

Plumstead Township

BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Summer 2022



PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

David A. Mettin - Chief of Police



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Plumstead Township Police Swear in New Officers

On March 8th, Patrick R. Keller was sworn in as a full-time police officer by Magisterial District Judge Gary Gambardella during the Board of Supervisor's meeting.

Officer Keller is a 2016 graduate of Widener University where he earned his Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice and was on the men's lacrosse team. After graduation, Patrick worked with the Office of Public Defender in Montgomery County in an office support role. In 2018, he began working with the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania as a Case Interviewer in the Electronic Monitoring Unit.



In May of 2020, Patrick graduated from the Philadelphia Police Academy. Patrick has since served with the Philadelphia Police Department as a Police Officer, proactively patrolling high crime areas, enforcing the laws of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code and Vehicle Code as well as engaging community members to improve quality of life issues.

On April 12th, Matthew F. Foedisch was sworn in as a full-time officer by Magisterial District Judge Gary Gambardella.

Matthew is a graduate of Archbishop Wood Catholic High School and a 2020 graduate of Penn State University where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology. He is a 2021 graduate of the Temple University Police Academy, where he earned the top academic achievement award.

Both Patrick and Matthew bring qualities that will allow them to be assets to the Plumstead Township Police Department and our community.

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 Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Police Department
 5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA 18947
 Office: 215-766-8741 • Dispatch: 215-766-8740
 Fax: 215-766-8509
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 5119 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA 18947
 Office: 215-766-0189 • Fax: 215-766-1439
 Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Tax Collector - Sherry Labs
 6162 German Road, P.O. Box 433, Plumstead, PA 18949
 Telephone: 215-766-3785
 Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

State Representative - Shelby Labs
 Silo Hill Professional Building, 1032 N. Easton Road, Doylestown, PA
 Telephone: 215-489-2126
 Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Water Department
 Billing Questions: 215-766-0189
 Repairs & Maintenance: 215-766-0189
 For after hours service disruption or non-emergency issues of concern, please contact Police Dispatch at 215-766-8740. Identify yourself as a Plumstead Township Water Department customer. The dispatcher will contact the on-duty officer, who will then contact the on-call Public Works personnel. For Police, Fire, or Medical Emergencies: 911

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Zoning Officer: Kelsey Harris
Municipal Administrator: Michelle Storti

Meetings:

The Board of Supervisors meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each Month at 7PM (except where otherwise noted) and the Work Sessions will be held on the 4th Tuesday of the month (as necessary).

The Planning Commission meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7PM.

The Zoning Hearing Board meets at the call of the Chairman.

The Environmental Advisory Council meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.

All meetings are held at the Township Building unless otherwise noted on the Township calendar.

SAVE THE DATE

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. **Tennis** 3/27 - 10/2
2. **Yoga in the Park** (Saturday / Hanusey) 4/16 - 6/25
3. **Archery** (Summer session) 5/23 - 6/30
4. **Memorial Day Observance at Veterans Park** 5/28
(rain date 5/29)
5. **Summer Blood Drive** 6/8
6. **Movie in the Park** 6/10
7. **Camp Plumstead** 6/13 - 6/17
8. **Theatre Camp** 6/20 - 6/24
9. **Multi-Sport Camp** (9 weeks to choose from) 6/27 - 8/26
10. **Dance Camp** (6 weeks to choose from) 7/11 - 8/19
11. **Summer Concert** (Barefoot Bobby) 7/15
12. **Phila Union Soccer Camp** 8/1 - 8/4
13. **Summer Concert** (Highway Run) 8/19
14. **Movie in the Park** September
15. **Fall Blood Drive** 9/22/22
16. **Halloween/Trick or Treat** 10/22 (rain date 10/23)
17. **Veterans Day Celebration at Veterans Park** 11/12
18. **Tree Lighting/Winter Festival** 12/3 (rain date 12/4)

