# WELCOME TO LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP

Lower Nazareth Township is a great place to live, work, and play. Gently nestled in rich Eastern Pennsylvania farmland, it was originally part of the "Walking Purchase" of 1737. Purchased from William Penn, this area was originally known as "The Drylands". This 83 hundred-acre section was once thought to be doomed and was termed, "Barren". There was very little forest land as the Indians had burned all of the vegetation to drive the game into the open to hunt. This "Barren" appearance of the area gave rise to the popular superstition that no crops could be grown in this region as it was too "dry". Early residents held a rich religious heritage and named Lower Nazareth Township after the biblical town of Nazareth. In 1740 it was written, "The surface of the township is level; the soil limestone, and well improved by judicious course of crops, and careful culture, and very productive". In 1807, Lower Nazareth was created.

Lower Nazareth has experienced slow, controlled growth and established itself as a community of the 21st Century.

# **About Lower Nazareth Township's Government**

Lower Nazareth Township was incorporated in 1807. The Township is defined as a Second Class Township, governed by a Board of five elected Supervisors in accordance with the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, enacted in 1933. Townships governed by elected Boards of Supervisors are the most common form of municipal government in Pennsylvania. Townships were the original governmental subdivisions of counties in Pennsylvania.

Local governing bodies like Lower Nazareth Township may only function within the frame work established by the state legislature.

Townships provide important community services which are generally unsuited to private enterprise. Lower Nazareth Township maintains local roads and has the ultimate responsibility for public safety, including police, firefighting, and emergency management. Township programs and services include recreation, zoning and building code regulations and land use planning.

The Board of Supervisors plays the central role in township government. The Board serves as the legislative body of the township, setting policy, enacting ordinances and resolutions, adopting budgets, and levying taxes. Other functions such as formulating the budget, enforcing ordinances, approving expenditures, and personnel matters are delegated by the Board of Supervisors to the Township Manager.

The Board of Supervisors also performs activities such as forming boards and commissions, processing subdivisions and land development applications in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, Lower Nazareth Township

Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, and Lower Nazareth Township Zoning Ordinance.

The only two (2) mandatory township appointed offices per the Second Class Code are the Secretary and the Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer may be appointed from the members of the Board of Supervisors, may be an outside individual or, in the case of treasurer, may be a financial institution. Other appointed positions, other than administrative positions, include the township solicitor and township engineer. The solicitor provides oversight of the legal matters of the township including bonds, real estate transactions, review and preparation of ordinances and actions in court. The Township Engineer reviews and provides comments on subdivision and land development projects before the Board of Supervisors. In addition, the Engineer is involved with the preparation of plans and specifications for Township public works programs including transportation, parks & recreation, and physical plant projects.

### **MUNICIPAL PROFILE**

Excerpted from Lehigh Valley Planning Commission Municipal Profiles – 2012

Population 6922 (per 2020 census)

Square Mileage 13.57 Acreage 8681.4

Road Mileage 44.96 (Township), 14.34 (State)

# TOWNSHIP DIRECTORY

**MANAGER** 

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SECRETARY/TREASURER

Tammi M. Dravecz 623 Municipal Drive (610) 759-7434

> Nazareth, PA 18064 Email: TDravecz@lowernazareth.com

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623 Municipal Drive (610) 759-7436

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**EARNED INCOME TAX COLLECTOR** 

Keystone Collections Group 546 Wendel Rd (724) 978-0300

> Irwin, PA 15642 Fax: (724) 978-0339

**LOCAL SERVICES TAX COLLECTOR** 

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Nazareth, PA 18064 Email: LGyarmaty@lowernazareth.com

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR (NAZARETH AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY)

Berkheimer Associates HAB-MISC (610) 599-3143

PO Box 25144

Lehigh Valley, PA 18002

Berkheimer Associates HAB-RET Fax: 610-599-8303

Tax Certification 50 North 7th Street

Bangor, PA 18013

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR (TOWNSHIP ONLY)

Eric Mitcheltree 519 Mountain View Road (484) 291-1546

Nazareth, PA 18064 Fax: (484) 544-5445

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RETaxCollector@lowernazareth.com

**SOLICITOR** 

726 Walnut Street (610) 759-7434 Gary Asteak

Easton, PA 18042

**TOWNSHIP ENGINEER** 

Carroll Engineering Corporation 101 Larry Homes Suite 201 (610) 989-4940

Easton, PA 18042

TOWNSHIP SEWER ENGINEER/SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gilmore & Associates, Inc. 5100 Tilghman Street, Suite 150 (610) 366-8064

Allentown, PA 18104

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

James S. Pennington, Chairman Martin J. Boucher, Vice Chairman Stephen A. Brown Nancy A. Teague Amy L. Templeton jpennington@lowernazareth.com mboucher@lowernazareth.com sbrown@lowernazareth.com nteague@lowernazareth.com atempleton@lowernazareth.com

# What is the Board of Supervisors?

Lower Nazareth Township is governed by an elected body organized under the Second Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. That Board is called the Board of Supervisors and consists of five (5) elected officials, each serving a six (6) year term.

The Board of Supervisors is charged with the general governance of the township to secure the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Community. To accomplish that task, the Board adopts laws, known as ordinances, which govern various activities within the Township.

The Board may appoint a Township Manager who is charged by the Board with implementing the ordinances it passes and managing the annual budget of the Township, which is adopted by the Board each December for the following calendar year.

# **How Board of Supervisor Meetings Work**

The Board of Supervisors typically meets on a twice monthly basis to conduct business on behalf of the Township. All meetings of the Board are open to the public with an opportunity at each meeting for public comment.

If a resident has a concern he or she feels needs to be addressed by the Township, the individual is encouraged to contact the Township Office. Many times, issues can be addressed by Township Staff. However, if an appearance before the Board is necessary, time may be scheduled to present concerns to the Board of Supervisors. Residents are encouraged to present their views on Township matters in any of the means available, including written or electronic communication or by telephone. The Township Staff strive to facilitate your communication with Board of Supervisors.

# **BOARD OF AUDITORS**

Marc Suhr Regis Flaherty Ralph Dent, Jr. The elected Board of Auditors consists of three members, each elected to a six year term. Typically, the Board of Auditors conducts the annual audit of township finances, except when an independent auditor has been appointed by the Board of Supervisors, which is the case in Lower Nazareth Township. The Elected Board of Auditors also set the compensation of supervisors when employed by the township as road masters, road superintendents, road laborers, or as secretary or treasurer.

# **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Linda Crook Hugh Harris Tara Capecci Edward Dulac Bert Smalley

This Commission is a five-member advisory body to the Board of Supervisors. Each member serves a six-year term. The Planning Commission meets on the third Monday of each month. This Commission makes recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on development plans submitted to the Township, suggests modifications where needed, and recommends appropriate actions. The nature of local government requires that the Board of Supervisors dedicate itself to the many issues of day-to-day operations and the details of land use can often be lost in the mountain of important, but time-consuming demands. The Planning Commission, as an independent advisory body, gives the Board of Supervisors the assurance that the important issues of land use and future growth are given the necessary attention.

## **ZONING HEARING BOARD**

Stephen Nordahl Michael Gaul Brian Fenstermaker Roberto Reyes (1<sup>st</sup> Alternate) David McGinnis (2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate)

The Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) has no legislative power; therefore it can neither make nor modify zoning policy. The Zoning Hearing Board does not have enforcement powers. It is a quasi-judicial body; that is, its powers are to some extent judicial in nature. The board schedules hearings on applications and appeals that come before it, takes evidence, and issues written decisions with findings of fact and conclusions of law. A ZHB must limit its scope of activities to those permitted by the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) and by the local zoning ordinance.

The primary purpose of the Zoning Hearing Board is to help assure fair and equitable application and administration of the zoning ordinance. They do this by hearing appeals on the zoning officer's determinations and by granting relief from the literal enforcement

of the ordinance in certain hardship situations. The Board consists of a three-member Board with two alternate members. All members of this Board are appointed by the Board of Supervisors and serve five year terms. They meet on demand, the fourth the Tuesday of each month.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Lynn Ratzell Kay Brazinski Donald Capecci Joan Garrett Beverly Hoyer

The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) advises the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and Park and Recreation Boards on matters dealing with protection, conservation, management, promotion, and use of natural resources located with the Township. The EAC consists of five members, each serving a five-year term. These members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The newly formed EAC meeting schedule will be established soon.

# PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION

[vacant seat]

[vacant seat]

[vacant seat]

[vacant seat]

[vacant seat]

The Park & Recreation Commission advises the Board of Supervisors on the recreational programming and facility needs of the community. The Park & Recreation Commission is a five-member body, each serving a five-year term, and meets on demand only. The Park & Recreation Commission members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

# AGRICULTURAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Robert Hoyer David Meixell Jeff Setzer [vacant seat] [vacant seat]

The Agricultural Security Committee reviews Agricultural Security Area applications and reports back to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors with their recommendations. This five-member committee is appointed by the Board of Supervisors and meets on demand only.



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PLEASE NOTE: These meeting dates are subject to change. Please contact the Township Office to verify you have the most recent Schedule prior to conducting business with the Township.

# **2024 Meeting Dates**

# **Board of Supervisors**

Meeting Time: 7:00PM Submissions due 15 days prior to meeting

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September 11 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Aug 27 <sup>th</sup> )
September 25 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup> )
October 9 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Sept. 24 <sup>th</sup> )
October 23 <sup>rd</sup> (Submission Date Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup> )
November 13 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Oct. 29 <sup>th</sup> )
December 11 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Nov. 26 <sup>th</sup> )
January 2, 2025, Reorganization 2025

# **Planning Commission**

Meeting Time: 6:30PM. Submission due 21 days prior to meeting by 11 AM

January 15 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission date Dec 26 <sup>th</sup> )
February 26 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Feb.5 <sup>th</sup> )
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Feb. 26 <sup>th</sup> )
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Mar 25th)

May 20 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date April 29th)
June 17 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date May 27th)
July 15 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date July 1 <sup>s</sup> )
August 19th	(Submission Date July 29 <sup>th</sup> )

September 16 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Aug. 26th)
October 21 <sup>st</sup>	(Submission Date Sept.30 <sup>th</sup> )
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Oct. 28 <sup>th</sup> )
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Nov. 25th)

# Zoning Hearing Board - (As Required)

Meeting Time: 6:30PM

Submission due 28 days prior to meeting by 3:45 PM

January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	(Submission Date Dec 26th)
February 27 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Jan 30th)
March 26 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Feb. 27th)
April 30 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup> )

May 28th	(Submission Date April 30 <sup>th</sup> )
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	(Submission Date May 28th)
July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	(Submission Date June 25 <sup>th</sup> )
August 27th	(Submission Date July 30th)

September 17 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Aug 20 <sup>th</sup> )	
October 22 <sup>nd</sup> (Submission Date Sept.24 <sup>th</sup> )	
November 26 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Oct. 29 <sup>th</sup> )	
December 17 <sup>th</sup> (Submission Date Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup> )	

# **Environmental Advisory Council**

Meeting Time: 7:00PM

January 8th February 12<sup>th</sup> March 11th April 8<sup>th</sup>

May 13th June 10<sup>th</sup> July 22<sup>nd</sup> August 12th

September 9<sup>th</sup> October 14<sup>th</sup> November 11<sup>th</sup> December 9<sup>th</sup>

# **POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (Dial 911)**

# **Colonial Regional Police Department**

248 Brodhead Road, Suite 1
Bethlehem PA 18017
Phone 610-861-4820
Fax 610-861-4829
http://www.colonialregionalpd.org/

The Colonial Regional Police Department was established on October 1, 1995. The Department was formed when the municipalities realized the need to join together for more effective and efficient police services while still trying to maintain a cost that was equitable to the taxpayers. The name Colonial was chosen as representative of the colonial heritage shared by all three municipalities.

The Department provides 24-hour police protection for three Northampton County communities; the Borough of Bath and the Townships of Hanover and Lower Nazareth.

The Department also serves as mentor to the Lower Nazareth Crime Watch. To visit our Crime Watch web site please click here: http://www.lowernazarethcrimewatch.com/

# **Hecktown Volunteer Fire Company #1**

230 Nazareth Pike Bethlehem PA 18020 Station Phone 610-759-2112 Fax 610-759-7455 http://www.hecktownfire.org/

The Hecktown Volunteer Fire Company was organized in 1917 by eighteen men who met to discuss the need for a volunteer fire company to serve Hecktown and the surrounding areas. The Hecktown Volunteer Fire Company provides emergency services recognized and supported by Lower Nazareth Township.

# **Bethlehem Township Volunteer Fire Company**

1919 8<sup>th</sup> St Bethlehem PA 18020 Phone 610-694-0062 Fax 610-691-0711 http://www.btvfc.org/

The Bethlehem Township Volunteer Fire Company is the primary provider of Advanced Life Support services for Lower Nazareth Township.

# LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP TRASH HAULERS

<b>Business Name</b>	Address/Web Address	Contact Numbers/Email
Berger Sanitation Inc	PO Box 20342	Phone: 610-837-1790
	Lehigh Valley PA 18002-0342	Fax: 610-837-9705
	www.bergersanitation.com	service@bergersanitation.com
Chrin Hauling	1225 Industrial Dr	Phone: 610-258-8737
	Easton PA 18042	Fax: 610-258-4884
	www.chrin.org	sales.hauling@chrin.org
East Penn Sanitation	4687 Hanoverville Road	Phone: 610-759-6398
(Herceg Hauling, Inc.)	Bethlehem, PA 18020	Fax: 610-759-5374
	www.eastpennsanitation.com	
J.P. Mascaro & Sons, Inc.	315 Basin Street	Phone: 610-434-2501
	Allentown, PA 18103	Toll Free: 800-333-4624
	www.jpmascaro.com	Fax: 610-434-3011
		1-888-MASCARO
Republic Services	1200 N Irving St	Phone: 610-432-7574
	Allentown PA 18109	Fax: 610-432-8606
	www.republicservices.com	
Royer's Sanitation	1453 Stanford Rd	610-867-3813
	Bethlehem PA 18018	
Smale Sr,	3026 Jefferson Street	610-866-2811
DBA The Good Guys Solid	Bethlehem, PA 18016	thegoodguys31@aol.com
Waste Removal and Recycling	www.smaleswaste.com	
Strohl Sanitation Service, Inc.	5041 Hanoverville Road	610-837-9929
	Bethlehem, PA 18017-9019 No Website	
Swint's Hauling & Disposal	602 Folk Street	610-253-8535
Services	Easton, PA 18042	
	www.swinthauling.com	
Symons Sanitation	P.O. Box 106	610-868-6221
	Bethlehem, PA 18016-0106	
	www.symons-sanitation.com	
Waste Management, Inc.	Several Locations	Phone: 800-869-5566
	www.wm.com	Fax: 610-863-1392
Whitetail Disposal	334 Layfield Road	610-754-0103
-	Perkiomenville, PA 18074	info@whitetaildisposal.com
	www.whitetaildisposal.com	



# **LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP**

623 Municipal Drive Nazareth, PA 18064 TELEPHONE: 610-759-7434 FAX: 610-746-3317

# RESIDENT SPECIAL ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM

Resident's Name:	Date
Resident Needing Special Assistance (if other than listed above):	
Address:	
Phone #:	
Resident:	
Disability:	
Special Care/Concerns:	
The information found above will be kept <u>confidential</u> and will only be distributed Lower Nazareth Township is not responsible for unauthorized use or distribution in the possession of the aforementioned agencies. The resident accepts these terms of the resident accepts the	on of this information once it is
Residents Signature:	
<ul> <li>Hecktown Fire Company (fax 610-759-7455)</li> <li>Bethlehem Township Volunteer Fire Company (fax 610-691-0711)</li> <li>Northampton County 911 (fax 610-746-3726)</li> </ul>	
Township Employee Signature:	

http://www.lowernazareth.com/forms.php

# <u>ABOUT PLANNING AND ZONING</u>

Lower Nazareth Township has adopted Zoning and Subdivision & Land Development Ordinances. It is the intent, purpose and scope of these Ordinances to protect and promote the safety, health and morals of the community. These Ordinances attempt to accomplish coordinated development and growth, provide for the general welfare of our constituents by guiding and protecting amenity, convenience, future governmental, economic, practical, and social and cultural facilities, as well as the improvement of governmental processes and functions. They also are tools to guide uses of land and structures, type and location of streets, public grounds and other facilities and to promote the preservation of the community's natural and historic resources and prime agricultural land.

