

Hainesport Township News & Events



Commitment to Community

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Summer 2018

Office of the Township Clerk

Municipal Clerk: Paula L. Kosko, RMC, MPA

The Municipal Clerk is often the initial contact between residents and municipal government. The core duties of the Municipal Clerk include: 1) secretary of the municipal corporation 2) secretary to the governing body 3) CAO of all elections held in Hainesport Township 4) Chief Registrar of voters in the township 5) Administrative Officer. Some of the specific duties include being the custodian of records, legal advertising of public meetings of the governing body, bids and ordinances and administering oaths of office.

The following are significant dates for the Township Clerk's office for 2018:

June 4

Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications for Primary Election

June 5

Primary Election & Deadline to File Petition for Independent Candidate for General Election

July 30

Deadline to File Petition for School Election Candidates for General Election

October 16

Deadline to Register to Vote in General Election

October 30

Deadline to Apply for Mail-In Ballot Applications for General Elections

November 6

General Election

Township Committee Meeting Dates:

Meetings being at 7pm

June 12

August 14

October 9

December 11

July 10

September 11

November 8 (Thursday)

From the Desk of

Mayor Frank Masciocchi

Warm weather has finally arrived! As I approach the middle of my term, I am happy to share some of our recent achievements, as well as some challenges, that we continue to work towards overcoming.

Last year, the committee authorized the purchase of what was once known as "Creek Turn Pottery" from the Estate of the Kleiner Family located on Route 38. This beautiful 28-acre parcel is situated next to the Rancocas Creek. The front portion will be subdivided and sold for highway commercial use (as zoned) and the remaining 24+/- acres preserved for open space and passive recreation. The township's new Municipal Planner, Scott Taylor is excited to design a park that will capture existing amenities and create new opportunities for many to enjoy for years to come.

As you may recall, an Abandoned Property law was passed last year. I am happy to report that 14 properties have been registered with the Code Enforcement Officer, resulting in over \$15,000 in revenues. The most important aspect of the program is the ability for us to communicate with the

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TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Ted Costa

Leila Gilmore, Deputy Mayor

Frank Masciocchi, Mayor

Lee Schneider

Michael Fitzpatrick



Department of Public Works

Foreman: Jay Jones

Phone: (609) 267-3042

Hours: Monday - Friday 7am-3:30pm

Fridays (Summer Only) - 7am-12pm

Address: 8 Oak Lane



Leaves - At this point in the season, please place leaves in paper bags and place at your curb away from your mailbox, poles and trees. Please **DO NOT** mix twigs larger than 1" in diameter, branches, mulch, dirt or any other materials with your leaves.

Trees, Limbs, Twigs, Brush - if you hire a contractor, they must take **ALL** materials. We will not pick up after a contractor. If you remove trees, limbs and twigs, please pile at curb for pick up. Please keep limbs at 10' long or less, piles neat/organized, away from mailbox, poles and trees.

Grass Clippings - if possible, please use a mulching mower and use clippings as a composting source for enriched soils. If you need to dispose of grass clippings, please bag them and place with your trash. Please be mindful of the weight of the bags for the trash collectors.

Bulk Items - Televisions, computers, white goods (major appliances) can be put out on **Mondays** for pick-up by Public Works staff. Please call 609-267-2730 to schedule for Monday pick-up of these items. Furniture will be picked up on Thursdays with your trash. Please try to limit one bulk item per week with your household trash.



Hainesport Township CLEAN COMMUNITIES

Coordinator: Donna Kilburn

Phone: 609-267-2730 x105



The goal of the Clean Communities Program is to keep our scenic roadsides, parks and public lands litter free through volunteer clean-ups, education and enforcement of laws. A clean community begins with **YOU** - do not litter. Place litter in a trash container.

Reuse and recycle. Take advantage of funding that is available to Hainesport-based non-profit groups or organizations by cleaning up litter and debris from identified areas. Please call or email the Clean Communities Coordinator - dkilburn@hainesporttownship.com for more information and to schedule a clean-up!



Saturday, October 20

7am to 12pm

Street Center & Municipal Building

What is Accepted?

