

Winslow Township Newsletter

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Spring
2021



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A letter from the Mayor

Dear Residents and Friends

Winslow Township is a community that has always proven to be very resilient. This resiliency has been tested for over a year now with the pandemic and has strained all of us including our local business community, residents and school children. Our strength and resolve cannot continue however unless we all come together and support each other. I am proud to say that I believe as a community, we do this well. We must continue to find ways to support local businesses, provide safe outlets for our children and remain connected to our neighbors. Now is not the time to become complacent or let our guard down. We must look at the long-term goal of our community, which is to ensure a bright future for each one of our residents. We are a community that thrives, and we will succeed.



Barry M. Wright - Mayor

For Winslow Township to remain sustained financially through these trying times – the Township has worked closely with State and County officials to navigate ways to move forward, not stand still, while we fight the pandemic. The Township is always actively pursuing grant opportunities and collaborates with local nonprofits to maintain a high level of residential services – which is our number one goal.

For commercial growth, you must have the homes to support the local businesses. Winslow Township is seeing an increase in developers who are encouraged by local home sales within our area. The pandemic has made it clear – families want an area like Winslow that can provide easy access to amenities like local sports, quick access to major roadways, and a little space to spend with family. We are encouraged by the steady growth we have seen which will help keep a healthy tax base and keep businesses going.

We anticipate the expansion of our business community to continue. Winslow Township is finalizing the rezoning project along Route 73 and has also completed a new master plan for the Pinelands area of the Township. These are necessary

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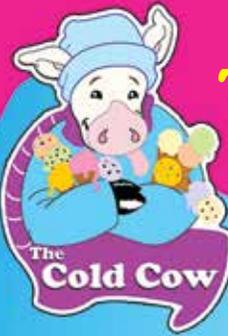
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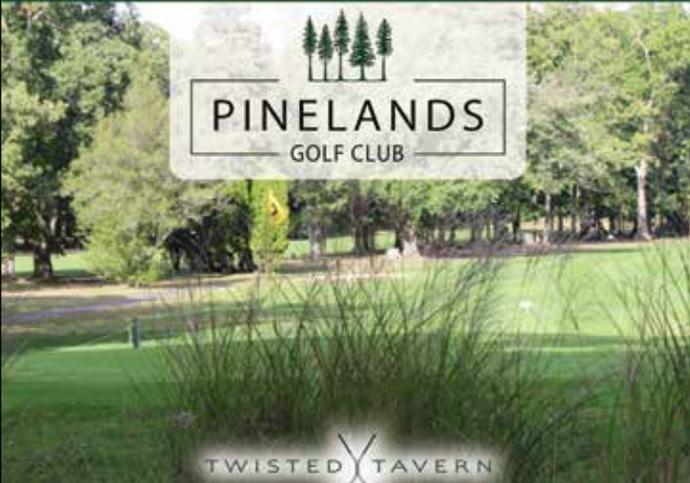
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A letter from the Mayor *continued from page 1*

components to make sure that the development of new businesses and homes are in the best areas to sustain them both, but also to help compliment what is already established within our Township. The highly-anticipated Dunkin' Donuts on Route 73 opened in January 2021 and we welcome them to the business community! The Township has also seen a lot of home-based businesses emerge as a result of the pandemic – and it is encouraging to see such businesses flourish in our Township!



New Dunkin' Donuts on Route 73

To find a listing of the Township brick-and-mortar businesses within the Township please download the Township mobile app – GOREquest and help support the local business community!

The Township is working on many road improvement projects, please sign up for Nixle Alerts on the Township website to learn more as the projects begin and for future updates. The County is working hard on the Cross Keys Road expansion project which is spanning from Gloucester Township into Winslow Township. This project will be approximately a year-long project which will have, at times, impact on road travel. Residents can visit the Camden County website to learn more.

I also encourage residents to visit the Township homepage to view upcoming meeting agendas, and learn of the latest information on growth within the Township.

Please stay safe,

Mayor Barry M. Wright

Street Light Out?

Street Lights that are out, dim, or cycling off and on can be reported on Atlantic City Electric's website. Go to the outage portion of the website and select street light outage, that is where you can enter the pole number or address closest to the street light and see a map of the lights in the area. Select the light with the issue and from there enter your information so Atlantic City Electric can keep you updated on the status.

A MESSAGE FROM PUBLIC WORKS

Winslow Township Public Works contact information:
Phone: (609) 567-0700 option 2 or via email publicworks@winslowtownship.com

FAQ ON CHANGES TO BULK ITEM COLLECTION FOR 2021:

What Items Are Considered Bulk Items?

Bulk items are furniture such as couches, tables and chairs as well as mattresses covered, box springs, carpet and toilets.

Why Did Bulk Item Collection Change to Once Per Month?

The Township made changes to bulk collection to ensure that this aspect of your trash pickup was done more efficiently and effectively. Waste management indicated that if bulk days were consolidated, they would be able to concentrate their manual collection resources on those days and provide a more consistent/reliable pick-up service at a reduced price to the Township.

What Has Changed?

