

CORONAVIRUS STATEMENT – Updated June 25, 2020

TOWNSHIP OFFICES WILL RE-OPEN TO THE PUBLIC EFFECTIVE MONDAY, JUNE 29th, with normal business hours Monday-Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm and with appropriate restrictions in place. Masks must be worn when visiting the Administration Building, and – if necessary – the number of visitors at any given time may be limited. The Township’s office phone number is 610-797-4000 and general email is info@salisburytownship.org. Outlined below are continued temporary modifications:

- *[Updated 06/25/20]* Although in-person payment of utility bills will now be accepted, we appreciate your cooperation with limiting in-person contact and ask that you continue to use these alternate payment methods unless absolutely necessary: (1) mailed in the envelope provided with the bill; (2) dropped in the curbside Admin Building Drop Box; or (3) made via our online bill payment platform located on the Township’s website <https://www.salisburytownship.org/township-government/departments/finance/pay-your-utility-bill-online/>. If you need assistance with the online bill paying option or with any questions, please call 484-661-5815 or 610-797-4000 for help.
- *[Updated 06/25/20]* The Tax Collector’s office will be closed for the remainder of the year for in-person business with the exception of the following dates: August 27, 28 and 31; October 28, 29 and 30; and December 28, 29, 30 & 31. In-person payment of tax bills will not be accepted. Payments of Township taxes must be made by check, cashier’s check or money order only and delivered via one of the following methods: (1) mailed to the address indicated on the tax bill – Linda J. Minger, 2900 S. Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103; (2) dropped in the curbside Admin Building Drop Box; or (3) deposited in the temporary drop box in the Admin Building lobby. For any further information or inquiries, please contact Mrs. Linda Minger directly; she can be reached at 610-871-0252 or lminger@saliburysd.org.
- *[Updated 06/25/20]* Salisbury Township’s Department of Community Development has reestablished in-person submission of zoning and building permit applications, as well as planning submissions and zoning appeals (as long as a waiver of the time requirements is included). Anyone with inquiries or wishing to visit the office are encouraged to call or email in advance when possible in order to avoid unnecessary contact and to practice safe social distancing. Department staff’s contact information follows:

Sandy Nicolo, Director of Community Development/Asst Manager
Phone #484-661-5812
Email snicolo@salisburytownship.org

Kerry Rabold, Planning & Zoning Officer
Phone #484-661-5825
Email krabold@salisburytownship.org

Kathy Hval, Admin Assistant
Phone #484-661-5831
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- *[Updated 06/25/20]* Both Township drop-off sites will continue to be open Monday to Friday from 8am-2pm, on alternating weeks, with additional Monday & Thursday evening from 2pm-6pm and Saturday hours from 8am-1pm. Franko will be open the weeks of June 29th and July 13th & 27th, but closed both July 3rd and 4th in observation of the Independence Day holiday. Devonshire will be open the weeks of July 6th and 20th. We will continue to assess the operation schedule beyond July and post appropriate notice. It is subject to change at any time, depending on circumstances.

Residents will have to show proof of Township residency (their most recent utility bill would be optimal) and addresses will be logged. Only 3 cars will be allowed on-site at any given time; only when one car leaves another will be allowed in.

As usual, the sites are open for residential use only; no landscapers or non-residential use will be allowed. All materials will be checked to ensure that they're clean and not contaminated with other waste. Contaminated materials will not be allowed to be disposed of at the site.

In order to maintain appropriate social distancing, there will be no physical interaction between Township staff and the public. Residents must be able to unload materials and empty containers themselves. Residents must take all bags and containers utilized for the transportation of materials with them when they leave the drop-off site. Masks will be required to be worn to enter the site.

- Tennis, Basketball and Pickleball Courts are open for personal use by local residents only, along with soccer and ballfields. NO TEAM PRACTICE OR ORGANIZED GAMES SHALL BE PERMITTED. The Township will also begin accepting park pavilion reservations.

Soccer and ballfield reservation requests for organized play continue to be suspended until further notice. Playground facilities and restrooms remain closed. Both of these will be re-evaluated as we move forward.

A reminder to anyone using the Township's facilities: YOU MUST ADHERE TO STATE SAFETY GUIDELINES REGARDING GATHERING SIZE, SOCIAL DISTANCING, AND PROTECTIVE GEAR.

- The Salisbury Township Police Department has issued separate guidance on the Department's plan of action during this time and their procedure for addressing non-emergency calls. More information is available at <https://salisburypolice.org/>.

Public Meetings

Salisbury Township's public meeting schedules have resumed; however, at the present time, most will continue to be held virtually via the Zoom online platform until such a time when indoor public gatherings can be better accommodated. Be sure to check the Township's website often regarding meeting status updates, along with applicable registration information at <https://www.salisburytownshippa.org/township-government/meetings/>.

[Updated 06/25/20] Please note, the 07/07/20 Zoning-Hearing Board meeting will be held outdoors at the Western Salisbury Fire Department's Eisenhower Station located at 3425 Eisenhower Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103 beginning at 7:00pm. Attendees are asked to wear masks, maintain social distancing protocols, and bring their own seating.

As always, please visit the Township's website at <https://www.salisburytownshippa.org/> or call 610-797-4000 for additional information. We'll continue to update the website as further information becomes available. We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding of Salisbury Township's efforts to minimize the disruption of service and attempts to maximize the health and safety of all, so that we can continue to fulfill our obligations to the citizens we serve.

Cathy Bonaskiewich
Township Manager