

ANNUAL REPORT

2007



LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP



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Dear Lower Providence Residents,

With 2007 now in the books, we are proud to announce that all of our departments met or exceeded their goals for the year with most projects finishing at, or under, budget. A well deserved thank you from the Board of Supervisors to all of the Township employees for their hard work and dedication to our community. The details of their key accomplishments for 2007 are provided throughout this report.

It is important to note that the year saw the final completion of the Park, Pawlings and Egypt Road intersection improvements. Not only did we preserve the Audubon Inn, but the building was returned to a vibrant and viable business location as well. This marked a 20-year plus effort of the Township to improve this intersection. All completed at no cost to the Township residents!

A number of Township facilities received much-needed upgrades in 2007. The Public Works Department is now utilizing a new garage, one that was truly needed and a long time coming. We count on the Public Works crew to keep our many assets in top shape and they do a fantastic job! Thanks to the administrative staff, led by Maureen Nelson, the Township auditorium, hallway and lobby also underwent a long overdue facelift. The professionalism of our staff is now reflected in their workplace.

The Parks & Recreation Department, tasked with keeping the nearly 25,000 residents of the Township amused and entertained throughout the year, routinely works miracles with very limited funding. The staff consistently finds ways to pay for programming without asking for additional tax dollars and 2007 was no exception. Thanks to the many businesses in our community who have helped by sponsoring events.

I'd like to extend a special thank you to our state legislators for their continued support. State Senator John Rafferty has always been there for this community. In particular in 2007, he assisted with the business park revitalization and helped secure grant monies for everything from police initiatives to Parks and Recreation projects. Rep. Carol Rubley will be retiring at the end of 2008 and she will be missed by all of those she served so very well for the last 16 years. We wish her all the best! Rep. Mike Vereb, who is finishing his freshman term, has been a true friend and advocate for the our community, tackling tough issues like TCE and bringing thousands of dollars in grant money to the Lower Providence Ambulance and the restoration efforts of the historic Casselberry House in Evansburg.

Looking ahead, we have important projects on the horizon such

as the Velodrome and Events Center, Phase Two of the Club at Shannondell, and the American Revolution Center. In 2007, the Board of Supervisors approved the Living History Overlay District ordinance that protects land within the Township from becoming over 300 new homes and allows the Center project to advance. The museum will be the nation's first to devote itself solely to the American Revolution. We would like to extend a special thank you to U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter, Governor Ed Rendell, the Montgomery Country Board of Commissioners and Mr. H. F. Gerry Lenfest for devoting their considerable time and resources to this celebration of our nation's birth here in Lower Providence.

In closing, I'd like you to consider what you expect from your local government. Most residents want controlled development, open space, and a high level of municipal service with no tax increases. You are justified in these requests and if your government isn't responsive you have the right and responsibility to vote accordingly. Please take a ride through Lower Providence some Saturday morning and really look around to see what this community has to offer. When you do, ask yourself a few questions. Do I feel safe in Lower Providence? If I needed help in an emergency, could I get it in a reasonable amount of time? Are the roads, buildings and parks well maintained? If I saw something being built and really wanted to know more, could I find out quickly? How many brand new homes are being built in Lower Providence today? If I wanted to go for a walk or play ball or be entertained is that opportunity here for people of any age? Is the investment in my home in Lower Providence a good investment? How have the changes that have been made affected my life? These are the questions your Supervisors should ask themselves every time they make a decision. Please ask yourself, based on your observations, are your elected officials doing a good job for you? I hope you think so but if you don't, please let us know.

More than 400 housing starts were approved in 2003; last year less than three dozen were approved - that's controlled development. In 2003, Lower Providence had a tax increase. There hasn't been a tax increase since: Lower Providence has maintained its exceptional level of service with no tax increase! In fact, going into 2008 we enjoy a balanced budget with a healthy reserve for emergencies. Lower Providence truly is a great place to live, play and work.

Craig M. Dininny

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

BOARD OF AUDITORS

- Mary Ralston, Chairman
- Carole Gaugler, Vice Chairman
- Deborah McQuiston, Secretary

LOWER PROVIDENCE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Lower Providence Library Board of Trustees meets on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

- Eveann S. D'Onofrio, President
- Dr. Gunita Grover, Vice President
- Bruce Goldenberg, Secretary
- Joseph Sterchak, Treasurer
- John E. Bennett
- Deborah Malone
- Anthony Cossetti
- Rick Brown, Board of Supervisors Liaison

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD

The Municipal Authority meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

- Craig Dininny, Chairman
- John Ruggiero, Vice Chairman
- Albert Vagnozzi, Asst. Secretary
- W. Douglas Hager, Asst. Treasurer
- Piero A. Sassu
- Joseph Kuhls, Solicitor

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

The Parks and Recreation Board meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 PM.

- Thomas M. Heisner, Chairman
- Beth Ann Mazza, Vice Chairman
- William Wurtz
- William D. Brooke, Jr.
- Anthony Gambone
- Marty DellAngelo
- Matt Jones, Student Representative
- Chris DiPaolo, Board of Supervisors Liaison

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

- Warren J. Schlack, Chairman
- Thomas Endlich, Vice Chairman
- Thomas Rutledge
- John Bodek
- Frank M. Vibbert
- Naomi C. Satterwhite
- Mark A. Kuberski
- Jill Zimmerman
- Joseph Stemple
- Marie Altieri, Board of Supervisors Liaison

SEWER AUTHORITY

The Sewer Authority meets on the second Thursday of each month at 8:00 PM.

- Fred Walker, Chairman
- Carl A. Buchenauer, Vice-Chairman
- Robert Tschoepe, Treasurer
- Charles Rose, Secretary
- William Cleaver, Assistant Treasurer
- Piero Sassu, Board of Supervisors Liaison
- Kerns, Pearlstine, Onorato & Faith, LLC, Solicitor

VACANCY BOARD

- Edward Houseal

ZONING HEARING BOARD

The Zoning Hearing Board meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM.

- Janice Kearney, Chairman
- Eric Frey, Vice Chairman
- Robert Hardt
- William Donovan
- James Dougherty
- Mandracchia & Modesti, LLC, Solicitor



GOVERNOR'S AWARD - Township Manager Joe Dunbar, back row center, joins other members of the River Crossing Complex Steering Committee in receiving the Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence from Lt. Gov. Catherine Baker Knoll. The award recognized the committee's regional effort to combat traffic congestion along the Route 422 corridor.

With the leadership and guidance of the Board of Supervisors, the Lower Providence staff continues to put together the pieces that make a township successful. As with a jigsaw puzzle, we worked from the outer edges inward, first expanding our regional efforts and enhancing partnerships. Then we tackled the inside pieces, working on internal issues and initiatives.

We recognize that Lower Providence Township is not an island and much of our success is dependent on regional cooperation. "Strength in numbers" aptly applies to the vital partnerships we fostered in 2007. These partnerships provide greater opportunity for consensus and allow us to identify important funding streams. Memberships on behalf of the Township include the Greater Valley Forge Transportation Management Association; the Montgomery County Consortium of Communities; the Montgomery County Association of Township Officials; Route 422 Coalition; Route 422 River Crossing Complex Steering Committee, and the PA State Association of Township Supervisors. These and other affiliations ensure that the needs and concerns of Lower Providence residents and businesses remain part of the bigger regional picture.

Our local legislators, Sen. John Rafferty and Representatives Carole Rubley and Mike Vereb, also have been an important piece of the puzzle. Their support has allowed ongoing improvements to the Route 422 corridor to advance and has provided a variety of economic development initiatives and grant opportunities.

Turning inward, our top priority in 2007 continued to be providing the best quality of services possible for our community. Significant improvements, in particular a number of advancements on the technology front, were made by each of the departments and are outlined in this report. The year also brought the realization that creating and retaining jobs must be our focus if the Township is to maintain its high level of service and sustained tax rates. During the year, we initiated a master planning process for the Valley Forge Corporate Center and moved forward with significant projects, including the American Revolution Center and the Velodrome and Events Center.

