



EXETER COMMUNITY NEWS

Edition 4

Fourth Quarter, 2012



Exeter Community Cares About DARE

The Exeter Community has responded to a request by the Police Department to support their efforts to teach children about the dangers involved in the use and abuse of drugs and the dangers of violence. “Essentially, members of the community have put their money where their feelings are, and want children to understand the importance of

being drug free and sensitive to violence issues”, said Exeter Police Chief Christopher Neidert.

After a request for donations, orchestrated by Exeter’s DARE Program Officer appeared in the July edition of “*Exeter Community News*”, donations from \$10 to \$100 began to arrive. **Hamid Chaudhry**, owner of Exeter’s Dairy Queen, held a 3-hour fundraiser and donated \$1,500; and **Giant Supermarket** at Exeter Commons donated all the cupcakes needed for the DARE graduation ceremony. Then a phone call offering more came in from **St. Joe’s Medical Center’s VP of Marketing and Communications Michael Jupina**, who asked how much money it would take to maintain the program at its current high level. “I was happy to tell him we needed about \$3,000”, said Chief Neidert. Mr. Jupina then said St. Joe’s Medical Center would contribute a generous amount to the cause. Exeter’s Police Department and its Board of Supervisors sincerely thank all those contributing to this worthwhile cause that helps children resist drugs and violence.

Economic Development Efforts Ongoing

Shawn Filby, Chairman of Exeter’s Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC), addressed the Board of Supervisors at a regularly scheduled meeting to outline suggested goals to be considered for creating a business-friendly environment that will grow the Township’s commercial tax base.

Among the short-term goal suggestions were: creating incentives to attract new tenants to fill vacant store fronts; to pursue economic development funding opportunities for blighted shopping centers in the Township; to hire a municipal planner to create zoning advice for the Route 422 corridor and light industrial zones; to broaden the Route 422 Corridor Zoning to prepare for business expansion with access to Route 422; to compare Township Ordinances with other PA municipalities to reveal best practices of successful townships; and to establish a joint, expedited approval process to ensure businesses locating or expanding in the Township will get extra help in making approvals more quickly. (continued on page 2)

Holiday Schedule

**Exeter Township’s Business Office
will be closed on**

Election Day

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

Veteran’s Day

Monday, November 12, 2012

Thanksgiving

Thursday & Friday

November 22 & 23, 2012

Christmas Holiday

Monday & Tuesday

December 24 & 25, 2012

New Years Holiday

Tuesday, January 1, 2013

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Economic Development Ongoing

(continued)

Mr. Filby said EDAC's **long-term goal suggestion** was to prepare for a Light Rail Station or Stop in Exeter Township. While he felt this goal could require political lobbying and agreement from Amity Township and Birdsboro, the potential would be huge for developing the Baumstown area, for attracting businesses and increasing Exeter's appeal as a great place to live. He noted infrastructure improvements on Lincoln Road and the Schuylkill Water Front would be necessary.

Rite Aid Opened

For months, residents passed the construction site of the "opening soon" new Rite Aid Pharmacy, a work in progress on the corner of 47th Street and Perkiomen Avenue. **Now this store is open!** The event was celebrated with a ribbon cutting ceremony attended by Rite Aid District Manager, Martin Stockman, Exeter Board Supervisor and Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) member Jeffrey Bukowski, along with members of the Rite Aid staff. The store is open Monday-Saturday 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.; and Sunday from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Pharmacy information can be obtained by calling 610-779-3266.



Supervisor Jeff Bukowski shaking hands with Rite Aid District Manager Martin Stockman at ribbon cutting ceremony with management & staff looking on.



EDAC

Breakfast Notes

Exeter thanks *St. Joseph's Medical Center* for sponsoring the **September 11th Business Community Breakfast** held at

the Reading Country Club. Berks County Commissioners Kevin S. Bernhardt & Christian Y. Leinbach spoke on the economic state of the County. Topics covered by Kathy Cortellessa, from "STEAM", and Marcia McGavisk, from "SEEDCOPA" were Human Resources & Small Business Administration Loans, respectively.