The Township has also adopted a joint municipal comprehensive plan with 9 other municipalities. The township comprehensive plan is generally consistent with the county comprehensive plan. The Township is currently in the process of updating their Zoning Ordinance. This effort is being undertaken in order to have the Zoning Ordinance better conform to the township's comprehensive plan. All of the aforementioned Ordinances are consistent with the requirements of the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) which is developed by the State Legislature.

The Lower Nazareth Township Planning & Zoning Office is responsible for the front line administration of the subdivision and land development process and the Zoning Ordinance. The staff works in concert with the Township Engineer, Solicitor, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board and Township Manager in the endeavor of processing the numerous activities related to planning and zoning.

## **Contact Information**

## Questions related to zoning, planning or building should be directed to:

Lori B. Seese, Planning & Zoning Administrator and Building Code Official By phone at 610-759-7434 ext. 1003, or by email at <a href="mailto:lseese@lowernazareth.com">lseese@lowernazareth.com</a>, or in writing at the mailing address below. Please include your name, address and phone number in all correspondence.

# **Mailing Address:**

Lower Nazareth Township Planning & Zoning Office 623 Municipal Drive Nazareth, PA 18064

# <u>Planning - Subdivision and Land Development Review</u>

All subdivisions and land developments are reviewed by the Township Engineer and the Zoning and Planning Administrator to ensure compliance with both the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) and the Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Commission is presented with most subdivision and or land development projects for their comments. The Planning Commission is a 5-Member Board appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Their primary function is to provide comments and recommendations regarding the various projects to the Board of Supervisors.

The Planning Commission meets predominately on the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Lower Nazareth Township Municipal Building. This date may vary depending on holiday conflicts. Please refer to the Township Calendar for actual dates.

# **Zoning**

Lower Nazareth Township adopted its first Zoning Ordinance in 1970. The Zoning Ordinance was most recently amended in December 2023. The purpose of the Zoning Ordinance is to regulate the use of land, regulate the location, use and density of buildings, and provide for the administration and enforcement of the Ordinance. The intent of zoning regulations is to allow a property owner a reasonable use of their land while not causing a detriment to adjoining property owners or the neighborhood.

Every property in Lower Nazareth Township is classified to determine how the property may be used. The zoning classifications outline three types of uses:

- 1. <u>Permitted by Right</u> can be approved by the Zoning Administrator if all conditions are met.
- 2. <u>Special Exception or Variance</u> application for approval must be made to the Zoning Hearing Board.
- 3. <u>Conditional Use</u> application for approval and a public hearing must be held before the Board of Supervisors.

Any use that is permitted only by special exception, variance, or conditional use must apply to the appropriate Board for approval.

# **Property Record Information**

Very often, property owners want to find information about their property such as tax parcel number, sales data, lot dimensions, etc. You can find this information on Northampton County's Public Records Site at <a href="https://www.ncpub.org">www.ncpub.org</a>. An important item to note is that the County's zoning classification often differs from Lower Nazareth Township's. If you are looking for this information, please call the office to confirm the Township's zoning classification.

# When Do I Need A Permit?

A **Zoning Permit** is required **prior to the start** of any of the following activities:

- 1. Erection, construction, movement, placement or expansion of a structure, building or sign;
- 2. Change of the type or expansion of an existing use of a structure or area of land or creation of a new use;
- 3. Grading;
- 4. Demolition of a structure

These activities pertain to accessory buildings or structures including but not limited to detached Garage, Carport, Swimming Pool, Gazebo, Shed, Greenhouse, Children's Playhouse or Children's Play Equipment, post or pier mounted lights, brick or masonry piers, masonry mailboxes, certain types of walls, fences and gates, home office, home occupation, signs, and commercial projects. **Building Permits** may also apply to some of these structures depending on their size and construction.

It is very important to apply for your permit prior to conducting any of the activities above. The Township must confirm that the use is permitted, setbacks are complied with, and that you are not potentially disturbing your septic system.

In general, residential **Building Permits** are required for:

- 1. a new single family dwelling;
- 2. any home addition, including sunrooms and covered patios;
- 3. an accessory structure over 500 square feet;
- 4. a deck over 30" above grade and/or has a roof;
- 5. an above-ground or in-ground pool, more than 24" deep;
- 6. a hot tub;
- 7. retaining walls over 48" high;
- 8. interior alterations that require a structural change;
- 9. a change of a required means of egress;
- 10. addition to, or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring or mechanical.

A <u>Use and Occupancy Permit</u> is not required when an <u>existing</u> dwelling is sold. However it is required for a <u>new</u> single family dwelling, and for any construction related to a Building Permit. Use and Occupancy Permits are also required for any change in use. Typically, this applies to commercial properties.

Any time you repair, repave (overlay) or reconstruct your driveway, you must apply for a **Driveway Permit**.

Township regulations require a permit for the installation of home security systems. An <u>Alarm</u> <u>Permit</u> registers your security system with the Township and provides the township the authority to enforce the provisions for excessive false alarms. The Alarm Permit fee enables the township to properly administer this program.

<u>Burning Permits</u> are only granted for agricultural/farm properties to burn brush or for those fires set solely for recreational or ceremonial purposes. In general, open burning is prohibited in Lower Nazareth Township.

<u>Peddler's Permits</u> are required for anyone canvassing or soliciting orders or contributions, goods, or merchandise, door-to-door, within Lower Nazareth Township.

Applications for the Permits noted above may be found on the Forms & Publications page of our website (<a href="www.lowernazareth.com">www.lowernazareth.com</a>), or can be picked up at the Municipal Building Monday through Friday, between 7:30 AM and 4:00 PM.

# What are my rights?

- A home improvement contractor must provide you with a copy of the complete contract, free of charge.
- You have the right to rescind your home improvement contract without penalty within three business days of the signing date, except as provided under law for emergency situations.
- home improvement contract is not enforceable against a consumer if it does not include all of the information required by law.
- A contractor may not demand or receive any payment for a home improvement before the home improvement contract is signed.

# Where can I find my contractor's registration number?

- All contractors must display their official registration number on all contracts, estimates, proposals, and advertisements distributed within the Commonwealth.
- To verify a contractor's registration number, visit the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General's website at www.attorneygeneral.gov or call toll free 1-888-520-6680.



Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General Strawberry Square Harrisburg, PA 17120

www.attorneygeneral.gov 1-888-520-6680



If you are a homeowner, you will be pleased to know about the Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act. The law affords protections for consumers who hire contractors for home remodeling projects.

Effective July 1, 2009, contractors who perform home improvements totaling \$5,000 or more per year must register with the Office of Attorney General. The law requires written contracts between the contractor and consumer when the price of the project exceeds \$500, and provides for criminal penalties for home improvement fraud and civil penalties for violations of the act. If you are remodeling your home, be sure your contractor is registered with the Office of Attorney General before you sign a contract.

To check the registration status of a contractor, visit our website at www.attorneygeneral.gov or call toll free 1-888-520-6680.



Home improvement fraud occurs when:

- A contractor intentionally provides false or misleading information to convince a consumer to enter into an agreement for home improvements.
- A contractor receives payment and fails to provide the services or materials.
- A contractor damages a person's property in order to solicit an agreement for services or materials.
- A contractor alters a contract or other documents without the consent of the consumer.
- A contractor publishes false or deceptive advertisements.
- A contractor misrepresents material as special order material or misrepresents the cost of special order material.
- A contractor represents himself or herself as an employee of a governmental unit or public utility.









The following information is needed when you call PA One Call System.

YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER YOUR MAILING ADDRESS

COUNTY - The name of the county where the work will take place

MUNICIPALITY - City, Township or Borough where the work will take place

THE ADDRESS WHERE THE WORK WILL TAKE PLACE THE NEAREST INTERSECTING STREET TO THE WORKSITE THE NAME OF A SECOND INTERSECTION NEAR THE WORK SITE

IS THE PROPOSED EXCAVATION AREA (WORK SITE)
MARKED IN WHITE – Yes or No
OTHER INFORMATION THAT WOULD HELP THE

OTHER INFORMATION THAT WOULD HELP THE LOCATOR FIND THE SITE - Clarifying information to specify the exact location of the dig

THE TYPE OF WORK BEING DONE
WHETHER THE WORK WILL TAKE PLACE IN: Street,
Sidewalk, Public or Private Property

THE APPROXIMATE DEPTH YOU ARE DIGGING THE EXTENT OF THE EXCAVATION - The approximate size of the opening; the length and width or diameter THE METHOD OF EXCAVATION - How will the earth be

WHO IS THE WORK BEING DONE FOR PERSON TO CONTACT IF THE UTILITIES HAVE

THE CONTACT PERSON'S PHONE NUMBER - The phone number with area code for daytime contact THE BEST TIME TO CALL

FAX NUMBER AND/OR EMAIL ADDRESS - The responses from the facility owners will be sent to you SCHEDULED EXCAVATION DATE AND START TIME - not less than 3 business days or more than 10

DURATION OF A JOB – How long will the job take ANY ADDITIONAL REMARKS YOU MAY HAVE

You will be given a 10 digit serial number as confirmation of your call and our system will send you the responses from the utilities on the morning of your scheduled excavation date via fax or email



## What do we do?

We are the "Call before you dig!" company for all of Pennsylvania. If you plan to disturb the earth with powered equipment, you are required by Pennsylvania law to notify the underground utility companies of your intent to do so. Notification occurs by calling 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776, 24 hours of the day, every day of the year.

