizens to public records.

With Ferguson Township's use of CivicClerk, citizens will benefit from such conveniences as the ability to download PDFs of agendas, meeting minutes, agenda packets, and other documents, and a dedicated citizen portal with email subscription capabilities.

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Ferguson Township Upcoming Events

June 19

Closed for Juneteenth

June 20

[Tree Commission Meeting
Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting](#)

June 22

[Pine Grove Mills Small Area
Plan Advisory Committee
Meeting
Board of Supervisors Special
Meeting for Ward I Vacancy
Interviews](#)

June 26

[Planning Commission
Meeting](#)

July 4

Closed for Independence
Day

July 10

[Planning Commission
Meeting](#)

Regional News



Food Scraps Drop-off Sites

The Centre Region Council of Governments and Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority, in partnership with the State College Borough Compost Facility, are hosting a pilot program for more sustainable management of our kitchen waste by establishing five food scraps drop-off sites.

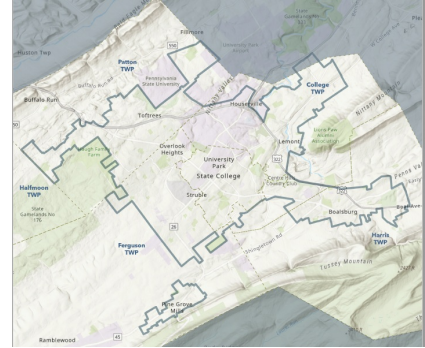
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Celebrate Safely PA Fireworks Safety Tips

Residents are encouraged to be mindful of neighbors and pets that might be affected by your celebrations this Fourth of July. And to raise awareness about firework safety and reduce the number of consumer fireworks-related injuries, the Burn Prevention Network has shared some helpful fireworks tips.

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Regional Growth Boundary and Sewer Service Area Presentation

At the Board of Supervisors regular meeting on June 6, 2023, Jim May, Director of the Centre Regional Planning Agency (CRPA), gave a presentation to the Board on the Regional Growth Boundary (RGB) and Sewer Service Area (SSA).

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Pine Grove Mills Farmers Market

3-7PM EVERY THURSDAY 6/8-9/28
PINE GROVE MILLS FARMERS MARKET
 Community-run/Producer-only market
 St. Paul Lutheran Church Parking Lot
 277 W. Pine Grove Rd/Rt 45

Local, seasonal produce, meats, coffee, bakery & more! Food trucks & entertainment some weeks. Follow us on Facebook & Instagram for updates!

pgmfarmersmarket.com

The Pine Grove Mills Farmers Market is back for the season. The market features a variety of local vendors and entertainment every Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. through September 28, 2023.

The Pine Grove Mills Farmers Market is located at the St. Paul Lutheran Church parking lot, 227 West Pine Grove Road.

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Administration News

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Events This Month

Diversity, Equity & INCLUSION

- Month-long **Immigrant Heritage Month**
- Month-long **Pride Month**
- Month-long **National Caribbean-American Heritage Month**
- June 10 **Pride Day**
- June 19 **Juneteenth**

Ferguson Township Public Works Building LEED® Plaque Ceremony



A ceremony was held on May 25, 2023, to present Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) GOLD certification to the Ferguson Township Public Works Building.

Ferguson Township achieved LEED GOLD certification awarded by the U.S. Green Building Council for implementing practical and measurable strategies and solutions in areas including sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality.

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Coffee and Conversation

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Friday, July 14, 2023

8:00-9:30am

The Naked Egg Café

320 Pine Grove Rd
State College, PA 16801



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FERGUSON
Pennsylvania

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Planning & Zoning News

Terraced Streetscape District Rewrite Update

On June 14, 2023, the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission held a joint worksession to discuss the Terraced Streetscape District (TSD) Rewrite.

C-NET's footage of the meeting will air on Channel 7:

- Friday, June 16 at 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 17 at noon
- Sunday, June 18 at 12:00 a.m.
- Monday, June 19 air 8:00 a.m.

A [recording of the meeting](#) is also available online.

[TSD INFO HUB](#)

Food Trucks in Ferguson Township

In Ferguson Township, food trucks are permitted to operate anywhere in the Township and must obtain a Mobile Food Vendor Permit and a Health Permit.