Paint * Car Batteries * Propane Tanks * Furniture
Wood * Computers & Monitors * Appliances

What is NOT Accepted?

Motor Oil * Florescent Bulbs * Brush * Leaves
Household Batteries * Asbestos Shingles * Siding

Shredding Event

If you have sensitive, confidential, private documents you would like to shred, bring them to the **Municipal Building** on this day from **8am-11am**. We will have an industrial shredder on site to accommodate high volume shredding.



Questions - call (609) 267-2730 x107



Did you know.....

The Burlington County Recycling Office has launched a free recycling App for all residents called **RecycleCoach** and it is available for download on your Smartphone from iTunes or Google Play. There are many features to this application including: setting personal recycling reminders, view your schedule, “what goes where” feature, receive alerts and notification of upcoming events and reporting problems with collections or damaged carts.

Once downloaded, be sure to type and submit your town name first. You will be able to enter your street address to start testing out the great features!



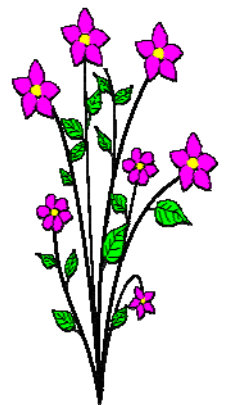
Safety First! Safe Syringe Disposal Program

Virtua Memorial (Mt. Holly & Marlton) and Lourdes will exchange full containers for a new one, for free! There is a one-time \$10 fee. If you do not have a Sharps container:

1. Place needles in sturdy plastic container
2. Put “Warning: Used Syringe” on container
3. Clip needle and put in container
4. Seal bottle with cap and duct tape
5. Dispose in household garbage. **DO NOT RECYCLE**

Fun Facts

- To produce each week’s Sunday newspapers, 500,000 trees must be cut down.
- Americans throw away 25,000,000 plastic beverage bottles every hour!
- There is no limit to the amount of times aluminum cans can be recycled!



Hainesport Township provides a convenient drop-off center for **residents** to drop-off certain household products. There are bins/areas for the following items:

Electronics Bin - televisions, computers

Paint Bin - Cans must be sealed. If you have a small amount of paint in a can, you can let the paint dry and throw away can with your household waste.

Oil - waste oil (must be in a closed container)

Single Stream Recycling Bins

Cardboard Bins

Absolutely no bulk items are to be dropped off at this location.

Small electronics such as DVD’s, CD players, fax machines, stereos and radios are to be put out with your regular trash

STORMWATER REGULATIONS

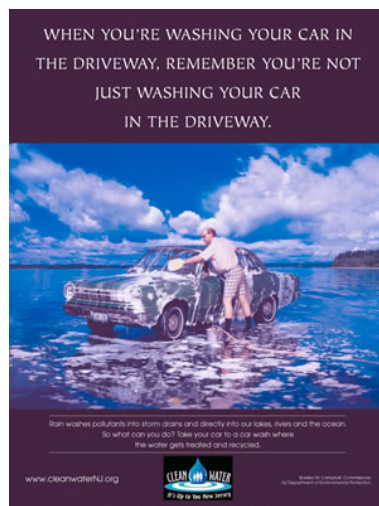
Your everyday activities can affect water quality.

- Conserve water. Do not over water your lawn.

Water during cooler times of the day. Adjust sprinklers if water runs into the gutter.

- Reduce the amount of grass by planting ground cover. This reduces the need for fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides.

- Compost grass clippings and leaves or use a mulching mower.



Recreation Commission

Coordinator: Paula Tiver / Assistant: Donna Casey
Phone: (609) 267-2730 x107



Hainesport Township's Annual Community Day has been moved to early Spring of 2019. Please watch the township website for updates.

Concerts in the Park series is sure to get you waltzing over to the Municipal Complex gazebo to enjoy some music to your ears! Concerts will be held Sundays from 7pm-8:30pm from July 8 - August 12.

Bus Trips

The Recreation Commission hosts bus trips throughout the year. Please check the Recreation page on the township website or call Paula Tiver for upcoming trips.