Committees

TIPS FOR A MORE ECO-FRIENDLY SUMMER

1. **Replace disposable products with reusable items for cookouts and picnics:** Instead of plastic disposable products, you can use compostable disposable plates, wooden utensils, silicone cups, compostable trash bags, and reusable food wraps made from beeswax.
2. **Use Reusable Water Bottles:** With a wide-range of alternatives to single-use plastic bottles, bring a refillable and reusable bottle with you wherever you go, so you can stay hydrated.
3. **Dry Laundry on a Clothesline:** Hanging your clothes out to dry instead of using a dryer conserves energy and save money on your energy bill. Also, this can reduce the wear and tear on your clothing.
4. **Keeping Your House Cool During Hot Summer Days and Saving You Money:**
 - a. Lowering the Shades-Keeps your house cooler and your energy bill lower.
 - b. Using Ceiling Fans-Running them in a counterclockwise position pushes cool air down and helps keep a rooms temperature consistent throughout the day, which reduces the need for an air conditioner to run constantly.
 - c. Minimize the Use of Larger Electronics and Ovens: Being mindful that certain large electronic devices and ovens produce a considerable amount of heat. Therefore, reducing their use and finding cooking alternatives, such using a smaller toaster oven, crockpots, etc.
5. **Alternative Modes of Transportation:** When it is possible to do so, walk, bike, or take a form of public transportation to get to your destination. If you do drive, remember to minimize idling, especially during hot days when air quality could already be poor.
6. **Growing Vegetables, Fruit, and Native Plants:** By planting native plants around your yard, you are supporting biodiversity and the things that rely on these important ecosystem services. Additionally, growing a garden of regularly used vegetables and fruit can save you time and money when preparing meals.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL TREE PLANTING

On Saturday, April 9, 2022, the Plumstead Township Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) planted three native swamp red maples to the existing line of trees which are a variation of swamp red and sugar maples on Miriam Drive. Members of the Committee, the Townships' Arborist, and a few volunteers came out, despite the rain, to plant the trees.

If you are interested in attending upcoming EAC events, visit www.plumstead.org for more information!



Committees

UPDATE ON MILITARY MEMBERS WITH CONNECTION TO PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP

Lieutenant Colonel Daniel Hilferty, son of Plumstead Township residents Dan and Mary Beth Hilferty will be graduating from the Air War College in May 2022. LTC Hilferty is a 2002 Air Force Academy graduate, a C130 and E11A pilot who has been deployed on numerous occasions accumulating over 1500 combat hours. After graduating the Air War College LTC Hilferty will be assigned to Scott Air Force Base in Illinois.

Private Zachary Adelsberger, Doylestown resident and graduate of Central Bucks West and MBIT and grandson of Plumstead Township residents Arlene and Jerry Fox. Pvt. Adelsberger is currently attending Advance Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas for Military Occupation Specialty 68W Medic. Pvt. Adelsberger is a member of the Army National Guard.

Private First-Class Justin D. O'Hara, son of Al and Michelle Harvey of Plumstead township took his oath of enlistment and entered the Marine Corps delayed enlistment program on December 16, 2020. He is a graduate of Central Bucks High School West class of 2021. Justin graduated from Marine Corps Recruit Depot. Parris Island South Carolina on October 29, 2021. Pfc O'Hara is awaiting entrance into the Landing Support Specialist School in Jacksonville, North Carolina.

About the Veterans Committee

Plumstead Township Veterans Committee is composed of the following veterans: Dave Brauer, US Navy; Jessica Clymer, US Marine Corps; Jerry Fox, US Army; Ollie Groman, US Coast Guard; Jim McComb, US Marine Corps; John Murphy, US Army & US Navy; Marlena Parker, US Air Force. Our liaison to the Board of Supervisors is Dan Hilferty, US Army. Kathy Albert and Michelle Harvey are also members of the Committee

The committee meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Plumstead Township building. We encourage all to participate especially our fellow veterans.

Thanks to all who are serving and have served. Freedom is not free.

Upcoming Events

Please save the date our Veterans Day event will be held on November 12, 2022 at 9:00am at the Plumstead Veterans Park located at the corner of Easton Rd. and Old Easton Rd. just in front of the Plumstead Christian School. Breakfast will be served inside the Plumstead Christian School after a brief outdoor service.

Employee Spotlight

Jane Faunce – I married my best friend and childhood sweetheart over 45 years ago and have been happily married ever since. We moved to an older home in Warrington that needed a lot of work but the neighborhood look like a Norman Rockwell magazine cover, we bought it and have been working on it over the years. I have three great kids and three fur babies. Chris and I are home bodies, we like to work on our home and garden, watch movies, take long drives and just enjoy being with family and friends.



Jane Faunce

Kevin Larkin – Detective Larkin was hired with Plumstead Township Police Department in 2002. He loves what he does and enjoys serving the community.

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KAREN "BETSY" HELSEL

Plumstead Township recently lost one of its most dedicated public officials whose service in office had such an important impact on the quality of life in our community.