Welcome

Advanced Hearing Aid Center

Exeter's newest business is the **Advanced Hearing Aid Center**, located next to Commonwealth Auto Tags at 4720 Perkiomen Avenue. Business owner Kevin E. Rowley offers free hearing exams, sales, service and repairs on all makes and models of hearing aids.

Mr. Rowley also offers house calls free of charge for those unable to visit the office.

Hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.; evenings and Saturdays by appointment.

For information or an appointment please call 610-781-9001.



Township Manager Troy Bingaman welcomes Kevin Rowley, owner of Advanced Hearing Aid Center, 4720 Perkiomen Avenue.

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Mosquitoes Could Still Be A Problem

According to the DEP, October is the month that usually marks the end of the peak mosquito breeding period. *However*, with the continuation of warm weather, mosquito season could be extended. *Residents should not let their guard down and should continue the practices that can help them avoid getting mosquito bites.*

This year West Nile Virus mosquitoes have been found in Exeter Township and throughout Berks County. According to the DEP certain mosquito species carry the West Nile Virus, which can cause humans to contract West Nile Encephalitis, an infection that can result in an inflammation of the brain.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "All residents in areas where virus activity has been identified are at risk of contracting West Nile Encephalitis." Given this pronouncement, the DEP has continued spraying in Exeter and the Township has continued localized spraying, and seeding stagnant pools of water with larva-killing products. Mosquitoes are most active at dawn and dusk.

Recommended mosquito repellents contain "DEET" or "Picaridin".

Fire Cisterns Being Treated

With "Mosquito Dunks"

During the summer months, Exeter's wastewater treatment staff has been servicing fire cisterns located throughout the Township, according to H. David Miller, WWTP Assistant Superintendent.

These cisterns are underground vaults containing 10,000 to 16,000 gallons of water used for fire protection in areas not served by a public water system.

An observant resident posed an interesting question asking, "Since these cisterns are essentially stagnant water, should we be concerned about this being a mosquito breeding area?"

"Great Question!" said Mr. Miller. "While we haven't experienced any such problems, we are treating cisterns with 'Mosquito Dunks' as a precaution," he said.

'Mosquito Dunks', as they are called, can be purchased in most garden centers or home improvement stores for about \$10 for a 6-pack.

Each 'Dunk' kills mosquito larvae for 30 days or more, and covers a 100 square foot surface area.

****Alzheimer's Care Giver Support Group****

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NEWSLETTER NOTES

by Doris Heckman, Editor

Exeter Community News has been well received over the past 6 years and has been fortunate enough to have the cost of its printing paid for by the many businesses and service companies advertising in the publication. *This cooperative effort has saved thousands of dollars for residents while increasing interest in using Exeter businesses.* In addition, most of the cost of postage also is covered by advertising dollars; however, a suggestion to have the newsletter emailed to those who want to receive it that way has been made.

We would like to Compile an email list of our residents and businesses to begin a pilot program with the January 2013 edition. During the pilot, residents would receive the newsletter by email and regular mail due to the established postal carrier routes used in bulk mailings. Those interested can email dheckman@exetertownship.com along with their street address. The street address is necessary to pinpoint which postal carrier routes would be involved. *Residents will be advised on the results of the pilot program.*

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PARKS AND RECREATION

Aerobics At the Dunn Community Center

Classes are ongoing. You can register anytime. flyers and registration forms can be obtained at Exeter Township's website at www.exetertownship.com or at the Township Building at 4975 DeMoss Road. More information is available by contacting Joe Seltzer at (610) 406-0263 or Susan Weik at (610) 777-7539.

"Strength and Tone" - Mondays from 5:30 P.M. - 6:20 P.M. & Tuesdays from 6:00 P.M. - 6:50 P.M. This is a total infusion class using bars and weights with combined short cardio intervals for a maximum calorie and toning burn.

NEW CLASSES

"Cardio Kickboxing" - Wednesday at 6:00 P.M. A quick way to get in shape. This high intensity cardio workout combines boxing, martial arts and aerobic moves for a total body workout. Be prepared to sweat and burn calories!

"Zumba" - Mondays from 6:30 P.M. - 7:20 P.M.; Thursdays from 7:00 P.M. - 7:50 P.M.; and Saturdays from 8:30 A.M. - 9:20 A.M.