The American Revolution Center museum project was presented to the Board of Supervisors and the Board adopted the Living History Overlay District Ordinance. Sale of the property for the proposed site, located on Pawlings Road, was completed and preserves open space. A

land development application is expected to be submitted in 2008. The National Parks Conservation Association and several residents have filed two appeals of the ordinance, one substantive and one procedural. Arguments were heard in early January 2008 before the Township Zoning Hearing Board. As of this publication, the Zoning Hearing Board had dismissed the substantive appeal and has agreed to take testimony on the procedural issue.

In 2007, a multi-disciplinary team was engaged by the Township to develop a master plan to re-invent the underutilized Valley Forge Corporate Center. Throughout the year, the team worked with the Township, businesses and residents to develop a long-range plan for the center. The final recommendation is expected to be presented to the Board of Supervisors in 2008 and will be followed by public presentations and hearings on any proposed ordinances. With the plan calling for mixed uses and amenities to re-energize the center, we have also explored the possibility and practicality of adding a medical facility to the mix.

During the year, tangible evidence of the success of the Ridge Pike Business District Ordinance, adopted in 2006 to promote aesthetic and traffic safety improvements to the corridor, could be seen. Penn Liberty Bank and Weinstein's Plumbing opened their doors, construction began on other businesses, and the "greening" of this vital corridor was evident.

Also in 2007, the ad hoc Village Commercial Committee continued its work and we look forward to the Board of Supervisors acting on its recommendations in the coming year.

Also in 2008, as part of the Township's ongoing efforts to preserve open space, we anticipate an open space acquisition via the county's grant program.

In closing, I would like to thank the Board of Supervisors for their leadership and dedicated service, and the Township staff and volunteers for their diligent work. Special appreciation also goes to the residents and business community for your invaluable input and support.

Joseph Dunbar
Township Manager

Department of FINANCE

In 2007, the Township's Finance Department continued its outstanding work, with the Operating and Capital Budget following the high standard of fiscal responsibility as set forth by the Board of Supervisors. The budget created an equitable revenue structure in relation to taxes paid and services received by the taxpayer. Because of prudent fiscal governing, the residents of Lower Providence Township enjoyed another year of sustained tax millage rates in 2007.

Financial performance of the General Fund was positive in 2007, with actual revenue exceeding budgetary levels. In 2007, the Township Real Estate Tax rate was 1.512, unchanged from 2006.

The Township tax rate represents four funds: General Fund, .905 mills; Library, .265 mills; Debt Service, .101 mills; and Parks and Recreation, .241 mills.

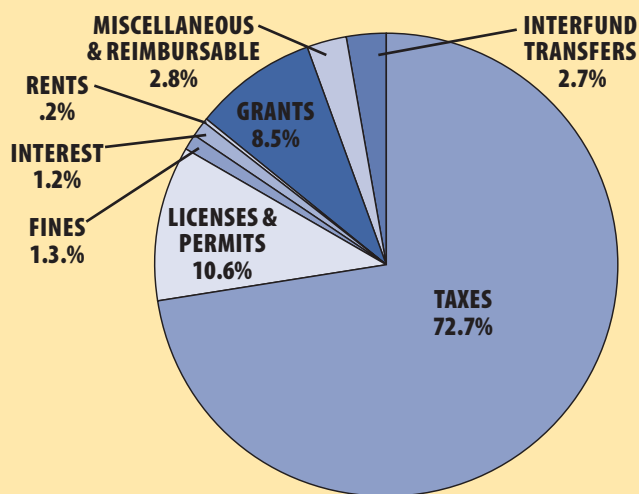
The Finance Department manages the financial structure for all departments: Administration, Finance, Community Development, Police, Public Works, and Parks & Recreation. The revenue received through tax collection, user fees, and

miscellaneous income is expended to preserve the functionality of these departments. In 2007, the Department continued its commitment to the following objectives:

- Promoting the ethical and efficient use of resources by public sector departments consistent with the Government Accounting Standards Board
- Providing the community with confidence that public funds are being properly managed
- Preparing policies and control documents to provide guidance for Township departments regarding accounting operations and internal controls
- The Township modified the presentation of governmental funds in the audit to improve the transparency of its financial reporting for citizens, the rating agencies, and holders of the Township's debt. The Township plans to continue these efforts to remain on the forefront of clear and comprehensive financial disclosure.

2007 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

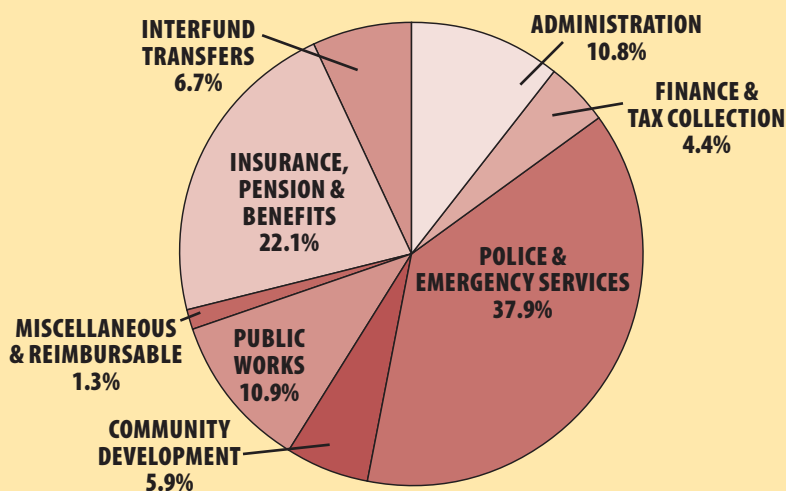
REVENUE



Taxes	\$ 5,927,700
Licenses & Permits	\$ 867,300
Fines	\$ 105,000
Interest	\$ 95,000
Rents	\$ 12,800
Grants	\$ 694,360
Miscellaneous & Reimbursable	\$ 229,590
Interfund Transfers	\$ 217,783
Fund Balance Forward.....	\$ 1,057,150
Total Revenues.....	\$ 9,206,683

ALL PERCENTAGES BASED ON TOTALS
EXCLUDING FUND BALANCE FORWARD
AND RESERVED FUND BALANCE.

EXPENSES



Administration	\$ 955,990
Finance & Tax Collection	\$ 394,775
Police & Emergency Services	\$ 3,371,793
Community Development.....	\$ 525,463
Public Works	\$ 964,973
Miscellaneous & Reimbursable	\$ 119,190
Insurance, Pension & Benefits	\$ 1,969,542
Interfund Transfers	\$ 595,172
Reserved Fund Balance.....	\$ 309,785
Total Expenditures.....	\$ 9,206,683

Department of HUMAN RESOURCES

During 2007, Human Resources played an integral role in facilitating training and development programs to meet the varied needs of Township staff members. A crucial goal during 2007 was to provide safety training for all employees in order to maintain and promote a safe work and Township environment. This included:

- Fire Extinguisher Use
- Confined Space Entry
- Trenching and Shoring Operations
- Right-to-Know; Hazardous Materials
- Emergency Evacuation Plan
- Aerial Lifts
- Bridge Maintenance
- Bucket Truck Operation
- Ongoing refresher training on heavy equipment
- Safety Committee Certification

In addition to safety topics, employees received training in areas that will allow them to better serve the residents as well as their co-workers. As the needs of the Township and its residents evolve, it is crucial that those who serve them on a daily basis continue to receive the training necessary to meet those evolving needs. The following employee development topics were covered during 2007: Public Speaking, Personal Computer Operations, Microsoft Office, Supervision Basics, Successful Communication, Juggling Multiple Priorities, Customer Service, and Managing Change.

Human Resources is also responsible for the management of the Township's various insurance plans.

As a result of diligent research and negotiation with insurance carriers, the Township was able to realize a savings of over \$96,000 for the upcoming policy period renewals on several insurance plans.



