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September 7.....	Labor Day
November 3.....	Election Day
November 11.....	Veterans Day
November 26.....	Thanksgiving Day
November 27.....	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 24.....	Christmas Eve
December 25.....	Christmas Day



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2026 Board of Supervisors Meeting Schedule

For all Boards, Commissions and Committees

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1st Wednesday of the month • 6:00 pm, with the exceptions of: Monday, January 5th

PLANNING COMMISSION

2nd Wednesday of the month • 6:00 pm, with the exceptions of: Thursday, November 12th

PARKS & RECREATION

4th Monday of the month • 5:00 pm, with the exception of: Tuesday, May 26th

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

4th Tuesday of the month • 5:00 pm, with the exceptions of: Wednesday, May 27th

ZONING HEARING

Meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month • 5:00 pm, with the exception of: Thursday, May 28th

Wednesday, November 18th
Wednesday, Decemeber 16th

AUDITORS

Tuesday, January 6th • 5:00 pm

BUDGET

Tuesday, October 13th • 5:00 pm
Tuesday, October 20th • 5:00 pm

January 5, 2026 – the Board of Supervisors' Organization Meeting begins at 6:00 pm with the regular meeting immediately following its conclusion.

Each board, commission, and committee meeting may be canceled if there is no agenda or a lack of quorum, and any cancellations will be announced on the dickinson township website!

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK



Robert "Rob" Kole
Township Chairman
Dickinson Township

Progress and Partnership in 2025

As we enter a new year, I wanted to take a moment to share a few highlights from what has been a busy and productive year for Dickinson Township.

A Smarter, Transparent Budget

One of the biggest improvements we made this year was adopting a new format for our township budget. This change makes it easier than ever for residents to see exactly how your tax dollars are being spent and how we're planning ahead. We're focused on being proactive with our finances—not reactive—so that we're ready for both current needs and future challenges.

A Big Win on Trash Service

If you've noticed better garbage service and a lower bill, you're not imagining things. The switch to Apple Valley Waste Service was a big win for our community. The transition was seamless, and unlike many of our neighboring townships that saw rising costs, our new contract actually lowered the price. Better service at a better rate—that's something we're proud of.

Lindenwood Park: Phase 1 Plans Underway

Exciting things are ahead for Lindenwood Park. We've submitted grant applications to both DCNR and the National Park Service to help fund Phase 1 of development. While we're still waiting on official word, we're optimistic—and can't wait to share more once plans are finalized.

Save the Mill!

In April, we hosted Senator Greg Rothman and County Commissioner Kelly Neiderer for a tour of the historic Barnitz Mill. The visit sparked great conversations and ideas about how we can work together to raise the necessary funds to preserve this local landmark. The township is committed to continuing this effort alongside our elected officials, community leaders, and the newly formed nonprofit Friends of Barnitz Mill. This is a true community effort to save a historic treasure.

Street Sweeping Restored

Street sweeping has officially returned! We know how important this is for both safety and quality of life. You can now count on cleaner roads—free of winter gravel—making them safer for walking, running, biking, and enjoying all that Dickinson Township has to offer.

Major Road Project Complete

Last but not least, the Peach Glen Road project was completed earlier this year. Thank you to everyone for your patience as we improved this important stretch of roadway.

As always, thank you for staying engaged and being part of what makes Dickinson Township such a great place to live. On behalf of the entire Board of Supervisors, we're grateful for your trust and support as we work hard to move our community forward.

FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

Reflecting on a Productive 2025 for Dickinson Township



Jill Lovett
Township Manager
Dickinson Township

As we look back on 2025, I am proud to share the many accomplishments achieved on behalf of the residents of Dickinson Township. This year was marked by thoughtful planning, strategic investment, and continued collaboration with our elected officials, staff, and community partners to ensure the Township remains fiscally responsible, well-served, and positioned for the future.

A major focus in 2025 was enhancing our parks and open space. The Township submitted multiple grant applications in support of **Phase I of the Lindenwood Park Improvement Plan**, including submissions to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), the Local Share Account (LSA) Category 4 Facilities Program, and the LSA Statewide Grant Program. These efforts reflect our commitment to improving recreational opportunities and preserving quality of life for residents of all ages.

We also took important steps toward land preservation and strategic property acquisition. The Township entered into a **purchase agreement for 161 Old State Road** and submitted a **Land Partnership Grant** to support this effort. This project represents a long-term investment in protecting valuable land while planning responsibly for future community needs.

