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Planning Commission Annual Report 2024



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February 27, 2025

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Dear Commissioners:

The Wayne County Planning/GIS Department is pleased to present to you the Wayne County Planning Commission 2024 Annual Report.

Act 247, the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (PMPC), requires all planning agencies to prepare a written report annually to the governing body. We have traditionally used this opportunity not only to fulfill this State law requirement, but also to inform the public of planning topics and Geographic Information System (GIS) resources in Wayne County. The report also helps share information with our local governments for whom we are a resource in assisting them with their daily planning related tasks.

Throughout 2024, our office provided GIS mapping support to various local governments, other County departments and the general public upon request. Our office is also responsible for the assigning and verification of physical 911 addresses, telephone updates and assisting with tax assessment parcel changes. At the start of 2024, the Planning/GIS Department finished the update to the County's Comprehensive Plan with the consultant team of Woodland Design Associates and Shepstone Management Company, which was formally adopted by the Commissioners on February 22nd, 2024. This updated Plan was preceded with the completion of the County Recreation, Parks and Natural Resources Plan in 2022, which is acknowledged as part of this required update. Local municipal ordinance and subdivision/zoning amendment reviews were also completed for Damascus, Honesdale Borough, Oregon and Paupack Townships.

During 2024, our office reviewed a total of 126 subdivision and land development applications. These applications resulted in the creation of 47 new lots and 132 lot additions/improvements. The largest total of these new lots occurred in Damascus Township with ten new lots. Of the 132 lot additions, Paupack had 27, Lake had 14 and Sterling and Damascus with 13 and 10, respectively. These four municipalities combined accounted for nearly half of the total additions in the County. A total of 19 land development applications were also reviewed. The 2024 County subdivision activity can be reviewed in detail starting on page seven (7) of this report.

The Wayne County Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance covers Dyberry, Prompton, and South Canaan. The other 25 Wayne County municipalities have adopted their own ordinances and in those, the Planning Department's function is that of technical review and comment only, as required by the PMPC (Act 247).

This annual report is also available on the County's website (Planning/GIS link) at www.waynecountypa.gov.

We look forward to working with you throughout 2025.

Sincerely,

Planning Director

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PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Wayne County Planning Commission Members Representative Municipalities 2024

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Scott
Starrucca
Preston
Buckingham



Paul Meagher Jr.

Mt. Pleasant
Lebanon
Dyberry
Bethany

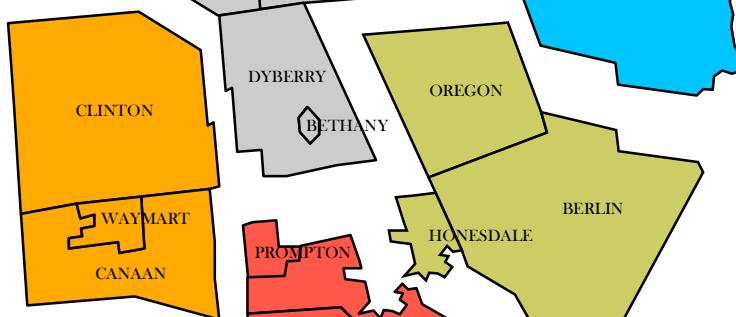


William Troop

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Damascus

Ronald Shemanski

Clinton
Canaan
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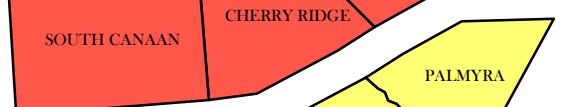


Richard Henry

Honesdale
Oregon
Berlin

Peter Ridd

Cherry Ridge
South Canaan
Texas
Prompton



Kathy Enslin

Lake
Salem



Alan Highhouse

Palmyra
Paupack
Hawley

Kurt Caruth

Sterling
Dreher
Lehigh



PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS



WILLIAM TROOP, Chairman – A Wayne County native, William Troop was appointed to the Wayne County Planning Commission in January of 1998. He represents *Damascus and Manchester Townships*. Mr. Troop graduated from Honesdale High School and Devry Technical Institute in New Jersey. He owned and operated Troop Electronic Service until his retirement in 2002. He retired from Wayne Highlands School District in 2017. Mr. Troop served as a Pennsylvania state constable for 12 years. He is past president of the Beach Lake Fire Company and a past president of the Dessim Animal Shelter Board. Formerly he served as a member of the Texas Township Planning Board, CPR and EMT instructor and president of the Honesdale Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Mr. Troop lives in Atco with his wife Beth. His planning commission term will expire in December 2025.

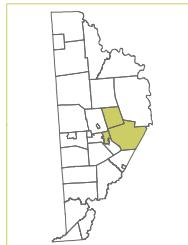
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PETER RIDD, Vice Chairman – Mr. Ridd was appointed to the Wayne County Planning Commission in January of 2009 and represents *Cherry Ridge, South Canaan, and Texas Townships and Prompton Borough*. He is a Wayne County native and has operated Thomas Spinning Lures, a fishing lure manufacturing business located in Hawley, since 1985. Mr. Ridd is also currently chairman of the Cherry Ridge Township Zoning Hearing Board. He is a member of St. John the Evangelist parish and resides in Cherry Ridge with his wife Barbara. Mr. Ridd's term expires in December 2026.



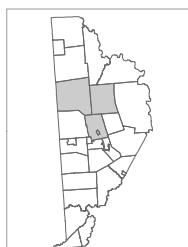
ALAN J. HIGHHOUSE, Secretary – A resident of Lakeville, Mr. Highhouse represents *Palmyra and Paupack Townships* as well as *Hawley Borough*. Mr. Highhouse was appointed to the Wayne County Planning Commission in January of 1992, and currently serves as Secretary. He is also an officer in the Civil Air Patrol (U.S.A.F. Auxiliary) and serves as chief of staff for Group 4 (N.E.PA). Mr. Highhouse is a member of Queen of Peace Church in Hawley, a Life member of Texas No. 4 Fire Company, a member of the Fire Police at Lakeville Company 18 and a volunteer staff member of Wayne County Emergency Management. He is a graduate of Honesdale High School and graduated from Lehigh University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business and Economics. Mr. Highhouse has served as C.E.O. of Highhouse Oil Co. Inc. since 1969. Mr. Highhouse's term will expire in December of 2027.



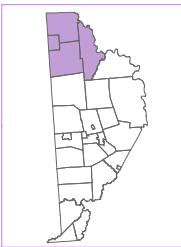
RICHARD B. HENRY – Mr. Henry was appointed to the Planning Commission in January 1996. He represents *Honesdale Borough and Berlin and Oregon Townships*. Mr. Henry maintains a legal practice in Honesdale, PA and includes as part of his practice municipal law. He formerly served on the editorial staff of “The Wayne Independent” where one of his functions was to monitor local government and areas of land use and planning. He has since authored or co-authored a number of municipal ordinances, including ones involving land use, planning and subdivision. Mr. Henry is active in the Wayne County Bar Association, formerly serving as president. He grew up in Wayne County, graduating from Honesdale High School and currently lives with his family in Beach Lake. Mr. Henry holds degrees from Rider College, Trenton, New Jersey, and Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio. His term will expire in December of 2027.



RONALD SHEMANSKI – A Wayne County native, Ronald Shemanski was appointed to the Wayne County Planning Commission in January of 2023 to replace Alfred K. Bucconear who served since 2008. He represents Canaan and Clinton Townships and Waymart Borough. Mr. Shemanski graduated from Western Wayne High School in 1992 and Penn State Worthington with a two-year associates degree in Business Administration in 1994. He currently owns Shemanski Maple Syrup. He is a Canaan Township Supervisor and serves as Chairman of the Board, Roadmaster, Emergency Management Coordinator and alternate member of the Canaan Township Planning Commission. He is currently Vice President of the Northeastern Maple Producers Association and past President and Vice President of the Pennsylvania Maple Syrup Producers Council. Mr. Shemanski resides in Waymart, Canaan Township. His term will expire in December 2026.



PAUL MEAGHER JR – Mr. Meagher was appointed to the Planning Commission in January of 2022. He represents *Bethany Borough, Dyberry, Mt. Pleasant and Lebanon Townships*. Mr. Meagher was born and raised in Wayne County. He graduated from Honesdale High School and the University of Scranton. Paul is the President and CEO of Meagher Insurance and Financial Services. Mr. Meagher serves on the Wayne Woodlands Board of Directors and the Greater Honesdale Partnership Board of Directors. Paul is a past Board member of the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce and a former director of the Wayne County Public Library. He is a member of Saint John the Evangelist Parish in Honesdale where he serves as a lector. He resides in Dyberry Township with his wife Jenny and his four children Paul III, Anne, Erin and Claire. His term expires in December 2025.



ROBERT FLYNN – Mr. Flynn was appointed to the Wayne County Planning Commission in January of 2020. He represents *Buckingham, Preston and Scott Townships* as well as *Starrucca Borough*. Mr. Flynn was born and raised in Lakewood, PA and attended Hancock Central School. After furthering his education at Rutgers University and the Graham School for Cattlemen majoring in Animal Science and Anthropology he returned home and took over the family farm. Mr.

Flynn currently owns and operates Flynn Stone and Cattle Company along with Flynn Stone Design and Fabrication. Mr. Flynn and his three sons (who reside in California, Texas and Washington, DC) have supplied stone to such notable places as the US Capitol, the Niche Wall at Arlington National Cemetery, the Holocaust Memorial in New Jersey, and the Peace Memorial in Japan. Their stone has also been approved for a project at the White House Rose Garden. Two former US Presidents are also clients of Mr. Flynn. A more recent project was the Great Hunger Memorial on Deer Island in Boston, Massachusetts of which Mr. Flynn donated the stone. Mr. Flynn enjoys working and is proud of the involvement of his sons in the family business. Mr. Flynn's term will expire in December of 2028.



KURT CARUTH – Mr. Caruth was appointed to the Planning Commission in December 2020. He represents *Lehigh, Dreher and Sterling Townships*. Mr. Caruth was employed by IBM Corporation in various customer service positions in CT, MA, NJ and NY from 1983 through 2017. Currently Mr. Caruth owns and operates Caruth Bus Lines, Inc., a school and charter bus operation serving the Western Wayne School District and several private companies. He is a member of Salem Masonic Lodge 330 in Hamlin and is active in the Salem Community Church. In addition, Mr. Caruth is currently serving as President of the Sterling Township Parks and Recreation committee and is also a member of the Sterling Township Planning Commission. Mr. Caruth's term will expire in December 2025.



KATHLEEN ENSLIN – Ms. Enslin was appointed to the Planning Commission in December 2020. A resident of Lake Township, she represents *Lake and Salem Townships*. Ms. Enslin is a Wayne County native and has been employed at The Honesdale National Bank since 1999. She is the President of the Wayne County Business and Professional Women's Club. Ms. Enslin resides in Lake Ariel with her husband Gary. Her term will expire in December of 2028.

Past Planning Commission Members

The Wayne County Planning Commission was created September 23, 1964. The first meeting was held November 12, 1964, with the Board consisting of the following people:

- James E. McKeehen
- Gerard Adams, Sr.
- Lester F. Burlein
- Carl F. Odell
- Charles F. Fredericks
- Douglas Thorpe
- Alfred H. Haase
- Beulah Tiel
- S. Elmore Haag

Through the history of the Wayne County Planning Commission, the following people have also served:

W. Robert Bennett	Kenneth Bailey	George W. Stanton
Robert Gilchrist	A.G. Petrasek	Maurice Bateridge
Melvin Swendsen	Gerard (Rod) Adams	Richard Nash
Arthur Davis	Arthur Goerlitz	Robert Bird
Willard Varcoe	Jack Edwards	George Hocker
Robert Haag	Robert Lubinski	William Theobald
Vicky Lamberton	Frank Ward	Daniel Liptak
Kuni Holbert	Donald Olsommer	Mark S. Davis
Matthew Meagher	Alfred Bucconear	

DEPARTMENT STAFF

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING/GIS STAFF MEMBERS

CRAIG E. RICKARD – *Director*, Mr. Rickard began his employment with the Wayne County Department of Planning in January of 1991. He is a graduate of Honesdale High School and Bloomsburg University where he earned a B.A. Degree in Geography with a concentration in Environmental Planning. Mr. Rickard is a Board member of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance (NEPA), the Wayne Economic Development Corporation (WEDCO) and the County’s Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). He enjoys working on his family farm and spending time outdoors playing sports. He resides in Texas Township with his son Ethan.

CHRISTOPHER J. BARRETT – *Assistant Director*, Mr. Barrett began his employment with the Wayne County Department of Planning on July 31, 2000. After graduating from Lock Haven University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Biology, he was employed by Synergist, Incorporated, which is an environmental consulting firm located in Carbondale, Pennsylvania. In his spare time, Mr. Barrett enjoys golfing, hunting and fishing. He currently resides in Jessup with his wife Kristin, their son Kyle and daughter Kayla.

TERRY A. MAHN – *GIS Technician*, Miss Mahn began her employment with the Wayne County GIS Department in December 2009. Prior to her position with the GIS Department she worked in the Wayne County Tax Assessment Office as a Data Entry/ Mapping Technician since June 2003. During the same time, she worked closely with the GIS Department on multiple programs and projects. With the consolidation of the Planning and GIS departments in December of 2011, Miss Mahn joined the Planning Department. Miss Mahn resides in Jefferson Township.

DEBBIE S. VARCOE – *Planning Technician*, Mrs. Varcoe began her employment with the Wayne County Department of Planning in January 2000. Prior to her position with the Planning Department she worked as a Career Consultant for Wayne County Job Training since January of 1986. Mrs. Varcoe lives in Dyberry Township with her husband Bruce and is currently the Secretary to the Supervisors of Dyberry Township.

KRISTINE R. WASCO – *Planner II*, Kristine started as a full-time County employee in 2015 after completing an internship for the Planning/GIS Department in 2014. She graduated from Wallenpaupack Area High School, Lackawanna College, and Bloomsburg University with a B.A. in Geography: Environmental Planning. Kristine resides in Honesdale Borough and can usually be spotted walking all around town.

JASON ZAROWSKI – *GIS Manager*, Jason started with the County in March, 2023. Jason graduated from Keystone College in 2009 with a B.S. in Environmental Resource Management and a minor in Biological Science. Before coming to the County, Jason worked for the National Park Service and the Delaware Highlands Conservancy. Jason and his wife, Bethany, reside in Dyberry Township where they enjoy raising chickens and hiking. Jason is also an Assistant Jazz Instructor at Keystone College where he plays string bass in the jazz band.

PLANNING COMMISSION SOLICITOR
R. Anthony Waldron, Esq.

Attorney Waldron graduated from Villanova University in 1974 and from Dickinson School of Law in 1977. He was admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania in November 1977. He has maintained a law practice in the Hawley area for over thirty years, with a primary focus in Real Estate and Land Use Law. Mr. Waldron also specializes in representing property owners and land trusts in Conservation Easement transactions.

The Land Use practice includes representation of both municipal and private clients. He presently represents several municipalities and zoning hearing boards as primary or alternate solicitor in Pike and Wayne Counties. Attorney Waldron serves as school board solicitor for the Wallenpaupack Area School District. He also serves as the solicitor for the Wayne County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

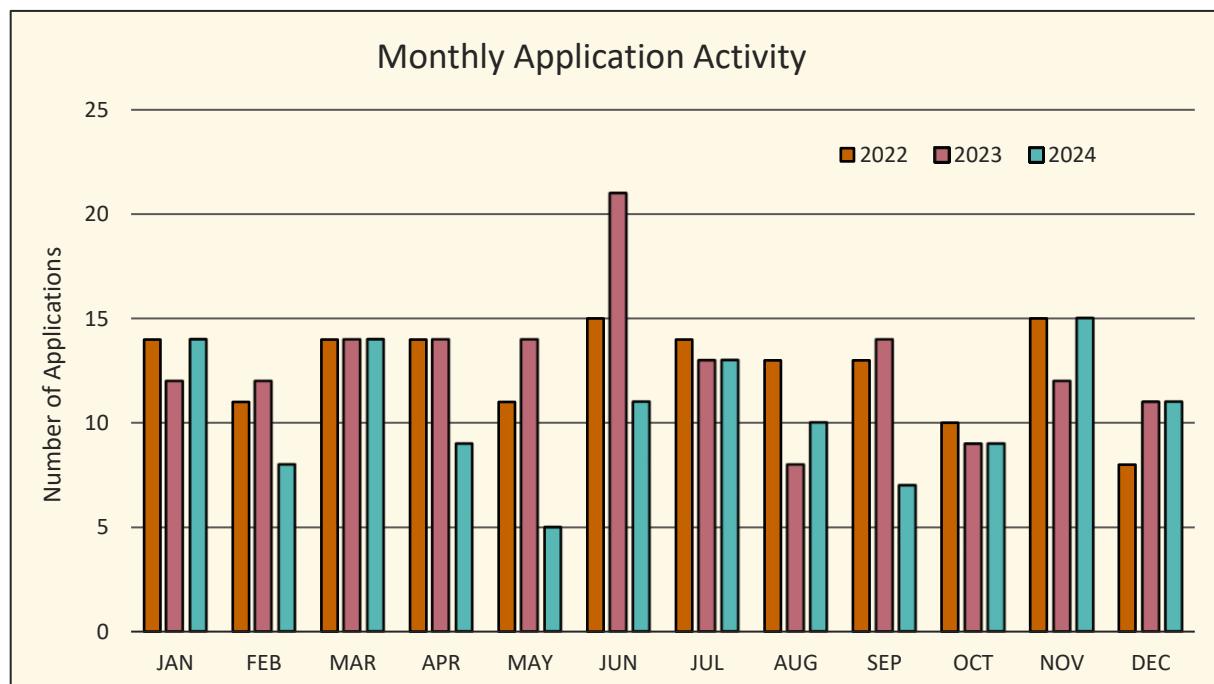
Mr. Waldron is past president of the Pike County Bar Association and serves as board member and legal counsel for the Delaware Highlands Conservancy, Hawley Library, Black Bear Music Conservatory, Downtown Hawley Partnership and the Wallenpaupack Historical Society. More recently Mr. Waldron was appointed to serve as Pike County Commissioner for years 2022 and 2023. Attorney Waldron resides in Hawley.

