



The  **Harmony Township**  
 Summer edition 2017 **Quarterly**



HELP KEEP HARMONY TOWNSHIP A GREAT PLACE TO PLAY, LEARN, WORK, SHOP, WORSHIP AND LIVE!

**Visit the Virtual Municipal Building**

**Website Address** | [www.harmonytwp.com](http://www.harmonytwp.com)

The website for Harmony Township is different from a few months ago because it has been completely redesigned and updated with the users in mind. Some virtual visitors have described the website layout as “clean,” “sleek,” “helpful,” and “very organized.”

From the homepage featuring a vintage, black and white photograph of the Municipal Building to the nine (9) links across the top with drop-down menus, the website offers a user-friendly, virtual experience without the trip to the “real building,” which is convenient for anyone who works during the Township’s normal business hours.

For instance, the Department pages identify the managing personnel, includes their contact information, and the PDF version of the most relevant or requested documents and applications specific to the departments.

The vision for the Harmony Township website is to construct a virtual experience for a municipal building that is just a few clicks away. Visit often.



**Official Notice of Proposed Ordinance**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Commissioners of Harmony Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, shall act on a proposed ordinance at a public meeting held July 19, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Municipal Building, 2501 Woodland Road, Harmony Township, PA, of which this Notice is a summary.

The proposed Ordinance would adopt the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code to govern the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures situate in the Township of Harmony. The proposed Ordinance also provides standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use and the demolition of said structures; the issuance of permits and collection of fees; and providing for penalties for violations.

A full text of the proposed Ordinance is available for inspection and review during business hours at the office of the Township Secretary.

**The Commissioners’ Corner**

Mr. Glenn Angus, Chairman  
 Mr. Paul Kokoski, Vice Chairman  
 Mr. Bradley Payne  
 Mr. Michael Marticek  
 Mr. Donald Gunther

The Board of Commissioners meet the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM.  
 2501 WOODLAND ROAD | AMBRIDGE

Congratulations to Commissioner Marticek who secured a grant award for the Harmony Township Police Department in the amount of \$2000 from the Pennsylvania Police Assistance Foundation. The grant award will be used to purchase DUI Breathalyzer Equipment for the Police Department.

To help acknowledge Commissioner Marticek for his dedication to improving the resources available to the Police Department, the Pennsylvania Police Assistance Foundation will travel to present the award to him personally for a job well done.

**Children’s Co-Ed Summer Sports Camp**

N Zone Sports will offer a weeklong, multi-sport, co-ed camp at Dearborn Park, which will be open to youths entering second grade through eighth grade this coming schoolyear.

The directors of the N Zone Sports Camp will introduce the boys and girls to several sports by teaching them the basic skills of each game, and the children demonstrate the skills learned in drills and scrimmage games.

**Dates:** July 31, 2017 - August 04, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 AM – Noon

**Fee:** \$99 (Scholarships Available)

Register today for a fun, learning experience that promotes teamwork, sportsmanship, confidence, and self-esteem.

Visit the N Zone Sports website for more details and to register a child.

[www.nzonesports.com/pittsburgh](http://www.nzonesports.com/pittsburgh)

## First-Class Neighborly Practices

### Grass

Township Ordinance mandates that grass must not exceed six (6) inches in height. Cut grass regularly. Please lend a helping hand to neighbors in need.

### Building Numbers

The Property Maintenance Code mandates that all buildings in Harmony Township have proper numerals for addresses. Install block-style numbers at least four (4) inches in height placed in a position plainly legible and visible from the front streets to ensure emergency personnel can identify properties.

### Off-Street Parking

Refrain from blocking the roadway or travel lanes. Remove boats and utility/travel trailers from the streets, the berms, and the front yard lawns.

### Barking Dogs

Owners, please be mindful of the neighbors, especially late at night.

### Garbage Day – Thursday (except some holidays)

Kindly take refuse cans out within ten (10) hours prior to trash pick-up. Retrieve empty refuse cans within ten (10) hours after trash pick-up. Please stow trash cans on the sides or backsides of houses.

### Outdoor Storage

The following items are prohibited from outdoor storage: unlicensed and uninspected vehicles, refrigerators, stoves, washers, laundry tubs, televisions, mechanical/ electrical equipment, large tools, and building/construction materials.

## Featured Ordinance No. 413

Enacted on July 15, 2015, the Official Ordinance No. 413 declares that Harmony Township prohibits outdoor burning **except** for the two (2) types that shall be permitted.

1. Cooking food for immediate consumption in a device with fire generated by gas, wood, or charcoal-type material which is confined to the interior dimensions of the **grilling device** which is designed for the exclusive use of food preparation.
2. Burning activity designed for decorative or heating purposes which is confined to the interior dimensions of a device commonly or commercially referred to as a **“fire table,”** an **“outdoor fireplace,”** or a **“fire bowl.”**



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## Important Contacts

Municipal Building: 724-266-1910

Sewage Department: 724-266-1910 ext. 101

Police ~ Non-Emergency: 724-266-2321

**For Emergencies: DIAL 9-1-1**

Code Enforcement: 724-266-1910 ext. 102

Tax Collector: 724-266-5890

Ambridge Water Authority: 724- 266-4847

Valley Waste Service: 724-843-9373

Duquesne Light Company: 412-393-7100

Columbia Gas Company: 412-559-9662

Comcast Cable: 800-934-6489

To Report IRS Scam Calls: 855-303-9470



## How to Apply for Per Capita Tax Exemption

Harmony Township repealed the \$5 Per Capita Tax, yet the Ambridge Area School District's Per Capita Tax is \$10 and still applies to residents. However, there is an exemption that an individual can apply for if he or she meets any one (1) condition below.

- Annual earned income of \$10,000 or less
- Under eighteen (18) years of age
- Resident of a skilled nursing center
- Disabled (100%)
- Active duty military personnel during the subject tax year

To apply for a Per Capita Tax exemption, visit the Tax Collector Department on the website under Departments and print an application to **or** call 724-266-5890.

## Happenings of the Ladies Auxiliary

September 17: The Ladies Auxiliary Dinner

Visit the Events Calendar at [www.harmonytwp.com](http://www.harmonytwp.com) **or** contact the Ladies Auxiliary at 724-417-4551 for more details.

The event takes place at 2400 Beaver Road | Ambridge.

## Alternate Trash Collection Dates

Valley Waste Services will collect refuse and trash on Friday instead of Thursday the following dates:

Friday, July 07: Week of Independence Day

Friday, September 08: Week of Labor Day



CALL

| 724-266-1910

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