Bulk is now *one day per month* instead of every week. The schedule is as follows:

1st Thursday of the month - For residential bulk trash normally picked up on Monday

2nd Thursday of the month - For residential bulk trash normally picked up on Tuesday

3rd Thursday of the month - For residential bulk trash normally picked up on Wednesday

4th Thursday of the month - For residential bulk trash normally picked up on Thursday and Friday.

**In addition – the Township asks that mattresses placed at the curb are covered or wrapped in plastic before disposing for sanitary purposes. Mattress bags can be found at many big box stores for a small cost.

Are Electronics Part of Bulk Pick-Up?

No. Electronic items are not part of curbside trash/bulk pick-up. Electronic items can be dropped off Monday-Friday at the Public Works Department. Drop off is easy and it is free.

The electronic drop off is right inside the gate at Public Works.

Did you know? Appliance and metal pickups are done almost every Friday. Please call Monday-Thursday to schedule a pick up. Should you prefer you can send an email to request pick up, however please make sure it has your address and what exactly you will have. Refrigerators must be empty with the doors off.

Do you have questions about what goes in recycle or trash?

Please visit our website at www.winslowtownship.com and head over to the Public Works page and click on **Recycle Coach**, here you will find answers to questions as well as keep track of trash days, bulk days, holiday changes to collection, and the leaf schedule.

Stormwater Pollution

Pollution seeps into the ground and is carried by stormwater (rain and snow) directly to our drinking water, streams, lakes and oceans. Contaminated stormwater is the #1 cause of water pollution in New Jersey. Simple things, like proper clean-up after oneself and careful use of chemicals in the home, office and yard, are helpful ways for businesses and residents to protect the water. Winslow Township has ordinances aimed at reducing pollution from litter, fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, animal waste, grass clippings and other debris. For details see <https://ecode360.com/WI0339/>



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CODE ENFORCEMENT & ANIMAL CONTROL

Winslow Township has 2 full time Code Enforcement Officers who respond to a wide variety of calls - which include reports of high grass, abandoned or vacant properties, property maintenance issues (examples below) and much more.



High Grass and Weeds

Grass and/or weeds cannot exceed an average height over 6 inches. The owner of the property, whether vacant or occupied, is responsible for maintenance of the property. The Code Enforcement officer will contact the owner and advise them they have ten days to cut the grass. If grass remains uncut a summons for court will be issued; if property is vacant the township may cut the grass and lien will be placed on property.

Motor Vehicles

Except as provided for in any other regulations, no inoperative or unregistered motor vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on any premises, and no vehicle shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled.

Parking of motor vehicles, vehicle and boat trailers and boats on residential-zoned properties.

The parking of motor vehicles, vehicle trailers, boat trailers and boats on a front yard is prohibited. All parking shall occur on the approved residential driveway or parking area servicing the residence which shall not exceed twenty-five (25) feet in width.

Property Maintenance Issue

Properties within the township must be maintained and well kept. If you notice a property with fence, gutters, soffits et cetera in disrepair, or if there is a general disrepair of the home (i.e. debris and junk around property), please notify code enforcement or enter a GoRequest ticket. If you own a vacant property you are required by Township Ordinance to register this property if vacant longer than 30 days and not actively being marketed or rehabbed, for more information go to winslowtownship.com under Code Enforcement.

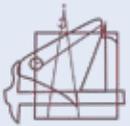


Animal Control



Winslow Township has 2 full time Animal Control Officers who respond to a wide variety of calls. Their primary objective is public health and safety – as well as the safe and humane care of animals within Winslow Township.

Winslow Township Code Enforcement and Animal Control are ready to assist! If you wish to report a non-urgent matter to Code Enforcement or Animal Control you may do so by going to winslowtownship.com under “Service Request”. Should you wish to call Code Enforcement or Animal Control you may do so at (609) 567-0700 extension 7002 or email sheinz@winslowtownship.com.



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THANK YOU TO THE BUSINESSES!

The Winslow Township Governing Body would like to thank the businesses that appear in this newsletter, for it is with their contributions that this newsletter has been produced at minimal charge to the Township. The Township is not permitted to endorse any business, service or product, however, the Township does encourage residents to consider all the various businesses that are available throughout the Township and to “buy local”.

NEW TO WINSLOW TOWNSHIP:

DOG RUN PARK PTLM. DANIEL CALABRESE MEMORIAL PARK

PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE AND ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING RULES:

You are entering an area with unleashed dogs. Enter and use at your own risk. Winslow Township is not liable for injuries to persons or animals in the area.

Dogs must be leashed in all other areas of the Calabrese Park facility. There are no exceptions to this rule. If your dog is off-leash and not in the designated area, you are in violation of the rules and subject to ticketing and/or expulsion from the park. Owners must carry a leash at all times, and all dogs must be leashed when preparing the leave and once outside the dog run area.

Use of this dog run is a privilege extended as a courtesy by the Township of Winslow. Repeated abuse of this facility or the rules associated with its use may be cause for the permanent removal of this run as an off-leash area.

Dog Behavior/Supervision

1. Dogs must be supervised at all times by an owner/handler 18 years or older.
2. Owner/handlers are responsible for their dog's behavior and any injuries which may be caused to other animals or persons.
3. All dog bites must be reported to Winslow Township Animal Control, 609-567-0700 ext.1885, Winslow Township Police, 609-561-3300, or 911.