Karen " Betsy " Helsel grew up in Doylestown Borough and graduated from CB West High School and went on to obtain a political science degree from Temple University. She subsequently moved to Plumstead Township in the early 1980's while working as a top aide and advisor to State Senator David Heckler. Senator Heckler was instrumental in passing state legislation to allow Counties and Local Municipalities the legislative tools and resources for land preservation during the early 1990's when pressure from residential land development was changing the face or our local communities and our school districts across Bucks County and what we knew previously as farmland and open spaces.

Betsy was passionate about the need to preserve Plumstead's agricultural and rural heritage and subsequently was elected to the then 3 member Township Board of Supervisors . She subsequently was selected by her fellow supervisors to serve as Chairperson of the Board, the first woman too ever hold that position in Plumstead Township. From that position she worked closely with fellow supervisors Dan Crooke and myself to direct residential development through a thorough update of Plumstead Township's Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan into portions of the Township with higher density and existing infrastructure while also working to preserve agricultural lands and open spaces throughout the Township. Under Betsy's leadership Plumstead Township worked closely with Bucks County and local landowners to develop and implement a land preservation strategy that resulted in significant open space preservation as well as preservation of the quality of life for all residents of the Township, old and new alike. Plumstead Townships population increased three fold during this time of transition while farms and open space were preserved – a total of approximately 4000 acres today. When necessary the Township opposed developments that did not comply with subdivision and zoning ordinances as Betsy was fully committed to the best interests of Plumstead Township residents. She was a tough smart supervisor at a time when the Township needed strong leadership with a vision for the future. Those of you who remember Betsy can attest to her strength and strong will to do what she believed was right over that which was merely expedient.

Dan , I and others will always remember our service with Betsy. We believe that we made a difference at that time and did what was right for the Township that we all know, love and call our home. When you pass some beautiful parks, farms or other preserved open space please think of Betsy and her passionate service as Plumstead Township Supervisor and Chairperson. Her time and commitment to our community can be seen every day around Plumstead Township and is her greatest legacy to all of us.

Rest at Peace Forever Betsy and Thank You

Frank Froio – Former Supervisor



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You can attract birds by planting native plants that mimic natural habitats, plants that offer shelter and food such as sunflowers. Add a bird bath and additional food sources such as bird feeders and suet feeders that can help year-round offerings. Make sure you clean your bird feeders and replenish the food often.

Don't forget the hummingbirds. Hang hummingbird feeders in April & May. Buy a feeder with red components. The feeder should be filled with a solution containing one part sugar and four parts water (avoid commercial mixtures). Place feeders in a somewhat shaded area near a flower bed. Smear petroleum jelly on the string/pole to keep ants from reaching the feeders. Hummingbirds may set up shop in your yard and entertain you from May – September before heading south. Don't forget to clean your feeder at least once a week.



Sources: PA Audubon & PA Game Commission

FUN FACT: Hummingbirds are the only species of birds that are able to fly backwards for any length of time



DISCOUNT AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS

Plumstead Township will be offering discount tickets again this year. Watch our website for all the details!!

<https://www.plumstead.org/discount-tickets.html>



SUMMER CAMP

Are you looking for a Summer Camp for your child this Summer? Plumstead Township has numerous camps to choose from. Some camps are one week, some are multiple weeks of your choosing.

Visit our P&R website page for all the descriptions & registration information.

<https://www.plumstead.org/camp-events.html>

2022 BUCKS COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS

Registration is not required in Bucks County this year.

April 2	Lower Bucks	Bucks County Community College 275 Swamp Road, Newtown, Newtown Township
May 7	Upper Bucks	Upper Bucks Area Vocational Technical School 3115 Ridge Road, Perkasie, Bedminster Township
June 25	Central Bucks	Central Bucks South High School 1100 Folly Road, Warrington, Warrington Township
August 13	Lower Bucks	Bensalem High School 4319 Hulmeville Road, Bensalem, PA 19020
October 8	Upper Bucks	Strayer Middle School 1200 Ronald Reagan Drive, Quakertown, Richland Township



Collection events run from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM
Rain or shine



What You Can Bring

Up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products. Hazardous products will have cautionary words on the label, for example: *Danger, Warning, or Caution*. Other words or phrases that can signal hazardous products include: *poisonous, hazardous, combustible, flammable, corrosive, volatile, caustic, irritant, explosive, toxic, use with adequate ventilation, or avoid inhaling*.