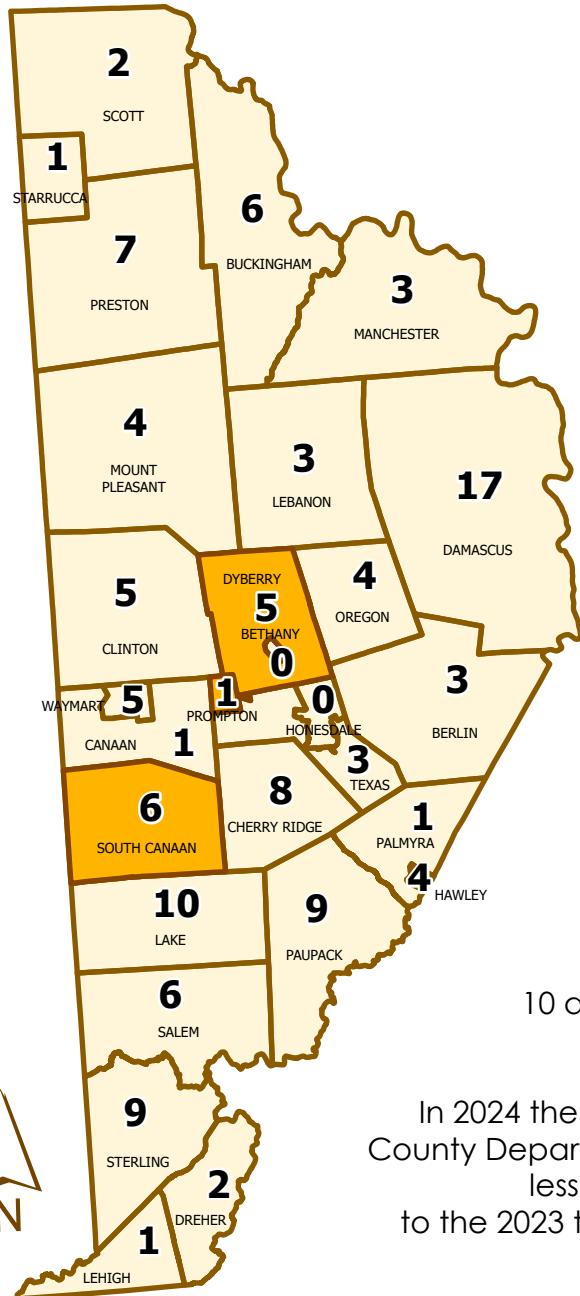
SUBDIVISION ACTIVITY & ADMINISTRATION

2024 Municipal Application Reviews

MUNICIPALITY	Applications	New Lots	Additions	Land Developments
Berlin	3	2	-	1
Bethany	-	-	-	-
Buckingham	6	1	3	2
Canaan	1	-	3	-
Cherry Ridge	8	3	6	2
Clinton	5	2	3	-
Damascus	17	10	10	3
Dreher	2	-	6	-
Dyberry*	5	2	4	-
Hawley	4	-	2	1
Honesdale	-	-	-	-
Lake	10	3	14	-
Lebanon	3	2	-	1
Lehigh	1	-	-	1
Manchester	3	3	1	-
Mt. Pleasant	4	1	2	1
Oregon	4	2	8	1
Palmyra	1	-	1	-
Paupack	9	-	27	1
Preston	7	3	7	-
Prompton*	1	-	1	-
Salem	6	2	8	1
Scott	2	2	-	-
South Canaan*	6	4	6	-
Starrucca	1	-	-	1
Sterling	9	1	13	1
Texas	3	1	-	2
Waymart	5	3	7	-
TOTAL	126	47	132	19

* Under the jurisdiction of the Wayne County Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance in 2024





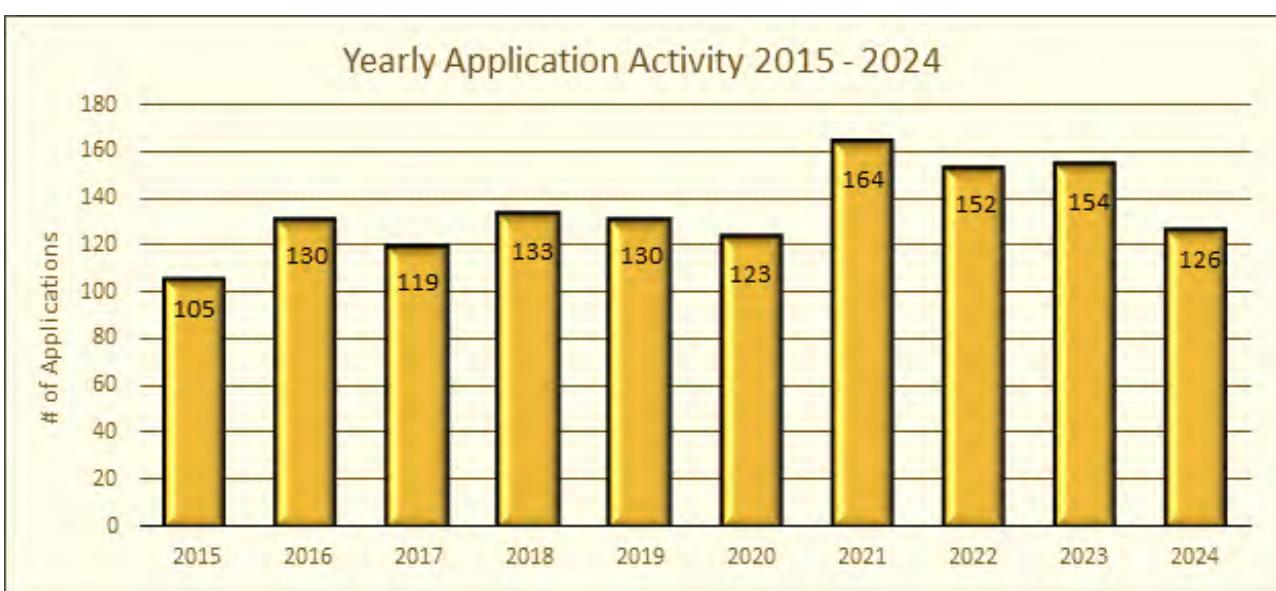
Total Applications by Municipality 2024

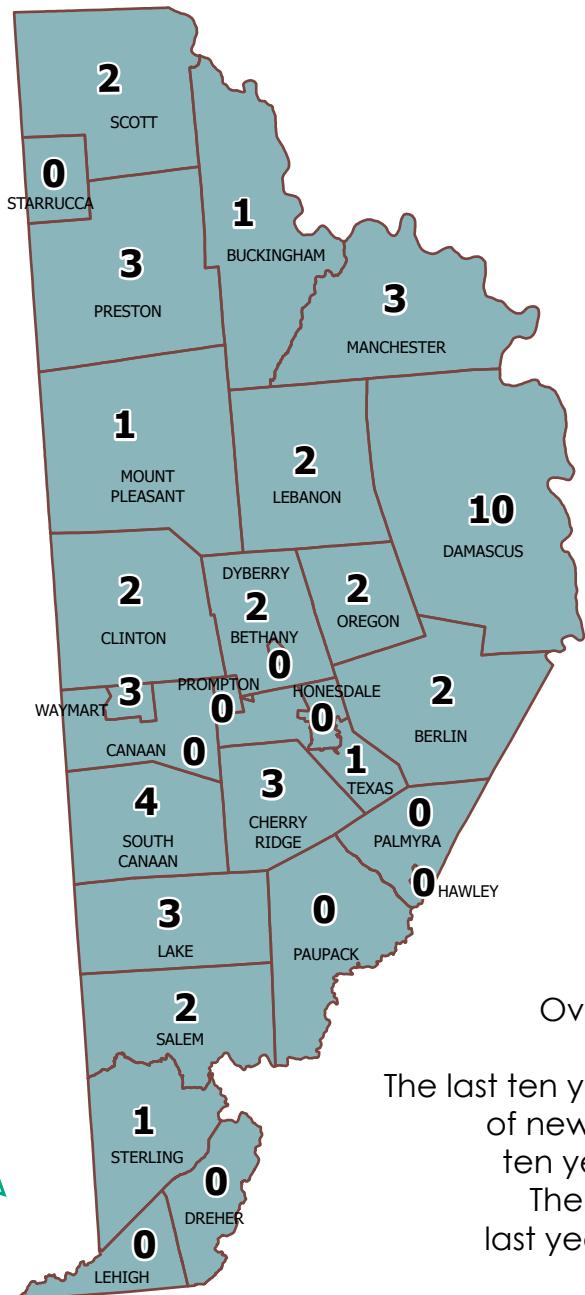
A total of 126 subdivision or land development applications were reviewed by the Wayne County Planning/GIS Department in 2024. The numbers shown within the map to the left represent the number of applications received by the Wayne County Planning/GIS Department from each municipality in 2024.

On the map, the shaded municipalities (Dyberry, South Canaan, & Prompton) were under the jurisdiction of the Wayne County Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. The remaining municipalities have locally adopted ordinances in effect.

The greatest number of applications received was from Damascus Township with 17 applications followed by Lake with 10 and Paupack and Sterling Townships with 9 each.

In 2024 the number of applications submitted to the Wayne County Department of Planning/GIS decreased. There were 28 less applications submitted this past year compared to the 2023 total of 154. The average number of submissions over this ten year period was 134 per year.





Total New Lots by Municipality 2024

The map to the left shows the number of new lots created in each municipality in 2024. In total, **47** new lots were created in Wayne County in 2024.

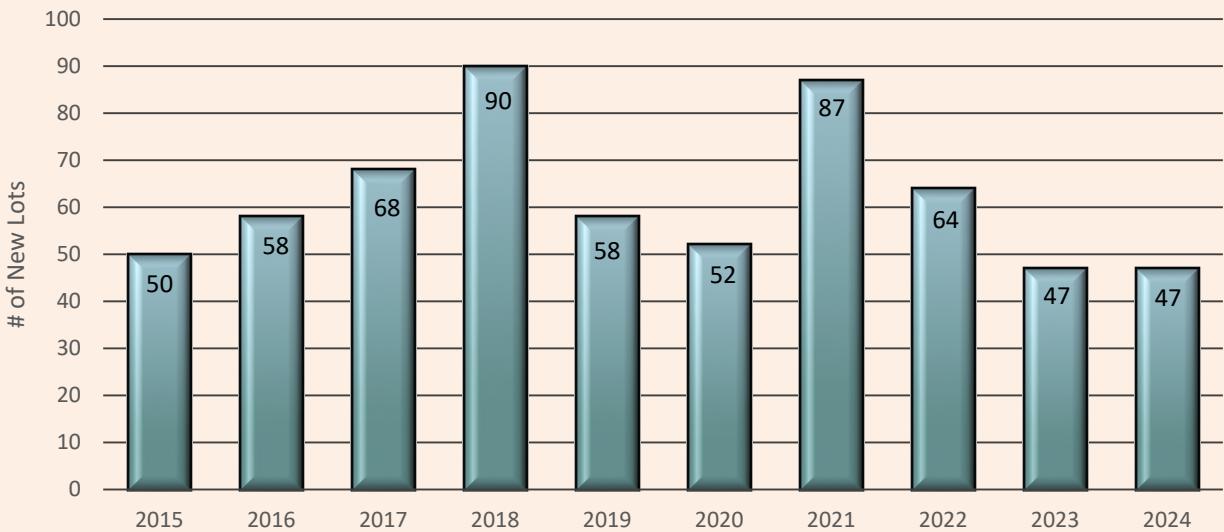
As you can see from the chart below, 2024 resulted in the same number of new lots as the previous year.

Similar to the previous year, this year Damascus Township had the highest number of new lots created in 2024 with 10, followed by South Canaan Township with 4 new lots. A total of 10 municipalities, 5 of which were boroughs, had no new lots created in 2024.

Over the course of the past decade, the average number of new lots created per year was **62**. The last ten years have seen fluctuations in the total number of new lots. The highest total of new lots over the past ten years was in 2018 with **90**, followed by **87** in 2021.

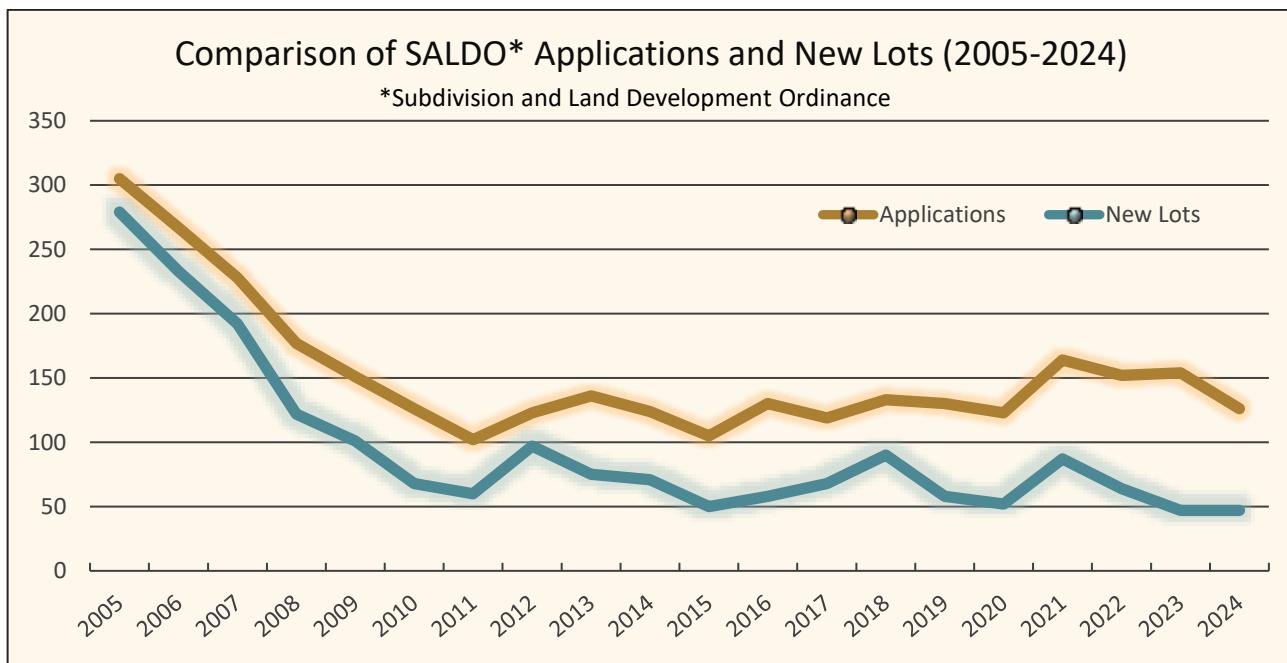
The total number of new lots created this year and last year was the lowest throughout the past 10 years.

New Lots Created 2015 -2024



Applications & New Lots Created (2005 – 2024)

The following paragraphs offer a breakdown of the types of applications reviewed by the Wayne County Planning Department from the year 2005 up to and including 2024. Comparisons will be drawn between the numbers of new lots created relative to the number of applications received. We will also break down the application results by type and compare the number of subdivision applications that result in new lots to those that involve additions. Also illustrated on the following page is the number of land developments reviewed each year compared to the number of subdivisions.