We will then notify the utility companies nearby of your intent to dig. The utility companies are responsible to mark where their underground lines are located with colored flags, paint or chalk.

#### Please Note:

- PA One Call does not mark utility lines.
- In some cases, the utility company may not mark the service lines you own.

# Why should you call?

Safe digging is no accident! If you are installing a fence or deck, or digging for a mailbox post, patio or other excavation project, it is important to Know What's Below. Dial 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776 before you dig. The utility companies do not want an accident, either. The best way to learn where underground utility lines are located is to call before you dig.

For more information, visit www.pa811.org



# Homeowner Quick Tips

- One easy phone call to 8-1-1 three to ten business days before digging begins helps keep your neighborhood safe.
- Call on Monday or Tuesday if you plan to dig on Saturday or Sunday.
- The utility companies will mark where their underground lines are located with colored paint, flags or chalk.
- Do not remove the flags if you see them in your yard.
- Our service is no cost to homeowners.
- Did you hire someone to install your fence, deck or new patio? Ask to see the PA One Call serial number before allowing them to dig on your property.

# The Excavator's Responsibility

- Dial 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776.
- Do not allow anyone to excavate on your property without calling.
- Always look for the markings on the ground before your dig date.
- If you do not see markings, do not allow anyone to dig. Wait for the lines to be marked by the utility.
- Whoever places the call will receive an email or fax with a list of facility owners who have marked or have not marked.
   Pay attention to this message.
- Respect the markings by not removing flags or disturbing the actual markings.
- Exercise care around the marked lines by hand digging.
- When the project is complete, the excavator should remove the flags or marks from the ground or pavement.
- Report mishaps by dialing 8-1-1.
   Report emergencies by dialing 9-1-1.

# ABOUT PUBLIC WORKS

The Lower Nazareth Township Public Works Department strives to maintain safe and clean parks, streets and open spaces. The Department is responsible for street paving, park maintenance, leaf collection, snow removal, street cleaning, and the yard waste recycling program.

The Department currently has full-time and seasonal staff.

There are 55.8 miles of roads in Lower Nazareth Township. The Township is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of 41.5 of those miles with the remainder being State roads. In addition, the township also owns and maintains 15 traffic signals. The signals are under the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

The Department makes every effort to provide top quality, professional, effective, and timely services to residents and businesses. We do this by focusing on teamwork and cultivating a good relationship with our constituents, thus improving our image and maintaining the community's trust. The Department is dedicated to providing a safe, cost-effective roadway system, including all related structures and facilities that improve the quality of life for the residents and visitors of the township.

The Department cleans, inspects, paves, repairs, and manages snow and ice removal on Township roadways. They also address storm water runoff by repairing, cleaning, and installing catch basins and drainpipes.

We are committed to the further enhancement and safe-guarding of our township roads and facilities.

# **Contact Information**

You can reach the Public Works Department by dialing 610-759-7434 or by email at <a href="mailto:publicworks@lowernazareth.com">publicworks@lowernazareth.com</a>. Please include your name, address and phone number in all correspondence.

# **Mailing Address:**

Lower Nazareth Township Public Works Department 623 Municipal Drive Nazareth, PA 18064

# **Physical Address:**

Lower Nazareth Township Public Works Department Maintenance Garage 623 Municipal Drive Nazareth, PA 18064

# **Long Range Goals and Objectives**

- To implement a rehabilitation program of various roadways throughout the Township. Included in this program, and of high priority, are roads in some of our older subdivisions. These roads were constructed many years ago and have outlived their useful life. Although various preventative maintenance techniques were utilized on these roads, their ultimate demise could not be prevented.
- To enhance our roadside brush and tree trimming maintenance program for all right-of-ways on all Township roads. By doing this, our roadways will be safer to travel and help with costs of overtime.
- Continue the preventative road maintenance program that is currently in place.
- Continue to keep up with our 10-year vehicle maintenance and replacement program.

# <u>PUBLIC WORKS – SNOW REMOVAL</u>

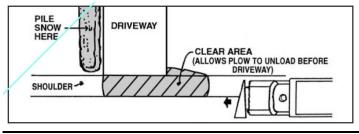
**Snow Emergency Ordinance #122** makes it unlawful to park, or leave unattended, any vehicle anywhere along a street or highway within the Township or blow or deposit snow in or on any roadway within the Township during a declared Snow Emergency. Although this ordinance applies only during a declared Snow Emergency, the restrictions contained within the ordinance should be adhered to during any winter storm. By doing so, it will allow the Public Works Department to expedite the task of snow removal and therefore, benefit the residents of Lower Nazareth Township.

Look for snow emergency declaration through the following news and weather outlets:

WAEB-AM 790 WAEB-FM (B104) WFMZ-69 www.b104.com www.waeb.com www.wzzo.com www.fox1470.com www.wfmz.com

**Plowing Operations:** It is the Township's policy to first plow the main roads and then the secondary or development roads. This procedure helps to facilitate the flow of higher volumes of traffic and also allows emergency vehicles access to the entire Township as quickly as possible.

**Shoveling Tips:** When clearing your driveway, place the shoveled snow on the side of your driveway opposite the direction of the plow. If possible, try to clear an area next to the road, before your driveway. This will provide an area for the snow from the plow to pile up so it does not fall in your driveway.



**Safety Tips:** Do not allow children to play in or near the streets any time during or after a winter storm. Kids in forts or just standing along the road may not be visible to the plow operator or other vehicles. Also, do not allow anyone to throw snow or other objects at the plows or other vehicles as it may cause an accident.

**Save Your Lawn:** In certain areas, primarily curves and areas without mailboxes, it is very difficult for the plow operator to distinguish between the road and lawn areas. We advise residents to place aluminum or fiberglass flexible reflectorized markers (available at your home improvement store) at these prone locations to assist the operator in locating the lawns. This will significantly reduce the damage done to your lawn and the amount of repairs we need to make in the spring.

**ATV / Snowmobiles:** It is mandatory for all ATV and snowmobile owners to register their vehicles. In addition, both ATV and snowmobile owners must carry liability insurance, except for those used solely on the owner's property for farming or business use. Please respect your neighbor's property and only ride on the lands on which you have permission to ride. Keep in mind that ATVs and snowmobiles are noisy and may be disturbing to your neighbors. Please respect those around you and operate these vehicles at reasonable hours.

**Mailbox Damage:** It is the Township's policy to reimburse property owners, *up to \$25*, for mailbox damage only when the mailbox is actually damaged by the plow or truck. <u>No reimbursement will be paid when damage occurs from snow discharge by the plow</u>. We will evaluate each occurrence of mailbox damage individually. Please contact the Township Office or download from our website the Mailbox Damage Reimbursement form if your mailbox is damaged as a result of snow removal operations within 48 hours of storm ending.

# ORGANIC WASTE RECYCLING

The following programs provide an outlet for our residents to dispose of their organic waste and in return reap the benefits of the programs by utilizing the mulch and compost derived from the recycling process:

### YARD WASTE PROGRAM

Where: 4600 Newburg Road, west of Route 191, approximately 1.5 miles,

right on Gremar Road (look for the green signs).

Phone number: Questions... please call (610) 759-7434

Operating Schedule: March through November (no appointment required)

**Mondays OR Fridays:** 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## Holiday schedule:

If a holiday falls on a Monday, program will be open on Tuesday.

• If a holiday falls on a Friday, program will be open on Thursday.

**1**st & 3rd Saturday / month: 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Please remember to bring a form of identification that includes your address.