▲ *The Township provides on-going safety training for all employees to maintain and promote a safe work and Township environment.*

▼ *Township employees receive training in areas that will allow them to better serve the residents as well as their co-workers. Here, members of the Public Works Department take part in a computer class.*



Department of PARKS & RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Department offers a wide variety of workshops, camps, special events, and trips for participants of all ages. In 2007, the Department focused on expanding its programming, with such classes as SAT prep, mat Pilates, pre-school computer, golf, and gardening joining traditional favorites. During the summer, Township-sponsored camps covered a wide variety of interests, including sports, nature, and horseback riding. Camp Perkiomy, the Department's summer day camp, provided fun for its young participants. In addition, numerous trips gave community members the opportunity to travel to such destinations as New York, Atlantic City, Chicago, and Savannah. They also visited the slopes, rides and movies as the Department once again offered discount tickets for amusement parks, ski resorts and local movie theaters.

Looking to revitalize its annual fall celebration, the Department introduced Fall Fest in 2007. The expanded event included both popular elements of the former celebration and additional activities, including health and business expos. A benefit 10K race kicked off the day and drew praise from veteran and novice runners alike.

Offering food, music, lifestyle information, and activities for all ages, Fall Fest attracted thousands of participants and fostered a real sense of community spirit.



2007 MILESTONES:

Eagleville Park pathway lighting - Path lighting was installed to allow residents to walk early in the morning and just after dusk in the evening. This project was part of the Eagleville Park Master Plan.

Hoy Park - The Township obtained a grant from the Fish and Boat Commission to pave the parking lot and make improvements to the boat ramp. In addition, a Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant was obtained for an ADA walking path and fishing pier; the project will be completed in 2008.

Cranberry Park - A \$7,500 grant from PECO Green Region grant was used for plantings and the construction of a parking lot area.


Playground Equipment and Gabriel's Field Master Plan - A \$5,000 Department of Community and Economic Development grant was used for playground equipment at the Audubon Recreation complex and for the Gabriel's Field Master Plan.

Detention Basin Project - The Township received a \$17,163.56 Tree Vitalize Watershed grant from the Montgomery County Conservation District to naturalize two Township detention basins at Redtail and Evansburg Crossing.


Marquee Installation - With support from Sen. John Rafferty, the Township received a grant used toward the purchase of a new marquee. The sign provides real-time emergency messages and information on Township-sponsored events.

Shoemaker House - Renovations were begun to the Shoemaker House, the new home of the Parks and Recreation Department. The Department is scheduled to complete the move by the end of February 2008.

Online Registration - Planning was initiated for online program registration that will offer residents the convenience of registering and paying for Parks & Recreation programs via the Township website.

 *The Parks & Recreation Department offers unique, educational and entertaining programs for all ages. This reptile program was part of Fall Fest 2007.*



 *The Township's benefit 10K race fostered both competition and community spirit.*

TRADITIONS & SPECIAL EVENTS

The Department once again took the lead on a number of popular Township traditions, including:

- Easter Egg Hunt
- Independence Day Celebration
- Turkey "Fowl" Shooting Contest
- Holiday festival
- Caring & Sharing clothing collection
- Angel Tree gift-giving program

PARKS & RECREATION CREW

In 2007, members of the Parks and Recreation Department worked hard to provide safe, clean and usable parks.

The four-man crew is responsible over 265 acres of land, including 12 parks, open space areas, the Level Road School House, and Township-owned detention basins.

Because of the crew's diligent work, park visitors can enjoy beautiful scenery and well-maintained grounds and playing fields.



If you have any comments or suggestions for new recreational programs or special events, please feel free to contact the Parks and Recreation Department. We look forward to an even better 2008 program year!

The tri-annual brochure lists our programs and special events. To request a brochure, call the Township Administration Office, 610-539-8020.

Department of COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Community Development Department is responsible for planning, zoning and building code ordinances within the Township and administers the Township's Comprehensive Plan and Open Space Plan. The year saw the completion of intersection improvements at the Park, Pawlings and Egypt road intersection, identified as a significant goal in both the Township's Comprehensive Plan and the Montgomery County Traffic Improvements Plan.

During 2007, the Township began to realize the benefits of the Ridge Pike Business District Ordinance. The ordinance is helping to breathe new life into this vital commercial corridor of the Township. Adopted in 2006, the Ridge Pike Business District Ordinance is designed to enhance traffic safety, make aesthetic improvements, and encourage commercial redevelopment along the Ridge Pike corridor. In 2007, Penn Liberty Bank and Weinstein Plumbing were completed and constructed was started on the TruMark Credit Union. Also, work began to replace an existing car wash with a new and "green" facility. These new businesses and the ordinance are changing the face of the Ridge Pike corridor. Overall, some 25 new businesses joined the Township in 2007.

The department continued its critical work on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II permit Department of Environmental Protection protocol for Lower Providence Township and established funding for the Tree Vitalization grant for the naturalization of two Township basins.

Among its varied duties, the Community Development Department receives and processes all building, zoning, and road opening permits, business licenses, certificates of compliance for property resales, and certificates of occupancy. In 2007, the department processed over 3000 permits or licenses during 2007, issuing over 240 certificates of compliance permits for property resales and over 650 business licenses.

Despite the increasing workload, resident complaints dwindled significantly this past year. The department logged 27 complaints in 2007, as compared to 91 in 2006. This represents a nearly 70% reduction in the number of written complaints. This can be attributed to the Township's continuing efforts to streamline the permitting process and to provide easily accessible information to residents and contractors. **In 2007, the Township's website was recognized by the Pennsylvania Construction Code Academy and its Geographic Information System is among the most sophisticated in the state.**

The Department received 17 zoning appeal applications for 2007. This 53% decrease from 2006 is the result of the Community Development Department's work on a clean-up zoning ordinance enacted by the Board of Supervisors in late 2006. The Department also processed and reviewed 12 subdivision and land development plan submissions; five DeMinimus Land Development submissions; one Conditional Uses application, and one rezoning application. These plans ranged from several minor subdivisions to several commercial developments. The Department created three different ordinance amendments to the Lower Providence Township Code during 2007 and consulted with the Village Commercial Committee for the establishment of a revised Village Commercial Ordinance.

The department oversees the variety of special consultants who review plans and ordinance proposals and who monitor construction projects. In 2007, Chambers Associates, the Township engineer, reviewed or managed for dedication 55 projects; 30 of those projects were under construction for inspection and escrow releases. There were six new Township Park projects, among them the Hoy Park Fishing Pier and Boat Ramp project, and Master Plans for Cranberry Park and Evansburg Point Park.

Throughout 2007, McMahon Associates, Inc., the Township's traffic engineer, reviewed five projects submitted to the Township and provided assistance with the following projects:

- **Egypt Road / Park Avenue / Pawlings Road** – Completion of road improvements to this vital intersection
- **Valley Forge Business Park** – Coordination with the Township in the overall planning to revitalize the business park, including traffic planning analysis recommendations
- **River Crossing Complex Projects Route 422** – Final design work is being conducted for this project to begin construction on improvements in 2008-2009.
- **Grange Avenue** – Provided traffic improvements and signage for traffic calming
- **Egypt Road and Wedgewood Road** - Pedestrian crossing improvements
- **Stalker Board** - Plan reviews for the speed display devices located at various public schools in the Township



- ▲ The long-overdue traffic improvements to the Park, Pawlings and Egypt road intersection were completed in 2007 – at no cost to Township residents. In addition, the historic Audubon Inn was preserved and returned to a viable business location. The restored structure serves as the home of law offices.



The Township welcomes all of the new businesses that joined our community throughout 2007. They included:

- Anderson School/Montgomery County Intermediate Unit
- Assured Roofing
- Bell Tone Hearing Center
- Car Vision
- Colonial Electric Supply
- Comcast
- Commerce Bank
- CVS
- Data Based Systems International
- Diamond Brite Car wash
- Do Nails
- Headliners Hair Salon
- Hullabaloo Party Supply
- IDT
- Interprod
- Jani King
- Liberty Tax
- Lost in Space Collectibles
- Luk Oil
- Penn Liberty Bank
- Sleepy's
- Visiting Angels
- Weinstein Supply
- Zoom Sewer and Drain Cleaning
- Big Daddy's Brick Oven Pizza
- Brusters Ice Cream
- Dosa Hut and Chat House



POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Lower Providence Township Police Department addressed a number of critical issues throughout 2007 and continued to strive to provide excellent police services to those that we are sworn to serve.