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- DDT	- Spot Remover	- Antifreeze	- Lithium Batteries
- Malathion	Caustics	- CFLs (fluorescent bulbs)	- Re-Chargeable Batteries
- Sevin	- Ammonia-based Cleaners	- Mercury	Lead-Acid Batteries
- Rodent Poison	- Degreasers	- Photographic Chemicals	- Car
Flammables	- Drain Cleaner	- Pool Chemicals	- Marine
- Aerosols	- Household Lye	- Rust/Paint Remover	- Motorcycle
- Gas/Oil Mixture	- Metal Cleaner	- Weed Killer	- Truck
- Gasoline	- Oven Cleaner		Propane Tanks
- Heating / Motor Oil			- Mini Propane Tanks Only (2 lbs. or less)
- Kerosene			

What You Can't Bring

- ELECTRONICS**-TVs-Computers-Cell Phones-Any Corded Devices
- LATEX PAINT**-Non-Hazardous Waste/Water-based*
- Appliances**-with or without Freon
- Asbestos**
- Explosives / Ammunition**
- Gas Cylinders**
- Household Batteries**-Regular Alkaline
- Medical Waste / Prescription Drugs**
- Non-Hazardous Waste**
- PCBs**
- Pressurized CFCs / Freon**
- Propane Tanks**-Greater than 16 oz.
- Smoke Detectors**
- Radioactive Waste**
- Tires**
- Unidentified Waste**

*Remove lid to allow to air dry or mix with absorbent (e.g., kitty litter) until no longer a liquid and discard in plastic trash bag.

For additional information on disposal options, contact:

Bucks County Planning Commission
www.buckscounty.gov/recycling
 215-345-3400
 or
 The PADEP Recycling Hotline at
 1-800-346-4242

Why bring your household hazardous wastes to a scheduled event?

Household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It is also not safe to pour them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.



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Departments

Plumstead Township Police Department

PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP POLICE CAMERA REGISTRY

Do you have a Ring doorbell camera, outside security camera or commercial video security system on your home or business?

As you know, video technology has become a common thread in deterring, investigating, and prosecuting criminal activity in today's society. Subsequently, our officers spend considerable time after a crime has occurred searching the area for any video surveillance that may be available. In some cases, we may not be aware of certain facilities that have cameras and thus critical evidence may be overlooked that would help us identify criminals. We are asking for our communities' partnership in identifying locations of video surveillance in advance by registering your business or residential camera systems with our department so we can easily view where available evidence may be located in advance of a crime. This partnership will help us better serve you!

By participating in this **voluntary program**, you are helping the Plumstead Township Police Department swiftly locate nearby cameras that may be able to aide with active investigations and most importantly help deter crimes from occurring within your community.

Your submissions are kept confidential and only local Law Enforcement agencies can access the information. When needed, the Plumstead Township Police Department may contact you to obtain a copy of your video recordings that could be relevant to an investigation.

At no time will law enforcement have access to a live feed or your secured video without authorization.

To access the registry, simply go to the Plumstead Township CrimeWatch site. Under the "Forms" tab, click on "Camera Registry".



PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP POLICE HIRE A NEW POLICE SECRETARY

On March 1st, the Plumstead Township Police Department hired Jennifer Bodder as the department's new Police Secretary. Prior to coming to Plumstead Township, Jennifer worked as a police secretary with the Central Bucks Regional Police Department.



Public Works

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Leaf waste is picked up by public works in the fall each year. Typically, we stockpile the material and rotate the piles to enhance breakdown. We then provide the material for pick up and use as mulch in gardens and flower beds.

Over the past 4 years, a local manufacturing company has been accepting some of the material to compost into their community garden. Employees of the company give back to the community by working the ground, growing, and ultimately sharing the "fruits" of their labor by donating the vegetables to a local food pantry and organizations in need.

Plumstead Township, on behalf of its residents, thank this company for their community-mindedness.