NEW.. Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M. - Get in shape and have a blast. Zumba toning targets body sculpting using light weights and combines Zumba moves to great music for a high calorie-burning dance fitness class.

Golf Tourney Thanks You's

The Exeter Township Parks and Recreation Department gratefully thanks and recognizes all the participants, sponsors, Tom Morgan and the Reading Country Club for making the 11th Annual Golf Tournament successful.

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A special thanks to Exeter Printing for donating the printed booklets.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISOR

Leaf Pick Up News



Every fall Township residents eagerly await news about leaf pick up. Please note the information below.

Beginning at the end of October, highway crews will start collecting leaves from Exeter neighborhoods

and will continue to do so through the first week in December until the first snowfall.

Crews will work on a continual basis without a published day or area schedule.

Leaves should be raked to the curb and residents are asked not to block storm drains or residential drainage pipes with leaves.

Residents living in rural areas, who would like their leaves collected, may call the Township office at (610) 779-5660 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday to have their addresses put on the collection list.



Curbside Brush Pick Up Schedule

On the North Side of Route 422 - brush will be picked up from Monday, October 15th to and including Friday, October 19th.

On the South Side of Route 422 - brush will be picked up from Monday, October 22nd to and including Friday, October 26th.

Residents are asked to have their brush at the curb by 7:00 A.M. on the first day of each week as the crews will be collecting through the week.



Brush should be cut into lengths about 4 feet long, bundled together with twine, be no larger in diameter than 4 inches, and a size that can be picked up by one person. Please do not put brush into plastic bags or use plastic bag strips to tie bundles.

Exeter Continues Trout Run Mulch Sale

Those who have not yet taken advantage of the mulch voucher sale program should know it will continue through the fall.

At \$3 a one-yard scoop, or \$10 a 3.5 yard scoop residents, non-residents, neighboring townships and landscapers can take advantage of the opportunity to get mulch loaded into their trucks from **Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to noon.**



A voucher must be purchased before hand at the Township building and is to be exchanged for the mulch. The Loader Operator will operate the security access gate for non-residents.

He will only accept vouchers for the mulch. He will not accept money nor will he issue the necessary waiver.

Mulch will continue to be available free to residents who want to shovel it themselves.

Since Township-made mulch is made from brush deposited at Trout Run, it is untreated and contains weeds. Mr. Hamm advises sprinkling a weed killing product over mulch used in landscaping.

Trout Run Security Access Cards

Exeter Residents can purchase a Trout Run Security Access Card at the Township building, 4975 DeMoss Road, Monday-Friday, from 8 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Residents must show a copy of their driver's license and pay the one-time fee of \$4 to secure a card.

The large recycling bins previously located at the Township building are now located at Trout Run. The bins are for the collection of cans, bottles, plastics cardboard and paper.

Beginning November 4th, Trout Run will be operating during the winter hours of 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.

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Recycling Collection Dates



Household Hazardous Waste will be collected October 20th at FirstEnergy Stadium, from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. (rain or shine).

Collected will be oil paints; turpentine; preservatives; paint thinners; solvents; oil-based paints; varnishes and stains; weed killers; pesticides; asphalt & driveway sealants; pool chemicals; herbicides & fungicides; antifreeze; gasoline; transmission oil; motor oil; automotive paints & finishes; solvents; disinfectants; oven & drain cleaners; photographic chemicals; floor & furniture polish; & lithium, NiCad & button batteries.

Paper Shredding & Pharmaceuticals will be collected on October 13th at FirstEnergy Stadium from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. There is no need to remove staples.

The **Electronic Recycling Center**, 1316 Hilltop Road, Leesport, PA will continue to be open every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8:00 A.M. to Noon, with other days and times available by appointment. The items accepted include computers, monitors, laptops, keyboards, modems, printers, radios, stereos, televisions, VCRs, fax machines, copiers, telephones, answering machines, mobile phones, microwaves, fluorescent bulbs, air conditioners & dehumidifiers, and all items that plug in or run on batteries. No refrigerators or freezers will be accepted.