Major renovations were completed in the Police Dispatch Center, located within the police station. The renovation provided dispatch personnel with expanded work area, task-specific workstations and computer display screens for the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, the internal records management systems, the Ridge Pike Closed Loop system, and the internal video monitoring system. Lower Providence Township maintains a dispatch center that is staffed 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The center is classified as a Public Safety Access Point (PSAP) under Pennsylvania state guidelines and interfaces through the computer aided dispatch system with the Montgomery County 9-1-1 Center.

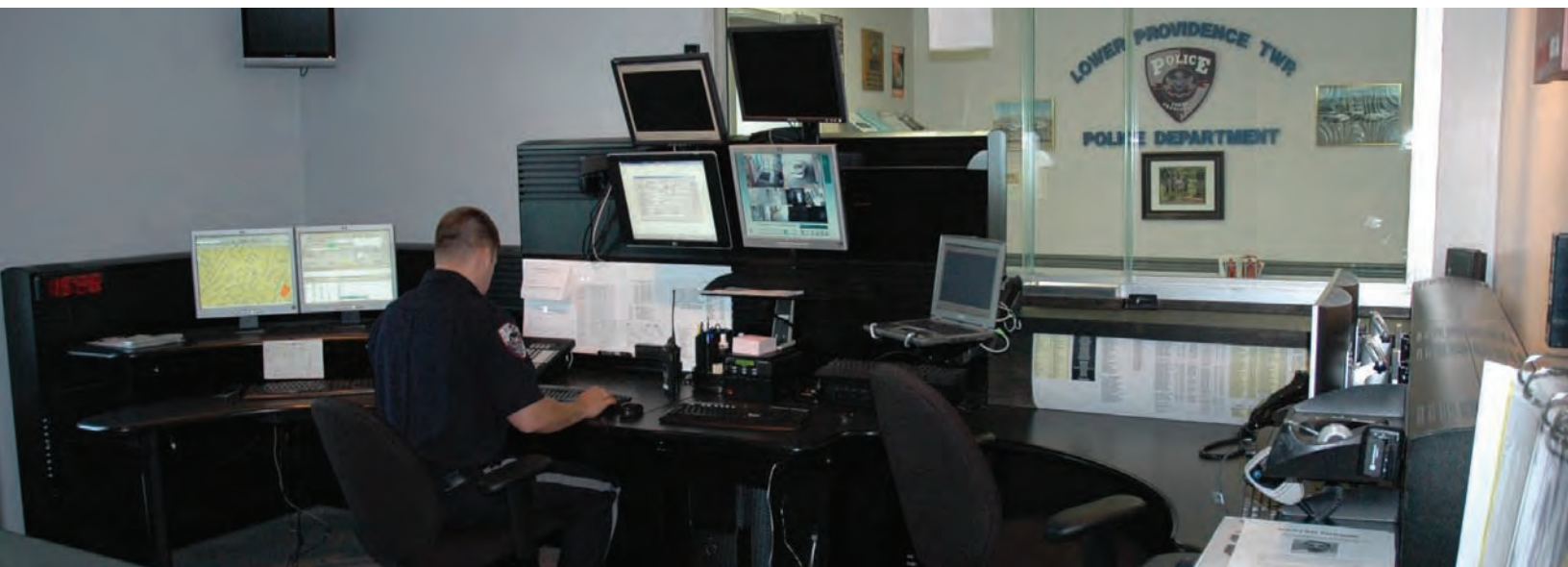
Police radio transmissions are made on a dedicated channel on the Montgomery County 800MHz radio system. Lower Providence Township also maintains a redundant high band radio system for all police, fire and emergency medical service responders in the event of a catastrophic failure of the 800MHz system.

Additional communication upgrades were undertaken with the transition of the police radio equipment from an analog platform to a digital platform. Digital 800MHz radios were issued to police personnel and digital radios were installed in the Dispatch Center. Mobile digital radios will be installed into patrol vehicles in the near future to conclude the project.

The Township's emphasis on traffic safety moved forward with the procurement of an ENRADD speed-timing device. The ENRADD provides officers with the capability to capture the speed of vehicles through infrared technology. The device transmits the speed wirelessly to an officer monitoring the device and provides an effective means of enforcing speed limits in areas that prove to be difficult with the more traditional mechanisms available to municipal police officers in Pennsylvania.

The School Resource Officer Program received an acknowledgement for its success through a site visit in September from a representative from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs. The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, which administers the grant funding for the program, selected the Lower Providence Township School Resource Officer program as a model program for the Department of Justice representative to visit. School Resource Officer Mark A. Stead and Lt. Stanley M. Turtle provided a program to an eighth grade science class at the Arcola Intermediate School involving speed dynamics that required the application of mathematical calculations and theories of physics.

The Emergency Management function of the department was quite busy with the preparation and implementation of plans to ensure the safety of Township residents. At the outset of the year, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Pandemic Plan for the Township at their January 18, 2007 meeting. The following month, the Township Emergency Operations Plan was completed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors on February 15, 2007. The Township Emergency



▲ The Township completed a major renovation of the Police Dispatch Center in 2007, adding task-specific workstations and computer display screens for the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system.

Off. Matthew Kuhnert was recognized by the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). Participating in the award presentation are Supervisor Piero Sassu, Off. Kuhnert, Deb Amoroso of MADD, and Police Chief Francis Carroll.



Operations Plan is an all hazards plan that is required to be reviewed and updated periodically.

In preparation for the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station (LNGS) drill in August of 2007, a comprehensive review was conducted of the Township's plan. On August 7, 2007, the plan was put into practice through a drill that was monitored by the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA). Participants in the drill included Township staff and volunteers representing a variety of disciplines. The report submitted by the PEMA monitor commended the Township's preparation and implementation of the various components of the plan during the drill.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Personnel of the Police Department distinguished themselves by being professionally recognized for their service to the community throughout the year:

- Chief Francis L. Carroll received the "Law and Order Award" from the Schuylkill Alliance Chamber of Commerce.
- Off. Matthew L. Kuhnert was recognized by the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) for his efforts in the enforcement of the driving under the influence laws. This was the second consecutive year that Off. Kuhnert was presented with this award.
- Off. Mark A. Stead was honored by the Lower Providence Optimist Club with their "Respect for Law Award."

- Det. Michael Jackson being named "Drug Task Force Officer of the Year" by the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office Drug Task Force.

A particularly notable achievement during the year was the graduation of Lt. Stanley M. Turtle from the prestigious Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in Quantico, VA. Less than one percent of all law enforcement personnel have the opportunity to be nominated and attend the Academy. Lt. Turtle joins present department members Det. Sgt. Daniel F. McCabe, Sgt. Stanley J. Siuchta and Chief Francis L. Carroll as graduates of the program.

Lower Providence Township continually strives to provide excellent police services to Township residents, businesses and visitors. For information on services and programs provided by the police department, please contact 610-539-5900 or visit www.lowerprovidence.org.



FIGHTING CYBER CRIME

The Lower Providence Township Police Department, in an effort to keep pace with today's technologically savvy criminals, is a participating agency in the Philadelphia Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory (PHRCFL), a partnership between the FBI and state and local law enforcement agencies. The state-of-the-art laboratory is devoted to the examination of digital evidence in support of criminal investigations. As a participating agency, Lower Providence receives training and assistance with digital evidence collection and preservation. The PHRCFL supports investigations into such crimes as child pornography, Internet crimes, terrorism, fraud, and crimes of violence.

SPECIAL PROJECTS & TECHNOLOGY

Focusing on efficiency through technology and cost containment, the department moved forward on many fronts in 2007. The improvements planned and implemented by the department during the year increased staff productivity and allowed the Township to better serve its residents. Much of the work was funded through grants.

TECHNOLOGY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Wireless Broadband Connectivity - Provided wireless broadband access for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the EOC's mobile command bus.

Online Registration - Obtained software to allow online registration and payment for Park & Recreation programs.

Township Marquee - Oversaw the purchase, installation and implementation of a scrolling message marquee to replace the Township sign that was damaged during a wind storm. The marquee, controlled by authorized staff members from their computers, provides real-time emergency messages, meeting notices and news of Township-sponsored events.