Public safety and emergency response remained a top priority. In 2025, the Township completed a comprehensive **Fire and Emergency Services Study**, providing valuable data and guidance for future decision-making. Additionally, Dickinson Township transitioned EMS coverage from Yellow Breeches EMS to **Cumberland Goodwill EMS**, ensuring full and reliable emergency medical coverage for our residents.

Several operational improvements were also implemented this year. A **new trash hauler contract** went into effect, providing updated services for residents at a reduced cost. The Township changed its **banking depository**, resulting in increased interest income and stronger financial stewardship. We also oversaw the **replacement of the Township's long-standing tax collector**, ensuring continuity and compliance with modern practices.

Infrastructure and environmental stewardship were addressed through the **submission of the Cumberland County Clean Water Grant**, which targets stormwater improvements around the Township Building parcel. These efforts help protect local waterways while improving Township-owned facilities.

Finally, Township leadership and elected officials, including Senator Greg Rothman and Cumberland County Commissioner Kelly Neiderer, participated in a **Barnitz Mill tour**, reinforcing our shared understanding of local history, preservation efforts, and future opportunities connected to this important site.

Each of these accomplishments reflects the dedication of the Board of Supervisors, Township staff, volunteers, and our many partners. I am grateful for their continued support and collaboration, and I look forward to building on this momentum as we move into the coming year. It is a privilege to work for this community, and I look forward to continuing our work together in the months ahead.

Recycling News

Keep Recycling Simple and Clean

Recycling is an easy way for residents to help protect our environment and keep disposal costs down. Please remember to place only accepted items in your recycling bin—typically paper, cardboard, metal cans and plastic bottles and containers. Items should be empty, clean, and dry before recycling.

Plastic bags, food waste, glass and non-recyclable materials can contaminate an entire load, sending it to the landfill instead. When in doubt, throw it out—or visit the Township website at www.dickinsontownship.org for a full list of accepted materials.

Thank you for doing your part to keep our community clean and sustainable.

Electronics Recycling

Recycle your old TVs and electronics at Cumberland County's Electronic Recycling Center, located at 1001 Claremont Road, Carlisle, PA. This facility is open to

anyone regardless of where they reside since it is a fee-based facility. To find out more information about recycling fees and hours of operation please visit their website at www.cumberlandcountypa.gov/3377/Electronics-Recycling-Center.

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

Cumberland County will be holding four drop off events in 2026 at their Recycling Center located at 1001 Claremont Road, Carlisle, PA. This is for Cumberland County residents only and each event is limited to 400 residents. To find out more information about disposal fees and to register for one of these events please visit their website at www.cumberlandcountypa.gov/3376/Household-Hazardous-Waste-Program.

- o Thursday, April 9, 2026, 11 am to 5 pm
- o Saturday, May 30, 2026, 9 am to 3 pm
- o Saturday, August 15, 2026, 9 am to 3 pm
- o Thursday, October 29, 2026, 11 am to 5 pm

Need to file an environmental complaint with DEP?

The township has been fielding many complaints regarding the spreading and the smell of Food Processing Residual Waste (also known as FPRs). This is different than manure. We are actively working with the PA legislature to ensure this material is regulated effectively and is safe for our land, air and water. This has been a long process but you can help by filing complaints and making your voices heard.

If you are experiencing health issues due to the spreading or would like to log your complaint you are encouraged to visit the Pennsylvania Dept of Environmental Protection's (DEP) website at: <https://greenport.pa.gov/obPublic/EnvironmentalComplaintForm/>

We also encourage you to call or email the township office as well so we have a record of the complaint.

When should I file a complaint?

Anytime you experience an environmental issue regarding Pennsylvania's air, land and water.

It is recommended that complaints be filed when an activity is occurring if possible so that it can be investigated. Log all pertinent data including location, temperature outside, weather conditions, and any health issues you are having if any.

Please note, your information is considered confidential and will not be shared with any party outside of DEP.



Interested in protecting and preserving your farmland for the future?

Read below to find out more about several programs that may be able to help you accomplish your goal.

What is an Agricultural Security Area?

An Agricultural Security Area (ASA) is a tract of agricultural land that has been officially designated as an agricultural district by the local municipality. ASAs are intended to promote more permanent and viable farming operations by strengthening the farming community's sense of security in land use and the right to farm.