Tire Recycling is available every Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at the Recycling Center from 8:00 A.M. to Noon.

Fees - \$1.00 each will be charged for all electronic items except TVs; \$5 each is the charge for TVs 20" & smaller; and \$10 each is the fee for 20" & larger. **There is no charge** for batteries, air conditioners and dehumidifiers.

Check BCSWA Website for details and more information at www.co.berks.pa.us/swa

Holiday

Festival of Lights Preparations Underway



**HOLIDAY
WREATHS...
COOKIES &
QUILT CRAFTS**



Joe Seltzer, Exeter's Parks & Recreation Superintendent, is personally inviting all those who live and work in the Township to Exeter's annual... sparkling...

"Festival of Lights Ceremony"
on Monday December 3rd at the Reading Country Club on Perkiomen Avenue.

The festivities will begin at 6:00 P.M.

Attendees can look forward to musical performances by the Exeter High School Brass Ensemble, and will continue to be enthralled as young members of the Berks Ballet Theater perform selections from the *"Nutcracker Suite"*.

Santa Claus will join the festivities when he arrives on the Exeter Volunteer Fire Company's ladder truck. He has promised to hear the wishes of all the Exeter boys and girls attending the event.

Refreshments will be served by Girl Scout Troops #1909 and #1676. Coloring contest winners will be announced and prizes will be awarded!

Metro Bank will be on hand to do craft projects with the children free of charge. Homemade tree ornaments brought to the ceremony will be displayed in the municipal building lobby on the Township's evergreen tree donated by the Exeter Township Volunteer Fire Company.



The Friends of the Library will hold their annual holiday sales on Saturday, December 1st from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and Sunday, December 2nd from 12 Noon to 3 P.M. at the Exeter Community Library.

Featured will be holiday wreaths, cookies and holiday quilt crafts. All wreaths are donated and decorated by local flower shops, businesses and members of the community.

Wreaths not sold that weekend will be on sale at the Library during regular hours the following week.

Members of the community wanting to donate or decorate a wreath can contact Bonnie Goulden at 610-582-8502 or at bgoulden1@aol.com



Don't Forget the Annual Coloring Contest!!!!

Yes, once again Exeter will hold a ***"Holiday Coloring Contest"*** for area children.

After Halloween, entry forms will be made available at Exeter's three elementary schools, for 5th & 6th grade students at the Reiffon School, and at Daycare Centers.

1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Prizes will be given in the following categories:
Kindergarden & under; 1st & 2nd Grades; 3rd & 4th Grades; and 5th & 6th Grades.

Contestants can drop off their forms at the Township building or mail them to 4975 DeMoss Road, Reading, PA



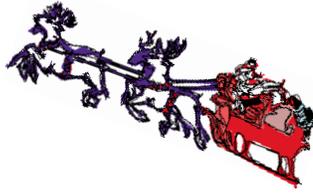
Candy Canes on the Tree

There will be a special treat for children coming to the Township building during the holidays this year. After the Christmas Tree has been placed and decorated in the lobby, it will be loaded with candy canes for visiting children.

Events



Santa to Visit Exeter Neighborhoods



Santa will be making his rounds in Exeter neighborhoods on four nights in December riding on a Fire Engine while he tosses candy treats to children lucky enough to catch them.

The schedule of his routes is listed below:
(weather permitting)

Monday, December 10 - Reiffton-South side of Route 422, Crestwood, Lorane Orchards to Lorane Road.

Tuesday, December 11 - Lorane Road East to the Township line, Lindstead, Pathfinder Valley, Kinsey Hill, Hunter's Run & Sagebrook.

Wednesday, December 12 - Hunter's Run & Sagebrook, (if not visited on December 11th), Farming Ridge, Jacksonwald & Wyndam Hill.

Thursday, December 13 - St. Lawrence, Pennside & East side of Reiffton.

Christmas Trees For Sale at Exeter Fire Company

The Exeter Township Volunteer Fire Company will be holding its **29th Annual Christmas Tree Sale** starting on Saturday, November 24, 2012 at the Reiffton Fire Station located on 33rd Street and James Avenue.