Security Gate - Programmed new security gate at the Public Works garage. The keypad entry system provides added security at the Public Works facility.

Public Computer Station - Setup a computer workstation in the main lobby of the Township Building to allow residents to utilize the Geographic Information System and access data at the Township website.

Meeting Videotapes - Coordinated the videotaping of two Board of Supervisors meetings that were rebroadcast on the Cable Community Access Channel; plans are moving forward to videotape monthly meetings in 2008.

Website - Continued improvements to the Township website, making it easier to navigate with the addition of "Community Alerts" and "Events & Happenings" pages. The site was expanded to cover such topics as recycling and the Valley Forge Corporate Center Master Planning.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

The department is part of a Township committee that has been working

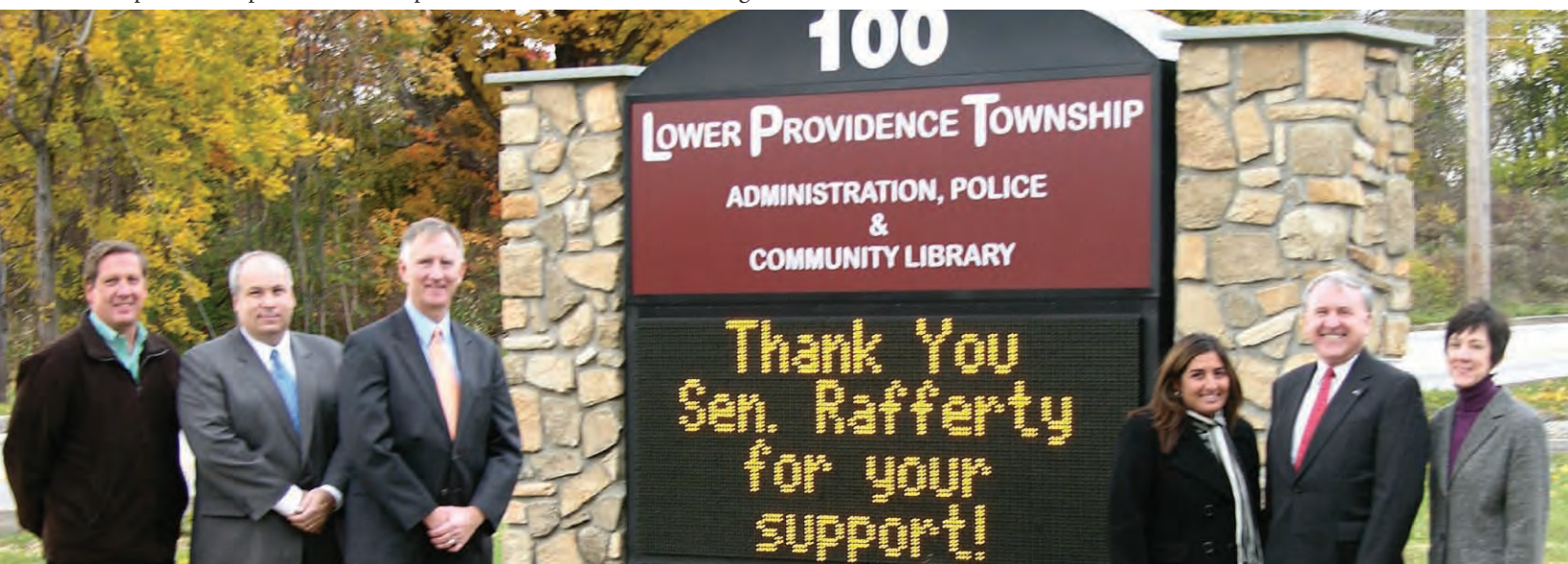
with a team selected in 2007 to develop a master redevelopment plan for the Valley Forge Corporate Center. The team includes Simone Collins, Landscape Architecture; Urban Partners, market consultants; McMahon Associates, the Township transportation engineer; and Chambers Associates, the Township engineer. Township officials, business/property owners, and residents have been working with the team to explore ways to revitalize the business park. Final recommendations are expected early in 2008.


The goals of the Valley Forge Corporate Center Master Redevelopment Plan are to reduce vacancies in the center, increase tax rates, improve circulation and access, and add amenities to create an identity and sense of place.

The Department also serves as liaison to the Valley Forge Corporate Center Business Association and has played an integral part in the efforts to retain and businesses across the Township.

2007 GRANTS

- Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, "Arts on Tour" Grant providing \$540 for the Parks & Recreation Department's summer concert series.
- PECO Green Region Grant of \$7,500 to be used for plantings in Cranberry Park
- Tree Vitalize Watershed Grant providing \$17,000 for the naturalization of two Township detention basins
- Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Grant of \$15,500 for replacement of Police firearms
- DCED Emergency Responder Preparedness Grant of \$10,000 used to provide broadband connectivity for the Emergency Operations Center
- DCED Grant totaling \$5,000 for the Parks & Recreation Department's Master Plan for Gabriel's field and replacement of playground equipment
- Act 904 Recycling Grant of \$83,041, based on 2006 data.
- PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency grant of \$74,165 for the School Resource Officer program offered in the Methacton School District schools located within the Township



 The assistance of State Sen. John Rafferty resulted in a grant for the purchase of the new marquee. On hand to say thanks are, from left, Township Manager Joseph Dunbar; Emergency Management Coordinator Charles DeFrancesco; Police Chief Francis Carroll; Sen. Rafferty; Parks and Recreation Program Coordinator Angela Johnson, and Community Relations Coordinator Denise Walsh.

LIBRARY

At the Lower Providence Community Library, the year 2007 could be characterized as a year of evaluation and planning for the future during another record setting performance year. **How busy were we? One hundred, seventy-six thousand people came through the doors in 2007, they checked out over 234,000 items, and we saw nearly 12,000 people attend our programs!**

All of this business happened while we were working on a Community Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan. We asked you many questions about how the library is serving you and where you wanted to see it progress in the future. This report is in the final draft stages and should be available early in 2008. In the interim, we added new services in 2007, including: e-mailing announcements about upcoming programs; a redesigned website; partnership with BookLetters to provide more website content and work with other libraries in Montgomery County to add access to Ancestry.com and Heritage Quest for genealogical information.

Thanks to a solid book budget and skilled cataloging, more than 6,700 items were added to the library's collection in 2007, bringing the total to nearly 59,000 items.

The library is able to meet the public's needs due to the dedicated support of many people: A seven-person volunteer Board of Trustees, the Library Director, and 1 full-time and over 20 part-time employees who staff the library's 60 hours of operation per week (or 3,000 hours per year). Over 60 individuals volunteered a total of more than 2500 hours throughout the year. Finally, the dedicated Friends of the Lower Providence Community Library provided program and financial support.

The Board of Trustees developed a strategic plan and a series of objectives to be met in 2007 and, with the staff, worked diligently to achieve the objectives. The Board directed significant attention to fundraising, including the wine-tasting and very successful Flamingo Flocking events. In the Board's role of caretaker of the physical property, this year saw much planning for work to be performed in 2008 including: new front doors with powered openers & major maintenance on the facility's roof.

Library service was provided at a cost (including Capital Projects) of \$31.30 per capita, with \$18.41 per capita provided by local tax money. The Board of Trustees and Friends of the Library raised over 23 percent of the budget from non-governmental sources.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

The Children's department, under the dynamic leadership of Ms. Sandrah Moles, has brought a tremendous energy to the Library. The Children's Department offered 430 programs to over 10,500 people including the Summer Reading Club, sponsored



this year by the Friends of the Lower Providence Community Library, and Science in the Summer (Sponsored by Glaxo-Smith Kline and the American Academy for the Advancement of Science). The Library also participated in Lower Providence Fall Fest. The Adult Services Department expanded its program offerings this year while leadership transitioned from Tracie Nichols to Marissa Wadsworth. In 2007, 60 programs were held that over 1200 people attended. Our attendance at Adult programs increased by more than 25%!