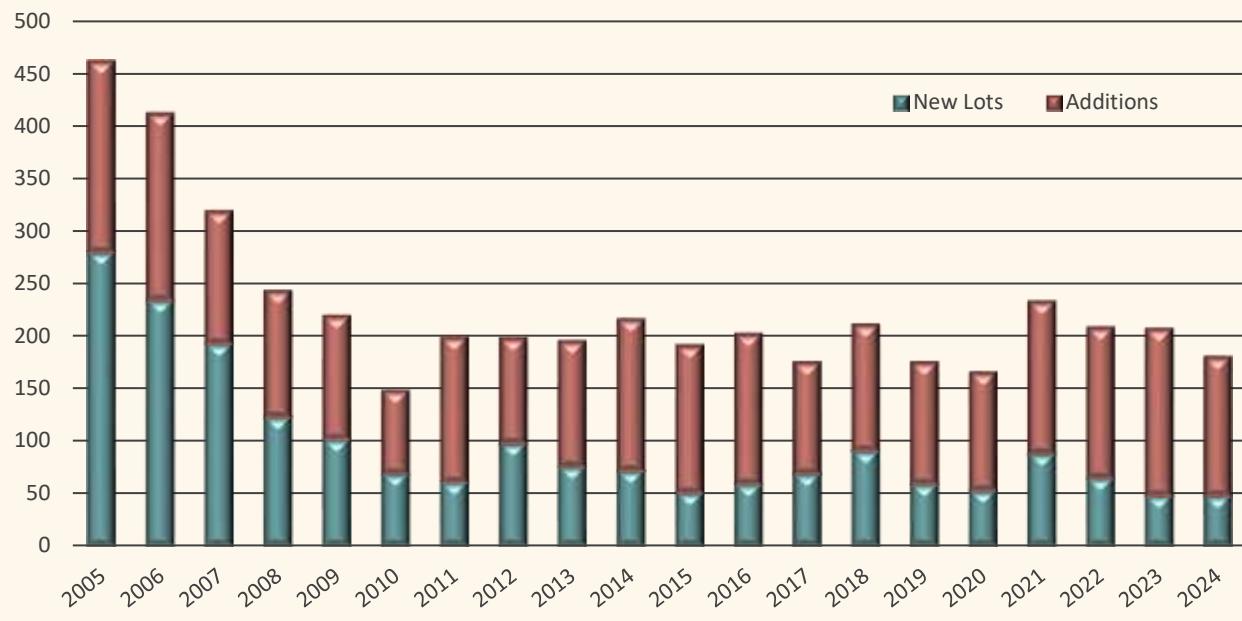


The Planning and GIS Department reviewed 28 less applications in 2024 than the previous year. The number of new lots created was the same as the previous year. A total of 47 new lots were created in the County in 2024. The total new lots created since 2010 has consistently been less than 100 over the past fifteen years including 2024.

Overall, for the period from 2005 to 2024, a total of 3,075 applications were submitted for review to the Wayne County Planning and GIS Department. Over this same period, these applications resulted in the creation of 1,919 new lots in Wayne County. On an average basis, these totals translate to 154 applications submitted for review and 96 new lots per year over this twenty-year time span. Whether referring to the yearly average, the cumulative totals over this period or the yearly comparison of the number of submitted applications to the number of newly created lots, the number of new lots is typically less than the applications total. The number of newly created lots has consistently been lower than the total applications received for review over the last twenty years.

A major reason why the number of applications submitted for review outpaces the number of newly created lots is that a large percentage of subdivision applications result in lot combinations or additions of portions of land added to another adjoining existing parcel of land. The year 2024 was no exception to this pattern as 132 additions resulted from the subdivision reviews completed by the Wayne County Planning and GIS Department. This marks the sixteenth straight year where the number of additions surpassed the number of newly created lots in the County. Over the past ten years a total of 621 new lots were created in the County compared to 1,316 additions equaling 695 more additions over this ten-year time span (2015-2024). [Figure 1](#) at the top of the next page illustrates the yearly comparison of new lots to additions going back to the year 2005.

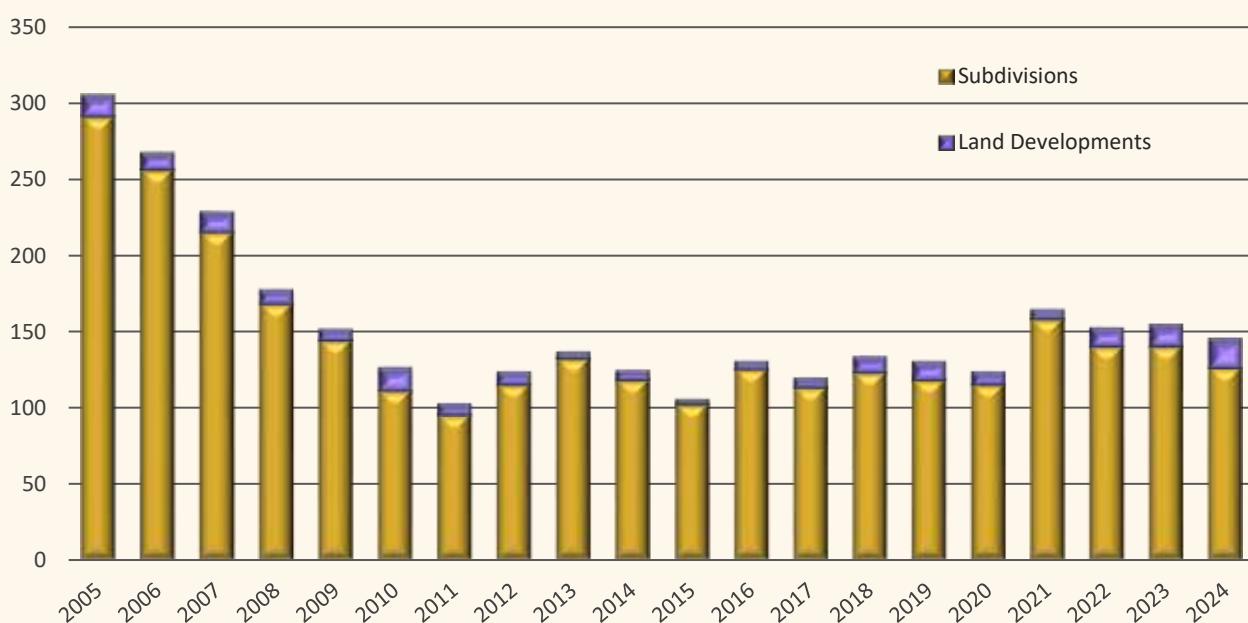
Comparison of New Lots and Additions (2005-2024)



[Figure 1](#)

Another explanation, but to a lesser degree, of why the number of reviewed applications is greater than the number of new lots is that a number of the applications are for the purposes of land development rather than a subdivision of land. A subdivision application proposes changes to existing lot lines or the establishment of newly created lots lines, whereas a ‘land development’, as defined by Act 247, involves certain types of physical improvements to a parcel of land. [Figure 2](#) below illustrates a comparison of the number of land developments to the number of subdivision applications for each year going back to the year 2005. Although the number of land developments is relatively small in comparison, it is still a contributing factor that explains why the number of new lots is typically less than the number of reviewed applications over the last twenty years. A total of nineteen (19) land developments were reviewed throughout Wayne County in 2024, which was five more than the previous year of 2023 and the most in more than 25 years.

Application Type Comparison (2005-2024)



[Figure 2](#)

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COUNTY TOPICS

Wayne County Comprehensive Plan Update

Act 247, The Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code requires, “...*County comprehensive plans shall be updated at least every ten years.*” As required by State law, Wayne County adopted an update to its Comprehensive Plan in 2024, a process that spanned several years and began in 2021.

The consulting firms of Woodland Design Associates, Inc. and Shepstone Management Company were contracted by the County to draft the update to the existing Plan. Some of the first steps were to form committees, engage the public and draft goals for the update. Surveys were made available to the public to solicit opinion on various topics of interest, and public meetings were held in several locations. Various stakeholder groups were also provided opportunity to offer input on matters of importance to the County.

The overarching objective of the plan is to both assess and inventory existing resources and conditions in the County, and for the resulting plan to serve as a guide for future growth and development.

Nine different analyses including Cultural Resources, Community Facilities, Transportation, Recreation, Natural Resources, Existing Land Use, Population, Housing and Economics were individually prepared. These thorough studies, together with the input from the residents of Wayne County and various stakeholder groups, provided the foundation to develop seven plans on topics including Land Use, Community Facilities, Transportation, Housing, Economic Development, Historic Resources, and Water Supply & Utilities. Additional plan sections designating ‘Goals’ and the ‘Implementation’ of those goals were also developed.

The Wayne County Comprehensive Plan Update was completed in late 2023 and subsequently adopted by the Wayne County Commissioners on February 22, 2024. It is available for viewing on the County’s website at <https://waynecountypa.gov>.

A special note of appreciation and recognition of Mikki Uzupes, who, through the use of various media outlets and endeavors, worked steadfastly as an advocate of the public’s interest and involvement in the plan. She was lost to us all much to soon and will be dearly missed.

WAYNE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE



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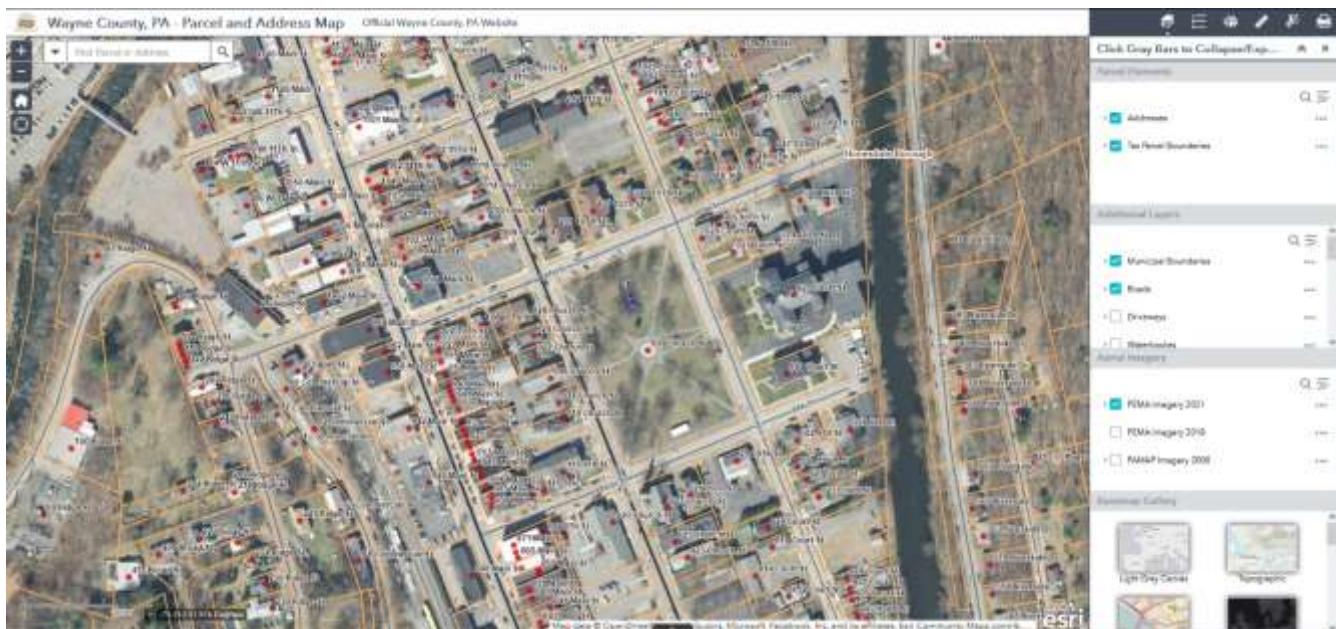
Wayne County GIS

The Wayne County Planning/GIS Department works on many GIS (Geographic Information Systems) projects each year including setting physical 911 addresses, amending building footprints, maintaining road centerlines, revising tax parcel boundaries, and updating the data that supports the County 911 dispatch system.

In addition, the Department regularly supports other County offices with their GIS needs. The public is also served through data requests, custom cartography, aerial mapping products, and interactive publicly accessible online mapping applications.

Wayne County Interactive Parcel Viewing Map

The Planning/GIS Department's interactive web map provides the public access to tax parcels with ownership information, public/private roads, and verified 911 addresses in Wayne County in addition to other information such as hydrography features, elevation information and various other types of data. Staff made some changes to labeling and symbology this year to improve the readability of the map. Using Arcade expressions, labels were converted to proper case from all capital letters. Symbology was streamlined and application's theme colors now correspond with those on the County's website making for a more seamless user experience. The Interactive Parcel Viewing Map received 249,793 views in 2024 with an average of over 684 views per day. This was a significant increase from 2023 which had 201,227 views averaging 500 views per day.

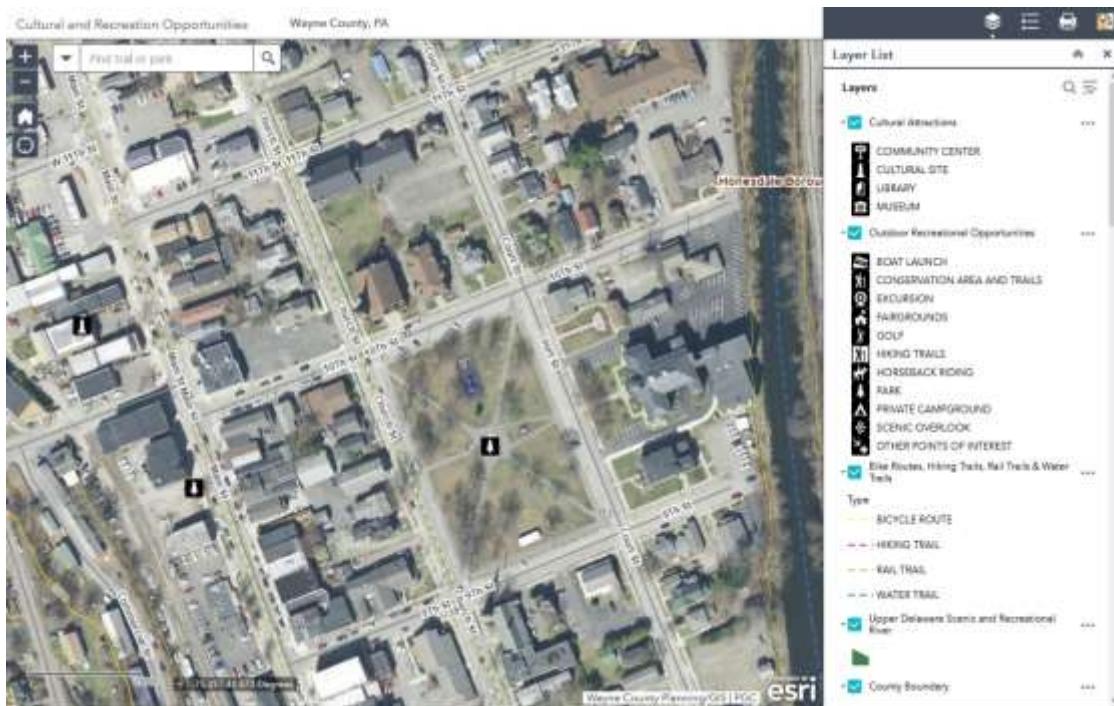


Screenshot of the Parcel and Address viewer Web Mapping Application.

Staff began working on a replacement for the current Parcel Viewing map as ESRI will retire the platform upon which the current application is built in early 2026.

Wayne County Cultural and Recreation Opportunities Map

Using the information gathered in the Wayne County Recreation, Parks, and Natural Resources Plan, the GIS Department created a public web mapping application to help connect residents and visitors to different cultural and outdoor recreation opportunities in the County such as the location of libraries, cultural sites, museums, hiking trails, parks, and boat launches located throughout the County in 2023.



Screenshot of the Cultural and Recreational Opportunities Web Mapping Application.

Like the Parcel and Address viewer Web Mapping Application, labels were converted to proper case from all capital letters and theme colors were updated to coordinate with the County's website. Staff has also begun working on a replacement for this app.

Wayne County Tax Assessment and GIS

The Wayne County Department of Planning/GIS works closely with the County Tax Assessment Office to help maintain tax parcel data, rights-of-way, building footprints, and the County's Act 319 Clean and Green Program (preferential tax abatement). GIS staff update parcel geometry after a land subdivision, merger or recorded survey. Data produced and maintained by the Planning/GIS department is used by assessors in their daily work.

Planning/GIS staff in conjunction with a contractor began working on a new system to modernize how tax maps are maintained. The current system uses physical Mylar sheets upon which tax parcels are drawn. Changes made to parcel lines need to be updated not only in GIS, but also on these Mylar sheets. The new system will use GIS data to produce tax maps on a scheduled basis thus reducing the amount of staff time necessary to maintain accurate parcel data and will ensure that tax maps and GIS data are up-to-date.

Wayne County 911 and GIS

The Planning/GIS Department creates and updates address points, road centerlines, and driveways as well as Fire, EMS, and Police coverage areas in the 911's Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system.

Telephone records are also maintained daily for the County. New numbers are connected to address points, changes to telephone record information are recorded, and numbers no longer in use are disconnected from addresses. In 2024, 34,342 telephone records were reviewed and 5,555 were updated by the Planning/GIS Department. This is a significant increase from 2023 where only 3,675 records were reviewed with 1,863 records being updated. This large increase is due to telephone service providers getting their data ready for integration into the NG911 system. These changes by the telephone providers was necessary to standardize their records so they could be integrated with the statewide system.