Requirements of Owners/Handlers

1. Appropriate behavior is expected at all times by all persons who use the dog park.
2. Children must be closely supervised by an adult at all times.
3. Users must abide by all directions, orders and commands of any Township official or officer.
4. No glass bottles, human food, dog food or beverage containers are permitted in gated area.
5. Smoking, controlled substances, alcohol consumption, profanity, recklessness, disruptive behavior, trespassing and vandalism are prohibited and may be punishable by law and subject to fine.
6. Dog owner/handlers must clean up after their dog(s).
7. Use sanitary bags provided and trash receptacles for animal waste; use recycling receptacles.
8. Emergencies, injuries, accidents, and vandalism shall be reported to Winslow Township Police Department, 609-561-3300, or 911.
9. Unsafe conditions or damages should be reported to the Township Department of Public Works at 609-567-0700 ext. 2.
10. Owner/handler must fill in all holes dug by their dog.
11. Agility equipment in the run area is for dogs only.

Renew your pet licenses. Your current license expired December 31, 2020. Registration of animals after March 31st will be considered late, and a \$25.00 late fee will be charged in addition to the regular license fee per animal

FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Assessment Appeals

2021 Assessment Appeals were due to the Camden County Board of Taxation by April 1st. Appeal Forms are available from the Camden County Board of Taxation's website, along with all applicable instructions at <https://www.camdencounty.com/service/board-of-taxation/>

We are currently working on the appeals that have been filed. Property owners who have filed their petition of appeals should make sure they submit any and all evidence as early as possible to potentially expedite your appeal. All petitioner evidence must be sent to the County Board, Assessor & Municipal Clerk. Hearing date and times will be scheduled by the County Board.

Farmland

Farmland applications will be sent out by our office to property owners currently receiving farmland assessments in the middle of June. Applications are due back August 1st. Applications received after August 1st may be denied. All sections of the forms must be completed by the property owner before submitting to our office. The assessor's office will be inspecting farms for qualifying activity over the next few months. Properties that do not meet the prerequisites may be subject to Roll-Back Taxes. For properties that do not currently have farmland assessment, it is the responsibility of the property owner to call and request an application, which is also due back August 1st. More information on farmland assessment can be found on our website.

Abatement Programs:

Five-Year Residential Abatement programs:

Residential single family or multi-dwelling properties fifteen (15) years of age or older who take out proper project permits, will have 30 days from the date of completion to file the application with the Assessor's Office. Up to \$25,000 of the Tax Assessor's full and true value of the improvement will be abated (exempt) from property taxes for 5 years. Applications are available from the Construction Office or the Assessor's Office when you apply for the permit. There is no application fee required for this program.

Five-Year Commercial & Industrial Abatement program:

Certain new construction of Commercial & Industrial projects may qualify for a 5 year tax phase in on the project. The program was updated to include the renovation/rehabilitation of existing commercial & industrial properties.

Full prerequisites and qualifications for all Abatement Programs can be found in the Township Code Chapter 66. Questions regarding these programs should be directed to the Assessor's Office.

Property Tax Deductions

The State of New Jersey, administered through the Assessor's Office, provides property tax deductions to Veterans, Widows of Veterans, Senior Citizens, Disabled Persons and Widows of Seniors and Disabled Persons. Each deduction has specific qualifications/prerequisites that must be met and requires the filing of an application. Please feel free to call the Assessor's Office 609-567-0700 option #9, and we will mail you an application along with written instructions and/or answer your questions. Property owners who are currently receiving these deductions do not need to reapply.





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Most traffic cases and some non- traffic can be resolved with a Plea by Mail. Once we have your information, we will forward your case to the Prosecutor where he/she will contact you to try to resolve your case without having to make a court appearance.

Disputing a case? If eligible, you may be able to dispute it online through NJMCdirect.com. Choose option #2 to *dispute case*. Feel free to call our office and we can assist you in determining if you are eligible to dispute online.

Payments can be made either online at NJMCdirect.com, through the mail, paid in person at our violations window or placed (in a sealed envelope) in the drop box (silver box to the left) inside our Police Department entrance.



The Winslow Township Municipal Court is open Monday through Friday

From 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Our telephone number is 609-567-0700 option 4.



PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST MOSQUITOES

Mosquitoes need stagnant water to breed. Check your property regularly for anything that holds water for more than a few days. Maintain screens on doors and windows to keep mosquitoes from entering your home. To report a problem with mosquitoes, contact the Camden County Mosquito Commission at 856-566-2945 or Email skeeters@camdencounty.com. You can also submit a service request by going to <https://www.camdencounty.com/service/mosquito-commission/>



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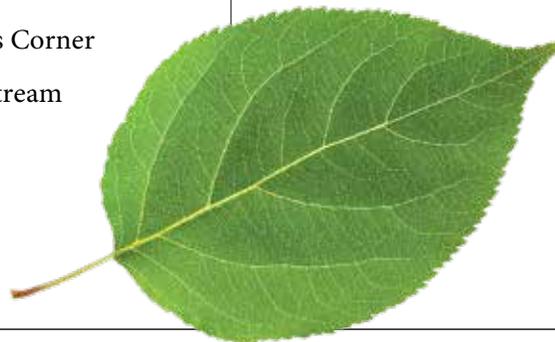
SPRING LEAF COLLECTION

In every instance cited above, collection will begin on **Monday** and continue until the entire route is complete for that week. **Please have leaves on curbside loose at the beginning of your scheduled week.** Leaves must be free from all other yard debris including sticks, twigs, acorns, and trash. This can clog the machine and your leaves will not be picked up. Also, do not park any vehicles in front of or too close to the leaves during your week or they will not be picked up.