Police News

Bicycle Safety



As more cyclists hit the roads during this lovely spring weather, this is a reminder of basic precautions for motorists and riders alike.

Motorists should be sure to allow at least 4 feet of space when passing a cyclist on the road. Slow down when approaching a cyclist and do not attempt to overtake on a hill or a turn. Wait until the road ahead is visibly clear.

Cyclists are urged to wear a helmet, and all riders under the age of 12 are required by law to do so. Wear vibrant colors, and use reflectors with a head light, especially between sunset to sunrise.

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Public Works News

Micro-Surfacing Work

Multiple streets in the vicinity of Hunters Chase, Turnberry, Middle Street, Park Center Boulevard, Old Gatesburg Road, and Morengo Road in Ferguson Township are currently undergoing micro-surfacing.

Micro-surfacing is a process in which a liquid-oil and crushed rock mixture is applied in two applications to asphalt pavement. This process protects the surface of the road from the effects of natural aging and the environment caused by inclement weather, excessive heat and the searing effects of the sun.

During the micro-surfacing process, streets being worked on will have one lane closed at a time, and affected residents have already been notified of the work.

The project is projected to take two weeks to complete but is weather dependent.

[MORE INFORMATION & WORKZONE MAPS](#)

Pine Grove Mills Light Conversion Work

Work on the Pine Grove Mills Street Light Conversion project began in early June and is scheduled for completion this fall.

The project involves rewiring existing ornamental lights in Pine Grove Mills and installing new power supplies and new power cutoffs to allow them to be serviced by Ferguson Township Public Works.

Work will be performed on Nixon Road and East Pine Grove Road. There will be no road closures, but flaggers may be used to direct traffic as needed.

The lights in the work zone will be out of service for the duration of the project.



Presentation on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System and Ferguson Township's Stormwater Management Program

On June 6, 2023, Ferguson Township Stormwater Engineer Aaron Jolin presented to the Board of Supervisors on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) and Ferguson Township's Stormwater Management Program.

Mr. Jolin's presentation highlighted the importance of stormwater management in maintaining the Township's MS4 Permit.



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THE TOWNSHIP TREEBUNE

Given this current dry spell, please consider looking out for private and public trees as you would for neighbors and animals that would be susceptible to exposure to high heat and lack of water.

Here are a few tips:

- For every inch of diameter of tree, provide 10 gallons of water every week. Here are some helpful watering tips from the Arbor Day Foundation. [Arbor Day Watering Tips](#)
- To avoid susceptibility to pathogens, avoid pruning while trees are heat/water stressed. If pruning is necessary, avoid pruning more than 15 percent at one time.
- Consider contacting a Certified Arborists to come inspect your trees and provide recommendations for treatment. If unsure whether you can afford their services, they can let you know whether estimates are free.
- If you see public street trees that appear to be rapidly declining in health, potentially suffering a disease, or pose a safety hazard please contact the Township Arborist at 814-238-4651 or email at arborist@twp.ferguson.pa.us.

Thanks for caring for our Township's many quiet, stoic and graceful neighbors.

Next Round of Brush and Leaf Collection: July 3

Another round of brush and leaf collection will kick off the week of July 3, 2023.



Please pile your brush and leaves separately in loose piles by the curb no later than 7 a.m. at the start of each collection week.

SCHEDULE & GUIDELINES

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Learn More About Township Authorities, Boards, and Commissions

- [Planning Commission](#)
- [Parks & Recreation Committee](#)
- [Board of Supervisors](#)
- [Tree Commission](#)
- [Zoning Hearing Board](#)
- [Pine Grove Mills Small Area Plan Advisory Committee](#)
- [Tax Review Board](#)
- [Industrial & Commercial Development Authority](#)

Helpful Links

Finance & Tax

- [2021 Tax Rates and Information](#)
- [2022 Operating Budget](#)
- [2022 - 2026 Capital Improvement Plan](#)

Planning & Zoning

- [Active Development Proposals](#)
- [Past Initiatives](#)
- [Zoning 101](#)
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Police Department

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Public Works

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- [Current Contracts](#)
- [Stormwater Fee Study](#)