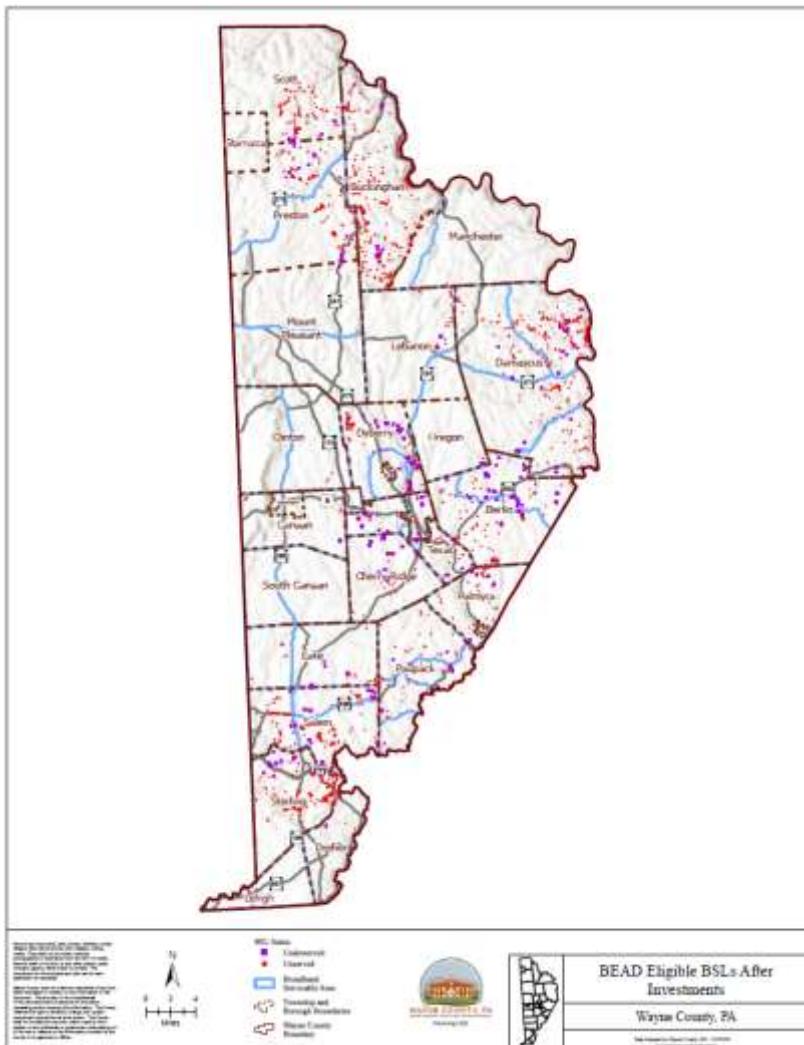
In addition to the current method of maintaining telephone records, the Planning/GIS Department began maintaining the telephone records in the new GIS based system. This “dual provisioning” state is in preparation for the migration to the statewide Next Generation 911 (NG911) system. Integration into the new system has been delayed until early 2025. Once the County has fully migrated to NG911, the older way of maintaining telephone records will no longer be necessary and thus be discontinued.

Property Mailing Lists

The Planning/GIS Department provides regular assistance to municipalities and organizations looking to identify various tax parcels and ownership information. For instance, GIS can generate a list of adjacent property owners where a conditional use is being proposed, a list of mailing addresses for property owners served by a particular fire company, or a list of properties within a specific watershed for a watershed management organization.

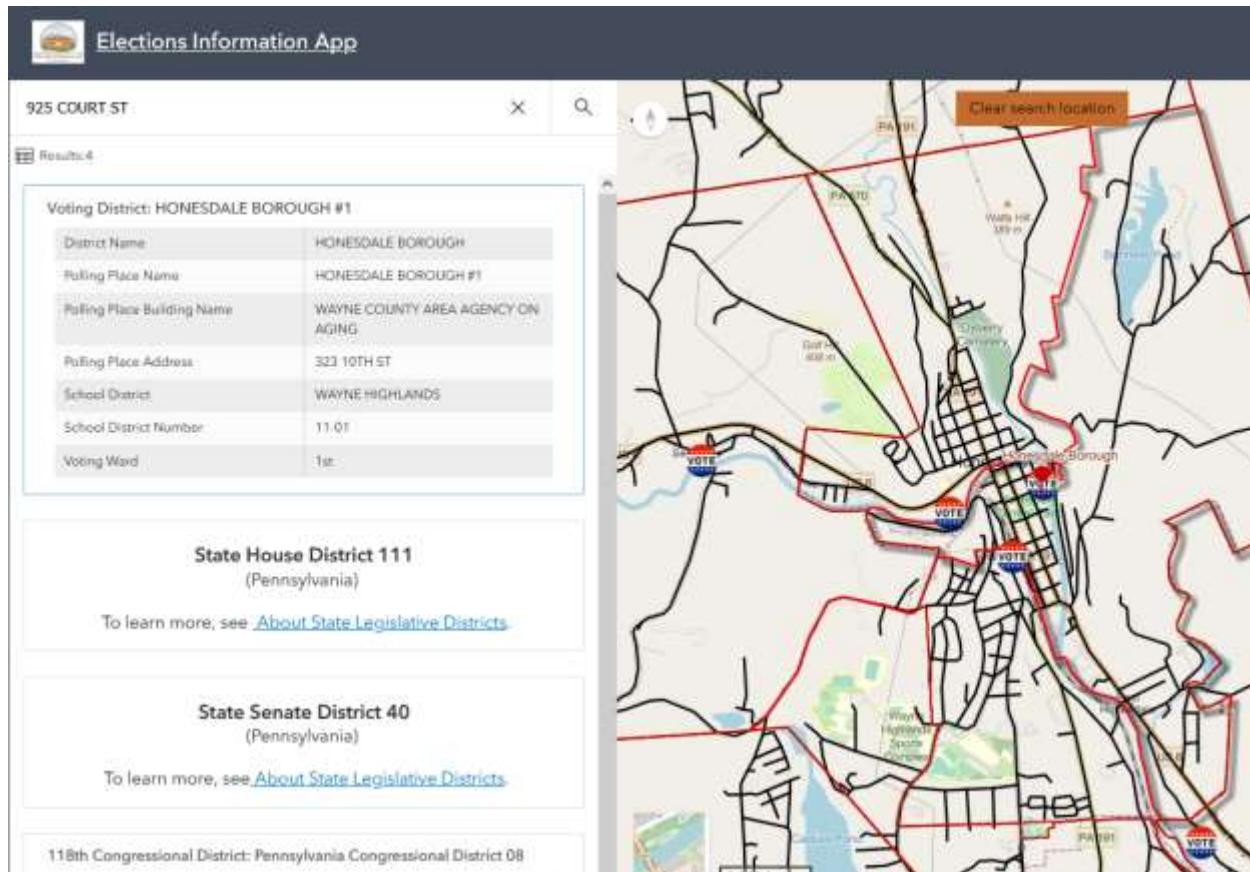
In-County Mapping Assistance

GIS supports many offices and organizations within the County. In 2024, the Planning/GIS office continued to offer mapping and data analytics support to WEDCO to improve access to broadband for unserved and underserved residents. Planning/GIS staff helped in the review of data submitted by carriers for grants to be awarded by WEDCO and Wayne County.



Planning/GIS staff aided municipal staff with implementing short term rental (STR) ordinances making maps showing parcels within 200' of a parcel applying for an STR permit. Staff also made maps to support various grant applications by municipalities to a variety of different state and federal programs.

In conjunction with the Wayne County Bureau of Elections, Planning/GIS staff introduced a new public application that allows users to look up their voting district, polling place, school district, and state and federal congressional districts based on a valid Wayne County 911 address. Along with the other numerous sources of information available on the County's website, this simple application will help inform voters of vital information regarding voting and their elected officials.

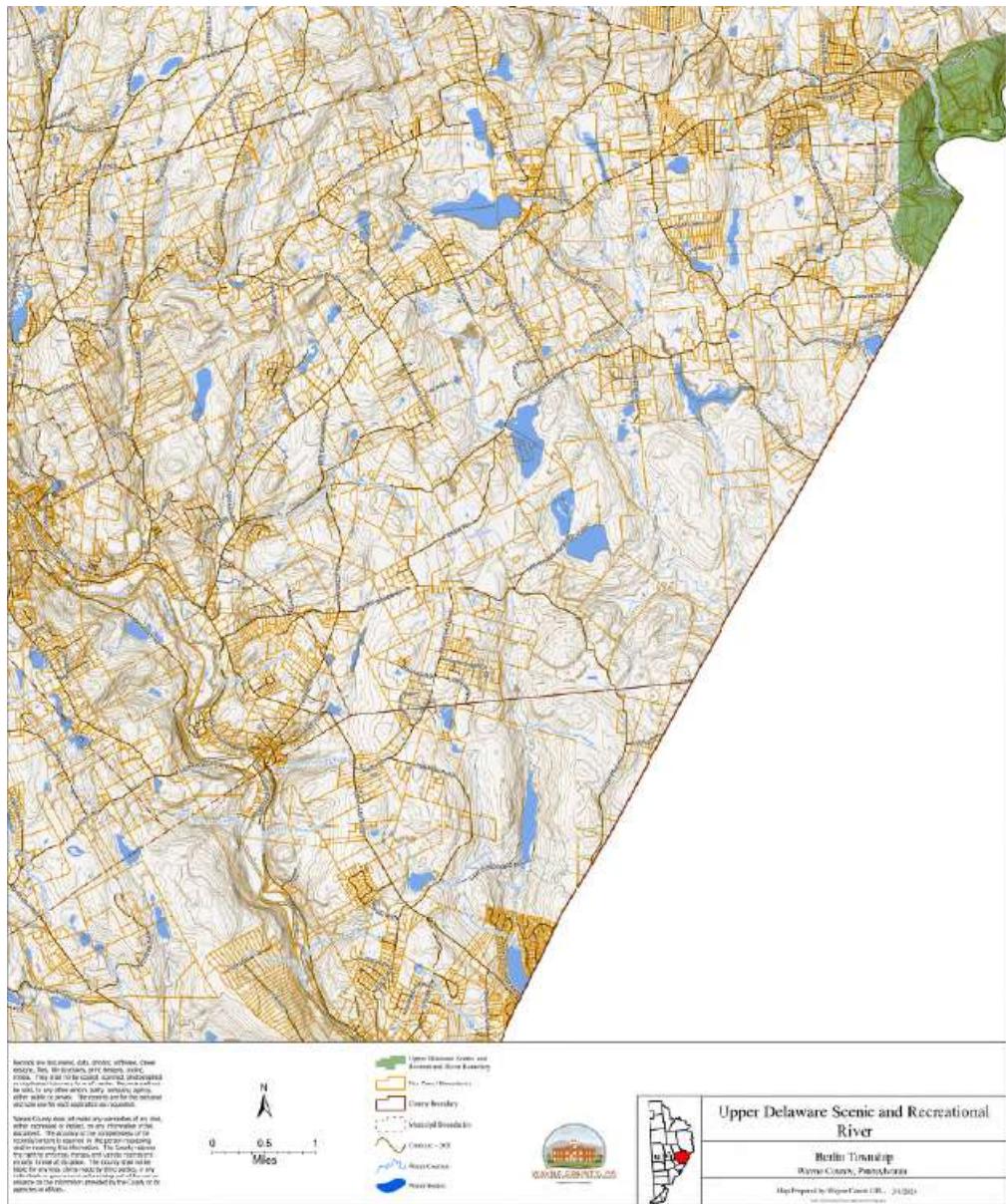


Elections Information app showing elections information for 925 Court St.

Community Organizational Assistance

The Planning/GIS Department is often asked to help community organizations by providing mapping products and data for various causes. Planning/GIS staff was again asked for a map of the stops on their 2024 Garden Tour that was to be included in their brochure. The WMH Auxiliary provided the stop locations, and the GIS staff produced a map that will help guide patrons on the tour.

Planning/GIS staff produced maps for the Upper Delaware Council showing the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River Corridor in Berlin and Damascus Townships. These maps help guide municipal staff when making decisions regarding development within the Corridor.



Excerpt from the map for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational Corridor in Berlin Township.

Other GIS Initiatives

With the help of a contractor, GIS staff oversaw the migration of the County's GIS to a cloud-based ArcGIS Enterprise platform. All of the current workflows were adapted to this new system. Some of these workflows required significant restructuring to accommodate for the system. This modernization of the County's GIS greatly improved the stability and usability, and security of the GIS and modernizes the County's GIS using industry best practices. Utilizing a contractor to deploy and maintain the GIS Enterprise as well as host the data allows the staff to focus on providing GIS services to other County Departments and the public.

Also with the help of a contractor, tax parcel data was migrated to ESRI's Parcel Fabric. The Parcel Fabric is a parcel management system within the County's current GIS that provides a suite of tools to manage tax parcel and other related data. The Parcel Fabric provides tools to ensure high quality topology of individual parcels and utilizes a record driven workflow for the creation and editing of new parcel lines. The Fabric will track parcel lineage and be able to show how a parcel has changed over time.

LOCAL TOPICS

Municipal Ordinance Reviews

Damascus Township – Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Temporary Signs

In October of 2024, our office reviewed a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of Damascus Township. The proposed amendments sought to manage the display of temporary signs for such purposes as political campaigning, special events, commercial sale days or other cultural or entertainment activities. We had no detrimental comments on the proposed regulations. As of the writing of this report, the amendments have not yet been adopted.

Honesdale Borough – Zoning Amendments

In November of 2024, Honesdale Borough submitted draft amendments to their Zoning Ordinance for our review and comment. The proposed amendments mainly sought to revise standards for Animal Husbandry as it related to stables and kennels etc. but other amendments also centered on cemeteries, residential lighting and certain repairs to existing structures. Our review was completed that same month and the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments were adopted by Honesdale Borough on November 12, 2024.

Lebanon Township – Zoning Ordinance Amendments

In April of 2024, our office reviewed proposed minor amendments to Lebanon Township's Zoning Ordinance. The amendments were in reference to the section containing 'Performing Standards' and sought to manage the outside storage of such items as logs, pipe and palletized stone. The proposed amendments to the Lebanon Township Zoning Ordinance were adopted in August of 2024.

Oregon Township – Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance Amendments – Large Scale Solar Facilities

Similar to a number of other Wayne County municipalities, Oregon Township developed an amendment to its Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) in order to manage the development of solar energy facilities in the Township. Our office reviewed the proposed regulations, which contained regulations on items such as plan requirements, setback minimums and decommissioning, in January of 2024. Subsequent to being provided with our review of the proposed regulations, Oregon Township adopted the amendments to its SALDO in March of 2024.

Paupack Township – Short Term Rentals Ordinance Amendments

Paupack Township began the process of regulating Short Term Rentals with the development of a Short Term Rental Ordinance and corresponding amendments to its Zoning Ordinance in 2021. Our office reviewed several proposed drafts over the course of the following two years until the time of ultimate adoption of the regulations in 2023. In June of 2024, the Township proposed a small number of amendments to the adopted Short Term Rental Ordinance. The proposed amendments focused on two sections, ‘Definitions’ and ‘Violations, Complaints and Remedies’. Our review was completed and the Township adopted the amendments in August of 2024.

Wayne County and Municipal Comprehensive Plan Consistency Reviews

Central Wayne Regional Authority - Sewer Replacement Project

The Central Wayne Regional Authority (CWRA) is applying for funding through PENNVEST that will be used to replace deteriorated sewer infrastructure in the Grove Street and Terrace Heights areas which are 70 years old. The replacement will consist of approximately 7,600 linear feet of sewer main, 30 sanitary sewer manholes and 85 service connections. This upgrade will provide the opportunity for new residential development in the area. A letter supporting this application to PENNVEST was provided as this project is consistent with both the Central Wayne and County Comprehensive Plans.

Damascus Township Municipal Complex

Damascus Township has requested a letter of support to accompany a grant application to the America 250 PA Program for funding that will be used to assist in the construction of a new municipal complex building off of Conklin Hill Road. This complex would provide office space for township personnel as well as a business incubator space equipped with high speed internet/broadband technology to assist residents and local businesses to promote and expand their small business. A letter supporting this project was provided to the Township.

Greater Honesdale Partnership - Streetscape Project

The Greater Honesdale Partnership is requesting grant funds from the Penn DOT Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF) Program that will be used for a streetscape project between 11th and 12th streets. The design and construction will include sidewalks, pedestrian crosswalks, parking improvements and street light replacements. This project is consistent with the Wayne County Comprehensive Plan and a letter supporting the project was provided to the Greater Honesdale Partnership.

Greater Honesdale Partnership - Main Street Matters Program

Letters were sent to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) in support of the Main Street Matters Program-Façade Funding Grant being offered through the Greater Honesdale Partnership. The Façade Program's dollar-for-dollar match will encourage businesses to invest in their properties bringing positive changes to the central business district of downtown Honesdale.

Greater Honesdale Partnership - 12th Street Park Project

Letters supporting the 12th Street Park Project were provided to the Commonwealth Financing Authority and Honesdale Borough Council. This project involved the transformation of an underutilized side-street area along the river into an outdoor community space. This riverfront

park area will include landscaped areas, pathways, seating and recreational facilities that will benefit the residents of Honesdale and visitors to the area. This project was identified within the 2022 Wayne County Recreation, Parks and Natural Resources Plan.