# Accepted Material: BRUSH AND COMPOST ITEMS SHALL BE KEPT SEPARATE

- Brush (natural or untreated wood) 8-inch diameter max and no longer than 8 feet;
   bushes no roots please
- Compost Items hedge trimmings, garden residue & leaves loose or in brown paper bags. NO PLASTIC BAGS!

Unacceptable Material: Grass clippings\*, ornamental grass, sod, soil, straw or hay, and plastic bags!

\*Lower Nazareth Township supports the position of the State Department of Environmental Protection and strongly recommends recycling your grass clippings by using a mulching power.

### CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING PROGRAM

Christmas trees will be accepted at the same location as noted above during a predetermined window of time, typically mid January which will be posted on the Township website.

**Special Instructions:** Trees must be free of any ornaments, tinsel and tree bags.

### FIRST REGIONAL COMPOST AUTHORITY (FRCA)

A secondary drop off site known as the First Regional Compost Authority (FRCA), for which the Township is a member, is located at 6701 Weaversville Road, Northampton, PA 18067 and operates under its own schedule. Please visit their website <a href="https://www.frcaweb.org">www.frcaweb.org</a> or call (610) 262-1000 for hours of operations and/or with any questions.

# Earned Income Tax, Local Services Tax, and Real Estate Tax

# **Earned Income Tax (EIT)**

One of Lower Nazareth Township's largest sources of local revenue is our 1.45% earned income tax, which is split .7% for the Nazareth Area School District, .5% for the Township and .25% for Open Space Preservation (effective January 1, 2020). Local income tax in Pennsylvania is based upon where you live rather than where you work.

The Local Tax Enabling Act requires every employer having a factory, workshop, branch, warehouse, or other place of business within the taxing jurisdiction to register with the earned income tax officer of that district. The tax officer will open an Employer Account and issue an Employer Reference Number to be referenced on all EIT submissions. All employers with worksites within the taxing jurisdiction are required by law to deduct the earned income tax from their employees at that site. Employers are required to submit money and detail on a quarterly basis.

Individuals who are self-employed, whose employer does not withhold the earned income tax or if the employer does not withhold the full 1.45% (if that amount still owed is over \$100.00 annually from what the employer withholds) individuals are required to pay quarterly estimated payments. Penalties will be accessed if not paid quarterly. Lower Nazareth Township requires all persons moving in, out, or within the Township to complete a Moving Record. Securing a Moving Record allows the Township to document your moving date and forwarding address. This updated information makes processing your tax documents more convenient for you. The fee for a Moving Record is \$5 and permits may be obtained at the Township Office during normal business hours.

# **Local Services Tax (LST)**

The Local Services Tax (formerly the Emergency Municipal Services Tax) took effect on January 1, 2008. This tax which is \$1.00 per week/\$52.00 per year was levied on any person working in Lower Nazareth Township, whether employed by a company or self – employed.

# **LST Forms**

<u>Local Services Tax Exemption Certificate</u>: You can only claim an exemption if: you will earn less than \$12,000.00 in tax year from all employers located within Lower Nazareth Township and/or you have multiple employers and the tax is already being taken out by another employer (full-time/part-time basis along with the length of employment will determine if the individual will considered exempt). An exemption form will need to be filed with the employer and taxing municipality along with a copy of last year's W-2 or last pay statement.

<u>Local Services Tax Refund</u>: This form is to be used after the year in question has ended. Refunds are issued for individuals that all or part of the \$52.00 was withheld and either they earned less than \$12,000.00 from all Lower Nazareth Township employers and/or

they had multiple employers and the tax was withheld by another employer (depending on full-time/part-time status along with the length of employment will determine if the individual will receive a refund).

Additional questions pertaining to Earned Income Tax or the Local Services Tax (Ordinance 192-11-07) may be directed to our Local Services Tax Collector.

Lorie L. Gyarmaty
Lower Nazareth Township Municipal Building
623 Municipal Drive
Nazareth, PA 18064

Hours: 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM Monday through Friday Business Telephone: 610-759-7434 Extension 1001 Email: | lgyarmaty@lowernazareth.com

# Real Estate Taxes – Lower Nazareth Township

The Real Estate Tax Collector is typically elected to a four-year term. The elected tax collector is responsible for the collection of Lower Nazareth Township real estate taxes ONLY. For questions pertaining to Township real estate taxes, you may contact our Real Estate Tax Collector.

Eric Mitcheltree 519 Mountain View Road Nazareth. PA 18064

Hours: Tuesday and Thursdays 6 pm – 7 pm by appointment Call for any extended office hours near tax due dates

Business Telephone: (484) 291-1546

## Real Estate Taxes - Nazareth Area School District

The Real Estate Tax Collector for the school district is Berkheimer Associates. For questions pertaining to Nazareth Area School District real estate taxes, you may contact Berkheimer Associates (www.hab-inc.com).

Berkheimer Associates 50 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street Bangor, PA 18013 (610) 559-3143 From time to time, residents of the Township wonder how the real estate taxes they pay to the Township, County, and School District are distributed. The following is presented to help clarify.

Lower Nazareth Township receives 4.50 mills of tax and Northampton County receives 10.80 mills levied on real estate in the Township. The Nazareth Area School District's real estate tax levy is 57.51 mills.

For example, a Township resident with a real estate valuation of \$100,000.00 in 2024 will pay a total of \$7,281.00 in real estate taxes distributed as follows:

	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Mills</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Township:	\$100,000	x 4.50	\$ 450.00
County:	\$100,000	x 10.80	\$ 1,080.00
School:	\$100,000	x 57.51	\$ <u>5,751.00</u>
		72.81	\$ 7,281.00 year



# LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP

623 Municipal Drive Nazareth, PA 18064 TELEPHONE: 610-759-7434 FAX: 610-746-3317 www.lowernazareth.com

Listed below is some helpful information to get you started in Lower Nazareth Township.

### **UTILITIES**

Gas UGI 800-276-2722 www.ugi.com

ElectricMet Ed Corp800-545-7741www.firstenergycorp.comElectricPPL800-342-5775www.pplelectric.comWaterEaston Suburban Water authority610-258-7181www.eswater.net

## PHONE/CABLE/INTERNET

Verizon 800-660-2215 http://www22.verizon.com/

RCN 800-RING-RCN (800-746-4726) www.rcn.com Service Electric 610-865-9100 www.sectv.com

### **TRASH**

Currently Lower Nazareth Township does not contract with a township-wide trash hauler. Included in this packet is a list of trash haulers currently known to the township.

### **MOVING RECORD**

A moving permit is required when moving "in", "out" or "within" Lower Nazareth Township. Within means a resident who already lives in the Township who is moving from one home to another and who will continue living in the township. The cost of a Moving Record is \$5.00.

### **VOTER INFORMATION**

Lower Nazareth Township has two polling locations; included in this packet is a Voting District Map, as well as 2 Voter Registration Applications. More applications can be obtained through the Northampton County Courthouse or at the Township Municipal Building.

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Nazareth Area School District Administration Building 610-250-2400

### TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Northampton County Court House - 669 Washington Street, Easton, PA 18042 - 610-559-3000

### **DOG LICENSES**

All dogs 3 months and over are required to be licensed annually. Dog License Applications are available at the County Courthouse. The Application should be completed and mailed to the "County Treasurer's Office", 669 Washington Street, Easton, PA 18042, or you can call the County Treasurer's Office @ 610-559-3102.

### **BLOCK PARTY REQUESTS**

Applications for Block Party Requests are available at the Township Municipal Building and on our website.

# PARKS LOCATED WITHIN LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP

Lower Nazareth Township believes in recreation facilities for residents of all ages. Preservation of open space for active activities and passive forms such as hiking, fishing, picnicking is a priority. Lower Nazareth is continuously adding public recreational facilities to the township.



# Lower Nazareth Township Park

This 18-acre park is located behind the township building located on Butztown Road. Presently this facility includes: baseball fields, softball fields, multipurpose field for football/lacrosse/soccer, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, shuffleboard, playground equipment, picnic pavilion, bathroom facility, and a concession stand.



# **Newburg Park – May Have Active Construction Zones**

This 90-acre park is located near the intersection of Newburg Road and Gremar Road with the entrance to the park on Gremar Road. Some of the features that have been installed are a Splash Park (seasonal access card needs to be purchased at the township office),1.6 mile paved walking path, playground equipment, bathroom facility, dog park, fields, Veteran's Memorial, gaga ball pit and pickleball courts. Please be very cautious of large construction equipment and stay clear of any active construction zones at the park.