As a landowner, there are a variety of benefits to enrolling land in an agricultural security area. The benefits include:

- o Landowners are given limited protection against local regulations. Municipalities may not enact ordinances that unreasonably restrict farming operations nor may municipalities deem normal farming operations as a nuisance.
- o State agencies may not condemn a landowner's property without special permission from the State Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board.
- o Landowners enrolled in ASA are eligible to participate in the Pennsylvania Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchase Program.

If interested in this program, please contact Dickinson Township to find out more information.

What is an Agricultural Conservation Easement?

An Agricultural Conservation Easement (ACE) is a voluntary, legal agreement that permanently protects farmland from non-agricultural development. In

Pennsylvania, these easements allow landowners to keep their land in active agricultural use while giving up the right to develop it for purposes such as housing or commercial buildings. The land remains privately owned and farmed, and the easement is recorded with the deed, and therefore applies to all future landowners. Agricultural conservation easements help preserve farmland, protect open space, and support the long-term vitality of local agriculture.

As a landowner, there are a variety of benefits to enrolling land in an agricultural conservation easement. The benefits include:

- o Encourages landowners to make a long-term commitment to agriculture by offering them financial incentives and security of land use.
- o Protects normal farming operations in agricultural security areas from incompatible non-farming uses that may render farming impracticable.
- o Protects farming operations from complaints of public nuisance against normal farming operations.
- o Assures conservation of viable agricultural lands in order to protect the agricultural economy of Pennsylvania.
- o Provides compensation to landowners in exchange for the relinquishment of the right to develop their private property.

If interested in this program, please contact the Cumberland County Planning Department to find out more information.



Barnitz Mill Tour with Elected Officials

Barnitz Mill is one of the few remaining structures from a historic milling complex from the late 1700s. This mill was built in the 1840s in Dickinson Township located along the Yellow Breeches Creek. It's part of local heritage: many in the community recall it as a gathering place historically; it anchors Stuart Park which is used for recreation and nature enjoyment. Currently, the building is structurally unsafe in most of the building; however, there was stabilization work completed on partial first floor for access by Township staff but remains closed to the public. In April 2025, State Senator Greg Rothman, Cumberland County Commissioner Neiderer and other elected leaders joined representatives from Dickinson Township for a guided tour of the deteriorating historic mill along Yellow Breeches Creek (pictured above). The group viewed the structural damage to the stone foundation, wood framing, and siding, discussing urgent stabilization needs and the potential



Elected Officials from left to right; Township Supervisor Bob Line; Township Chairman Rob Kole; Senator Greg Rothman; Township Supervisor Jen DeGaetano; District Legislative Aide for Representative Ecker, Meagan Boushell; Cumberland County Commissioner Kelly Neiderer; Township Manager, Jill Lovett

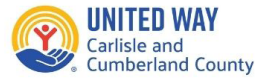
of future adaptive reuse. This visit marks promising steps in the ongoing effort to rescue Barnitz Mill from further deterioration and ensure its legacy endures for future generations.

Bosler Memorial Library

Empowering Lifelong Learning



Library of Things
STEAM Programs
Databases
Storytimes
and More!



Getting a Library card is
FREE and easy!
Get your Library Card **TODAY!**



Bosler Memorial Library
158 W High Street, Carlisle, PA 17013
717-243-4642
www.boslerlibrary.org
Member of the Cumberland County Library System
Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Sunday: 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Your Local Emergency Services

***** IF EMERGENCY - DIAL 911 *****



FIRE SERVICES

Carlisle Fire and Rescue
177 Carlisle Spring Road, Carlisle, PA 17013
717.243.2124

Citizen's Fire Co. Station #1
100 Chestnut Street, Mt. Holly Springs, PA 17065
717.486.5151

Penn Township Volunteer Fire Co. Service
1750 Pine Road, Newville, PA 17241
717.486.5488

Union Fire Co.
35 W Louthur Street, Carlisle, PA 17013
717.243.2123

On behalf of the women and men of the Dickinson Township Emergency Services, we thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,
Charles Westcott
Fire Chief
Emergency Services
Administrator

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Cumberland Goodwill EMS

519 S. Hanover Street Carlisle, PA 17013
717.249.0012



SAFETY TIP



REMEMBER TO TEST AND REPLACE BOTH YOUR SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR BATTERIES.

This should be done at Spring Daylight Savings time when you turn your clocks forward. This year's test/check date will be Sunday, March 8.