Honesdale Borough - Streetscape Phase II Project

The Greater Honesdale Partnership (GHP) has requested a letter of support that will be part of a grant application to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for funds that will be used for Phase II of the Borough Streetscape Project with construction efforts focused between 11th and 10th streets. This project consists of safer updated crosswalks, traffic calming enhancements and improved street lighting. The County fully supports the downtown enhancement efforts by the GHP and has forwarded a letter of support to the PA DCED.

NEPA Alliance - SR 6 Wallenpaupack Creek Bridge - Palmyra Township

PennDOT is applying for federal appropriations funding for the NEPA Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that will be used for the deck rehabilitation of bridge structures on State Route 6. These structures are located between Palmyra Township, Pike County and Palmyra Township, Wayne County and cross over Wallenpaupack Creek. State Route 6 is a Principal Arterial highway and is significant to the nation's economy, defense and mobility. SR 6 has an average daily traffic count of 9,766 vehicles. This rehabilitation project will extend the life of the bridge and delay the need for a costly bridge replacement project in the future. A letter supporting this project was forwarded to the NEPA Alliance.

PennDOT - Route 6 Corridor Charging & Fueling Infrastructure

A letter supporting this Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program was forwarded to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as this project will enhance the availability of charging and fueling infrastructure along the Route 6 corridor in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This project will benefit the area by promoting clean energy adoption, boosting economic development, enhancing transportation equity and supporting statewide goals. This program is consistent with the "Transportation Plan" section of the Wayne County Comprehensive Plan and will have a lasting positive impact on our community.

Rail-Trail Council - D&H Rail-Trail Improvement Project

The Rail-Trail Council of Northeast PA has plans to improve a 3 plus mile section of the D&H trail from Buck's Falls in Thompson Township to Little Ireland Road in Starrucca Borough, Wayne County. The Council requested a letter supporting their grant application to the Department of Community and Economic Development – Trails and Greenway Program. The D&H Rail-Trail was named Pennsylvania Trail of the Year in 2021. The trail improvement project will consist of a trailhead being added at Little Ireland Road that will provide parking for both north and south public access. This project is consistent with the 2022 Wayne County Recreation, Parks and Natural Resources Plan. The Wayne County Planning Department supports the efforts of the Rail-Trail Council and forwarded a letter supporting this project.

South Canaan Township - Old Gravity Road Bridge Replacement

South Canaan Township is applying for grant funds through the Department of Community and Economic Development Local Share Account (DCED LSA) that will be used for a needed bridge replacement located on Township Route 388 (Old Gravity Road). The Township is responsible to maintain 34 miles of road network and this funding will allow for the replacement of this locally owned bridge. A letter of support was sent to the South Canaan Township Supervisors as this project is consistent with the Wayne County Comprehensive Plan in that a listed goal is to provide for the needed road infrastructure by seeking out grant funds to reduce the burden on the local taxpayers.

Waymart Borough - Wayside Park Improvements Phase II

Waymart Borough is requesting grant funds through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) for improvements to Wayside Park. The funds will be used to add other playground equipment, benches and tables and possibly a pavilion located near the Van Auken Creek. Wayside Park is used for numerous community events. A letter supporting this grant application was provided by the Wayne County Planning Department as these identified improvements to the park are consistent with the Wayne County Recreation, Parks and Natural Resources Plan, the Wayne County Comprehensive Plan and the Borough's Comprehensive Plan.

Wayne County Commissioners - Hankins Pond Park Project Phase I

Grant funds through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) are being applied for by the Wayne County Commissioners to aid in a Park Rehabilitation and Development project located along Bethany Turnpike (SR 670) in Mount Pleasant Township. This park project will be available for public recreational walking, scenic views and to provide access to the abandoned hatchery grounds, streams, and water resources. A letter of support was forwarded to the Wayne County Commissioners by the County Planning Department.

Wayne County Commissioners - Hankins Pond Park Project Phase II

The Wayne County Commissioners have requested a letter of support for a grant application to the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for funds that will be used to aid in the rehabilitation of the Hankins Pond site located along the Bethany Turnpike (SR 670) in Mount Pleasant Township. The County plans to open this site for public recreational walking, scenic views and for public access to the natural streams and water resources on site. Phase II will involve the construction of the remaining gravel trail around the perimeter, a picnic area and a non-motorized boat launch for those with mobility limitations. The Wayne County Planning Department forwarded a letter supporting this project to the Commissioners.

Wayne County Commissioners - Dessin Animal Shelter Renovations

A letter supporting a grant application to the Department of Community and Economic Development Local Share Account (DCED LSA) was provided to the Wayne County Commissioners. Phase I of this project will consist of the installation of a new sewage system, repair and pave the existing driveway and correct any drainage issues. Phase II will be used to cover interior renovations such as new flooring, animal holding areas, office space and restrooms. The project is consistent with local planning efforts to provide necessary community facilities by using appropriate grant funds to reduce the burden on the local taxpayers. The Dessin Animal Shelter has been and continues to be a critical animal service provider within Wayne County.

STATE TOPICS

Wayne County Transportation 2024 Construction Season

Wayne County is an independent county working directly with Penn DOT Central Office in Harrisburg and Penn DOT District 4-0 in Dunmore for County-wide transportation planning. Penn DOT's Roadway Projects that were scheduled for the 2024 Construction Season included the following State Routes:

SR 6 – Resurfacing, Waymart & Honesdale Boroughs 0.86 miles

SR 170 – Base Repair, Clinton Twp. 6.87 miles

SR 196 – Base Repair, Sterling Twp. 4.31 miles

SR 296 – Base Repair, South Canaan Twp. 16.17 miles

SR 348 – Base Repair, Salem Twp. 1.20 miles

SR 447 – Base Repair, Dreher Twp. 0.14 miles

SR 507 – Base Repair, Lehigh Twp. 10.73 miles

SR 3016 – Base Repair, Lake Twp. 2.53 miles

SR 3019 – Base Repair, Lake Twp. 1.02 miles

From the listing above, just under 44 miles of base repair was scheduled to be completed in the western and southern portions of the County (see map right).

State Bridges

The following State bridge construction projects continued scheduling throughout the County:

SR 170 – over Lackawaxen River, Clinton Twp.

SR 191 – over Equinunk Creek, Buckingham Twp.

SR 348 – over Jones Creek, Salem Twp.

SR 371 – over Dyberry Creek, Lebanon Twp.

SR 590 – over Branch of Ariel Creek, Salem Twp.

SR 590 – over Jones Creek, Salem Twp.

SR 590 – over Inlet to Finn Swamp, Paupack Twp.

SR 1001 – over Carley Brook, Honesdale Borough

SR 1005 – over Outlet of Bunnells Pond, Honesdale

SR 1023 – over South Branch Equinunk Creek, Manchester Twp.

SR 2007 – over Carley Brook, Honesdale Borough

SR 3002 – over Stevens Creek, Sterling Twp.

SR 3018 – over Trib. Middle Creek, S. Canaan Twp.

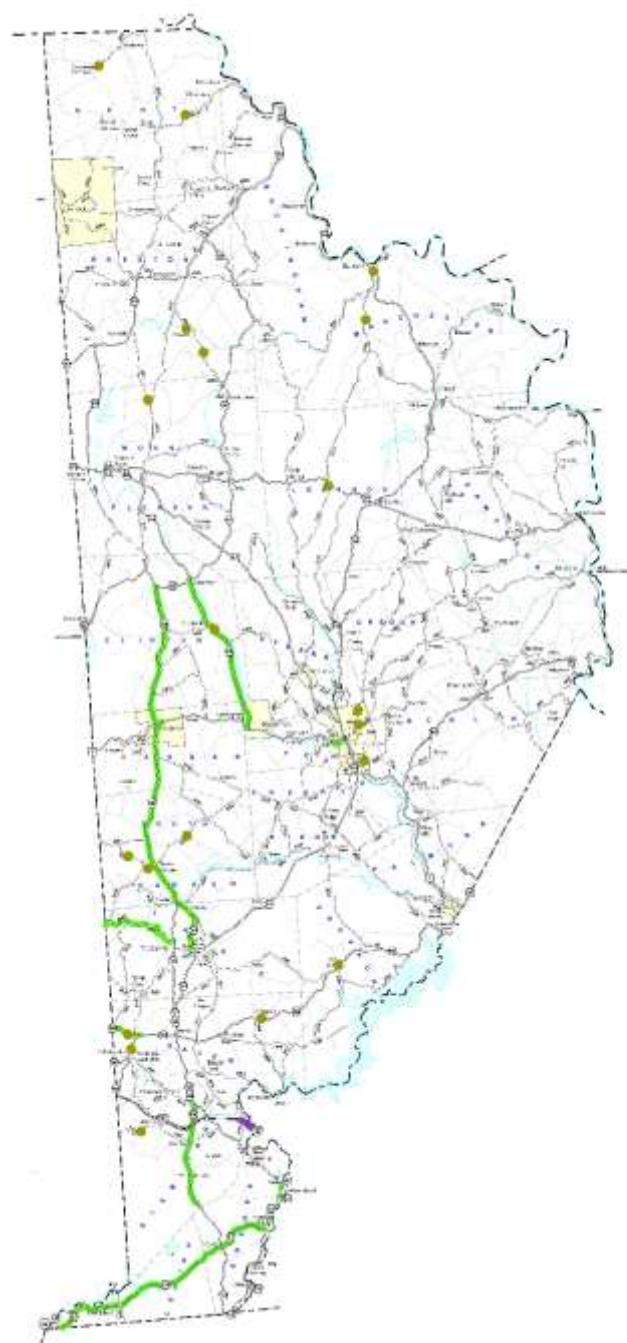
SR 3018 – over Branch Middle Creek, S. Canaan Twp.

SR 3020 – over Trib. of Lake Quinn, S. Canaan Twp.

SR 4014 – over Balls Creek, Scott Twp.

SR 4031 – over Johnson's Creek, Mt. Pleasant Twp.

SR 4041 – over Riley Creek, Preston Twp.



SR 4041 – over Equinunk Creek, Preston Twp.

SR 4043 – over Branch of Sherman Creek, Scott Twp.

Interstate Roadway

A remaining portion of reconstruction work was scheduled for the eastbound/westbound lanes of I-84 in the eastern portion of Sterling Township, which has been taking place over the past several years.

Wayne County Transportation Improvement Program

One of the requirements as an independent county is working directly with Penn DOT District 4-0 in the development of the County's 12-year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), which is updated every two years. The 2024 Wayne County Twelve Year Program (TYP) approved by the Pennsylvania Transportation Commission is as follows on the next three pages. Some projects may be completed and future schedules revised at the time of this annual report printing. *Disclaimer: Currently scheduled projects under construction may have been completed and future project scheduling revised accordingly by Penn DOT at the time of this County Planning 2024 Annual Report printing. For the most current listing of Penn DOT road and bridge TIP projects, please visit: <https://gis.penndot.gov/paprojects/TipVisMap.aspx>*