Visit the website at <https://www.hainesporttownship.com/recreation/pages/bus-trips> for additional information.



Summer Programs

Hainesport Recreation is offering the following:

- Summer Recreation (Kindergarten - 8th grade)
- Tennis (6 years old - adult)
- Karate (2 years old - adult)
- Princess Dance (Ages 3 - 6)
- Summer Dance (Ages 2 - teen)

Please call to inquire if registration is full or passed for a listed program by the time of this newsletter printing.



**Summer
Concerts in the
Park
At the Township
Park**

**Sundays
July 8 August 12
7pm to 8:30pm**

**October
Halloween and
December
Holiday House
Decorating
Contests**

Free Rabies Clinic

**Saturday, November 3
10am-12noon**

**Public Works Garage
8 Oak Lane**

Please bring with you
proof of prior Rabies
vaccination to receive the
3-year shot

Save the landfills and help build affordable housing in your community by donating your furniture, appliances, cabinets, or other building materials and home goods to Habitat for Humanity's ReStore, located at **530 Rt. 38 East, Maple Shade, NJ 08052.**



All donations are tax deductible, and proceeds support Habitat for Humanity's Affordable Home Ownership Program. The ReStore is also open to the public 7 days a week! Stop by and take a look at the amazing deals on everything you could want for your home. Inventory is always changing so you never know what you'll find. For more information about a FREE, tax deductible pick up email Donate@HabitatBCNJ.org. Don't have anything to donate? They are always looking for volunteers to help pick up donations and organize the store. Email Volunteer@HabitatBCNJ.org for more information.

**MOUNT HOLLY RECREATION DEPARTMENT
EASTAMPTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT
HAINESPORT RECREATION DEPARTMENT
LUMBERTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT
WESTAMPTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

and

RIISING SUN BASS MASTERS

Present the annual

FISHING TOURNAMENT

At Iron Works Park

Saturday JUNE 9th, 2018

(NEW JERSEY FREE FISHING DAY)

Carp/Catfish/Pickereel/Pan Fish (Sunny)

Registration: 6:00 A.M.

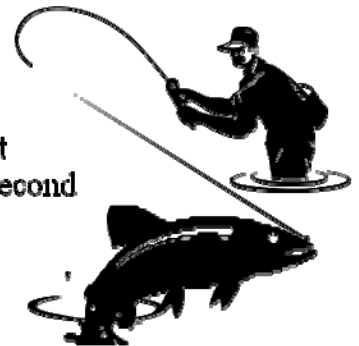
Tournament: 6:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Door prizes to be awarded

Trophies will be awarded for:

Age group:	10 and under	11-17	adult
Places:	first and second	first and second	first and second

and
Mount Holly Resident Largest Fish Overall
Eastampton Resident Largest Fish Overall
Hainesport Resident Largest Fish Overall
Lumberton Resident Largest Fish Overall
Westampton Resident Largest Fish Overall



For information and directions call: Mt. Holly Recreation 609-267-1742

Registration Information: Pre-registration can be mailed to 23 Washington St. Mount Holly, NJ 08060. Pre-registration can be dropped off at 37 Washington Street. Registration will also be permitted the morning of the tournament located at Iron Works Park, Wollner Drive, Mount Holly, NJ 08060.

APPLICATION FORM - Please Print

Name: _____ Age _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Parental signature required for minors

Phone Number: _____

APPLICATION FORM - Please Print

Name: _____ Age _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Parental signature required for minors

Phone Number: _____

In signing this application, I hereby waive and release all other contestants, the host, sponsors, and tournament officials from all claims for injury and/or damage incurred in connection with this Tournament. I further understand and agree that I will forfeit my entry if I fail to appear at the specified time.

Office of the Tax Collector

Sharon Deviney
Phone: (609) 267-2730 x108



The Tax Collector's office is responsible for billing and collecting property taxes. Taxes are due the 1st of February, May, August and November with a 10-day grace period. If the 10th falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the grace period ends on that Monday.