The tree sale is open daily from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Proceeds from the sale will be used to support the Volunteer Fire Company and the volunteers that work to keep us safe and help protect our properties.

Volunteers will be giving tours of the fire station and the fire apparatus during the tree sale.

Trick or Treat Nights

Exeter's Board of Supervisors has designated Tuesday, October 30th and Wednesday, October 31st from 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. as Trick or Treat Nights.

This year, as in previous years, there will be a curfew for children under the age of 18, who may not be out from 9:00 P.M. to 5:00 A.M. from Sunday, October 28th through Sunday November 4th, unless accompanied by an adult, for employment purposes or for a bonified school activity.

Halloween Advice



Children trick and treating for Halloween are reminded to be safe, use flashlights in the dark and watchout for cars that will be moving through the same streets.

Parents are advised to accompany children to ensure their safety.



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Fire Department Volunteers Needed

The Exeter Township Volunteer Fire Department is looking for men and women

to volunteer.

Assistance is needed with firefighting, record keeping, office work, maintenance or other areas.

Also offered is a **Junior Firefighting Program** for youth 14 to 17 years old. This is a great way for Jr. and Sr. High School students to earn "Community Service Hours" and learn valuable lessons and skills.



For further information about these opportunities please call (610) 779-8848 and ask for Chris Jordan or visit www.exetertwpfire25.com

It's Not Too Late To Sign Up for the ETVFD Citizen's Fire Academy

Exeter Township Volunteer Fire Department 2nd Annual Citizen's Fire Academy is running each Wednesday from, October 10th though November 14th from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Fire Chief Robert Jordan said it's not too late to sign up and he is encouraging residents to attend. The Fire Academy is being held at the the Company's Reiffon Station located at 33rd Street and James Avenue.

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“Cop’s Corner”

By Sgt. Steve Schaeffer

What are the Exeter Police officers doing? Are they doing anything to proactively fight crime? What else are the cops doing? These are questions we hear when coming in contact with our citizens. Normally, the focus of “Cops Corner” is on crime prevention techniques that educate the public. In this edition, however, we would like to tell you about some of the things we are doing to try to keep Exeter Township a safe place to live, work and play. In addition to responding to numerous types of calls - retail thefts, injury and non-injury accidents, suicidal subjects, domestic violence assaults, reckless drivers, and even, yes, the periodic reports of a sick groundhog or a neighbor’s barking dog - round the clock, you may be interested in learning of a couple of our other current projects.

One such project is assisting in the enforcement of the Construction Zone’s safety-related speed restrictions on Route 422 during nighttime construction. Last year, your Exeter Police responded to several instances in which accidents occurred, including workers being struck, during nighttime construction. This year, we increased our enforcement of the construction zone in an attempt to provide greater protection to both the public and the workers on the heavily-traveled roadway. That specific enforcement has led to a greatly-increased number of citations for vehicles traveling at speeds in excess of 73 mph in the restricted 45 mph zone, as well as the arrest of numerous drunk drivers! Additionally, the Township is fully reimbursed by the contractor for the expenses of providing an officer in the construction zone. Another of our current projects is the stringent “**Accreditation Process**”. This is a process of updating your Police Department’s policies and practices to meet the highest level of professional standards. Currently, only two other Berks County municipal departments are accredited—Spring Township Police and Muhlenberg Township Police. What does this mean for our citizens? It means that your Police officers are following a set of professional policies and practices geared toward increasing public safety and decreasing department liability. An accredited department also saves money by lowering insurance rates paid by the Township, and, ultimately, the taxpayer. What does it mean for the officers? It means developing, learning, and practicing many new policies in all facets of our duties in order to provide more efficient service and protection to you, the citizens of Exeter Township.

These are challenging times, and criminals continue to victimize society. Despite drastically reduced Police programs caused by budget cuts, plus the reduction of staffing levels created by the failure to replace retiring officers, we strive to provide the citizens of Exeter Township with professional Police services. We will continue to update you on crime prevention techniques and our ongoing Police activities in future “Cops Corner” articles. And don’t forget to follow us on Twitter as [ExeterPolice](#) and on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/ExeterTownshipPD> . We welcome your feedback!