SAVE THE DATE



COME JOIN
DICKINSON TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION
AT STUART PARK AT BARNITZ MILL
ON SATURDAY MAY 9, 2026!
RAIN DATE OF SATURDAY MAY 16, 2026!
CHECK OUT THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO.

- > FOOD TRUCKS
- > CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
- > FLEA MARKET/YARD SALE
- > BARNITZ MILL
- > ICE CREAM
- > COME FISH THE YELLOW BREECHES CREEK

JOIN FRIENDS OF
BARNITZ MILL
& CHILL BY
THE MILL



Sign Up for Dickinson Township Text Alerts



Dickinson Township offers a mass text alert system to keep residents informed of important and time-sensitive information. This service delivers updates directly to your mobile phone, helping you stay connected to township activities and public safety notices.

Residents who sign up may receive alerts regarding:

- Emergency and weather-related notifications
- Road closures and traffic updates
- Public works and service announcements
- Community news and township events

Text alerts are designed to provide quick, reliable communication when it matters most.

How to Enroll:

To sign up, visit www.dickinsontownship.org on the left-hand side of the home page or scan a QR code. Participation is voluntary, and subscribers may opt out at any time.

Please Support Your Unpaid Professionals!

Several factors are converging to create a challenging environment for our Volunteer Fire Service.

A Dwindling Volunteer Force: Like many volunteer fire departments across the nation, we are experiencing a decline in the number of active volunteers. The time commitment required for training, responding to emergencies, and participating in administrative tasks can be significant, making it difficult for individuals juggling work, family, and other responsibilities.

Sustainability Concerns: In addition to the current financial support of the residents of our community, the township fire companies rely on fundraising efforts, grants, and donations. As the pool of volunteers shrinks, so too can the capacity of fundraising activities, creating a cycle that threatens the long-term viability of the organization.

Soaring Equipment Costs and Extended Lead Time: The equipment necessary for modern firefighting and rescue operations is becoming increasingly sophisticated and, consequently, more expensive. Even when funding is secured, the time it takes to acquire essential equipment can be significant.

You Can Be a Hero: Support Your Local Fire Company

The challenges outlined above are significant, but they are not insurmountable. The strength of our community lies in its ability to come together and support those who serve us.

Here are tangible ways you can make a difference:

- Become a Volunteer Firefighter
- Donate Your Time and Skills
- Attend Fundraising Events



ZONING & CODES CORNER

My name is **Ryan Hoover**, and I am the new **Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer** for Dickinson Township. I'm excited to be working with our community on new and existing projects, addressing complaints, and helping with property cleanup efforts throughout the township.

To help your projects run smoothly, here are a few helpful reminders. Please note that **most projects require a permit**, so it's always best to check before getting started:

- When in doubt, or if you're unsure whether your project requires a permit, please contact the Township. You can reach me by email at zoning@dickinsontownship.org or by phone at **717-486-7424**. I'm happy to help ensure your project starts off on the right foot.
- Permit applications are available online at www.dickinsontownship.org.
- You may also obtain paper copies by visiting the Township office.

Complaints can be submitted by email to the Township or filed in person by obtaining a paper form at the office. All complaint information is kept confidential.

Looking ahead, I am truly excited to serve the residents of Dickinson Township in 2026 and beyond. I look forward to working with you and helping make our township an even better place to live.

REFLECTIVE HOUSE NUMBER SIGNS

Purchase through the Township

Price—\$23.00 (Vertical or Horizontal)

Residents shall comply with Ordinance 2 of 1996 which requires properties to be identified with a number placed to clearly identify the location, in an effort to assist the emergency services in locating you.

MEDICATION DROP OFF LOCATIONS

Carlisle Police Dept.
240 Lincoln St, Carlisle

Carlisle State Police
2 Dunwoody Dr, Carlisle

Cumberland Co. Courthouse
One Courthouse Sq, Carlisle

**Dickinson College
Dept. of Public Safety**
(Kauffman Bldg.)
400 W. North St, Carlisle

Mt. Holly Springs Police Dept
200 Harman St.
Mt. Holly Springs

Call (717) 240-6489 for more information



Septic Pumping/Inspection Reminder

To keep your septic system working properly, Township regulations require that every individual sewage system be pumped (septage or other solids removed) at least once every three years. After the service is completed, please submit proof of pumping and/or inspection to the Township **within 30 days**, along with the required **\$10 administration fee**, which helps cover administrative costs. For more details—including required forms and a list of approved septic haulers—please visit www.dickinsontownship.org

There's an alternative option!