Tax Payment Options

- Mail payment - check or money order only
- Drop Box is located on the right side of the parking lot. Check or money order only. Payments put in the drop box before 12pm will be considered as received the same day. Payments received after that time will be considered as received the next business day.
- In person - check, money order or cash only
- Credit Card payment - online only and surcharges apply

Hainesport residents can now view present tax status, view or pay your taxes online by going to the township website and choose "Pay taxes online" from the menu on the left.

Property Tax Deduction

The application for the following programs are available in the Tax Office:

- Veterans and Widows/Widowers of Veterans
- Senior Citizen
- Disabled Person
- Surviving Spouse



The State of New Jersey offers the following programs:

Property Tax Rebate (aka Tax Freeze) 877-225-1312
Homestead Benefit 877-658-2972



The drop boxes accept solid pharmaceuticals such as pills, capsules, patches, inhalers and pet medications. They cannot accept syringes or liquids.

Local Burlington County Dropbox Locations

Lumberton Township Police Department
35 Municipal Drive

Medford Township Police Department
91 Union Street

Mt Laurel Police Department
100 Mt Laurel Road

Moorestown Police Department
1245 North Church Street

NJ State Police (Red Lion Station)
1722 Route 206

Westampton Police Department
710 Rancocas Road

Did you know.....

There are collection boxes at the Hainesport Township Municipal Building for the following donations:

* American Legion Post 11– Support the Troops (wish list is attached to the collection box)

* Shoebox Recycling - in support of local animal groups

* Burlington County Animal Shelter

* Cans of Hope



Office of **Code Enforcement**

Irene Barry, Code Enforcement Officer

Phone: (609) 267-2730 x115

Email: ibarry@hainesporttownship.com



The Code Enforcement Officer is responsible for enforcing any local laws of the Code of Hainesport as long as they do not interfere with the jurisdiction of another officer. This includes Hainesport's Property Maintenance Code. Code Enforcement is responsible for the following codes:

Ch 53 - Animals

Ch 69 - Clean Communities

Ch 119 - Mosquito Control (with BC Health Dept)

Ch 132 - Property Maintenance

Ch 140 - Rental Property

Ch 158 - Solid Waste (with BC Health Dept)

Access the Township of Hainesport's Code online at <https://www.hainesporttownship.com/home/pages/ordinances>

Ordinance 2017-8 - Abandoned/Vacant Properties was adopted last year. This ordinance is meant to protect the public health, safety and welfare of residents by establishing standards for the maintenance of commercial and residential properties that may become vacant/abandoned. If a property is vacant/abandoned and not marketed for sale the property must be registered with the Code Enforcement Official. If you are aware of any property that falls in this category, please contact us.

Hainesport Township

Emergency Squad

Richard Litton, President / Don Platt, Captain

106 Broad Street * PO Box 216

Phone: (609) 261-2141 or (609) 261-0630

Hainesport Emergency Squad is one of the few volunteer squad's remaining in Burlington County. There are approximately 15 active volunteers that donate countless hours to respond to local emergencies as well as provide mutual aid to surrounding communities. The squad responds to an average of 80 calls each month! Accelerated certification is available to registered nurses and prior EMT's. Additional volunteers are needed to continue this vital service. Volunteering with the squad is a great opportunity for active retirees. For more information and to volunteer, please call the station or Rich at 856-834-8125.





Monthly Meeting
1st Monday of the
Month at 8pm

Drill Nights
2nd and 4th Monday
of the Month at
7pm

Duty Crews
Every Wednesday
Night from 6pm-
10pm

WE WANT YOU TO VOLUNTEER!



Stop in to see if you have what it
takes to help your community

Monday and Wednesday nights
between 6pm and 10pm

JOIN US!

106 Broad Street
Hainesport, NJ 08036
(609) 261-2141



Hainesport Volunteer Fire Company



@hainesport_fire_391

Office of

Construction & Zoning

Gene Blair, Construction Official

Kathy Newcomb, Zoning Officer & Technical
Assistant to the Construction Official



On March 5, 2018 changes were made to the permitting requirements for ordinary maintenance and minor work.