Exeter Police Sergeant
Steve Schaeffer

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Email: info@exeterpolice.com
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Winter Plowing News

When the snow falls, highway crews will be ready to clear the streets.

Residents are advised to wait to clear the end of their driveways and walkways until after the plow has cleared their street. The reason is that plowing pushes snow to the sides of the streets and will block the entrance to the driveway.

Those that live on cul-de-sacs in residential developments usually have their roadway cleared after the main road has been cleared. Since there are only three trucks small enough to clear them, this process may take a while. Residents are encouraged to be patient as the crews will work as fast as they can.

Exeter ... the doctor is in.

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Boy Scout Tree Pick Up

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Winter In The Parks



Winter preparations are being made at Exeter Parks.

Beginning Monday, October 15th, all winter park hours will be from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

At that time all bathroom facilities will be closed and locked for the winter and the water fountains will be turned off as these facilities are not heated.

There will be no pavilion rentals until the parks reopen in the spring. At that time, pavilions in Community Park, Pineland Park, Lorane Hollow Park and Trout Run will be available for rental by reservation on a first-come, first serve basis. **NOTE: During the winter, security cameras will remain operative and parks will be patrolled regularly.**

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Tax Collector's Corner

Answers

This feature is designed to provide answers to frequently asked questions of the Tax Collector.



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A. Yes. It allows me to check your math and saves my elbow from endorsing additional checks.

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PA Governor Corbett Appoints Exeter Police Chief to Post

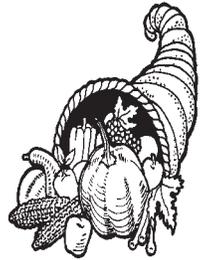


Police Chief Christopher L. Neidert working in his Exeter office.

Exeter Township Police Chief Christopher Neidert was recently appointed by PA Governor Thomas Corbett to serve on the Hamburg Center's Board of Trustees. The Hamburg Center is an alternative care facility for developmentally disabled individuals with special needs that is operated by the PA Department of Welfare.

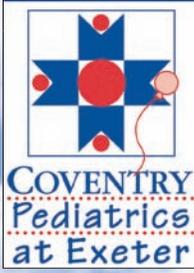
At Exeter, Chief Neidert is in charge of 29 Police Officers and Detectives, and commands the Berks County Emergency Response Team.

Exeter Area Food Pantry Operating



The Exeter Area Food Pantry is open for business on the third Friday of each month at the Reformation Lutheran Church, 3670 Perkiomen Avenue from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M.

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Budget Woes!



Exeter's Board of Supervisors is diligently seeking solutions to projected expenses in 2013.



In a series of long budget meetings throughout August and September, the Board heard what, at times, were compelling pleas to find more money as various presentations from the Police Department, Highway Department, Engineering Department, Parks & Recreation Department, GIS/IT, the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Fire Department, Exeter Ambulance, Administration & the Library were made. They heard about ensuring the safety and security of township residents through the Police and Fire Departments increased needs, how the Library was in need of \$94,000 additional dollars to keep its programs going and that Exeter Ambulance needs to replace an ambulance that has accumulated 250,000 miles. They also heard how the departments had been trimming back some expenses to help meet future ones. "These are tough times because township revenues are flat. The biggest source of revenue comes from the Earned Income Tax and that amount has not increased because many workers have seen no pay raises and there has been a loss of jobs for others," said Township Manager Troy Bingaman. "Added to that problem is a reduction in property transfer tax, and a reduced real estate tax due to numerous assessment appeals of both commercial and residential properties", he said. During the discussions, Supervisors agreed long-term answers resided in the Township's ability to encourage a larger commercial tax base that would offset its operating costs. In the short term, the Board will sort through the information and make their decisions as they separate fixed contract expenses from those that are not fixed. Additional meetings will be held in October and early November. Please visit the Township's website at www.exetertownship.com for details.



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2nd Q - Publication date is April 6, 2013 - cutoff ad date February 18, 2013

3rd Q - Publication date is July 6, 2013 - cutoff ad date May 12, 2013

4th Q - Publication date is October 10, 2013 - cutoff date August 5, 2013

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