



Township Update

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Happy Summer Dear Lyceum Newsletter Readers:

Thank you for your interest in the affairs of the Township and your subscription to this newsletter. Following is an update related to a number of ongoing matters of general interest:

Good Bye Betty and Congratulations Mike – On Monday, March 16th, 2015 Betty Gordon announced her resignation from the New Garden Board of Supervisors effective April 1st. Betty served on the Board for over 5 years and was Chairperson in 2014. Betty is moving out of the Township and the Township thanks her for her service and wishes her luck with the move.

On Monday, May 4th, 2015, Michael Loftus was appointed to the New Garden Board of Supervisors to serve out the final 8 months of Ms. Gordon's term. Mike has lived in New Garden for over 25 years and has served on the Township Planning Commission for over 20 years. The Township welcomes Mike to the Board and wishes him luck in his new position.

Sewer System – The process is ongoing with respect to investigating the sale of the sewer system. There are three well qualified entities that have submitted bids to purchase the system. The Township has hired outside professional consultants that specialize in the sale of sewer systems to assist us in the process. The bids are being evaluated and a decision should be made by the end of 2015.

Road Repairs – After a winter that really took a toll on local roads, the Public Works Department has been doing a great job of keeping the Township's roads in good condition. Tar and Chip has been completed on Sharp Road. Paving will take place in August. Roads scheduled to be paved are Starr Road from London Grove Township line to the bridge on Starr Road, Sharp Road from Route 41 to almost Berwick Road (back entrance to Brittany Hills), Pemberton from Cedar

Springs to Kennett Township Line and Egypt Run Road from Carisbrooke Drive, east approximately 2500 feet.

2016 Budget – Township Staff and the Board of Supervisors will begin work on the 2016 budget in early September with the first public Budget Workshop is scheduled for the beginning of October, with the expectation that the preliminary budget will be adopted by the end of November and the final budget adopted in December. The Supervisors will devote several public meetings in October and November to the budget preparation process. These meetings will be noted in the Lyceum Newsletter and on the Township's web site. Preparing the budget is a very challenging task with many competing interests; your input is always welcome.

Thank you again for your interest in the Township and subscription to this newsletter. Please contact me with any issues or questions that you may have about anything going on in the Township. My email is tscheivert@newgarden.org. We will do our best to keep you informed on the matters of New Garden Township.