INFORMATION ACCESS

Library cardholders also can access the library from home (www.lowerprovidencelibrary.org) by using their library card barcode number. The Lower Providence Community Library holds membership in the Montgomery County Library and Information Network Consortium (MCLINC). This allows us to share materials with most other libraries in the county. Public Internet access currently is available at the library through a wireless Hotspot and at seven dedicated workstations.

FRIENDS OF THE LOWER PROVIDENCE LIBRARY, INC.

The Friends of the Lower Providence Community Library, Inc. continued to provide financial and program support this past year. Support in 2007 generously included:

- Continued assistance with children's programs, especially Summer Reading Program
- Donations toward books for children and young adults
- Contributions targeted to update and improve the Adult collection in the Computers, Law and Business sections
- Purchase of a computer LCD projector for programming and new shelving
- Readers' aid materials such as "Book Page" and "Read-a-Likes" to help patrons find the books they want to read

The Friends junior division is the "Teen Advisory Board". The students select officers and are meeting regularly. They are looking at ways to raise funds and help at the library.

The Library staff, Friends, and Trustees look forward to continuing to provide a high level of library service to the Lower Providence community in 2008. We welcome and encourage your involvement with your local library!

Visit the library at our website: www.lowerprovidencelibrary.org and/or feel free to direct any comments to JSherwood@mclinc.org.

Joseph L. Sherwood, Library Director

Department of PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department continued its commitment to upgrading the overall rating of Township roads and during the past two years has been able to pave all or part of 73 roads.

Utilizing a \$4 million PA Infrastructure Bank Loan, the Township took on this ambitious road paving schedule to stay ahead of rising materials costs.

The loan is fully funded by the Township's annual Liquid Fuels allocation. Also during 2007, a number of new roads were dedicated: The Public Works Department is now responsible for the maintenance of approximately 90 miles of Township roadways.

In 2007, a new garage was added to the Public Works facility on Church Road. The building, along with the addition of hydraulic lifts, will allow the mechanics to better maintain the Township's vehicles and equipment, and will increase the number of repairs that can be completed in-house. Other improvements to the Public Works facility include the enclosure of the brining operation (the brine mixture is used to treat roads in advance of snow and ice storms); the addition of fencing to serve as buffer between the garage and Eskie Park; the installation of a security gate, and the repaving of the parking lot.

During the year, the Department also completed facility upgrades to the Township Administration Building, the Police Station, and assisted with renovations to the historic Shoemaker House.

An ongoing effort to improve safety conditions on North Grange Avenue came to a completion in 2007. The Board of Supervisors approved the recommendations of the Township's traffic engineer and the safety improvements included signage, flexible reflector posts, guide rail delineators, and raised pavement markers. In addition, two trees along the embankment were removed, the guide rail was extended in one area and a 1 ½" pavement overlay was added from the beginning of the snake bend to approximately 200 feet north of Old Baptist Road.

The Public Works Department remains dedicated to providing the Lower Providence Community with exceptional service. Additional responsibilities of the department include:

- Brining, salting, and snow removal operations
- Maintenance of traffic lights and street lights
- Street sweeping
- Replacement of warning, regulatory and informational signs
- Storm inlet repair
- Administration of the Township trash contract to ensure efficient solid waste collection

Residents are invited to visit the Public Works page at the Lower Providence Township website, www.lowerprovidence.org,



STATE ROAD & BRIDGE SAFETY AWARD

David Shaffer, Public Works Director, fifth from left, accepts the award recognizing Lower Providence's work with West Norriton Township to implement a closed-loop traffic signal system on Ridge Pike. Participating in the presentation are Supervisor Christopher DiPaolo; Manager Joseph Dunbar; Supervisors Marie Altieri and Rick Brown; Police Chief Bud Carroll; Jason Wagner, PA Highway Information Association; Supervisor Piero Sassu; Ken Grimes, PSATS; Supervisor Craig Dininny, and James Ritzman, PennDOT.

Office of the TAX COLLECTOR

As I am finishing up my second year as tax collector, I would like to say what a pleasure it has been to work with the residents of Lower Providence Township. I look forward to another great year in 2008. I am available on a daily basis from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to answer your calls. If you receive the answering machine, please leave your name, address, parcel number, and phone number so I can return your call. Your phone number is the most important piece of information; I cannot call you back without it. Every attempt will be made to return your call on the same business day; however, on busy days or days when I am at the bank, your call may be returned on the next business day.

Installment plans were available for the Methacton School District RE tax bill for the first time in 2007. More information about the installment plan can be found at www.methacton.org. Anyone who applied for the Homestead /Farmstead Exclusion on their primary residence was eligible (but not required) to make installment payments. There is no fee to apply for the Homestead /Farmstead Exclusion. Those who apply may be eligible for tax relief from state gambling revenues if that ever comes to pass. You can find the application at www.montcopa.org, click on Departments, Assessment Appeals, Homestead Application.

I am actively researching accepting credit cards for payment of Real Estate Taxes. Please keep in mind that there are additional

costs involved in doing so and these costs cannot come out of tax money and must therefore be born by the taxpayer.

Tax bills for County & Township RE taxes are mailed at the end of February and should be received during the first week of March. Methacton School District RE tax bills are mailed at the end of June and should be received during the first week of July. If you do not receive your tax bill by then, please contact my office for a replacement.

Payments at the end of each period (discount, flat) will be accepted as long as they are postmarked by the last due date. If you are mailing a payment during the last few days of a period, please have the Post Office hand stamp your envelope with the postmark.

Kirsten Deal

Contact Information:

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Tax Collector

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Lower Providence Township

SEWER AUTHORITY

Lower Providence Township Sewer Authority has been working very hard to keep operating costs in line, and will continue to be diligent with controlling the authority's costs in the future. Over the past several years we have taken steps to reduce our expenditures, including refunding our bond issue and reducing our annual debt service payment. However, even with these reductions in place, we are not able to keep up with the hefty increases imposed on us by the Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority (LPVRS). Effective January 1, 2008, with little prior warning, the Regional Sewer Authority increased treatment charges by another \$37.00 per unit (Single Family Dwelling). This reflects a total increase of over \$500,000.00 annually in expenditures from our overall budget. We had no choice but to pass this most recent increase on to our ratepayers.

Looking ahead to 2008, there will be a \$9.25 quarterly increase for residential customers that will appear in the April 1, 2008 bill, which will result in a flat rate fee of \$69.25 per quarter. This is an increase of \$37.00 per year. Non-residential customers may see more of an increase depending on their water usage.

Over the last 7 years, the fee we pay for treatment went from

\$20.00 a year per unit (Single Family Dwelling) to \$135.00 a year per unit. Over the same period of time, your sewer rental bill increased by \$127.50 per unit. Only \$12.50 of the increase in sewer rental over that period went toward our operating costs; the other \$115.00 went toward treatment.

Lower Providence Township Sewer Authority is committed to controlling cost and we will continue to investigate and implement cost saving initiatives. With your help, we can make an effort to control the amount of sewage we send to the Regional plant. We ask that you check your sump pump drainpipe and make sure that it does not drain into the sanitary drainpipe. Eliminating these illegal connections will reduce our overall treatment cost and provide additional assistance in our effort to control rate increases.

Thomas Cicippio, Superintendent

Hours of Operation: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Weekdays

Contact Information: (610) 539-6161

Fax (610) 539-4795

After-hour emergencies: Contact the Lower Providence Police Department at 610-539-5900

Craig Dininny
Chairman

John Ruggiero
Vice Chairman

Albert Vagnozzi
Asst. Secretary

W. Douglas Hager
Asst. Treasurer

Piero Sassu

The LPTMA operates and is making significant improvements to the former General Washington Country Club, now the Club at Shannondell, preserving open space and providing excellent recreational facilities for the community. Looking ahead, 2008 will be a critical year, as plans begin on Phase II included in the agreement with Lower Providence Recreational Partners. This exciting phase is to include a large banquet facility and associated amenities.