Ordinary maintenance is not a waiver from code compliance. However, no permit is required and there are no inspections of the work. Minor work requires less oversight than do construction projects that require plan review, a full permit and inspections. Minor work requires a permit but work can begin before the permit has been issued once notice of the work has been given to the local code enforcement agency. The notice may be oral, written or by email.

The type of building and disciplines/categories that these changes affect include building, electrical/mechanical, plumbing and fire. Although not ordinary maintenance or minor work, the permitting requirements for garden type utility sheds also changed. No permit is required for a garden type shed that is 200 sq ft or under provided it does not have electric, water, gas, oil or sewer connections. For more specific information on the permitting requirements, please contact the Construction Office at 609-267-2730 x 109. We look forward to assisting you from start to finish.

Park Highlight

Creek Turn Park

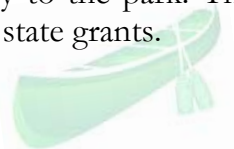


Photo Courtesy of John Anderson

The Township Committee purchased a 24+ acre property on Route 38 East, located just before Dunleavy's Bar & Restaurant. This property is truly a hidden gem! Situated above and along the Rancocas Creek, the view is breathtaking with rare flora and fauna throughout the property. There are so many possibilities and potential - a planner's dream!

What once was a ceramic shop and warehouse may one day be transformed into an open pavilion where educational sessions, private venues, pop-up markets and passive recreation take place. Many who are engaged in this project, including the Hainesport Environmental Commission and local kayak advocate John Anderson, envision partnerships with schools, organizations, businesses and residents who will enjoy the park and benefit from the use it. Potential amenities include a canoe/kayak launch, park trails that will connect the neighboring residential community and businesses, rest stations and possibly a fishing dock - the possibilities are endless!

To help offset the purchase of the property, approximately 3 acres along Route 38 will be subdivided and sold for highway commercial use (as zoned). Ideally, the business will be complementary to the park. The park portion will be dedicated and supported through the town's open space tax, local and state grants.





Office of the

Fire Bureau

George Myers, Fire Official

Phone: (609) 267-2730 x115



Spring Clean! Think Fire Safety

As you are cleaning out this spring, don't forget about fire safety.

- Test your smoke alarms, and replace any alarms that are 10 years old or older.
- Test your carbon monoxide alarms, and replace any alarms that are 7 years old or older.
- Check your dryer vents and clean the hosing.
- Clean clutter inside and outside your home.
- Check the cords on your appliances. If any are cracked or frayed, repair or replace them.
- Practice your home fire escape plan.



For more information and free resources, visit www.usfa.fema.gov



FEMA



The success of our recycling efforts is facing significant challenges. There is an increase in the amount of non-acceptable items that are being mixed in with allowable recycling materials. This includes items such as plastic shopping bags, garden hoses, polystyrene cups and plastic toys. This contamination creates serious quality control issues - recycling mills across the globe are rejecting our recycling shipments because of this 'contamination' of recycling materials. Please read and implement the information below so that we can begin to remedy this situation immediately.

RECYCLE:

THESE ITEMS INSIDE YOUR BLUE CART MAKE SURE METAL BAR PAGES THE STREET

Paper and Flattened Cardboard
 Newspaper, junk mail, magazines, catalogs, paperbacks, brown bags, gray paper board (cereal & tissue boxes), school and office paper.



Plastic Bottles and Food Containers
 Including berry boxes and yogurt cups.

Glass Bottles and Jars
 Labels are okay!

Metal Cans
 Cans ONLY. Other metal items jam and damage sorting equipment. Attached metal lids are okay.

Cartons

PUT RECYCLING CURBSIDE BY 6 A.M.

DO NOT RECYCLE:

NO PLASTIC BAGS!
 They get tangled in sorting screens. Recycle at grocery stores.

NO plastic wrap or newspaper sleeves.

NO tangles - hoses, cords or wire hangers.

NO plastic plant pots, pill bottles or flat plastic (like trays and lids).

NO aluminum foil or trays.

NO hardback books, food soiled or frozen food boxes.