SUMMER ROAD WORK SCHEDULED

Public Works crews will be busy this summer as maintenance and reconstruction projects are carried out. The following projects are scheduled for completion:

- Milling and paving of Silo Hill Road between North Easton Road and Point Pleasant Pike
- Crack/void sealing of streets in Cabin Run development
- Road edge milling on Meetinghouse Road and a portion of Old Easton Road
- Repair of the stone walls, installation of a wall cap and safety guiderail at a stone arch culvert that carries Old Easton Road traffic at Curly Hill Road
- Storm inlet repair and micro-surface paving of all the streets in Country Greene development

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM – WATER SYSTEM

Plumstead Township maintains a database of water system customer service contacts in the event the need arises for us to contact you regarding an issue with the water system. Many homes have eliminated "landline" phones that were previously registered with our system. If you are unsure if we have the correct contact information for you, please call Pam at the Public Works office at 215-766-0189 to confirm or update your information. The ability for us to contact you in an emergency is required by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

THANK YOU FOR 27 YEARS!

Happy Retirement R. Scott Schurr aka "Skip"!

During his employment, Scott was key to the preventative maintenance and minor repair program for maintaining the police departments patrol fleet, he participated in the reconstruction of over 20 miles of Township roads over the past 25 years and was the Township's first administration/police department building maintenance "engineer". This was the position he was hired for but after several years he transitioned and worked primarily with public works on the roads.



Water Department

WATER SYSTEM NOTES

Calls come into the Public Works office from time to time regarding water quality concerns and excess use issues.

Potable water is provided to customers from ground water wells across the township. Most notable is the high, naturally occurring, mineral content (hardness) that can cause a light discoloration and sediment build up. The township addresses this concern by flushing the system through fire hydrants at least annually. Flushing moves a large volume of water all at once, up, and out of the system through a fire hydrant. This carries sediment and other naturally occurring elements that have settled out in the water main.

From time to time, we receive calls about "cloudy" water. In most cases, this is simply air in the water. If you fill a clear glass from your tap and see cloudiness, let the glass sit for several minutes and the air will dissipate. You will know it was air even if you were to take a spoon and quickly stir the water in the glass. The water should remain clear. Air can enter the home plumbing through malfunctioning equipment or leaks.



In almost every situation, when we receive a call regarding low or no pressure, it is likely caused by something within the home. Typically, a whole house water filter, specialized water treatment equipment, or a malfunctioning water softener is the likely cause. In rare cases the cause can be hydrant use for a fire, or a water main break. Each of these appliances requires some level of service on a regular basis. Malfunctions include filters not being changed at regular intervals and are a common cause for quality issues.

A malfunctioning water softener that was installed and had never been serviced was the recent cause for an extremely high water bill. Thousands of gallons of water went "down the drain" and had to be paid for by the customer. Please consult owner's manuals and reputable service companies for more information on the proper management of these appliances. Adding salt and allowing the unit to automatically backwash are not the only things that need to be done to a water softener.

Finally, you can check your water usage by simply monitoring the water meter in your home. At a quiet time when no use is occurring, stand at your water meter. The numbers/dial should not be moving. If it is, you may have a toilet leaking or other appliance allowing water to flow freely. You can read your own meter on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis and calculate your usage to see if you believe it to be within a normal range.

We have a responsibility to provide clean, safe water, and we do. While we cannot offer specific advice, we hope that these few general topics will be seriously considered as a part of your normal home maintenance and care.

PUBLIC WATER CUSTOMERS

We need your help!

Every three years, the PADEP requires the Township to gather water samples from homes in each of the four water systems to participate in Lead & Copper testing of the water inside your residence.

Participants must be able to provide a water sample that has not gone through any water filters or treatment systems such as a water softener or UV treatment.

Lead & Copper testing is done during the 3rd quarter of the year (July, August or September) at no charge to you. The Township will provide the results of the testing to you as they become available.

To participate or for more information, please contact Public Works at 215-766-0189 or by email pgravel@plumstead.gov. Thank you.

ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT NOTICE REMINDER

Plumstead Township is required to complete an annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) for all water system customers. The report gives basic information on the system and test results.

The 2021 reports will be available around July 1. Visit our Water Department page on the Township website <https://www.plumstead.org/forms.html>

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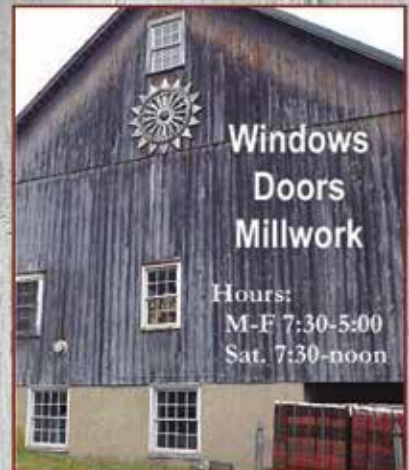
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