During 2007, the Municipal Authority made a \$100,000 contribution to the Township and contributed toward the renovations to the Casselberry House.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

The following Ordinances were adopted or amended by the Board of Supervisors in 2007:

ORDINANCE 559

An Ordinance authorizing the Tax Collector to charge a fee for tax payments made by credit cards & electronic checks. 3/1/07

ORDINANCE 560

An Ordinance on certain local pollutant limits applicable to direct & indirect contributors into the wastewater collection & treatment system of the Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority. 6/21/07

ORDINANCE 561

An Ordinance amending Chapter 143 of the Code of the Township of Lower Providence (also known as the Zoning ordinance of LPT) for the purposes of adding Article XXXIV Living History Overlay District. 9/6/07

ORDINANCE 562

An Ordinance on the collection of interest on Delinquent Real Estate Transfer Taxes. 9/20/07

ORDINANCE 563

An Ordinance amending the Code of the Township of Lower Providence Police Pension Plan. 9/20/07

ORDINANCE 564

An Ordinance amending Article XIII, Section 143-76 of the Code of the Township of Lower Providence relating to provisions and requirements applicable to uses on a lot or parcel in the VC – Village Commercial District. 11/15/07

ORDINANCE 565

An Ordinance amending Chapter 123 of the Code of Lower Providence (also known as Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance of Lower Providence) for the purposes of amending the curb construction engineering standards and repealing any inconsistent provisions therewith. 11/15/07

ORDINANCE 566

An Ordinance amending Article VI, Code of Lower Providence Township to repeal the Emergency and Municipal Services Tax and to enact a new Article VI to be entitled Local Services Tax. 11/15/07

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions were acted upon by the Board of Supervisors in 2007:

RESOLUTION #07-01

A Resolution authorizing the appropriate Township Officials to Affix Signatures on Checks. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-02

A Resolution Designating Depositories for Lower Providence Township Funds. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-03

A Resolution Establishing the Treasurer's & Assistant Treasurer's Bond in the amount of \$600,000 and a separate bond for the Assistant Secretary and Township Manager in the amount of \$100,000. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-04

A Resolution Appointing Maillie, Falconiero and Company to audit the Township accounts for Fiscal Year 2006. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-05

A Resolution Establishing the 2007 Fee Schedule. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-06

A Resolution Providing for the Reduction of Member Contributions to the Police Pension Fund for members of the Lower Providence Police Pension Plan. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-07

A Resolution Appointing Board members to Liaison Committees: Piero Sassu, Sewer Authority; Craig Dininny, Parks & Recreation; Marie Altieri, Planning Commission; Richard Brown, Perkiomen Valley Chamber of Commerce and Library Board. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-08

A Resolution appointing the following individuals: Robert Kerns, Solicitor; Joseph C. Dunbar as Secretary/Treasurer; Marie Altieri as Assistant Secretary; Christopher DiPaolo as Assistant Treasurer; John Chambers as Consulting Engineer. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-09

A Resolution Appointing James Dougherty to the Zoning Hearing Board. 1/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-10

A Resolution on Waiver requested by Lower Providence Bocce Association on Building Permit for Bocce Pavilion. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-11

A Resolution Authorizing a \$2,000,000 limit on the Liability Policy to cover the Trustees of the Pension Plan. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-12

A Resolution Appointing Geraldine Golas as a voting member of the Pension Committee. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-13

A Resolution Authorizing Reallocation of \$20,000 from Eagleville Park Bocce Lighting Project to pay for the Bocce Pavilion. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-14

A Resolution Appointing the following: Albert Vagnozzi, Lower Providence Township Municipal Authority and John Ruggiero, Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-15

A Resolution Authorizing a Waiver Request from Methacton Athletic Association on Sign Permit Fees for baseball sign-ups within the Township. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-16

A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement to bid the 2007 Road Reconstruction Projects. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-17

A Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of an Influenza Pandemic Response Plan. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-18

A Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of a Continuity of Operations Plan. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-19

A Resolution on a Sewage Facilities Plan for Audubon Land Development. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-20

A Resolution Granting Preliminary/Final Approval for Woodland Elementary School. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-21

A Resolution Granting Preliminary/Final Approval for 201 Rogers Road. 1/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-22

A Resolution Authorizing the Township Solicitor to appear before the Zoning Hearing Board in opposition to the White Enterprise Group. 2/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-23

A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of RFP for Boat Rentals for Hoy Park. 2/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-24

A Resolution Appointing Michael Sheridan as Solicitor for the Zoning Hearing Board. 2/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-25

A Resolution Adopting the Emergency Operations Plan for Lower Providence Township. 2/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-26

A Resolution authorizing the residents of 2772 Woodland Avenue to connect to the sanitary sewer line. 2/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-27

A Resolution on Section 125 – Flexible Spending Account (Paychex) 2/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-28

A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of four police vehicles. 2/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-29

A Resolution Authorizing the Release & Indemnification Agreement for overflow parking for the July 4th celebration. 2/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-30

A Resolution Authorizing Approval for submitting a grant application to PECO for Superior Lot 12, as well as renaming the park "Cranberry Park." 2/15/07

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #07-31

A Resolution Waiving the Traffic Impact Fee to Valley Forge Children's Academy Day Care Facility if applicant agrees to install two stalker board devices according to Police recommendations along Adams Avenue. 2/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-32

A Resolution Authorizing John Chambers, Township Engineer, to review for accuracy the Deed description for the Church Road – Walker Lane Retention Basin. 2/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-33

A Resolution for 1217 S. Trooper Road, Harley Davidson Final Plan Approval. 2/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-34

A Resolution supporting the America Revolution Center. 3/1/07

RESOLUTION #07-35

A Resolution on a 3-lot minor subdivision for Pinetown Road. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-36

A Resolution Authorizing a Donation of \$1,000 to the Methacton School District for the Post Prom Celebration. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-37

A Resolution Authorizing the Township Solicitor to appear before the Zoning Hearing Board in opposition to the T-Mobile Cell Tower on Eagleville Road. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-38

A Resolution to Waive the \$60 sign permit fee for the Methacton Athletic Association Baseball for temporary sign-ups within the Township. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-39

A Resolution Authorizing a full-page ad for \$300 to the IBEW in support of their 25th Annual Softball Tournament. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-40

A Resolution to accept the proposal from Simone Collins for the Valley Forge Corporate Center Redevelopment Plan. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-41

A Resolution Authorizing the Solicitor to amend the Open Space Ordinance to allow the Grange Avenue Bridge to be built in Open Space. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-42

A Resolution on a minor subdivision for Preliminary/Final Approval at 4000 Ridge Pike. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-43

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Approval at 3762 Ridge Pike, Adams Bickel. 3/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-44

A Resolution in support of Superior Tube's Plan to reduce TCE emissions for 2007 and 2008, and ultimately eliminate them. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-45

A Resolution Authorizing allowing the driveway at 521 Church Road to stay at its current width. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-46

A Resolution Authorizing advertising on zoning requests for Fanaro & Funk properties from PBO to RPBD. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-47

A Resolution Authorizing submission of a DCED Grant totaling \$9,000 for Emergency Responder Equipment and \$5,593 for Gabriel's Field Master Plan. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-48

A Resolution on Final Plan Approval for 2700 Woodland Avenue. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-49

A Resolution to Accept Deed of Dedication of Lands for 993 Grange Avenue Minor Subdivision. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-50

A Resolution Authorizing Electronic Bids. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-51

A Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of electrical permit fees for the Scoreboard at Gaugler Field. 4/5/07

RESOLUTION #07-52

A Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of the Security Deposit for use of ARA Fields for Summer Camp by YMCA. 4/19/07

RESOLUTION #07-53

A Resolution proclaiming the week of May 13-19, 2007 as Police Week. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-54

A Resolution Proclaiming May 7-13, 2007 as National Arson Awareness Week. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-55

A Resolution Opposing new emission standards on narrow tube manufacturer. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-56

A Resolution Proclaiming the Week of May 6-12, 2007 as Building Safety Week. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-57

A Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director to prepare and advertise bids for Road Construction Materials. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-58

A Resolution on Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for 2724 Ridge Pike. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-59

A Resolution Authorizing a Donation to AMBUCS for the annual Senior Citizens Dinner. 4/19/07

RESOLUTION #07-60

A Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director and Solicitor to solicit a list of concrete contractors for prices to provide residents as an option to use for curb replacement and to waive the \$60 permit fee for those requiring curb replacement. 5/3/07