WARD 4	April 5 -April 9	WARD 4	May 3-May 7
WARD 3	April 12 -April 16	WARD 3	May 10-May 14
WARD 2	April 19 -April 23	WARD 2	May 17-May 21
WARD 1	April 26- April 30	WARD 1	May 24-May 28

***If we are ahead of schedule, we may go into heavier areas, but will return on your scheduled week.

WARD 1	WARD 2	WARD 3	WARD 4
Ancora	Cedar Brook	Arbor Meadows	Albion
Blue Anchor	Chestnut Hill	Avandale	Arden Forest
Braddock	Greenfield Run	Desmond Run	Avandale West
CedarBrook Estates	Heathermere	Drexel Gate	Braddock Preserve
Cooper Run	Ivy Stone	Eden Hollow	Braycen Pines
Elm Town	Janis Woods	Hampton Gate	Cobblers Cove
Fox Trail Ridge	Murfield Woods	Hampton Meadow	Concord Springs
Lake Fountaine	Penbryn	Juniper Hill	Enclave
Mill Run	Penbryn Farms	Lehigh Manor	Glenn Forge
Pin Oak	Raven Estates	Manor Hall	Ivy Meadows
Pinecrest Estates	Ryans Run	Meadows at Winslow	Oak Forest
Sherry Lyn Woods	Talleho	Norway's	Parkside Mews
Spring Creek	Tansboro	Primrose Gate	Peach Glenn
Villa's	Tree Croft	Renaissance at Woodlands	Prospect
Villa's East	Whispering Oaks	Victoria Manor	Stone Hollow
Walden Chase	White Cedars	Woodlands	Summerbrook
Waterford Farms	Whitley Farm		Tara Estates
Waterford Green	Wiltons Corner		Wyndam Hill
Waterford Works	Woodstream		
West Atco			
Westbury Hunt			
Winslow			
Winslow Woods			



FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MANAGING A MUNICIPAL BUDGET DURING A PANDEMIC

The ongoing pandemic has presented numerous challenges that we do not normally have to deal with when preparing and implementing our municipal budget. Many items that could be viewed as discretionary have been moved aside in order to replace them with safety-oriented expenditures and safety-oriented upgrades to our facilities:

- When the public enters the main building, they must pass through a temperature check station before proceeding to the department they need to see, including the other buildings located on our campus.
- Employees have strict health protocol standards that require them to check in through a health app prior to coming to work each day.
- Personal protective equipment is now required for all employees and was purchased en masse in order to maintain an adequate supply stockpiled, save money, and take advantage of our ability to get reimbursed while the programs to do so were still available to us.
- Our buildings now undergo a deep cleaning on a regular basis, which is in addition to our normal cleaning procedures.
- Restrooms have been retrofitted with “no-touch” fixtures.



These expenditures were just short of \$150,000 for 2020, and it is anticipated that there will be more expended in 2021. Fortunately, we were reimbursed through the CARES Act for all of the 2020 COVID related expenditures, and the 2021 expenditures will be reimbursed through FEMA.

The final piece to the puzzle was attempting to offset the loss of certain revenue streams with a reduction of appropriations. We were able to accomplish that by cancelling discretionary expenditures and utilizing the outside emergency funding sources while still providing all of the services that are normally provided.

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We would like to send out a Heartfelt, Safe and Healthy message to all the residents, businesses, and Township staff during this pivotal time in history.

*“And the World Came Together
as the People Stayed Apart”*



SAVE THE DATE!



Memorial Day

Date: Monday, May 31, 2021 via Zoom.

Zoom link TBA

War Memorial 10am



Fall Festival

Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021 -

Rain Date: Saturday, October 16, 2021

Location: Miller's Farm, North Grove St

11am-3pm

Dependent upon COVID-19 regulations

2021 Primary Election Dates

April 14 – Deadline for Change of Party Affiliation

May 18– Voter Registration Deadline
for Primary Election

June 1 – Deadline to Apply for a Mail-In Ballot by Mail

June 7 - Deadline for In-Person

Mail-In Ballot Application (by 3:00 pm)

June 8 - Primary Election

Mobile Farmer's Market

Date: Every Wednesday (rain or shine/all year long)

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Location: Winslow Shopping Center

510 Williamstown Road, Sicklerville, NJ 08081



Winslow Township Family Day

Date: TBD Pending COVID-19 regulations and updates

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Date: Friday, April 23, 2021, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Winslow Township Municipal Courtroom

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ALARM SYSTEMS MUST BE REGISTERED

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- Notify us if any information has changed. (applications are on our website to modify your information.)