NO bulbs, glassware or window glass.

NO motor oil, paint, pesticide containers or propane tanks.

NO plastic with a ♻️ or ♻️ (like styrofoam).

NO loose caps or any hot or cold drinking cups/straws.

NO batteries.

RECYCLING TIPS

- Flatten boxes.
- Remove and throw away Styrofoam and plastic w
- Empty and rinse all containers.
- Do NOT flatten aluminum cans.
- No need to remove any labels.
- Your municipal recycling dropoff is available for overflow.

NO SHREDDED PAPER

EVEN IF BAGGED OR BOXED

Paper shreds are too small to sort; just jams equipment and ultimately ends up in the trash.

You can bring it to County Shredder Days or to a special dropoff at the County Resource Recovery Complex.

Visit www.hainesportrecycles.com or download the RecycleCoach App for details.

RECYCLING CARTS ARE MUNICIPAL PROPERTY
 It is illegal to put trash in your cart or move it to a new property.



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responsible property owner to ensure the vacant property is being maintained. The fee serves as an incentive to get the property inhabited and to offset enforcement costs.

Last month, the committee adopted Ordinance 2018-4 which ends medical benefits coverage for municipal elected officials effective June 11, 2018. This expedited a previous Ordinance (2017-1), which ended the benefits at the end of existing, eligible committee terms.

The 2018 municipal budget increases the municipal tax rate by less than 1 cent. An average home assessed at \$279,300 will see an increase in municipal taxes of \$21.31 for the year. Some key elements in this year's budget include an additional \$30,000 to the Hainesport Volunteer Fire Company to help offset the purchase of a much-needed fire police vehicle, planning fees for the required 10-year Master Plan update and public works equipment. In standing with its policy of sound budgeting, the township utilized only \$850,000 (22.34% of total surplus funds) to balance the budget. There remains over 3 million dollars in surplus for future years and emergencies.

The township committee is excited to begin the first Road Maintenance Program for Hainesport Township. Working from a recognized Road Rating System that the Public Works Department completed, we are currently selecting the local roads to repair. Our goal is to go out to bid by the end of summer and have the selected roads repaired soon thereafter. We have earmarked \$500,000 for this new program.

I would like to commend our Public Works crew for working tirelessly to clean up the debris left in the wake of the March storms. Unfortunately, it has taken a significant amount of time to address every household and area, some requesting return pick-ups. I assure you, they are working tirelessly to get the debris picked up - in addition to the many other responsibilities that they have.

In closing, we are a government for the residents of Hainesport Township. As your Mayor, I am committed to open, collaborative and transparent governance. I invite you, irrespective of party affiliation, to participate in the legislative process, attend a meeting, reach out to me if you have a concern or question. I assure you, I will respond to your inquiry - fmasciocchi@hainesporttownship.com. You can also find all committee members' email on the township website.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Roger Hessel
Letitia Kelley
Merrilee Torres
Paula Uhland

The commission is responsible for conducting research, inventory and planning as it relates to open land areas in the municipality. It also makes recommendations to the governing body regarding preservation, conservation, controls, appearance and management related to the local environment.

During your walk or run at the Hainesport Municipal Complex walking path, you may have noticed the butterfly garden south of the gazebo. The Environmental Commission planted this in 2016 and is now ready for butterflies and other pollinators. Daisies, pincushion flowers and butterfly bush adorn the garden. They also planted milkweed which the monarch butterflies eat and lay their eggs.

Meetings are generally held the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:30pm at the Kenneth Street Community Center, 100 Broad Street. They are looking for new members. You may contact them at 609-267-2730 x100.

WANTED

Aluminum Tabs from soda or pet cans
Metal Caps from beer or soda bottles
Old Brass dog license tags
Gently Used Shoes no flip flops, slippers

These items are used toward the **TNR Program** (Trap, Neuter and Release) and can be dropped off at these locations:

The Glen at Masons Creek Clubhouse
100 Devon Lane, Hainesport

Hainesport Municipal Building
1401 Marne Highway
Questions? Call 609-267-2730

REWARD