Instead of pumping, you may choose to have a **Registered Septic Hauler or Inspection Company** perform a *sludge test*. If the test shows that no more than **one-third of the tank's capacity** is filled with solids, you'll receive a **waiver from pumping** until the next three-year cycle. If you choose this option, please submit the sludge inspection report along with the **\$10 inspection fee**.

Thanks for helping us keep septic systems—and our community—running smoothly!



Fish Release Day for Vista CoVE Autism Support Program

Here is a picture of our students from our VISTA CoVE Autism Support program operated through the Carlisle Area School District. We enjoyed a community-based instruction trip to Stuart Park on May 27, 2025. This year our middle school classroom at Lambertson Middle School participated in the Pennsylvania Trout in the Classroom (TITC) program. Through a partnership with PA Trout Unlimited and the High-Country Fly Fishers Chapter, our students with autism and intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD) raised rainbow trout from eggs to young fish in a carefully maintained 55-gallon aquarium.

This hands-on STEM experience combines science, environmental conservation, and inclusive education—empowering students to observe, analyze, and engage in real-world learning.

During this school year, students were actively involved in testing water quality & recording data, monitoring fish development from egg to fry stage and learning about aquatic ecosystems & conservation.

On our "Release Day" at Stuart Park, students tested the water quality of the stream and made comparisons to their data from the tank at school. They collected and identified macro-organisms from the stream and then finally released their trout into the stream—putting their hard work, observations, and care into action while reinforcing the importance of environmental conservation. We actually met quite a few fishermen while we were out there and had great conversations with them about our year long experience!

The Trout in the Classroom initiative at Lambertson Middle School is so much more than a science project. It's a bridge between special education and general education. It's a hands-on STEM experience that builds real-world skills. It's a model for inclusion, autism awareness, and community engagement.

We appreciate your support!

WINTER TIPS



Dickinson Township crews work hard to keep roads safe during winter storms. Please help by **refraining from placing snow on roadways**, allowing extra travel time, and **staying back at least 100 feet from plow trucks**.

Snow spray around driveways and mailboxes is unavoidable, and the township is not responsible for removing snow from mailbox areas. Residents are responsible for maintaining and repairing their mailboxes, especially decorative or non-standard styles.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation throughout the winter season!

Historic Barnitz Mill at Stuart Park needs your help!

The Friends of Barnitz Mill (FOBM), a newly incorporated nonprofit dedicated to preserving this local treasure, is partnering with Dickinson Township and local organizations to ensure that Barnitz Mill is stabilized, restored, and the visitor experience to Stuart Park is enhanced. We believe this mill can be adapted as an activity center to serve our growing community for the future and retain the unique character of the past.

But we can't do it without your help.

Will you consider donating today to preserve our historic mill and improve our beloved park?

Barnitz Mill sits quietly now, tucked along the sharp bend in Pine Road near the entrance to Stuart Park.



Built around 1840 on a site that has hosted mill activity since 1768, the structure has witnessed over two centuries of local industry, community, and change.

The mill was once operated by the Weakley and Barnitz families as part of a milling complex, which included a grist mill, sawmill, fulling mill, cider press, and more. The mills at this site were once a hub of industry and a gathering place for the local community.

Barnitz Mill is one of the few remaining 19th-century mills in our region, but the stone foundation is rapidly deteriorating. The walls on the lower level are failing, the foundation is unstable, and interior beams are deteriorating. Without action, this irreplaceable structure may be lost forever.

Stuart Park provides residents access to the scenic Yellow Breeches Creek—a celebrated destination for nature walks, birdwatching, and trout fishing. By bringing new life to Barnitz Mill, residents can benefit from a vibrant indoor space for year-round gatherings, programs, and events, which our community currently lacks.

The Dickinson Township Park Master Plan identifies Barnitz Mill as an essential cultural and visual anchor within Stuart Park. Public feedback during the planning process highlighted broad community interest in retaining historic elements while improving access, trails, ADA compliance, and creekside amenities. Recent township projects at Stuart Park have improved trails, increased streambank stability, expanded native plantings, and installed new restrooms beside the mill.