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK

The Clerk's Office is a major source of information for our residents. The Municipal Clerk and her staff serve as a link between the community and the Township. The Clerk's Office issues numerous licenses such as kennel licenses, pet licenses, shooting gallery & range licenses, towing licenses, trailer court licenses, bingo/raffle licenses, business licenses, solicitor's licenses, alarm permits, yard sale permits, taxicab licenses, limousine licenses, clothing bin licenses and liquor licenses. We also process park & field applications, Township building usage applications and vacant property registration. Should you need to obtain copies of public records, the Municipal Clerk is responsible for and processes all Open Public Records Applications (OPRA). We also offer free notary service and voter registration.

Attention Seniors... Winslow Senior Bus is on the Move!



Winslow Township senior residents are encouraged to take advantage of the Township's senior bus services. Due to COVID-19, the senior bus will have a limited number of passengers and is only making trips to the grocery store until further notice. Passengers must practice social distancing and wear face covering while aboard the bus. This free transportation service is available to Township residents 55 years and older. Bus service runs Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, except on holidays. Residents can call (609) 820-4481 to reserve a seat. The senior bus schedule is as follows:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
EDGEWOOD ACRES	CCU SENIOR HOUSING	ELMTOWNE	NORWAY'S STRAWBERRY VILLAGE	WINSLOW SENIOR CENTER
	WINSLOW CROSS CREEK		COLLEEN MANOR	TAYLOR WOODS

The Clerk's Office is also responsible for the Celebration of Events such as the Easter Egg Hunt, Memorial Day, Fall Festival, along with Fire District, Family Day, Veterans Day and the Tree Lighting Ceremony. However, due to COVID-19, some of the events may be cancelled. For updates and more information about these events, and any of the services of the Clerk's Office, please contact us at 609-567-0700 ext.0. Stay safe and stay healthy!

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WINSLOW TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To our residents: We **THANK YOU** for all of the support you have shown our organization through the COVID-19 Pandemic. Much like you, this certainly taxed our abilities at times but we remained postured to ensure continuity of service due to our dedicated Volunteer Firefighters, Career Firefighters and Administrative Staff. Our great relationship with the other emergency service providers, as well as other entities in the community allowed us to share resources, coordinate efforts and support one another through these challenging times. In addition, we along with Winslow Township Emergency Medical Services submitted a regional FEMA COVID-19 Grant for personal protective equipment and was awarded approximately \$113,000.00 after our match of funds (nearly \$125,000.00 in total). This is an incredible savings to our taxpayers and keeps your emergency service providers in the current fight and into the future! We responded to 1,819 calls for help in 2020 and supported the community's morale through various efforts such as birthday drive-byes, graduation recognitions and bringing our friends the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus through the town when it needed it the most as many events were not able to be held.

We are a combination Fire Department consisting of both Volunteer and Career firefighters serving the community 24/7 from 6 fire stations covering nearly 60 square miles. Along with responding to calls, the Fire Department is very engaged in the community; participating in public education/relations events, supporting many charity events and Fire Code Enforcement, along with an aggressive smoke alarm inspection program for residents who qualify.

We would like to remind everyone to change the batteries in their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms. An operable detector is truly a lifesaver! We recommend that you replace your units every 10 years. We would also like to ask you to keep your address posted and visible to view from the street to assist us in finding you. In 2017, the State of New Jersey requires Carbon Monoxide detection in all structures with a few exceptions.



The Fire Department is continuously trying to recruit interested individuals to volunteer and join our team to protect OUR Community. Volunteers make up the majority of our organization.

- **FREE** Training
- LOSAP- After 2 years of service, the Winslow Township Fire Department will contribute money into a retirement fund for each volunteer that meets the minimum requirements as outlined in the Winslow Township Fire District point system.
- Annual Stipend
- Volunteer Tuition Credit Program for College
- Fire Explorer Program for youths 14 - 18

For applications to join the department, please call the office (609)561-4225 or visit our website at www.winslowtwpfd.org.

For a tour of a firehouse or our attendance at a Public Relations/Education event, please visit our website at www.winslowtwpfd.org.

Fire Prevention Week is October 3rd-9th, 2021. The Winslow Township Fall Festival which features our annual Fire Prevention will be held on Saturday October 9th, 2021 (rain date is October 16th) between the hours of 11:00 am. – 3:00 p.m. at Millers Farm on Norcross Road in the Cedar Brook section of Winslow Township.

To stay informed and up-to-date on WTFD happenings, like us on Facebook. 

Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

"COOK WITH CAUTION"

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home.



Cooking and Kids

Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 metre) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

FACTS

- ❗ The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ❗ Most cooking fires in the home involve the kitchen stove.



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CONSTRUCTION OFFICE

CONSIDERING A HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECT?

Most projects will require a permit. Please be aware that it is the joint responsibility of the Homeowner/Site Owner and/or the Contractor to ensure that construction permits are obtained and that all required inspections are scheduled throughout construction and/or completion of work. All applications must include a copy of the home improvement Contractor's registration documentation or a copy of their current New Jersey license.

Residents hiring a home improvement contractor are able to check to see if the contractor is registered with the New Jersey Consumer Affairs Office by going to <https://newjersey.mylicense.com/verification> or by calling (973) 504-6200.