RESOLUTION #07-61

A Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director to move forward with the 2007 Road Projects with the exception of Skyline Drive & Winthrop Road. 5/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-62

A Resolution Authorizing the Township Manager to form a committee for Strategic Planning. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-64

A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement for a public hearing on June 21, 2007 on an Ordinance for Pollutant Limits. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-65

A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisors & Township Staff to attend a fact-finding trip to Gettysburg on May 29, 2007 to review a Museum & Visitor Center Project. 5/17/07

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #07-66

A Resolution Authorizing the Township Manager & Supervisors Marie Altieri & Rick Brown to attend a trip to Washington, DC on May 24, 2007 honoring the American Revolution Center at Valley Forge. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-67

A Resolution authorizing the executing of the Riley Zoning Settlement agreement on in-law suite. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-68

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for 63 Featherbed Road. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-69

A Resolution Recognizing May 20-26, 07 as National Public Works Week. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-70

A Resolution Authorizing the Township Manager to bring in assistance from an outside agency to help in assessments, strategy, appraisals etc. for Open Space decisions. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-71

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval on the Wolverine Football Field & Parking lot development. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-72

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Land Development for 2724 Ridge Pike. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-73

A Resolution to prepare and advertise an ordinance on the American Revolution Center. 5/17/07

RESOLUTION #07-74

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for St. Gabriel's Hall. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-75

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for 3458 Germantown Pike. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-76

A Resolution to advertise the Parks & Recreation Plan Selective Update (Evansburg Point Park). 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-77

A Resolution Authorizing the repaving of the Grange Avenue Bridge, the addition of signage, guide rails & flashing signals, & an annual inspection. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-78

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Special Projects to apply for a DCED Grant in the amount of \$15,500 for 31 replacement firearms. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-79

A Resolution Authorizing the Township Solicitor to prepare and advertise a Political Sign Ordinance. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-80

A Resolution Appointing members of the Technology Strategic Planning Committee. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-81

A Resolution Appointing members to the Selective Update Land Use Committee. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-82

A Resolution Appointing members to the Building Renovation & Space Planning Committee. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-83

A Resolution Appointing members to the PA Stormwater Best Management Practices Committee. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-84

A Resolution Appointing members to the Financial Planning Committee. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-85

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for Boyce Harris. 6/21/07

RESOLUTION #07-86

A Resolution authorizing the advertisement of an Amendment to the Village Commercial District Ordinance for September 20, 0707. 7/19/07

RESOLUTION #07-87

A Resolution Accepting the Selective Update to the Evansburg Point Park Plan. 7/19/07

RESOLUTION #07-88

A Resolution Authorizing the Parks & Recreation Director to submit the Lower Providence Recreation Plan (Evanburg Point Park) to the PA Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources. 7/19/07

RESOLUTION #07-89

A Resolution to waive permit fees for replacement of light installation at the football field at Evansburg Point Park. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-90

A Resolution to waive permit fees for paving and regarding of Fire House parking lot. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-91

A Resolution to waive permit fees for 930 Jefferson Avenue – Montgomery Intermediate Unit with a condition that the Intermediate Unit is to pay for actual hours that the inspector incurs for inspections. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-92

A Resolution to authorize the re-allocation of \$265,000 from Fund 1 to Fund 33 for the Shoemaker House. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-93

A Resolution on Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for Troxel at Crosskeys Road. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-94

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for Christina Piantone. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-95

A Resolution to accept roadways, widening of roadways, rights-of-ways and public improvements for Providence Oaks. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-96

A Resolution to accept dedication of roadways, widening of roadways, rights-of-ways and public improvements for McCall/Andenko tract. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-97

A Resolution to accept dedication of roadways, widening of roadways, rights-of-ways and public improvements for Brown/Tyrpin tract. 8/16/07

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #07-98

A Resolution Adopting the Montgomery County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-99

A Resolution on Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for Sacks. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-100

A Resolution on an Amended Final Plan for Streamlight. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-101

A Resolution on Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for 734 Sunnyside Avenue. 8/16/07

RESOLUTION #07-95A

A Resolution Amending Roads for Providence Oaks. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-102

A Resolution Authorizing advertisement of a Conditional Use Hearing on Wawa for October 18, 2007. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-103

A Resolution accepting lowest bid for Hoy Park Boat Ramp & parking lot. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-104

A Resolution Authorizing Special Projects & Technology Director to include a computer & peripheral replacement policy in the personnel manual. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-105

A Resolution Authorizing the Parks & Recreation Director to dispose of filing cabinets and long filing drawers from the Shoemaker House. 9/2/07

RESOLUTION #07-106

A Resolution authorizing the re-advertisement on RFPs for Parks & Recreation Computer Software. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-107

A Resolution awarding a three-year contract for Banking Services to Commerce Bank. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-108

A Resolution Authorizing a Tenant Agreement between GFVTMA & Lower Providence Township for rental of office in the Township Building. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-109

A Resolution authorizing Approval of Bridge Roadway Safety devices for North Grange Avenue. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-110

A Resolution on MMO Funds for Police & Non-Uniformed Pension Plan. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-111

A Resolution on Dedication of Roadways, right-of-ways and public improvements for Valley Hi West. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-112

A Resolution on Parcel Consolidation for Lower Providence Township. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-113

A Resolution for Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for 248 Level Road. 9/20/07

RESOLUTION #07-114

A Resolution on Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for 4000 Eagleville Road, Arcola Intermediate School. 10/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-115

A Resolution authorizing staff and the Solicitor to prepare & execute a defense for the Living History Ordinance Appeal. 10/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-116

A Resolution authorizing the Solicitor to prepare an amendment update for the Emergency & Municipal Services Tax Ordinance and advertise the public hearing for November 15, 07. 10/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-117

A Resolution authorizing the Township Manager to add the exemption for 2006 & 2007 Township taxes onto the annual stipend for the Lower Providence Community Center in the amount of \$200, thereby the 2007 contribution would be \$50,200. 10/18/07

RESOLUTION #07-118

A Resolution authorizing the advertisement of Request for Proposals for design & printing services. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-119

A Resolution to authorize and accept the Deed of Dedication on 800 Adams Avenue. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-120

A Resolution to authorize the Public Works Department to place a fence around a drainage easement on 4001 Bittersweet Circle. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-121

A Resolution authorizing permission to run electric lines to the Bocce Court at a cost of \$3,500. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-122

A Resolution to accept and authorize Microcom SOHO Telephone to install the Township's telephone system at a cost of \$640/month. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-123

A Resolution authorizing the transfer of guardianship of the Self-Insurance Fund to the Pension Committee & Smith Barney. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-124

A Resolution giving authorization for the Eskie Park Stormwater Easement Agreement and work to be performed at 545 Deerfield Drive for the purpose of installing a storm drainage pipe and stormwater inlets. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-125

A Resolution authorizing the Township Solicitor to prepare and advertise an ordinance for the Evansburg Village Commercial District. 11/15/07

RESOLUTION #07-126

A Resolution authorizing the Township Manager to advertise the Board's intent to appoint Maillie, Falconiero & Co. as the Township's certified public accountant at the reorganization meeting of January 2008. 11/15/07

MANAGEMENT TEAM



Joseph C. Dunbar, C.P.M.
Township Manager

Maureen A. Nelson
Administrative Assistant

Francis L. Carroll
Chief of Police

Charles A. DeFrancesco
Emergency Management / Fire Chief

William C. Roth
Special Projects & Technology Director

Geri M. Golas
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Nathaniel J. Dysard
Project Analyst

Kelly A. Donohue
Parks and Recreation Director

Susan C. Law
Accounting Manager

David H. Shaffer Jr.
Public Works Director

Michael D. Siegel
Community Development Director

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Because the Township places a high priority on communication with its residents, we are pleased to note that Lower Providence Township earned the “2007 Outstanding Citizen Communication Award” presented by the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS), an organization representing 1,456 townships of the second class. The award is given annually to one township in the state to recognize overall achievement and commitment to citizen communication. The township earned three additional PSATS awards: First place in the Annual Reports category; second place in the Newsletters category; and second place in the Other Publications category for the Township Emergency Preparedness Guide.



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