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Fall 2021

## New Warwick Township Manager

On September 20th, Brian Harris began his tenure as the new Warwick Township Manager. Brian is assuming the role of Township Manager from Dan Zimmerman who is retiring after twenty-seven years of managerial service to Warwick Township.

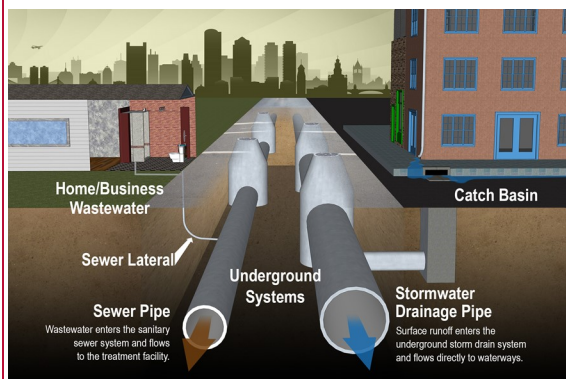
Brian comes to Warwick Township from Muhlenberg Township in Berks County where he also served as Township Manager. He has also managed Bushkill Township in Northampton County and Marysville Borough in Perry County. Brian has more than fifteen years of municipal management experience.

The Township Manager is appointed by the Board of Supervisors and acts as the Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Township. The Township Manager is responsible for the general oversight of all of the Township's operations including, but not limited to: public works, planning and zoning and parks and recreation. The Township Manager also functions as the Warwick Township Municipal Authority (WTMA) Administrator.

## Stormwater Guidelines

If you have a stormwater management facility on your property, such as a swale, basin, inlet, or outlet structure, most likely, you are responsible for maintenance of the facility. This could include simply mowing these areas and keeping them free from debris, to making sure the rip rap is replaced as needed, that pipes are not clogged, or possibly replacing malfunctioning facilities. Warwick Township staff inspects inlets and outfalls annually. If a maintenance issue arises, a notice is mailed to the property owner identifying the problem and providing recommendations to correct the issue.

Unlike the public sewer system that treats wastewater, stormwater drains directly to our streams, and ultimately, to our watershed untreated. Contamination of the stormwater system leads to contamination of our streams and water supply. Clean water is everyone's responsibility. Below are guidelines to follow to do your part for the environment:



- Don't dump or pour any material into storm drain inlets.
- Don't pile or dump grass clippings, leaves, mulch or other debris in basins, swales or streams.
- Don't apply pesticides, fertilizer or herbicides prior to or during a rainfall.
- Report illegal dumping to Warwick Township.



## Household Hazardous Waste

Household hazardous wastes do not belong in waste-to-energy facilities or municipal landfills. Instead, residents should take their household hazardous waste to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHW) which is specifically designed to provide a safe disposal option for hazardous waste items. The HHW is part of the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA), located at 1299 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster.

The HHW Facility accepts wastes including, but not limited to: auto products, household cleaners, kerosene, batteries, old chemistry sets, paint, pesticides, photographic and pool chemicals. These items are accepted free of charge. Materials accepted at the facility must be generated in the home. Materials from schools, businesses and farms are not accepted.

For more information, please call LCSWMA at (717) 397-9968 or visit: [www.lcswma.org](http://www.lcswma.org)

JUST FOCUS ON THE **BIG 4!** PLACE **ONLY** THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN.

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CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

Flattened

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PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS WITH NECKS

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METAL FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS

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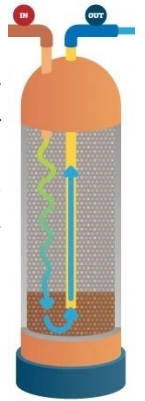
GLASS JARS & BOTTLES

Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed



## Low Water Pressure and Water Softeners

WTMA staff regularly receive phone calls from customers regarding low water pressure. Low water pressure can either be “system wide”, or specific to an individual residence or business. One way for customers with water softeners to determine if a low water pressure situation is system wide, or specific to them, is to bypass their water softener. Bypassing the water softener will allow water to flow to your property without going through the water softening system. If your water pressure remains low after bypassing the water softener then it may be a system wide issue and would require a phone call to WTMA. However, your water softener could be the cause of your low water pressure if your water pressure improves after bypassing the water softener. In that case, a call to your plumber would be appropriate.



## eBills & Web Portal

Signing up for eBills allows you to eliminate paper billing and view your billing, payment and usage history. To sign-up, you will need a valid email address and the CID # from your most recent bill. Sign up at <https://warwicktpw.authoritypay.com>.

## Water/Sewer Payment Options

- **Cash, check or money order**
- **By mail - payable to:** WTMA  
PO Box 336  
Lititz, PA 17543-0336
- **In person.**  
315 Clay Road, Lititz, PA
- **24/7 Payment Dropbox.** There is a payment drop-box to the right, inside the Warwick Twp. Municipal Building lobby.
- **Automatic Payments.** ACH quarterly withdrawal from your bank account on a date specified by WTMA. ACH authorization forms are available on our website.
- **Online payment at** <https://warwicktpw.authoritypay.com>
- **MasterCard, Visa, American Express and Discover credit or debit cards.** Please note that there is a minimum fee of \$3.00 for all transactions and a 2.65% fee for transactions over \$113.00.

## Touchpad Readers



Touchpad Reader

WTMA reminds residents with touchpad water meter readers to keep the readers free from obstructions and landscaping.

## Water and Sewer Appurtenances

Each homeowner should know the location of their sanitary sewer vent trap & cleanout and the water curb stop/shut off valve. Vent traps and cleanouts should extend between 6”-12” above ground and should always be properly capped to ensure that debris or small animals cannot enter your sanitary system. Please contact the Authority office if you cannot locate either of these appurtenances.

## Prohibited Sanitary Sewer Connections



Prohibited connections to the sanitary sewer system cause higher costs for all customers because each gallon that goes into the sanitary sewer needs to be treated. Typical prohibited connections include basement sump pumps, roof leaders, or floor drains that send water into sewer lines. Sanitary sewer systems are not designed to carry the additional flow from sump pumps or stormwater controls. An overloaded sewer can create sewer back-ups in the streets and other homeowner’s basements. Please disconnect any prohibited connections to the sanitary sewer system.