A recent survey done by FOBM identified historic, environmental and educational program center, rental venue for celebrations, music and live performance space, community meeting space, and small commercial vendor space as top options for reuse of the mill.

By restoring the building for community use, we will build upon prior investments and breathe new life into a site rich in both history and natural beauty.

You can drop off or mail your donation form to:
Dickinson Township Municipal Building • 219 Mountain View Road, Mt. Holly Springs, PA 17065

Cut out section below:



savebarnitzmill@gmail.com

friendsofbarnitzmill.org

facebook.com/friendsofbarnitzmill



Plan your next Gathering at the Stuart Park Pavilion!!!

Looking for the perfect spot to host your next picnic, birthday party, or community event? The Stuart Park Pavilion in Dickinson Township offers a welcoming, family-friendly setting ideal for gatherings of all sizes. Nestled within the peaceful surroundings of Stuart Park, the pavilion provides covered seating, plenty of open space, and easy access to the park's recreational features—making it a convenient choice for warm-weather celebrations.

Residents and non-residents alike can enjoy the pavilion's spacious layout, sturdy picnic tables, and nearby amenities such as walking paths, playground

areas, and access to the Yellow Breeches. Whether you're planning a casual get-together or a more structured event, the pavilion offers a clean and comfortable setting with the charm of the outdoors.

Reservations are now being accepted for the upcoming season! Booking in advance is encouraged, as dates fill quickly during spring and summer. To secure your rental or to learn more about availability, fees, and policies, contact Dickinson Township office or visit our website. Make your next event memorable—host it at the Stuart Park Pavilion!

Help Is Needed!

Citizen's Fire Company is seeking individuals to serve as volunteer fire police officers. Fire police are members of the fire company who assist multiple agencies in traffic control during fires, auto accidents, and public events. With stations located in Boiling Springs and Mt. Holly Springs, Citizen's Fire (not Pire) Company serves a large portion of Dickinson Township.

If you are interested in becoming a member, or checking out other opportunities to become involved please stop in and visit a station. Information is also available on the fire company website at <http://mobile.citizens-fire36.org>

Station 1 - Holly Station
100 Chestnut Street
Mt. Holly Springs, PA 17065

Station 2 - Village Station
405 Forge Road
Boiling Springs, PA 17007



YES! I want to contribute to the future of Barnitz Mill and enrich Stuart Park.

YES! Please add me to your email/mailling list.

YES! I want to volunteer with Friends of Barnitz Mill.

Donation amount: \$25 \$50 \$100 Other _____

Cash Check (Payable to Friends of Barnitz Mill)

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

DICKINSON TOWNSHIP
219 Mountain View Road
Mt. Holly Springs, PA 17065

Dickinson Township Vacancies

Dickinson Township Planning Commission Vacancy

Dickinson Township is seeking a resident to fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission plays an important role in advising the Board of Supervisors on land use matters, development proposals, and long-range planning efforts that shape the future of the Township. If you have a background in planning, land use, development, engineering, architecture or related fields, it is helpful but not required. It is an appointed position, typically meets one evening a month and the term of appointment is in accordance with the Second-Class Township Code. Residents interested in serving are encouraged to submit a resume and letter of interest to the Township Manager, Jill Lovett at manager@dickinsontownship.org.

Join the Dickinson Township Park & Recreation Committee!

Dickinson Township is looking for a resident to help shape the future of our parks and recreational spaces by filling a vacancy on the Park & Recreation Committee. This volunteer Board works with the Board of Supervisors on park improvements, recreation opportunities, and community-focused projects. If you're a Dickinson Township resident who enjoys parks, outdoor spaces, or community involvement and have ideas for recreational community events and can attend one monthly evening meeting, we'd love to hear from you! Interested residents are invited to submit a resume and a letter of interest to the Township Manager, Jill Lovett at manager@dickinsontownship.org.

Dickinson Township Zoning Hearing Board Alternate Vacancy

Dickinson Township is seeking a resident to fill an Alternate position on the Zoning Hearing Board. The Zoning Hearing Board is authorized to hear and render decisions on appeals, variances, and special exceptions in accordance with the Dickinson Township Zoning Ordinance and the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code. Alternate members serve when regular members are absent and may participate in hearings and decisions as needed. Knowledge in land use, planning or zoning matters is beneficial but not required. Interested residents willing to serve are encouraged to submit a resume and letter of interest to the Township Manager, Jill Lovett at manager@dickinsontownship.org.