Dumpsters/Container Permits

You must obtain a permit before having a dumpster or container delivered. No fee will apply if the dumpster is removed within a two-week period. If you will be needing the dumpster/container longer than two weeks, it will require a \$25.00 permit fee. Dumpsters/Containers are not permitted in the street without prior Police approval.



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UTILITIES REMINDER – CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG

With spring right around the corner, residents may be thinking of outdoor landscaping projects, including that new deck or fence installation.

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Online: Please visit www.winslowtownship.com. While on the homepage, scroll down to the green bar. In the middle of the bar click on “TAXES & ONLINE PAYMENT.” Type in one of the three property identifiers and then click search. Be sure to select either the Tax or Utility tab. Go through the payment information. After pressing process payment and receiving a confirmation number, be sure to click “FINISH” to complete the process. The information on this site is updated daily. You can project interest on taxes, but you must contact this office or the utilities department to project interest.

Over the telephone: A pin number is required to make payments over the phone. You can obtain the number by contacting the office. In addition to your pin number, you will need your account number which is located on your tax or utility bill. Payments can be made by dialing 1-844-611-4022 for property tax payments, 1-844-611-4018 for utilities. Please listen to all of the prompts prior to finishing the call or your payment will not be processed.

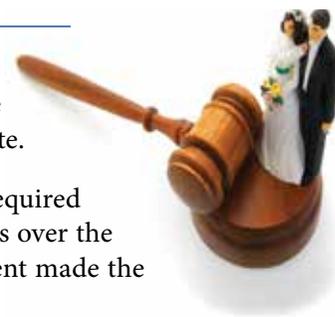
By Mail and Drop Box: Payments made by check or money order can be placed in our drop box which is located inside the police station 24/7. **Please do not put cash in the drop box.** You can also pay in person here at our office.

Please feel free to contact the office at 609-567-0700 ext. 2090 with any questions you may have regarding property taxes and water and/ or sewer charges. You can also email us at: collections@winslowtownship.com Our office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. We will be happy to assist you in any way.



How To Obtain A Certified Copy Of A Vital Record

Do you need a Certified copy of your Vital Record? If the event occurred in Winslow Township, please reach out to see if we have a copy of the record in our files. Below are three ways in which we can assist you in obtaining a Marriage License, Birth and/or Death Certificate.



1. E-mail the completed application along with a clear copy of your driver's license or required documentation for your requested vital record. You can now pay for the certified copies over the phone (credit/debit). Once the documentation has been received, verified and a payment made the certified copies will be mailed.
2. Mail the completed application along with a check or money order- made out to Winslow Township- and a clear copy of your driver's license or needed documentation. Once received and processed your certified copies will be mailed.
3. Make an appointment to come in-person. Bring the necessary identification needed for the vital record. Once the application has been completed and paid for, you will leave with your certified copies.

The application for a Certified copy is located on Winslow Township website under Department/ Health and Vitals. If you have any additional questions about how to obtain a Certified Copy of a Vital Record please email/call: cchaykin@winslowtownship.com / 609-567-0700 ext. 8009 or dpitts@winslowtownship.com 609-567-0700 ext. 8008.

PLANNING AND ZONING



Starting construction of a new home? Installing or replacing a fence? Installing a structure or building on your property, and/or expanding a driveway? A zoning permit is required to make sure the homeowner is complying with the setback requirements for their particular zoning district. Zoning permits also help to ensure that homeowners do not interfere with any utility or drainage easements.

To apply for a zoning permit, the application can be found on Winslow Township's website under the Government Tab, under Forms and Documents where you would select Department Documents, and then Planning and Zoning, and select the link for the zoning permit. You are able to email the requested information to zoning@winslowtownship.com with a copy of your survey and pay the \$25.00 fee over the phone by calling the office. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 609-570-0700 ext. 6. The office is open to help residents in person should you prefer this method.

If you would like to speak to someone directly please dial 609-567-0700 and then their personal extension listed below:

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Chief's Corner

Dear Community Members:

Needless to say, 2020 was a year like no other. The police department has been doing everything we can to keep our officers, civilian personnel, and the residents we serve safe from this pandemic. Those efforts are continuing into 2021. I would like to thank all of the residents who supported us during this unprecedented time with your cards, meals, and kind words. That support never goes unnoticed.

Additionally, I would like to thank all the dedicated officers within the police department who worked during this pandemic, jeopardizing the health of themselves and their family members. Their dedication to the Township and the people they serve has been remarkable. Many officers suffered from Covid-19 exposures, however, all returned without hesitation as soon as they were clear to do so.

Our call volume for the 2020 calendar year was down nearly 6,000 calls from 2019. This significant drop was due to the pandemic, as the officers proactive policing efforts had been minimized in an attempt to lower the spread of COVID. Furthermore, a majority of our community policing efforts and public events had all been suspended or significantly reduced during this time. As 2021 continues, and the pandemic hopefully ends, we hope to be able to engage more throughout the community!

Chief George Smith

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WINSLOW ELECTRONIC EYE

The Winslow Township Police Department is proud to announce a new Police-Community Partnership Program. The Police Department is making a voluntary registry of business' / homeowners' surveillance cameras systems that could be used to catch criminals.