# **Surrey Glen Park**

This 14-acre park is located near the Surrey Glen subdivision, near the intersection of Steuben Road and Georgetown Road. Surrey Glen Park is adjacent to the Monocacy Creek. Playground equipment and an approximately half mile paved walking path were recently installed.

# **Georgetown Road Park**

This 5-acre site situated north of Georgetown Road and Steuben Road is considered to be a "Greenbelt Park." The preserved open space is intended for passive recreation activities such as freeplay or walking.



# **Hahn's Meadow Park**

This beautiful 15-acre park gently traverses meadows and woods along the Monocacy Creek, south of Hanoverville Road. Hahn's Meadow is also considered a "Greenbelt Park" and offers activities such as fishing, walking, and hiking.



# **Louise B. Moore County Park**

Northampton County owns this 125-acre park near Country Club Road in the southeastern part of Lower Nazareth. Facilities include: baseball/softball fields, volleyball courts, a badminton court, playground equipment, tennis courts, pavilions, and picnic tables. You can contact Northampton County about rental of Louise Moore Park facilities at 610-746-1975.



# Lower Nazareth Township Summer Park Program

Lower Nazareth Township Municipal Park - 306 Butztown Road

Program Dates: Mid June thru Mid July (Four Weeks)

Open to children ages 5-10 (limited to 60 participants)



Monday - Friday: 9 am - 12 pm



# **2025** Registration



Will be held sometime starting February 2025
Please check our website
www.lowernazareth.com

# 2024 Fees (Four Week Program):

Regular Fee: Lower Nazareth Resident Fee:

\$250 per child \$225 per child

\$225 for EACH additional child \$200 for EACH additional child

# Payment by Check only!!

Registration for the program will remain open until the limit of 60 children is reached.

# ADULT ACTIVITIES GROUP - LOWER NAZARETH ACES & SPADES

Visit the Lower Nazareth Adult Activities Group for a pleasant way to pass the afternoon playing pinochle. This group meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm at the township building located at 306 Butztown Road, Bethlehem (entrance is the solid maroon door in the back of the building).

There is no membership fee and no dues. For more information, call Charlie Mallon at 610-759-7122.

# NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

Northampton County has a Senior Community Center that they run in our township building located at 306 Butztown Road, Bethlehem (entrance is the glass door in the back of the building) from 9 am to 1:30 pm (Monday thru Friday). An activities calendar for the Lower Nazareth location is available every month at <a href="https://www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/Senior-Centers.aspx">www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/Senior-Centers.aspx</a>.

The Senior Community Center offers games, crafts, sing-a-longs, arthritis exercise classes, wellness checkups, lunch and fellowship with other seniors. Meals can be reserved by calling (610) 297-3464 by 10:30 am the day before. Donations are accepted to offset the cost of the lunches.

If you have any questions please contact the Center Manager, Lyn Watson at <a href="mailto:lwatson@northamptoncounty.org">lwatson@northamptoncounty.org</a> or (610) 297-3464.

# **SPORTS**

Youth Sports Programs available in Lower Nazareth Township and the surrounding area.

# **BASEBALL/SOFTBALL**

Adam Anthony, Commissioner (484) 548-4795

Email: <a href="mailto:aanthony@nazarethbsa.org">aanthony@nazarethbsa.org</a> Website: <a href="mailto:www.nazarethbsa.org">www.nazarethbsa.org</a>

**BASKETBALL** 

John Skekel, President Email: <u>info@blueeaglesbasketball.com</u> Website: www.blueeaglesbasketball.com

**FIELD HOCKEY** 

Melissa Choe, Commissioner (610) 554-4489

Email: <a href="mailto:mchoe@nazarethclippers.org">mchoe@nazarethclippers.org</a> Website: <a href="mailto:www.nazarethclippers.org">www.nazarethclippers.org</a>

FOOTBALL

Melissa Dewey, Commissioner (610) 360-7469

Email: <a href="mailto:mdewey@nazarethclippers.org">mdewey@nazarethclippers.org</a>
Website: <a href="mailto:www.nazarethclippers.org">www.nazarethclippers.org</a>

Brandon Smith, (484) 268-4018

Commissioner of Operations

Email: <u>bsmith@nazarethclippers.org</u>
Website: www.nazarethclippers.org

**CHEER** (267) 218-1816

Alisha Bailey, Commissioner Email: <u>abailey@nazarethclippers.org</u>

Website: www.nazarethclippers.org

ICE HOCKEY Email: <a href="mailto:nhcpres@nazarethicehockey.com">nhcpres@nazarethicehockey.com</a>

Website: www.nazarethicehockey.com

**LACROSSE** 

Boys Lacrosse: (610) 442-9793

Mike Koch, Commissioner Email: <a href="mailto:mkoch@nazarethclippers.org">mkoch@nazarethclippers.org</a> Website: www.nazarethclippers.org

WWW.Hazarethonppers.or

Girls Lacrosse: (610) 216-3453

Jenna Dellanno, Commissioner

Email: <u>idellanno@nazarethclippers.org</u>

Website: <u>www.nazarethclippe</u>rs.org

**SOCCER** Email: info@nazarethsoccer.org

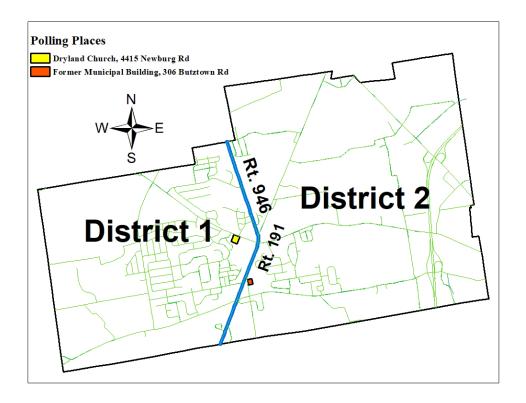
Website: www.nazarethsoccer.org

**WRESTLING** 

Corey Taff Email: <u>nazarethmidgetwrestling@gmail.com</u>

# **VOTER INFORMATION**

# Voting District Map



Lower Nazareth Township has the following two designated polling locations:

<u>District #1</u> - West of Routes 946 and 191 – Dryland United Church of Christ, 4415 Newburg Road, Nazareth, PA

<u>District #2</u> - East of Routes 946 and 191 – Township Building located at 306 Butztown Road, Bethlehem, PA

Please remember, if you are voting for the first time, you will need to provide proof of identification to elections officials.

# 2024 Election Dates

Primary Election day is April 23, 2024 General Election day is November 5, 2024

Voter registration forms and more information on voting in Northampton County can be acquired by contacting the Northampton County Department of Voter Registration and Elections at 610-559-3055 or by visiting the following <a href="https://www.northamptoncounty.org">www.northamptoncounty.org</a>.



# Pennsylvania Voter Registration Application & Mail-in Ballot Request

# Register to vote

# With this form, you can register to vote in elections in Pennsylvania.

You can also use this form to:

- Change your name and/or address on your Pennsylvania voter registration.
- Register with a political party or change the party you have selected.
- Request that a mail-in ballot be sent to you for any election that you qualify for.

# To register you must:

- Be a United States citizen for at least one month before the next election.
- Be a resident of Pennsylvania and your election district for at least 30 days before the next election.
- Be at least 18 years of age on the day of the next election.

# Verifying your identity

When you vote for the first time in your election district, you must show a form of identification.

For a complete list of acceptable forms of photo and non-photo identification, visit **www.vote.pa.gov** or call your County elections office or **1-877-VOTESPA** (1-877-868-3772).

### Send or deliver this form

To be registered in the next election, mail or deliver your application form to your County elections office at least 15 days before the next election

Addresses for all County elections offices are listed on page 2.

If your registration is accepted, you will receive a Voter Registration Card from your county by nonforwardable mail.

Your registration is not complete until processed and accepted by your County elections office.

If you do not receive your Voter Registration Card within 7-10 days, contact your County elections office.

# Mail-in voting

This form also contains an optional section for you to apply for a mail-in ballot.