WAYNE COUNTY PA – 73 Projects - \$120,551,107

TIP – 68 Projects - \$118,401,107

10008 SR 4008 over Johnsons Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,300,000

10018 SR 191 over Branch Middle Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$3,200,000

10046 SR 1020 over Delaware River – Callicoon Wayne Bridge Rehabilitation \$2,000,000

109884 SR 590 over Outlet House Pond Wayne Bridge Replacement \$1,000,000

109885 SR 590 over Inlet to Lake Moc-a-Tek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$750,000

109886 SR 1007 over Boyd's Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$750,000

111777 SR 6 and Long Ridge Road Wayne Safety Improvement \$45,000

113847 SR 2009 over Holbert Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$50,000

113868 SR 4014 over Hiawatha Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$1,155,293

113894 SR 191, 3031, 3042 Intersection Safety Improvements Wayne Safety Improvement \$1,500,000

114064 Church Street over Lackawaxen River Wayne Bridge Replacement \$3,299,800

115572 SR 6 and Maple Street Safety Improvement Wayne Safety Improvement \$1,150,000

115746 SR 3032 Drainage Improvement Wayne Drainage Improvement \$25,000

115946 SR 3028 Shoulder Widening/ELRS Wayne Safety Improvement \$1,650,000

116098 SR 0590/3028 Intersection Safety Improvement Wayne Safety Improvement \$1,650,000

116968 SR 170 over West Branch of Lackawaxen River Wayne Replace/Rehab \$50,000

116969 SR 191 over Wallenpaupack Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,855,000

116970 SR 191 over Middle Creek and Abandoned Railroad Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,005,000

116971 SR 191 over Little Equinunk Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,550,000

116972 SR 191 over Salt River Brook Wayne Replace/Rehab \$50,000

116973 SR 191 over Outlet of Nabby's Lake Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,050,000

116974 SR 247 over Kinneyville Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,550,000

116975 SR 371 over Branch of Calkins Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,400,000

116976 SR 507 over Tributary to Lehigh River Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,400,000

116977 SR 652 over Tributary to Delaware River Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,355,000

116978 SR 670 over Cramer Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,005,000

116979 SR 690 over Wallenpaupack Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,315,000

116980 SR 3002 over Webster Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$2,400,000

116981 SR 3004 over Jones Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,550,000

116982 SR 3022 over Outlet at Bronsons Pond Wayne Replace/Rehab \$100,000

116983 SR 3028 over Inlet to Lake Wanoka Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,450,000

116984 SR 4031 over Johnsons Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$50,000

118121 SR 1011 over Beach Lake Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$550,000

119792 SR 6 High Friction Surface Treatment/Signing Wayne Safety Improvement \$180,000

121173 SR 196 & SR 507 Intersection Improvement Wayne Intersection Improvement \$3,200,000

121293 I-84 Camera's - Wayne County Wayne Video Cameras \$127,341

121535 Honesdale Main Street Streetscape Wayne Transportation Enhancement \$1,330,000

121631 SR 3004 and Westridge Road Intersection Wayne Intersection Improvement \$700,000

122260 SR 1002 over Delaware River 2024 Wayne Bridge Improvement \$6,000,000

67578 SR 296 over Van Auken Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$1,200,000

67585 SR 3008 over Ariel Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$3,022,320

67586 SR 3018 over Branch of Middle Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,350,000

67587 SR 3018 over Tributary Middle Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$2,660,000

67589 SR 3020 over Inlet Lake Quinn Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,225,000

67592 SR 3030 over Van Auken Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$500,000

68883 SR 247 over West Branch Dyberry Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$50,000

68900 SR 590 over Inlet to Finn Swamp Wayne Bridge Replacement \$1,678,500

68906 SR 1004 over Calkins Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$750,000

68945 SR 3031 over Wangum Brook Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,050,000

68948 SR 3039 over Collins Brook Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,550,000

68953 SR 4001 over Van Auken Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$1,175,000

79591 SR 6 Over Middle Creek Wayne Bridge Rehabilitation \$1,100,000

79595 SR 447 over Branch of Wallenpaupack Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,250,000

79597 SR 1005 over Outlet of Bunnells Pond Wayne Bridge Rehabilitation \$100,000

79599 SR 1016 over Little Equinunk Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,400,000

79600 SR 3011 over West Branch of Wallenpaupack Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,550,000

85786 SR 1002 over South Branch Calkins Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,000,000

85789 SR 4035 over East Lackawanna River Wayne Replace/Rehab \$3,050,000

89909 SR 4010 over Shadigee Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$920,000

96742 SR 3002 over Butternut Creek Wayne Bridge Rehabilitation \$1,000,000

96817 SR 652 Slide Wayne Restoration \$1,150,000

9834 SR 4017 over Dyberry Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$100,000

9849 T-603 Factory Bridge #5 over Equinunk Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$1,300,000

9877 SR 1023 over Equinunk Creek Wayne Replace/Rehab \$2,600,000

9936 SR 3031 over Middle Creek Wayne Bridge Replacement \$4,872,853

9972 SR 2007 over Carley Brook Wayne Replace/Rehab \$50,000

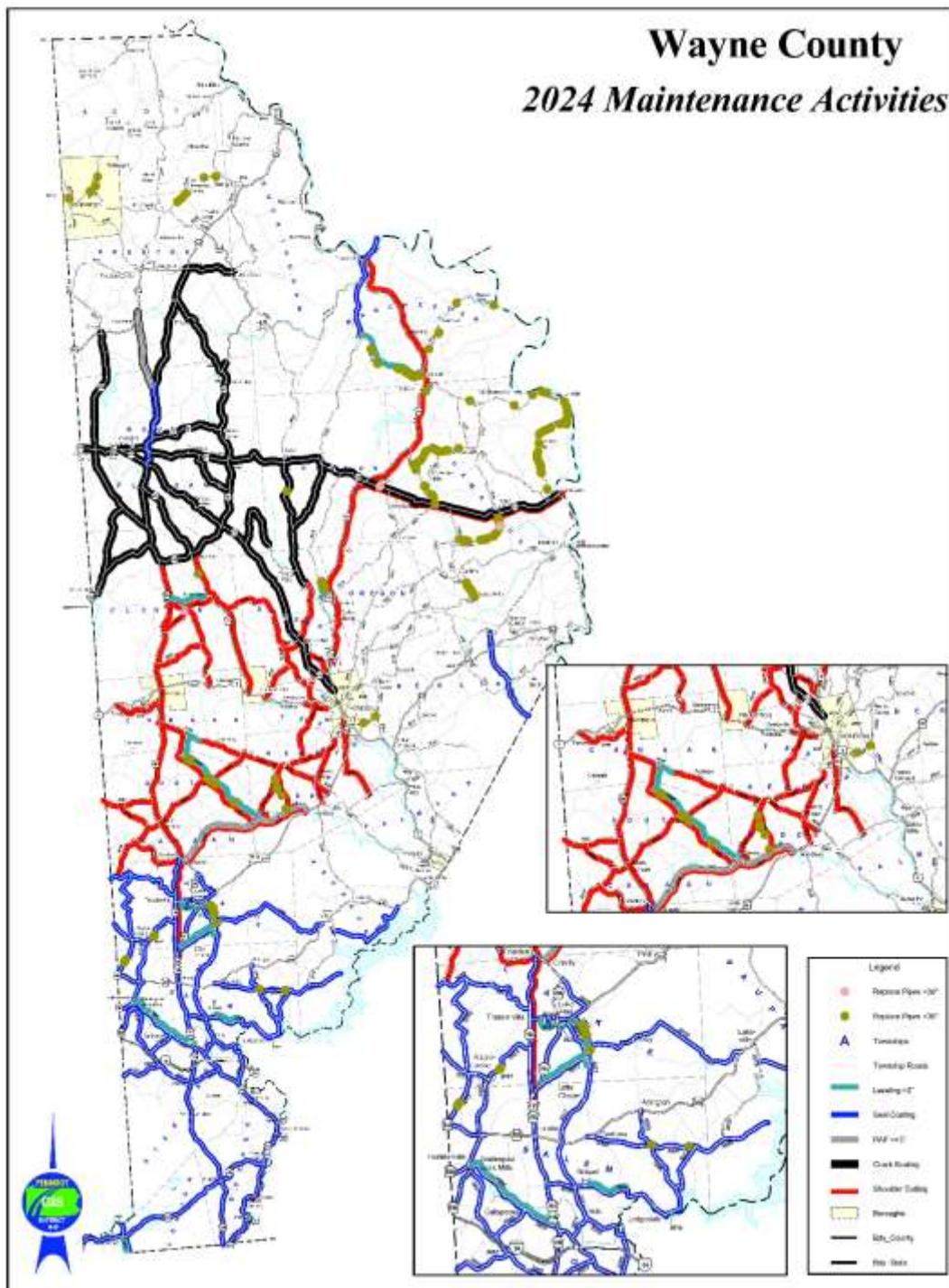
9983 SR 1002 over Delaware River Wayne Replace/Rehab \$19,000,000

TYP – 3 Projects - \$2,150,000

115743 SR 4001 over Van Auken Creek Wayne Bridge Improvement \$250,000

118294 PA/NY Bridge #6 Painting – Cochecton Wayne Bridge Painting \$950,000

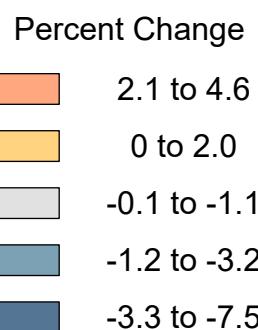
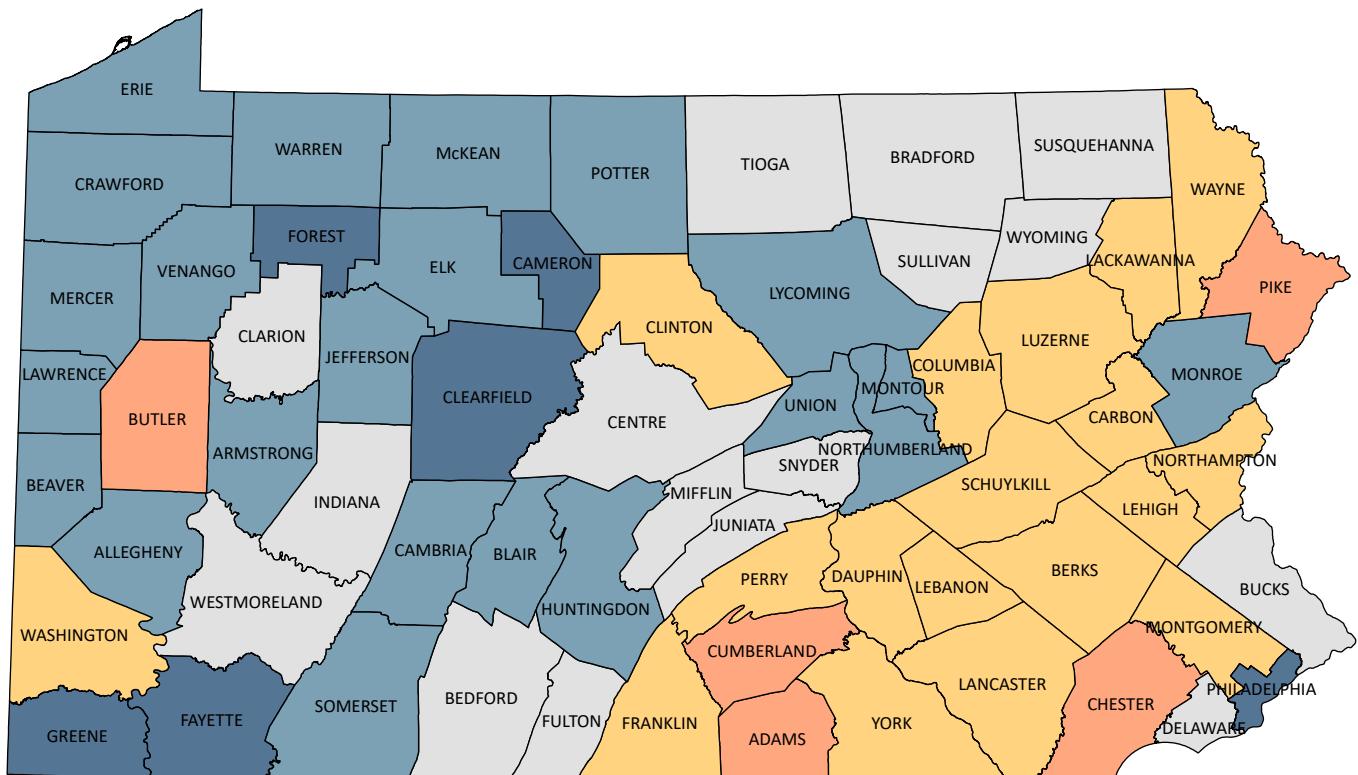
118295 PA/NY Bridge #10 Painting – Buckingham Wayne Bridge Painting \$950,000



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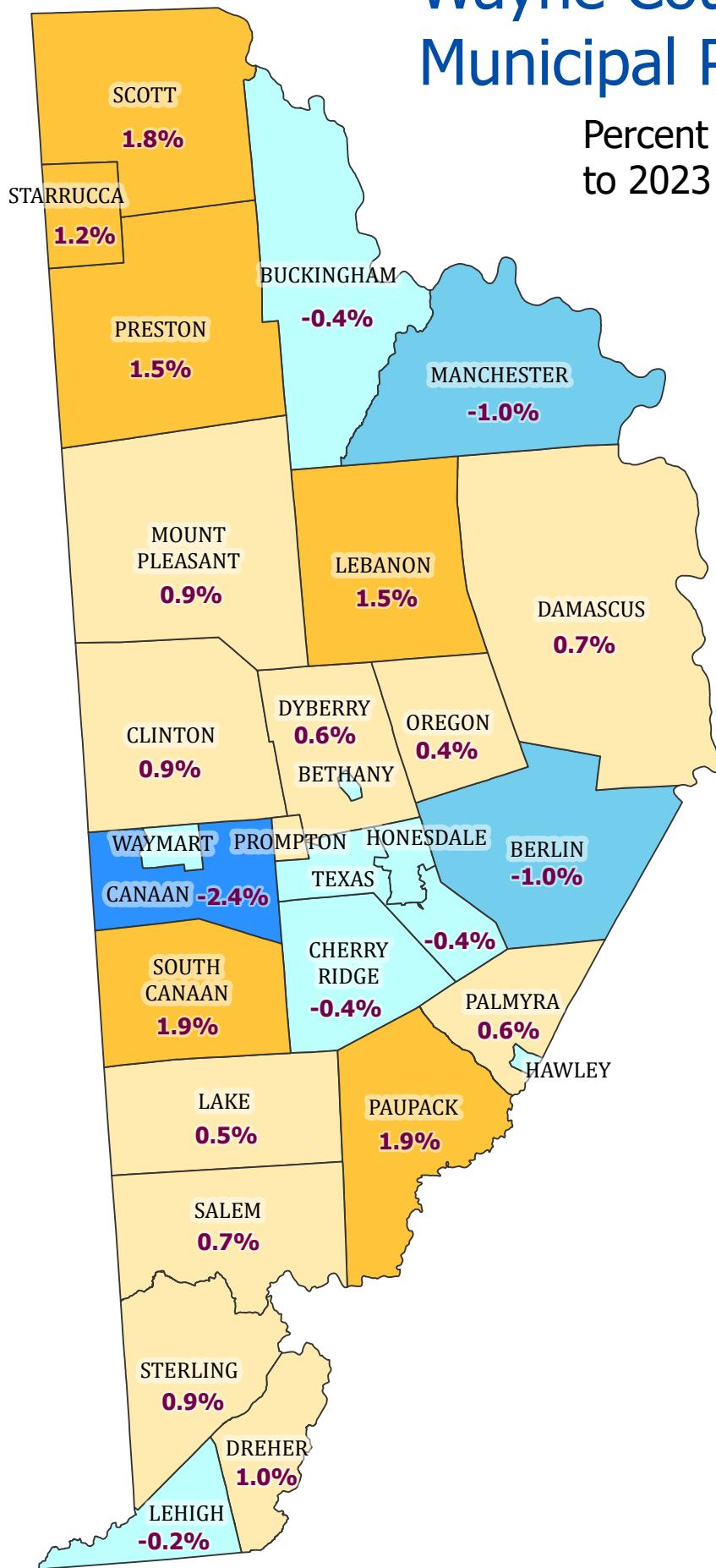
Percent Population Change in Pennsylvania Counties 2020 - 2023



The gains and losses over this three-year span varied. However, a similar pattern as 2022 has continued into 2023. Population increases have occurred more in the eastern region of Pennsylvania with more of a loss in the western counties except for a few counties. The population increased in 23 counties, which is fewer counties than in 2022. The population decreased in 44 counties. Wayne County was estimated to gain 113 people over this three-year period according to the Census estimates.

Wayne County Estimated Municipal Population Change

Percent Change from 2020 Estimates
to 2023 Estimates



Boroughs

Bethany	-0.4%
Hawley	-0.6%
Honesdale	-0.6%
Prompton	0.4%
Starrucca	1.2%
Waymart	-0.7%

Percent Change

1.01 to 1.90
0.01 to 1.00
0 to -0.99
-1.00 to -1.99
-2.00 to -2.40

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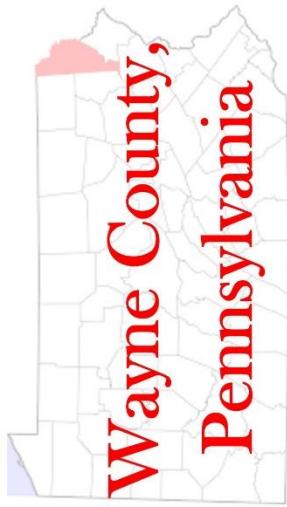
Wayne County Municipal Population Change: 2020 - 2023

MUNICIPALITY	2020 Estimates	2023 Estimates	Difference	Percent Change
Berlin Township	2,475	2,451	-24	-1.0%
Bethany Borough	243	242	-1	-0.4%
Buckingham Township	508	506	-2	-0.4%
Canaan Township	3,609	3,525	-84	-2.4%
Cherry Ridge Township	1,911	1,904	-7	-0.4%
Clinton Township	2,041	2,060	19	0.9%
Damascus Township	3,677	3,704	27	0.7%
Dreher Township	1,347	1,361	14	1.0%
Dyberry Township	1,389	1,398	9	0.6%
Hawley Borough	1,230	1,223	-7	-0.6%
Honesdale Borough	4,466	4,438	-28	-0.6%
Lake Township	4,867	4,890	23	0.5%
Lebanon Township	678	688	10	1.5%
Lehigh Township	1,876	1,872	-4	-0.2%
Manchester Township	783	775	-8	-1.0%
Mount Pleasant Township	1,440	1,453	13	0.9%
Oregon Township	844	847	3	0.4%
Palmyra Township	1,243	1,251	8	0.6%
Paupack Township	3,658	3,728	70	1.9%
Preston Township	994	1,009	15	1.5%
Prompton Borough	236	237	1	0.4%
Salem Township	4,120	4,147	27	0.7%
Scott Township	483	492	9	1.8%
South Canaan Township	1,794	1,828	34	1.9%
Starrucca Borough	171	173	2	1.2%
Sterling Township	1,481	1,494	13	0.9%
Texas Township	2,286	2,276	-10	-0.4%
Waymart Borough	1,299	1,290	-9	-0.7%
Wayne County	51,149	51,262	113	0.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

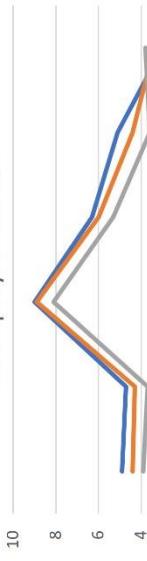
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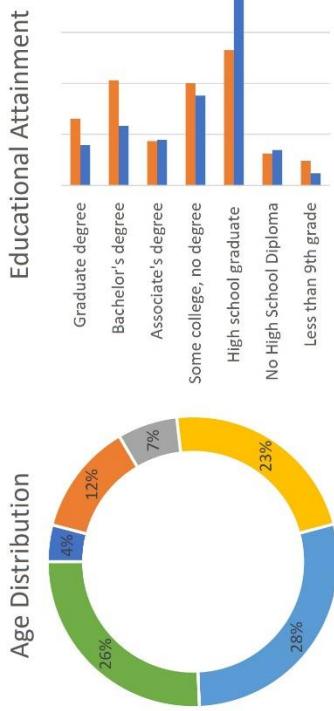


51,173 Population **0.0%** % Change from 2020 **48.8** Median Age

Number of Businesses – 1,303
Number of 501(c)(3) Nonprofits – 306
Unemployment Rate – 3.3%
Number of Municipalities – 28
Unemployment Rate



Sources:
• US Census Population Estimate
• ACS 5-Year Estimates (2018-2021)
• US Census (via StatAmerica.org)
• US BLS
• US Census 2021 County Business Patterns
• United Way ALICE Report
• map.feedingamerica.org
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• GuideStar
• Pennsylvania DCED



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MUNICIPAL INDEX

TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN

SUPERVISORS

Charles Gries	729-8473
Cathy Hunt	729-8073
Anthony Franklin	903-0983

Meeting Date: 3rd Tuesday each month
Location: Berlin Twp. Community Center
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Cathy Hunt	729-8073
PO Box 61	
Beach Lake, PA 18405	

Hours: Tuesday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Wednesday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
E-mail: berlntp@ptd.net

PLANNING COMMISSION

George Martin	251-9744
Charles Bayly	729-1609
Carol Dunn	729-8707
Paul Henry	729-7380
Jeff Olver	729-7120

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday each month
Location: Berlin Twp. Community Center
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Carol Dunn	470-4485
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502
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ALTERNATE SEO

Leroy Finlon	937-4855
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SOLICITOR

Jeffrey Treat	253-1209
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TAX COLLECTOR

Joseph Blaskiewicz	616-7023
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BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Cathy Hunt	729-8073
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UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

BIU	344-9681
Bob Bates	493-1716

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	No
Building Permit	Yes

BOROUGH OF BETHANY

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Christopher Peroni	347-834-2284
Shawn Kinzinger	983-8203
Jan Cheripko	253-0473
Debra Fulmer	470-3803
Ruth Bairstow	251-9731
Timothy Eldred	495-2323
Chad Hankinson	647-9110
Dorothy Korpics	470-4729

Meeting Date: 1st Monday in January
2nd Tuesday (Feb-Dec)
Location: Bethany Library
Time: 6:30 pm

SECRETARY

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PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

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SOLICITOR

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TAX COLLECTOR

Susan Kimble 253-6655

ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Ed Lagarenne (z) 224-6131
Bob Bates (p) 493-1716

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ed Lagarenne 224-6131

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Christopher Peroni 347-834-2284

MAYOR

Gwen Borden 470-5160

BOROUGH LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF BUCKINGHAM

SUPERVISORS

James Woodmansee 798-2340
Bradley Shaffer 798-2315
Robert Bennett 798-2164

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
Location: Township Building in Starlight
Time: 5:00 pm

