



Rush Township Board of Supervisors

Shawn E. Gilbert, Chairman
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Meetings are held monthly @ 7pm on the 3rd Thursday

Police Department

Rick Weaver, Chief
Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: 570-668-4242

Hometown Fire Company

Barry Messerschmidt, Chief
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Non-Emergency: 570-668-0274

Tax Collector

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570-225-0506

Zoning, Permitting, & Planning

Arro Consulting, Inc.
570-366-9534
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Jeff Farro
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104 Mahanoy Avenue
Tamaqua, PA 18252
570-668-2938



COMING SOON!

Rush Township Organic Recycling facility located at
609 Claremont Avenue!

We will be looking for residents to volunteer their time to man the Organic Recycling Facility during operating hours.

Consider mowing with mulching blades!

- * Mulching promotes soil creation—Mulch becomes humus, the organic component of soil. Microorganisms break down grass mulch to release nutrients. Through that digestion process, the microorganisms generate a waste product. The waste is called humus, which is the dark, organic, carbon-based substance in soil. Humus retains water, nutrients like calcium, magnesium and phosphorous, and is a nutrition reserve for the root systems of plants and grass.
- * Mulching helps retain moisture. During the warmer, drier summer months, soil can dry quickly, but mulching helps the soil retain water. The layer of mulch on the soil bed acts as a sun shield which helps reduce moisture evaporation and keeps the soil temperature cooler.
- * Mulching reduces thatch buildup—Thatch is that layer of dead grass and other organic material; too much buildup can suppress grass growth by restricting water and nutrients from reaching the grass' root systems. Mulching allows super fine clippings to fall to the soil and decompose very easily compared to regular grass clippings. The microorganism-rich environment stimulated by higher levels of grass mulch creates greater populations of hungry microbes that chomp away at existing thatch.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, 13% of total landfill input is yard waste.

Mulching grass clippings back into your lawn helps reduce this impact.

RUSH TOWNSHIP STILL RECYCLES!

Why is recycling so important?



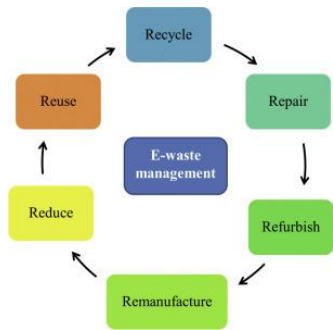
Residents are strongly encouraged to continue their recycling efforts! The Township offers convenient weekly curbside pickup of the following items:

- White Envelopes
- Computer, Fax & Copy Paper
- Kraft Paper (brown grocery bags)
- Magazines & Catalogs
- Chipboard/Box Board
- Notebook Paper
- White & Colored Ledger Paper
- Newspaper
- Paper Egg Cartons
- Soft Covered Workbooks, Telephone & paperback Books
- Juice Boxes
- Junk Mail (including envelopes & coupons)
- Milk Cartons
- Glass Bottles (green, clear, brown)
- Tin & Bi-Metallic Containers (including Aerosol Cans)
- Frozen Food Cartons
- Aluminum Foil (pie plates, eg.)
- Construction Paper
- Plastic Containers 1-7

Recycle your **ELECTRONICS** at the Township building Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-4:00 pm. Please stop in the office with your driver's license to show proof of residency. Items with a monitor require a payment of \$25, but all other items are FREE!



Electronic waste, or e-waste, can negatively impact the environment when not disposed of properly.



Help us on our continuing journey to save the environment by recycling e-waste! The planet (and Rush Township) will thank you!



Looking for some outdoor fun? Ever tried your hand at disc golf? What is Disc Golf? The goal is the same as regular golf, but players throw a plastic flying disc into a basket target instead of hitting a ball into a hole. Our 18-hole Disc Golf Course at Ryan Park is ready to use! You can find the course map on our website!

Is golf not your thing? Try playing tennis or pickle ball at Ryan and Quakake Parks or basketball at Lincoln, Ryan, and Quakake Parks!



Miller and Grier parks provide playground equipment for the young at heart. If participating in sports is not up your alley, you can cheer on your soccer or baseball team at Miller Park; if you enjoy a little solitude, cop a squat at Kelly or Miller Park, and sit on a bench, read a book from one of our Little Free Libraries, and let your imagination soar!



Visit any of Rush Township's parks and take advantage of what we have to offer!

We are always looking for Volunteers to help beautify our parks and schedule park events. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact the Township office at 570-668-2938.



Ash pickup

is available in the township and occurs weekly on Thursdays. Please have ashes curbside the night before. Please **do not place** ashes in a regular large garbage can as they can be mistaken for garbage and even become too heavy to be dumped.



CodeRED Keeping Our Citizens Informed

Residents are encouraged to sign up for Code Red Alerts on the Rush Township website. Click on the Services Tab then follow the Code Red links. *Or Text to Enroll!* Text **RUSH** to **99411** to enroll in CodeRED public alerts! These alerts keep residents informed about upcoming events, changes in Garbage or Ash pickup dates, and emergency announcements.

CodeRED is an Emergency & Notification Communication Network.