Your county elections office must receive your application for a mail-in ballot by 5:00 PM on the Tuesday before the election. **Postmarks do not count.** 

The mail-in section of the form is only for requesting a mail-in ballot and permanent mail-in status. For more information about the different eligibility requirements for mail-in and absentee voting, visit

www.vote.pa.gov/MailBallot

# In the military?

If you are on active duty or you are a hospitalized or bedridden veteran, you can register at any time. See **www.fvap.gov** for more information.

# College student in Pennsylvania?

If you are a college student who attends college in Pennsylvania, you can register where you live while attending school.

For more information, see

www.vote.pa.gov.

You may only register and vote in one place.

# Incarcerated or convicted of a felony?

If you meet all other requirements, you may register and vote if:

- You are incarcerated awaiting trial but have not been convicted.
- You are incarcerated after being convicted of a misdemeanor only.
- You have been released from prison, jail, or a halfway house after completing your term of incarceration.
- · You are on probation or released on parole.
- You are under house arrest.

You should register at the address where you live, except that you cannot use a prison or half-way house address for your registration. See **www.vote.pa.gov** for more information.

# **Questions?**

Call your County Elections Office or call 1-877-VOTESPA (1-877-868-3772).

# For more information about voting, visit our website: www.vote.pa.gov.

# Información en español:

Si le interesa obtener este formulario en español, llame al **1-877-868-3772**.

### 中文資訊:

您如果有興趣獲取這份表格的中文版本, 請撥打1-877-868-3772。

# Register online

You can also register to vote on the web. Go to: www.vote.pa.gov/register

# PENALTY FOR FALSIFYING DECLARATION

**Warning:** If a person signs an official registration application knowing a statement declared in the application to be false, makes a false registration, or furnishes false information, the person commits periury.

Perjury is punishable, upon conviction, by a term of imprisonment not exceeding seven years, or a fine not exceeding \$15,000, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Submitting an application containing false information may also subject a person to other penalties, including loss of the right of suffrage, under state or federal law.

# **Confidentiality**

If you decline to register to vote, the fact that you declined will remain confidential, and will be used for voter registration purposes only.

If you register to vote, the office at which you register will remain confidential and will be used for voter registration purposes only.

# Use of your information

The information you provide on this form will be used for voter registration and for your optional request for mail-in voting. This includes any identification information provided in Section 7.

# **County elections office addresses**

Mail or deliver your voter registration application to the office in your county.

#### Adams

230 Greenamyer Lane Ste 100 Gettysburg, PA 17325 (717) 337-9832

#### Allegheny

542 Forbes Ave Ste 312 Pittsburgh, PA 15219-2913 (412) 350-4500

#### Armstrong

Administration Bldg 450 E Market St Ste 207 Kittanning, PA 16201 (724) 548-3222

#### Beaver

810 Third St Beaver PA 15009 (724) 770-4440

#### **Bedford**

200 S Juliana St 3rd FI Ste 301 Bedford, PA 15522 (814) 623-4807

#### **Berks**

633 Court St 1st FI Reading, PA 19601 (610) 478-6490

279A Loop Road Hollidaysburg, PA 16648 (814) 693-3287

### **Bradford**

6 Court St Ste 2 Towanda, PA 18848 (570) 265-1717

### **Bucks**

55 E Court St Doylestown, PA 18901 (215) 348-6163

# Butler

PO Box 1208 227 West Cunningham St Butler, PA 16001 (724) 284-5308

### Cambria

200 S Center St Ebensburg, PA 15931 (814) 472-1464

### Cameron

20 E Fifth St Emporium, PA 15834-1469 (814) 486-9321

### Carbon

44 Susquehanna St PO Box 170 Jim Thorpe, PA 18229 (570) 325-4801

### Centre

420 Holmes St Willowbank Office Bldg Bellefonte, PA 16823-1488 (814) 355-6703

#### Chester

601 Westtown Rd Ste 150 PO Box 2747 West Chester, PA 19380 (610) 344-6410

#### Clarion

Administrative Bldg Rm 104 330 Main St Clarion, PA 16214 (814) 226-4000 ext 2006

### Clearfield

212 E Locust St Ste 106 Clearfield, PA 16830 (814) 765-2642 ext 5053

#### Clinton

2 Piper Way Ste 309 Lock Haven, PA 17745 (570) 893-4019

#### Columbia

Columbia Cnty Courthouse 11 W Main St Bloomsburg, PA 17815-0380 (570) 389-5640

#### Crawford

903 Diamond Park Meadville, PA 16335 (814) 333-7307

### Cumberland

1601 Ritner Highway Ste 201 Carlisle, PA 17013 (717) 240-6385

### Dauphin

1251 S 28th St Harrisburg, PA 17111 (717) 780-6360

### Delaware

Govt Center Bldg 201 W Front St Media, PA 19063-2728 (610) 891-4659

### Elk

300 Center St PO Box 448 Ridgway, PA 15853-0448 (814) 776-5337

## Erie

140 W 6th St Rm 112 Erie, PA 16501 (814) 451-6275

### Favette

2 W Main St Ste 111 Uniontown, PA 15401 (724) 430-1289

### Forest

526 Elm St Box 3 Tionesta, PA 16353 (814) 755-3537

### Franklin

272 N Second St Chambersburg, PA 17201 (717) 261-3886

### **Fulton**

116 W Market St Ste 205 McConnellsburg, PA 17233 (717) 485-6872

# Greene

93 E High St Rm 102 Waynesburg, PA 15370 (724) 852-5230

### Huntingdon

Bailey Bldg 233 Penn St Huntingdon, PA 16652 (814) 643-3091 ext 205

#### Indiana

825 Philadelphia St Indiana, PA 15701-3934 (724) 465-3852

### Jefferson

155 Main St Jefferson Place Brookville, PA 15825-1269 (814) 849-1583

### Juniata

1 N Main St PO Box 68 Mifflintown, PA 17059 (717) 436-7706

### Lackawanna

123 Wyoming Ave 2nd Floor Scranton, PA 18503 (570) 963-6737

### Lancaster

PO Box 2139 Lancaster, PA 17608 (717) 299-8293

### Lawrence

430 Court St New Castle, PA 16101 (724) 656-2161

### Lebanon

400 S 8th St Municipal Bldg Rm 209 Lebanon, PA 17042 (717) 228-4428

## Lehigh

17 S 7th St Allentown, PA 18101-2401 (610) 782-3194

### Luzerne

20 N Pennsylvania Ave Ste 207 Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701 (570) 825-1715

# Lycoming

48 W Third St Williamsport, PA 17701 (570) 327-2267

### McKean

500 W Main St Smethport, PA 16749 (814) 887-3203

#### Mercer

130 North Pitt St Ste B Mercer, PA 16137-1227 (724) 662-7542

#### Mifflin

20 N Wayne St Lewistown, PA 17044 (717) 248-6571

#### Monroe

One Quaker Plaza Rm 105 Stroudsburg, PA 18360 (570) 517-3165

### Montgomery

PO Box 311 Norristown, PA 19404-0311 (610) 278-3280

#### Montour

435 E Front St Danville, PA 17821 (570) 271-3002

### Northampton

669 Washington St Easton, PA 18042 (610) 829-6260

### Northumberland

320 N 2nd St Ste 1 Sunbury, PA 17801 (570) 988-4208

### Perry

Freedom Building 15 West Main St. PO Box 37 New Bloomfield, PA 17068 (717) 582-2131 ext 4110

### Philadelphia

Voter Registration Office 520 N Columbus Blvd 5th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19123 (215) 686-3469

### Pike

506 Broad St Milford, PA 18337 (570) 296-3427

### Potter

1 N Main St Ste 204 Coudersport, PA 16915 (814) 274-8467

Schuylkill 420 N Centre St Pottsville, PA 17901 (570) 628-1467

### Snyder

PO Box 217 Middleburg, PA 17842 (570) 837-4286

### Somerset

300 N Center Ave Ste 340 Somerset, PA 15501 (814) 445-1549

### Sullivan

245 Muncy St PO Box 157 Laporte, PA 18626 (570) 946-5201 ext 7

### Susquehanna

PO Box 218 31 Lake Ave Montrose, PA 18801 (570)278-6697

### Tioga

118 Main St Wellsboro, PA 16901 (570) 723-8230

#### Union

155 N 15th St Lewisburg, PA 17837-8822 (570) 524-8681

### Venango

1174 Elk St PO Box 831 Franklin, PA 16323-0831 (814) 432-9514

#### Warren

204 4th Ave Warren, PA 16365 (814) 728-3406

### Washington

95 W Beau St Ste G10 Washington, PA 15301 (724) 228-6750

### Wayne

925 Court St Honesdale, PA 18431 (570) 253-5978

# Westmoreland

2 N Main St Ste 109 Greensburg, PA 15601 (724) 830-3150

Wyoming 1 Courthouse Sq Tunkhannock, PA 18657 (570) 996-2226

York 2401 Pleasant Valley Rd Ste 219 York, PA 17402 (717) 771-9604

For a listing of available email addresses, go to www.vote.pa.gov/county.