SECRETARY

Laura Travis 798-2949 (home)
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Starlight, PA 18461

Hours: Thursday
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
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PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

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All County & Assoc. 610-469-3830

SOLICITOR

Vacant

TAX COLLECTOR

Michelle B. Hunt 798-2183

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF CANAAN

SUPERVISORS

Ronald Shemanski	488-5501
Todd Houman	488-5501
Brandon Eldred	488-5501

Meeting Date: 1st Wednesday each month
Location: Ladore Lodge
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Carol Burkhardt	488-5501
30 Canaan Road	
Waymart, PA 18472	

Hours: By appointment
E-mail: canaan township@gmail.com
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Alfred Bucconear	488-6847
Ronald Shemanski	351-5074
Wendell Hunt	488-5269
Edwin Racht	488-6109
Michael Henshaw	470-2477

Meeting Date: Last Wednesday each month
Location: Ladore Lodge
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Rose Dragwa	499-2845
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
All County & Assoc. 610-469-3830**ALTERNATE SEO**
vacant**SOLICITOR**

Mark Zimmer	253-0300
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TAX COLLECTOR
Linda Davis 488-6349**ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER**
Bob Bates (p) 493-1716**UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**
Bob Bates 493-1716**ZONING HEARING BOARD**

Edwin Racht	488-6109
James Labar	488-6334
Paul Cavage	253-9036
Anthony Waldron, Atty.	226-6288

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY RIDGE

SUPERVISORS

David Sporer	470-3181
Marcus Lienert	351-7965
Steve Rickard	470-3556

Meeting Date: 1st Tuesday each month
Location: Cherry Ridge Community Hall
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Gerald McDonald	253-8464
269 Spinner Road	
Honesdale, PA 18431	

Hours: By Appointment
Webpage: www.cherryridgetwp.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

John Kretschmer	251-8526
Joe Rose	253-6780
Bert Rickard	253-4709
Shawn Garing	
Jerry Rowe	253-4469
Suzanne Schuman	253-5193

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
Location: Cherry Ridge Community Hall
Time: 8:00 pm

SECRETARY

David Sporer	470-3181
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin	241-8743
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ALTERNATE SEO

Charles Bayly	729-1609
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SOLICITOR

Brendan Ellis	253-5229
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TAX COLLECTOR

Matthew Coar	488-6462
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Tim Gumble (z)	561-6571
Bob Bates (p)	493-1716

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates	493-1716
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ZONING HEARING BOARD

Edward Grossman	253-1589
Peter Ridd	253-4659
Michael Frigoletto	253-4940
Randy Rowe	253-6421

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	No
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON

SUPERVISORS

James Zefran	960-2060
Brian Non	290-5659
Brad Bates	904-7991

Meeting Date: 2nd Wednesday each month
Location: Municipal Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Michele Durmiaki 785-5937
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Brandon Cole	352-7223
Matt Tomazic	267-6048
Andrew Theobald	493-1407
Rich Martzen	488-9360
Ronald Poska	785-3363
Brad Bates	904-7991

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday each month
Location: Municipal Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Joe Franceski Jr. 785-3033

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin 470-9502

ALTERNATE SEO

Leroy Finlon 937-4855

SOLICITOR

Jeffrey Treat 253-1209
Christopher Farrell 488-9600

TAX COLLECTOR

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BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Donald Salak 488-5104
David Hauenstein II (alt) 785-5495

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF DAMASCUS

SUPERVISORS

Joseph Canfield	224-4507
Scott Rutledge	224-7681
Steve Adams	224-4163

Meeting Date: 3rd Monday each month
Location: Damascus Twp. Municipal Bldg.
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Melissa Haviland	224-4410
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Damascus, PA 18415	

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8:00 am - 2:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am - 12:00
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Alex Tucciaroni	224-6026
Kyle Kerber	
Elizabeth Slocum	224-6188
Joseph Harcum	224-6186
James Freiermuth	
Christine Hook	729-1003
Ed Hook	224-4252
Scott Rutledge	224-7681
Peter Quaglia	347-239-0125

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday each month
Location: Damascus Twp. Municipal Bldg.
Time: 7:00 pm

Kristal Whitmore (alt)

SECRETARY

Jennifer Goodwin	224-4410
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502
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ALTERNATE SEO

Leroy Finlon	937-4855
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SOLICITOR

Jeffrey Treat	253-1209
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TAX COLLECTOR

Barbara VanOrden	729-7493
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Ed Lagarenne (p)(z)	224-4410
8:00 am – 11:00 am	

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates	493-1716
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ZONING HEARING BOARD

Lyle Hocker	729-7981
Hunter Hill	
Fred Pingel	729-7978
Robert Rutledge (alt)	

Jessie Freiermuth	729-1631
Jason Ohliger (Atty)	296-7300
DJ Rutledge	

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes

Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF DREHER

SUPERVISORS

David Peet	676-4976
Rebecca Keiper	676-4976
Dale Porreca	676-4976

Meeting Date: 2nd Tuesday each month
Place: Dreher Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 6:00 pm

SECRETARY

Teri Field	676-4976
PO Box 177	
Newfoundland, PA 18445	

Hours: Tuesday
8:00 am – 12:00 pm
E-mail: drehertownship@gmail.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

Lou Palazzi	
George Rios	
Jerry McLain	676-3406
Donald Gross	
Pete Pardi	676-0110

Meeting Date: 3rd Tuesday each month
Place: Dreher Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 6:00 pm

SECRETARY

Teri Field	676-4976
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin	241-8743
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ALTERNATE SEO

Ivan Knecht	351-2409
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SOLICITOR

Anthony Magnotta	226-5700
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TAX COLLECTOR

Teri Field	272-336-7635
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Michael Kolvek (z)	676-0607
George Stefanski (p)	344-9681

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

George Stefanski	344-9681
(BIU)	

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Richard Smith	
James Lee	676-3449
Edward Holewa	676-4525

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF DYBERRY

SUPERVISORS

Kevin McGinnis	468-5427
Bruce A. Varcoe	903-5458
Gregory Reed	445-1352

Meeting Date: 2nd Monday each month
Location: 88 Upper Cross Road
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Debbie Varcoe	903-3635
88 Upper Cross Road	
Honesdale, PA 18431	

Hours: No set hours
E-mail: dyberrytownship@yahoo.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502
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ALTERNATE SEO

Charles Bayly	729-1609
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SOLICITOR

Brendan Ellis	253-5229
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TAX COLLECTOR

Karen Blake	253-6953
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BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Kevin McGinnis	468-5427
Bob Bates	493-1716

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates	493-1716
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TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	No
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	No
Building Permit	Yes

BOROUGH OF HAWLEY

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ann Monaghan	226-9545	Meeting Date: 2 nd Wednesday each month
Elaine Herzog	226-9545	Location: Hawley Borough Hall
Michael Dougherty	226-9545	Time: 7:00 pm
Joseph Faubel	226-9545	
Michele Rojas	226-9545	
David Hawk	226-9545	
Rebecca Mead	226-9545	

SECRETARY

Andrea Racht	226-9545	Hours: Monday - Friday
PO Box 197		9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Hawley, PA 18428		E-mail: hawleyb@ptd.net
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Lou Cozza	226-9545	Meeting Date: 1 st Tuesday each month
Rebecca Mead	226-9545	Location: Hawley Borough Hall
Megan Whitty	226-9545	Time: 7:00 pm
Mary Sanders	226-9545	
Ann Monaghan	226-9545	

SECRETARY

Megan Whitty	226-9545
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Central Sewage – No SEO

SOLICITOR

Chris Weed	226-5771
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TAX COLLECTOR

Barbara Middaugh	226-3833
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Shawn McGlynn	484-330-9088
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UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Shawn McGlynn	484-330-9088
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ZONING HEARING BOARD

Tim Tyre	226-9545
PJ Dougherty	226-9545
Matthew Smith	226-9545
Edward Ahern (alt)	

MAYOR

John Nichols	226-9545
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BOROUGH LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes	Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Zoning	Yes	Building Permit	Yes

BOROUGH OF HONESDALE

BOROUGH COUNCIL

James Brennan 253-0731
William McAllister 253-5005
Jason Newbon
James Hamill 647-9077
Tiffany Rogers
Noelle Mundy
Kim Fisch 253-1567

Meeting Date: 4th Monday each month
Location: 958 Main Street, Honesdale
Time: 6:00 pm

SECRETARY

Judy Poltanis 253-0731
958 Main Street
Honesdale, PA 18431

Hours: Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
E-mail: info@honesdaleborough.com
Website: honesdaleborough.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

Jerome Theobald 253-1970
Mary Beth Wood 468-3130
Carly Marshall
Tammy Kernosky
David Nilson 646-246-2569

Meeting Date: 1st Wednesday each month
Location: 32 Commercial Street
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Derek Williams 253-0731

MAYOR

Derek Williams 253-0731

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

JHA Associates 542-4757

ALTERNATE SEO

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SOLICITOR

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TAX COLLECTOR

Coleen Tuman 251-9226

ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

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Suzanne Popko 829-9775

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Jason Humenanski 704-9478

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Jerry Dulay 253-5175
Karen Newbon 352-3408
Scott Floyd 903-4924
Farrington Martin 470-4432

BOROUGH LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes	Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Zoning	Yes	Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF LAKE

SUPERVISORS

Scottie J. Swingle	840-6856
Timothy Jaggars	499-1323
Robert Batzel	470-9359

Meeting Date: 1st Tuesday each month
Location: Lake Township Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Jennifer Wargo	698-0444
PO Box 566	
Lake Ariel, PA 18436	

Hours: Monday - Thursday
12:30 pm - 4:00 pm
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PLANNING COMMISSION

R. David Cummins	676-9286
Peter Snyder	698-6173
Sherri Miller	
Duane Swingle	698-9349
Timothy Enslin	698-5779
Raymond Mitchell	676-9438

Meeting Date: Last Tuesday each month
Location: Lake Township Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Alex Vegh	698-5528
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin	241-8743
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Ivan Knecht	351-2409
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SOLICITOR

Danielle Mulcahey	961-1166
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TAX COLLECTOR

Maureen Barry	630-4641
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BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Jennifer Wargo (p)	698-0444
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UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ed Hudak (BIU)	344-9681
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TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON

SUPERVISORS

Kevin Bryant	224-4798
Chaz Augello	253-9384
Eric Hocker	224-0491

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
2nd Monday in Sept.
Location: 281 Dennis Road Honesdale
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Melissa Haviland	224-8178
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Equinunk, PA 18417	

Hours: Monday - Friday
By appointment only
E-mail: lebanontownship@gmail.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

Joe Roegner	470-8529
Eric Hocker	224-0491
Eric Diehl	224-4293
Matt Kromko	470-7130

Meeting Date: 3rd Tuesday each month
Location: 1635 Hancock Hwy
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Eric Hocker	224-0491
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502
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ALTERNATE SEO

Charles Bayly	729-1609
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SOLICITOR

Jeffery Treat	250-1209
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TAX COLLECTOR

Stephanie Roegner	224-0307
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Ed Lagarenne (z)(p)	224-6131
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UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ed Lagarenne	224-6131
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ZONING HEARING BOARD

Gary Kopesky	253-0598
Gary Jamieson	253-4810
Matt Lewis	253-1268
Joseph Pasquini (alt)	
Andy Kimbell (alt)	

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF LEHIGH

SUPERVISORS

Protus Phillips 842-6262
Robert Carey 842-6262
Richard Major 842-6262

Meeting Date: 1st Tuesday each month
Location: Lehigh Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Denise Rinaldi 842-6262
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Gouldsboro, PA 18424

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E-mail: lehighsectres@gmail.com
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Denise Rinaldi 842-9364
Jeff Boruta
Thomas Jones
Sandra Pizzutti
Benjamin Pickarski

Meeting Date: 3rd Tuesday each month
Location: Lehigh Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Denise Rinaldi 842-6262

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin 241-8743

ALTERNATE SEO

Justin Ford

SOLICITOR

Anthony Magnotta 226-5700

TAX COLLECTOR

Cory Schmidt 840-1803

ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Michael Kolvek 842-6262

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

George Stefanski 344-9681
(BIU)

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance Yes
Zoning Yes
Comprehensive Plan Yes
Building Permit Yes

TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

SUPERVISORS

Wilfred D. Stalker 224-4315
Steve Kellam 224-4298
Lawrence Newport 224-4724

Meeting Date: 3rd Monday each month
Location: Manchester Township Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Laura Travis 224-4070
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Equinunk, PA 18417

Hours: Wednesday
8:30 am - 2:00 pm
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Richard Gill 224-4401
Barbara Newport 224-4596
Joe Barbiere 224-6316
Melissa Virbitsky 224-1321

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
Location: Manchester Township Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Susan Keesler 224-4728

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

James McDonald 470-9341

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All County & Assoc. 610-469-3830

SOLICITOR

Brendan Ellis 253-5229

TAX COLLECTOR

Beverly Gill 224-4201

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF MT. PLEASANT

SUPERVISORS

Philip Eltz 448-2229
Francis Nebzydoski 448-2636
Darrin Peck 642-1155

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
3rd Monday if necessary
Location: Mt. Pleasant Township Building
Time: 6:00 pm

SECRETARY

Kathryn Dix 448-2575
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Pleasant Mount, PA 18453

Hours: Tues-Fri 7:30-3:00 pm
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Ben O'Neill 448-2053
Tom Nebzydoski 448-2386
Michael Non 448-2289
John Ditmars 448-2153
Albert Wildenstein 448-2973

Meeting Date: Last Tuesday each month
Location: Mt. Pleasant Township Building
Time: 6:00 pm (when necessary)

SECRETARY

Kathryn Dix 448-2575

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin 470-9502

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Jim McDonald 470-9341

SOLICITOR

Marissa McAndrew 785-3333

TAX COLLECTOR

Megan Nebzydoski 448-2887

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Ed Hudak 344-9681
(BIU)

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ed Hudak 344-9681
(BIU)

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF OREGON

SUPERVISORS

William Dreyer	253-0428
Zachary Tamblyn	470-7155
Nathan Smith	955-9647

Meeting Date: 1st Wednesday each month
Location: Secretary's Home
Time: 7:30 pm

SECRETARY

Carla Komar	729-8322
474 Fox Hill Road	
Honesdale, PA 18431	

Hours: By Appointment
E-mail: oregon122@verizon.net

PLANNING COMMISSION

Robert Roche	253-3468
Christopher Bresset	470-2320
Bernard Tallman	253-6062
William Dreyer	253-0428
Steven Fritz	470-3031
Zachary Tamblyn	470-7155

Meeting Date: 3rd Wednesday each month
Location: 31 Crum Lane, Honesdale PA
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Matthew Crum Sr.	253-0586
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502
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SOLICITOR

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TAX COLLECTOR

Marie Bryant	253-8488
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BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Carla Komar	729-8322
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UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates	493-1716
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TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF PALMYRA

SUPERVISORS

Peter Steffen 226-0373
Steve Bartleson 226-6024
Joseph Kmetz 226-2256

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
Location: Palmyra Township Building
Time: 6:30 pm

SECRETARY

Shayla Gouger 226-6566
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Hawley, PA 18428

Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
8:30 am – 1:30 pm
E-mail: palwayne@ptd.net
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PLANNING COMMISSION

Joseph Kmetz 226-2256
Andrea Whyte 226-9735
Paul Natale 226-6558
John Morgan

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
Location: Palmyra Township Building
Time: 6:30 pm

SECRETARY

Shayla Gouger 226-6566

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin 470-9502

ALTERNATE SEO

Leroy Finlon 937-4855

SOLICITOR

Jeffrey Treat 253-1209

TAX COLLECTOR

Joanne Kmetz 226-2256

ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Paul Natale (z) 226-6558
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UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

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ZONING HEARING BOARD

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Cindy Kielar 226-2533
James Gibbons 226-9248

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF PAUPACK

SUPERVISORS

Bruce Chandler 226-2680
James Martin 226-4738
Robert Boogertman 470-4038

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday each month
Location: Paupack Twp. Municipal Bldg.
Time: 6:30 pm

SECRETARY

Maureen Camasta 226-3115
25 Daniels Road
Lakeville, PA 18438

Hours: Monday - Friday
7:30 am – 3:30 pm
E-mail: maurppk@ptd.net
Webpage: www.paupacktownship.org

PLANNING COMMISSION

Francis Williams 226-9183
Theo Zumpone 917-704-2062
David Boogertman 973-477-5696
David Miller 470-1655
Vernon Perry 226-5004
Robert Rozema 226-1751
John Terwilliger (alt) 845-222-1820
Beth Vail (alt) 470-3072

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday as needed
Location: Paupack Twp. Municipal Bldg.
Time: 6:30 pm

SECRETARY

Maureen Camasta 226-3115

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin 470-9502

ALTERNATE SEO

Leroy Finlon 937-4855

SOLICITOR

Bugaj & Fischer 253-3021

TAX COLLECTOR

Florence Peoples 226-9773

ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Kolyn Schane 280-2111
NEIC 280-2111