The Winslow Electronic Eye Program, or W.E.E. Program, would map out the locations of the cameras, so officers can find possible evidence faster. **The directory will NOT allow officers to tap into private cameras, as it would just indicate where the cameras are located. The directory will be confidential and only accessible to law enforcement.** The Winslow Township Police Department is committed to our partnership with residents and business owners. Many business owners and residents currently operate surveillance systems at their businesses and/or homes. As crimes occur nearby, they are not always aware that their system may have captured information that could help solve the crime, thus keeping our community safer. In turn, the police are also not always aware who may have this potentially vital information. The Police Department is requesting residents and businesses across town to register their privately owned surveillance camera systems.

Using the geographic locations of the registered cameras, the Police Department will be able to directly e-mail or call citizens in an area in which a crime occurred. A common e-mail may ask the citizen to check their video surveillance system for a specific date and time for video capturing a suspect, getaway car or a crime. If the citizen finds any video evidence, they can contact the Police Department to make arrangements for video retrieval. The Police Department then may be able to use the information or footage gathered from the security cameras to assist in the apprehension and prosecution of the criminals involved.

Business owners who register with their security cameras will receive a window sticker to show they are participating in the program.

Citizens can register their cameras by filling out a short application which can be picked up at our police headquarters or downloaded from our website: www.winslowpolice.com. Applications can be dropped off in person or emailed to aortiz@winslowpd.com. The Winslow Township Police Department has once again partnered with the community to provide another powerful crime fighting solution.

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SAFE EXCHANGE ZONE

The Winslow Twp. Police Department has established a “Safe Exchange Zone” in the front visitor parking lot of the Winslow Twp. Police Administration Building, located at 125 S. Rt 73 Braddock, NJ 08037. There is an area of sidewalk on the southeast corner of the visitor parking lot with yellow sidewalk markings and yellow signs marking the zone (photograph attached). The marked area is video recorded by state of the art security cameras. It should be noted that personnel are not in the police station at all times, thus it is recommended that the zones be used during normal business hours, Monday-Friday. If this is not possible, the area is recorded and routinely patrolled.

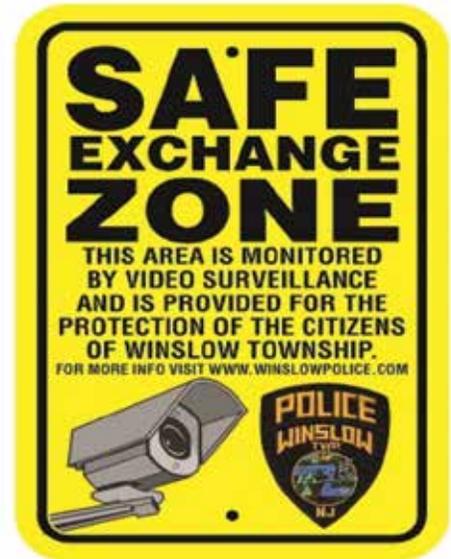
This zone has been set up as a courtesy to and for the protection of Winslow Township residents involved in an online transaction such as a Craig’s List or Online Yard Sale purchase. We do not endorse any service and only provide this area as an added layer of safety for those residents involved in online commerce.

Winslow Police officers will not intervene as witnesses, negotiators, or brokers. Our officers and civilian staff members are not permitted to provide legal advice or become involved in civil matters resulting from disputes over payment, quality, etc.

The exchange of any type of weapons, destructive devices, any illicit items, controlled dangerous substances, or controlled dangerous substance paraphernalia are not permitted on our property.

While the “Safe Exchange Zone” provides an area for buyers and sellers to meet, it is important to remember that people you meet online are strangers and can pose dangers. Not every buyer or seller you meet online is someone who is true with their intent. When making arrangements to complete online transactions face-to-face, residents should be reminded to:

- Complete all transactions during daylight hours, if possible
- Bring a cell phone in case of emergency
- Notify friends or family about the details of the exchange beforehand
- Never invite strangers to your home or agree to meet at a stranger’s home
- Reconsider any transaction with an individual who refuses to meet at a designated “Internet Purchase Exchange Zone”



Taking these simple precautions helps make these types of in person transactions safer for everyone in our communities.

For more information about personal safety online, check out these resources:

- <http://www.staysafeonline.org/>
- <http://www.onguardonline.gov/>
- <http://getsafeonline.org>
- <http://wiredsafety.org>



WINSLOW TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

WINSLOW TOWNSHIP POLICE JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY



The Winslow Township Police Department's Junior Police Academy is suspended due to the pandemic. Should this change, an announcement will be made via our website and Facebook page.

For additional information and requirements, interested residents can go on the web at www.winslowpolice.com, or contact Lieutenant Christopher Dubler via email at cdubler@winslowpd.com or at 609-567-0700 x1136.

WINSLOW TOWNSHIP ANNONYMOUS CRIME TIP LINE

(609) 561-0895

This TIP LINE is available for you to confidentially share anything about a crime, a planned crime, or suspicious activity in Winslow Township, as well as any information about a disgruntled employee, an emotionally disturbed person, or a threatening situation which could develop into a violent act or assault. Knowledge of threats or potential acts of violence need to be brought to the attention of the police department, so they can immediately act to prevent anyone from being injured. All threats need to be taken seriously, and any information provided will be acted upon.