# Pennsylvania Voter Registration Application & Mail-in Ballot Request

Use blue or black ink

Drint vour name	1	Last name		Jr Sr II III I	(circle if applicable)	
Print your name	•	First name		Middle name or i	nitial	
Eligibility If you answer "No" to either question, you cannot register to vote.	2	Are you a citizen of the U.S.? Yes No Will you be 18 years or older on or before Election Day? Yes No				
Reason	3	□ New registration       □ Mail-in voting         □ Change of party       □ Federal or State or St		,	Change of address	
About you Phone and email are optional and may be used to contact you about important information.	4	Phone I	Race Email Non-Bin	nary / Other (X)		
		Address (not P.O. Box)			Apt. number	
Your address If you do not have a street	5	City/Town S	State PA	Zip	County	
address or a permanent residence, use the map on the back. Students, see instructions.		Municipality	I	have lived at this	address since	
back. Stadents, see instructions.		Voting district/precinct (if known) War	rd (if known)	l do	not have a street address	
Mailing address for voter registration	6	Same as above Address or P.O. Box				
		City/Town		State	Zip	
Identification	7	PennDOT driver's license or ID card number				
If you have a PennDOT number you must use it. If not please provide the last four digits of your Social Security number. See Verifying your identity.		Last four digits of your Social Security number ×××-××-				
		I do not have a Pennsylvania driver's license	e or a Social	Security number		
Political party To vote in a primary, you must register with either the Democratic or Republican party.	8	□ Democratic     □ Republican     □ Green       □ Other     □ Other	en 🗌 Li	bertarian 🗌	None (no affiliation)	
		Name on previous registration				
If your name	9	Full previous address and county				
or address has changed		PA Voter No. (if available)			Year	
Skip if this is the first time you are registering to vote.		Transfer my Annual Ballot Request  (By checking the box, you are requesting that you continue to maintain your annual ballot request status when updating your address.)				
Madia a di d	10	☐ I require help to vote. I need this kind of assistance:				
Voting assistance		☐ I require language help. My preferred lang	guage is:			
Be a poll worker If you check either of these boxes, your County elections office will contact you.	11	☐ I would like to be a poll worker on Election☐ I would like to be a bilingual interpreter on	-	ay. I speak this lar	nguage:	



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If you do not return your mail ballot by the deadline, you may surrender your mail ballot and the return envelope containing the Voter's Declaration to the judge of elections at your polling place to be voided, then you may vote a regular ballot. If you do not have your mail ballot materials to surrender, you may vote a provisional ballot at your polling place on Election Day.

I want to request a mail-in ballot (Optional)	12	OR  I want to receive mail-in ballots for the remainder of this yea automatically receive an annual application for mail-in ballo		o.		
Mailing address for mail-in ballot	13	Please mail my ballot(s) to:  Residential address in Section 5  Mailing address in Section 6  A different mailing address as follows:  Address or P.O. Box  City/Town	State	Zip		
Declaration and signature	I declare that:  I am a United States citizen and will have to a least 18 years old on the day of the least 18 years old on the least 18 years old on the day of the least 18 years old on the day of the least 18 years old on the least 18 years old old on the least 18 years old on the least 18 years old on the least 18 years old		been a citizen for at least 30 days on the day of the next election. f the next election. f for at least 30 days before the election.			
Help with this form Complete if you: Assisted a voter in completing the voter registration form.  OR Witnessed a voter making a mark to sign this form.	15	Declaration of voter making a mark to sign the form. I hereby state application without assistance because I am unable to write by reason of have made or have received assistance in making my mark in lieu of my To be completed by assistant or witness:  Name  Address  Phone  Signature	of my illness or p			

### **Instructions for Section 5:**

How to show your address on a map

### If you live in a rural area and do not have a street

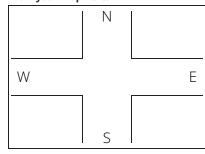
**address**, use the map to the right to show where you live, with landmarks and road names.

If you are homeless, use the map to the right to show where you spend most of your time.

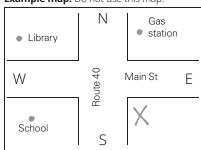
How to fill in the map:

- Write the names of the roads or streets nearest to where you live.
- Draw an X to show where you live.
- Use a dot to show the location of landmarks, such as schools, churches, or stores, and identify them by name.

### Draw your map here.



**Example map.** Do not use this map.



# Place your completed application form inside this self-mailer, then fold, tape shut, and mail to your County elections office.

- Do not use staples.
- County elections office addresses are listed on page 2.
- Be sure the address shows on the outside and the application form is inside.

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Your address:	* *ELECTION MAIL ************************************	Place first-class stamp here
	Your County elections office address:	
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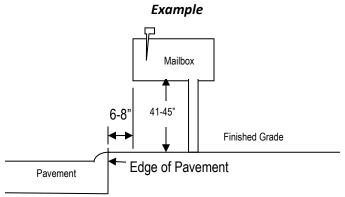


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The following United States Postal Service guidelines apply to the installation of your rural style mailbox on a post in front of your home.

The bottom of the mailbox should be between 41-45" above the ground. The front of the mailbox should be 6-8" in from the back of the curb or edge of the road or shoulder.



The best mailbox supports are stable but bend or fall away if a car hits them. The Federal Highway Administration recommends:

- o Posts should be 4 x 4 inch wood support or a 2" diameter standard steel or aluminum pipe.
- Avoid unyielding and potentially dangerous supports, like heavy metal pipes, concrete posts, and farm equipment (i.e. milk
  cans filled with concrete). <u>Please Note:</u> Lower Nazareth Township has a separate procedure for Masonry or Brick Pier
  Mailboxes prior to installation. Contact the Township Office for information (610-759-7434).
- Bury your post no more than 24" deep.

Put your house or apartment number on the mailbox. The number on your mailbox should be at least 1 inch high. If your mailbox is on a different street from your house, put your full street address on the mailbox.

Mailboxes must be on the right-hand side of the road and in the carrier's direction of travel in all cases.

A mailbox with a lock must be a model that is USPS approved by the Postmaster General, with a slot large enough to accommodate your daily volume of mail.

Advertising on a mailbox or its supporting post is prohibited.

You may attach a receptacle for newspaper delivery to the post of a curbside mailbox as long as it doesn't:

- Touch or use any part of the mailbox for support.
- o Interfere with mail delivery, obstruct the view of the mailbox flag, or present a hazard to a mailperson or vehicle.
- o Extend beyond the front of the mailbox when the box door is closed.
- Display any advertising, except the publication's title.

It is your responsibility to ensure a clear path to your mailbox so that carriers can safely and efficiently deliver the mail.

If installed properly and the mailbox is damaged by Township snow plowing equipment, you will be reimbursed \$25 toward the mailbox & post. If a mailbox does not conform to the above guidelines, the Township will not be held responsible. You will not be reimbursed for damage received by snow discharging from the snow plow. The form to request reimbursement for damage to your mailbox can be found at: <a href="http://lowernazareth.com/formspublicationsordinaces">http://lowernazareth.com/formspublicationsordinaces</a>.

### A few landscaping notes:

In Lower Nazareth Township, roadside swales may exist along the front of your property. Installation of landscaping materials around mailboxes will inhibit the designed function of roadside swales or inlets, and could redirect the water to an area where it doesn't belong or prevent water from properly draining from your driveway.



Be observant of the height of your plants - don't plant anything that could cause a visibility problem for someone entering or exiting your driveway.





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Lower Nazareth Township

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Zip Code [Selects messages for your location]

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Lower Nazareth Township has partnered with other municipalities in the Nazareth Area Council of Government (NAZCOG) to provide this service FREE to our residents. Alerts will come via Text Messages and/or Email.

You can also read current and past messages on our website.

This service allows us to send out alerts with critically important information for events like police activity or advisories with need-to-know information for events such as road closures and detours.

We will also send out community messages to remind you of township events and community updates.