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

NEIC 280-2111

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Thomas Pranzo 226-2435
Jeffery Jones 862-222-2423
Gregory Farthing 226-6556
Anthony Magnotta, Atty. 226-5700

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance Yes
Comprehensive Plan Yes
Zoning Yes
Building Permit Yes

TOWNSHIP OF PRESTON

SUPERVISORS

James Neu	727-2551
Stephen Brown	448-2038
Alan Jones	798-2702

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday each month
Location: Preston Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 9:00 am

SECRETARY

Mary Ann Llewellyn 798-2114
1515 Crosstown Hwy
Lakewood, PA 18439

Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
E-mail: preston213@hancock.net
Webpage: www.prestontownship.org

PLANNING COMMISSION

Gary Czapnik	448-2204
Sandy Carnes	575-3295
Judith Wells	448-3060
Michael Milko	677-7321
Amy Watson	229-1075
Jon Gales	
Alan Jones (alt)	798-2702

Meeting Date: 2nd Wednesday each month
Location: Preston Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 3:30 pm

SECRETARY

Gary Czapnik 448-2204

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

James McDonald 470-9341

ALTERNATE SEO

Michael Kaub 229-0286

SOLICITOR

Marissa McAndrew 785-3232

TAX COLLECTOR

Suzanne Wormuth 798-2229

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Mary Ann Llewellyn 798-2114

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

BIU 344-9681

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

BOROUGH OF PROMPTON

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dale Odell	253-8904
Gene Mohrmann	253-9359
Lynn Holl	253-5086
Allen Heberling	253-1801
Kirk Fries	253-1740
Robert Grimes	335-5726
John Tuleya	241-2561

Meeting Date: 1st Friday each month
Location: Prompton Fire Hall
Time: 8:00 pm

SECRETARY

Joanne Hancock 470-4818
PO Box 13
Prompton, PA 18456

Hours: By appointment only
E-Mail: promptonboro@yahoo.com
Webpage: www.promptonpa.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

MAYOR

Stacy Wentzel 253-1703

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin 470-9502

ALTERNATE SEO

vacant

SOLICITOR

Vacant (when needed)

TAX COLLECTOR

Samuel Vierling 507-6998

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Allen Heberling 253-1801

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

BOROUGH LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	No
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	No
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF SALEM

SUPERVISORS

Vincent Rivezzi 862-7454
Robert Wittenbrader 689-2994
Merel Swingle 689-2705

Meeting Date: 2nd Tuesday each month
Location: Salem Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 6:30 pm

SECRETARY

Jennifer Wargo 689-4663
PO Box 278
Hamlin, PA 18427

Hours: Monday - Thursday
7:30 am - 12:00 pm
E-mail: salemtpwayne1@aol.com
Website: salemtpwayne.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

Joseph Sledinski 241-4940
William Craft 689-5605
Mark Moore 347-498-3689
Justin Hennings 510-3978

Meeting Date: Last Thursday each month
Location: Salem Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 7:30 pm

SECRETARY

Jackie Vass 895-7584 or
689-0305

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin 241-8743

ALTERNATE SEO

Ivan Knecht 351-2409

SOLICITOR

Jeffrey Treat 253-1209

TAX COLLECTOR

Laura Wasylky 445-9738

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Jennifer Wargo 689-4663/689-3006

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin 241-8743

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF SCOTT

SUPERVISORS

Russell Mosher	798-2001
Harold Welch	798-2063
Erban Travis	798-2949

SECRETARY

Laura Travis 461-3981
197 Sherman Road
Susquehanna, PA 18847

Hours: Tuesday
8:30 am – 2:00 pm
Email: laura_travis2000@yahoo.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

James McDonald 470-9341

ALTERNATE SEO

All County & Assoc. 61-469-3830

SOLICITOR

Lothar Holbert 798-2257

TAX COLLECTOR

Laura Travis 798-2949

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Ed Hudack (BIU) 344-9681

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ed Hudack (BIU) 344-9681

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH CANAAN

SUPERVISORS

Randy Beam 937-4620
Joseph Yarnes 937-4620
Albert Gregorski 937-4620

Meeting Date: 1st Wednesday each month
Location: South Canaan Municipal Bldg.
Time: 4:30 pm

SECRETARY

Carol Burkhardt 937-9026
2238 Easton Tpk
Waymart, PA 18472

Hours: Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 am to 1:00 pm
E-mail: sct@lhtot.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Enslin 241-8743

ALTERNATE SEO

Robert Lubinski 488-5594

SOLICITOR

Brendan Ellis 253-5229

TAX COLLECTOR

Paula Herzog 937-4871

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Randy Beam 937-4620
Richard Gillette (p) 862-3086

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates 493-1716

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	No
Zoning	No
Comprehensive Plan	No
Building Permit	Yes

BOROUGH OF STARRUCCA

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Raymond Woods II 646-455-9842
Ted Batzel 910-381-7975
Lou Gerkse 570-727-3033
Jack Downton 570-396-3280
Steve Williams 570-445-7103
Jared Allen 894-283-9057
Kelly Balmer 570-767-1913

Meeting Date: 1st Monday each month
Location: 316 Starrucca Creek Road
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Grechen Galiardo 610-390-2438
PO Box 83
Starrucca, PA 18462

Hours: 1st Monday 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
E-mail: starruccaboroughcouncil@gmail.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

No planning commission

MAYOR

Jason Heeman 767-1912

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

John Watts 844-542-4757

ALTERNATE SEO

Vacant

SOLICITOR

Richard B. Henry 253-7991

TAX COLLECTOR

Donald Potter 727-3329

BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Ed Hudack (BIU) 866-344-9681
Danielle Gately (NEIC) 280-2111

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ed Hudack (BIU) 866-344-9681
Danielle Gately (NEIC) 280-2111

BOROUGH LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance Yes
Zoning No
Comprehensive Plan Yes
Building Permit Yes

TOWNSHIP OF STERLING

SUPERVISORS

Louis DeSiato	689-2911
Timothy Tuite	689-2911
Roger Swingle	689-2911

Meeting Date: 2nd Monday each month
Location: Sterling Township Building
Time: 6:00 pm

SECRETARY

Stephanie Oltmann	689-2911
PO Box 100	
Sterling, PA 18463	

Hours: Wednesday
8:00 am - 12:00 pm
E-mail: sterlingtownship@echoes.net

PLANNING COMMISSION

Ruth Rarick	689-3462
Gary Thoman	
Corey Pontosky	
Sarah Wilmot	689-9372
Kurt Caruth	689-2258

Meeting Date: 3rd Tuesday each month
Location: Sterling Township Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Stephanie Oltmann	689-2911
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SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
Gary Enslin 241-8743**ALTERNATE SEO**
Ivan Knecht 351-2409**SOLICITOR**

Jeffrey Treat	253-1209
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TAX COLLECTOR

Cindy Zeigler-Hefty	689-2472
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER
NEIC 280-2111**UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**
NEIC 280-2111**ZONING HEARING BOARD**

Alene Olsommer	689-4753
Will Parzych	
Mark Weller	689-4964

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

TOWNSHIP OF TEXAS

SUPERVISORS

Dan Weidner	253-4352
John Rothrock	470-9315
Shane Farrell	493-8594

Meeting Date: 1st & 3rd Monday each month
Location: Texas Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Joann Hancock	253-6216
PO Box 219	
White Mills, PA 18473	

Hours: Call for appointment
Email: texastownship@yahoo.com

PLANNING COMMISSION

Dominic Weist	
Marty Erk	253-5348
Lillian Rothrock	253-2388

Meeting Date: 4th Monday each month
Location: Texas Twp. Municipal Building
Time: 7:00 pm

SECRETARY

Vacant

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502
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ALTERNATE SEO

Charles Bayly	729-1609
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SOLICITOR

John Martin	253-6899
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TAX COLLECTOR

John Haggarty	253-3728
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ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Bob Bates (p)	493-1716
Bill Watson (z)	352-5288

UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bob Bates	493-1716
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ZONING HEARING BOARD

Melvin Seeley	253-2765
Dennis Ford	253-0939
Howard Teeple	

TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes
Zoning	Yes
Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Building Permit	Yes

BOROUGH OF WAYMART

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Shane Bayly	470-7875	Meeting Date: 2 nd Tuesday each month
Jane Varcoe	470-5718	Location: Waymart Borough Building
Don Miller	493-2755	Time: 6:30 pm
Darren Howell	766-1339	
Theresa Stratton	470-9947	
John R. Thorpe	470-1763	
Craig Spewak	616-7729	
Shana Delaney	647-5757	

SECRETARY

Heather Hess	575-8771	Hours: By appointment
PO Box 280		E-mail: thewaymartborough@gmail.com
Waymart, PA 18472		Website: www.waymartborough.org

PLANNING COMMISSION

Wayne Maychek	860-212-9814	Meeting Date: When needed
John Vitovsky	575-2914	Location: Waymart Borough Building
Doug Bayly (alt)	878-7018	Time: Chairman's decision
Tim Hess (alt)	575-8747	
Dean Stratton (alt)	470-0494	

SECRETARY

vacant

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Chris Martin	470-9502	ALTERNATE SEO
		Leroy Finlon 937-4855

SOLICITOR

Christopher Farrell	488-6900	TAX COLLECTOR
		Mary Bosshard 493-6075

ZONING/BUILDING PERMIT OFFICER

Joe Unis (z)	904-0004	UCC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
		Lee Bautista (BIU) 344-9681

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Janell Geary	983-9088	MAYOR
Aaron Geary	274-3256	Charles R. Norella 488-6742
Maria Miller	493-1854	
Jordan Thompson (alt)	493-8395	

BOROUGH LAND USE REGULATIONS

Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance	Yes	Comprehensive Plan	Yes
Zoning	Yes	Building Permit	Yes

Wayne County Municipal Ordinance/Regulations

Municipality	Building Code	Building Permit	Comprehensive Plan	Fire Prevention	Holding Tanks	Junkyards	Official Map	Parking	Planning Commission	Plumbing	Road	Shade Tree	Sign	Subdivision	Act 537 Sewage	Zoning
Berlin	x	x							x		x		x	x	x	
Bethany	x	x	x			x					x		x	x	x	x
Buckingham	x	x	x		x					x	x			x	x	
Canaan	x	x	x		x	x		x	x		x		x	x	x	x
Cherry Ridge	x	x				x			x		x	x		x	x	x
Clinton	x	x	x		x	x		x	x		x			x	x	
Damascus	x	x	x		x	x			x		x			x	x	x
Dreher	x	x	x		x	x		x	x		x		x	x	x	x
Dyberry	x	x									x			c	x	
Hawley	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x		x	x	x	x
Honesdale	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
*Lake	*	*	x		x				x	x	x			x	x	
Lebanon	x	x	x	x		x			x		x			x	x	x
Lehigh	x	x	x		x			x	x		x		x	x	x	x
Manchester	x	x	x						x	x	x			x	x	
Mount Pleasant	x	x	x			x			x		x			x	x	
Oregon	x	x	x			x			x	x	x			x	x	
Palmyra	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
Paupack	x	x	x	x		x		x	x		x		x	x	x	x
Preston	x	x	x		x			x	x	x	x			x	x	
*Prompton	*	*							x					c	x	
Salem	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x			x	x	
Scott	x	x	x		x					x	x		x	x	x	
South Canaan	x	x				x					x			c	x	
Starrucca	x	x	x		x				x		x			x	x	
Sterling	x	x	x		x	x			x		x		x	x	x	x
Texas	x	x	x		x	x		x	x		x			x	x	x
Waymart	x	x	x			x		x	x		x		x	x	x	x

x - represents a municipally adopted ordinance or plan

c - Wayne County has a Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, which is in effect in Dyberry and South Canaan Townships and Prompton Borough.

*These townships/boroughs have opted out of the program and do not enforce the States Uniform Construction Code (UCC) locally. Property owners need to hire a certified third party agency to enforce the residential requirements of the UCC. The Department of Labor and Industry is responsible for commercial code enforcement.

The source of this information is from a questionnaire supplied to and completed by each municipality.

Wayne County

Zoned Municipalities

As of December 31, 2024



Year of Most Current Adoption / Amendment

- Bethany Borough - 2005
- Canaan Township - 2016
- Cherry Ridge Township - 2020
- Damascus Township - 2024
- Dreher Township - 2022
- Hawley Borough - 2013
- Honesdale Borough - 2024
- Lebanon Township - 2024
- Lehigh Township - 2022
- Palmyra Township - 2023
- Paupack Township - 2024
- Sterling Township - 2022
- Texas Township - 2013
- Waymart Borough - 2013

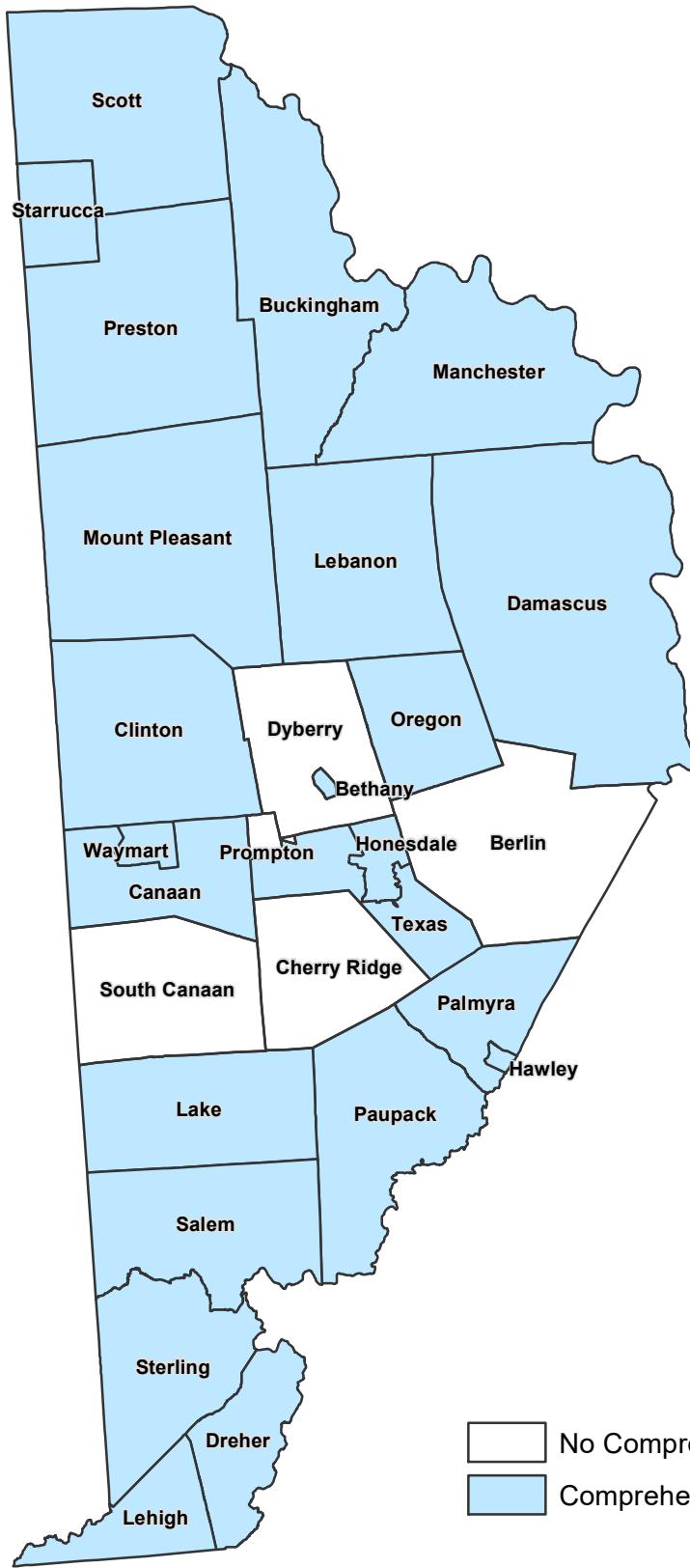
The 14 shaded municipalities have an adopted zoning ordinance in effect.



Wayne County

Municipalities With Comprehensive Plans

As of December 31, 2024



Year of Adoption / Amendment

Bethany - Adopted 2010
Buckingham - Adopted 1980
- Amended 2007
Canaan - Adopted 2002
Clinton - Adopted 2004
Damascus - Adopted 2008
- Amended 2019
Dreher - Adopted 1996
Hawley - Adopted 2007
- Amended 2019
Honesdale - Adopted 2010
Lake - Adopted 2007
Lebanon - Adopted 2003
Lehigh - Adopted 2010
Manchester - Adopted 2008
- Amended 2019
Mt. Pleasant - Adopted 2010
Oregon - Adopted 2008
- Amended 2019
Palmyra - Adopted 2008
- Amended 2019
Paupack - Adopted 2007
- Amended 2019
Preston - Adopted 2010
Salem - Adopted 2007
Scott - Adopted 1977
Starrucca - Adopted 1977
- Amended 2004
Sterling - Adopted 1996
Texas - Adopted 2010
Waymart - Adopted 1976
- Amended 1997

 No Comprehensive Plan
 Comprehensive Plan



THE END.