- The following are examples of information which should be reported:
- The identity of someone in possession of a gun
- The identity of a person threatening another
- The identity of someone who may be suicidal
- Violent writings, notes, voicemail, or email threatening to others

- Rumors of planned violence or an assault on someone
- Use of illegal drugs and/or alcohol
- Domestic violence occurring, or which may occur
- Activity or conditions that may be illegal or dangerous
- The identity of a criminal suspect, or the location of a wanted person

Remember, the TIP LINE is confidential. This is a phone line that goes directly to a phone messaging system where you can leave your message. This line is open 24 hours a day and is checked daily. You do not have to leave your name. Sometimes additional information would be helpful, and there may be a reason to contact you, so it may be useful for you to leave your number. But the most important thing is that the information is reported to someone who can do something about it. This TIP LINE is NOT for reporting emergencies, if you need emergency assistance please call 911.

Thank you for your call.

WINSLOW TOWNSHIP POLICE SOCIAL MEDIA

Winslow Township Police Department utilizes several social media sites to keep residents informed of traffic related issues within the township such as construction projects, closed roads as well as police press releases, found animals and upcoming community policing events. Throughout the year we post pictures of different events that take place within our community. Please join us to stay up to date on important information within Winslow Township.

Please visit our new police web page, www.winslowpolice.com. The new site has a calendar of upcoming events, along with helpful phone numbers, email addresses and links for important information for all of our residents. Please keep checking the above listed URL for additional helpful information!

Winslow Township Police Social Media Sites:

- NEXTDOOR.COM
- FACEBOOK.COM (WINSLOW TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT)
- NIXLE.COM
- SMART 911
- TWITTER (@ WINSLOWPOLICE)



WINSLOW

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES



Winslow EMS provides 911 ambulance services to all of Winslow Township and at times provides assistance to our neighboring communities. Ambulances are staffed with EMT's in Cedar Brook and Sicklerville 24 hours a day, 7 days.

Our Chief, Joyce Midure, is available if you have any questions or concerns. Please call her at 609-567-5500.

Our Billing Department can be reached at 856-784-3715 Ext: 124 for billing inquiries.



Wear your mask • Wash your hands • Practice social distancing

As Winslow EMS continues to provide emergency service to those in need during this pandemic, we thank everyone for your support.

HELP US HELP YOU!!

When EMS arrives we will ask many questions as we start treating you or your loved one. We can save valuable time during your emergency if you have a current and updated list of your medications, allergies and medical history available. We understand that during an emergency or severe illness it may be hard to remember this information.



Don't forget to like us on Facebook!!



TRANSITION PLANNING FOR ADULTS WITH IDD

April 29, 2021 at 4:30pm

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[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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Winslow, I'd like to thank you...

With the political page turned to a new era, hope is brewing for a return to some sort of normalcy. However, getting there requires us to tackle the current challenges of the pandemic, social unrest, and the economic turmoil; and how we tackle these issues will certainly write the next chapter of our story and define who we are as a community. President Joe Biden ran his presidential campaign on the idea of "Unity." Seeing how divided the country is, not just politically, but philosophically as well, the prospects for moving forward can seem overwhelming, and the idea of change can come across like a pipe dream.

But a friend of mine shared something that Andrew Young said after Dr. Martin Luther King's recent birthday. When Ambassador Young was asked, what Dr. King would say during these times, he shared that he may not know the exact words, but that the civil rights movement was based, in part, on two things – Faith and Hope. Therefore, Dr. King would see this time as a great opportunity. I agree with this point of view, and am convinced that together, we can seize the wonderful opportunity before us to make Winslow an even greater place to live.

There are many working organizations in our community like, "We Are Winslow," the "Economic Development Council," "The Winslow Rotary Club," and so many more, that if they joined together under the common cause to lift up Winslow, the goal of positive change would certainly be within our reach! This past summer, I participated in the Black Lives Matter Rally that took place in the center of the township. I was struck by the diverse crowd that walked together to amplify the importance of the lives of black people. It was a powerful example of how unity can lift up a community. Let's build on this example and link arms together as neighbors, and as organizations, and through the power of our unity, make a huge difference here in Winslow Township.



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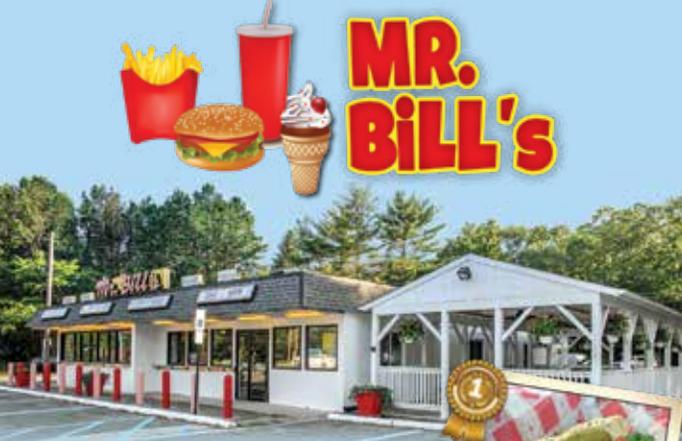
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