DINGMAN TOWNSHIP

COVID-19 Continuity of Operations Plan

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EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:

- You are encouraged to communicate with Township staff via telephone and email. There will be NO in-person meetings with staff at the Township Offices. This includes assistance with completing permit applications.
- The Township Office will remain fully staffed, but access by the public will be limited to the main lobby area. **Masks MUST be worn inside the Township building, and social distancing must be observed.** In-person visits should be done only when absolutely necessary, and must be brief in nature.
- Permits will continue to be processed and inspections conducted, but the following will apply:
 - <u>New Permits</u>: Application packets can be mailed to you or the forms can be printed from our website. **Completed** applications can be mailed in with the appropriate fee deposit or can be dropped off.
 - <u>Plan Revisions/Form Corrections</u>: If you received notification that changes are needed to permit forms or plans that have previously been submitted, we encourage those revisions, supplements, and updates to be done via email <u>to the Township Office</u>. Note that some printing charges may apply. Before submitting paperwork electronically, please call the office (570-296-8455) to review the procedures.
 - Please schedule inspections as usual with the Township (zoning, sewage, well) or Code Inspections (building), but we retain the right to delay the inspection if you or a family member are ill and the inspection requires us to enter your home.
- Limited in-person attendance at public meetings and Hearings remains suspended. Public participation will be done remotely via Zoom. Meeting links will be posted on the Township website at least 24 hours in advance.
- The trails at the Bridge Nature Preserve on Twin Lakes Road will remain open, weather permitting. The Park on Log Tavern Road is currently closed for the winter.

The Board of Supervisors will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation, recommendations, and directives, and will make adjustments as needed. All updates will be posted on the Township website – dingmantownship.org.

We apologize for any inconvenience, but together we can help minimize the effects of this pandemic.

Sincerely,

DINGMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

PUBLIC HEARING POLICY

DURING COVID-19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION

As long as the current health emergency remains in effect, access to any Public Hearings in person shall be limited to Township Officials and staff and parties to the Hearing and their professional staff. Participation by members of the public shall be via ZOOM video/phone conferencing. The meeting link shall be published on the Township website at least 24 hours in advance; the public may also contact the Office and register to be emailed with the Hearing link.