

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR JULY 2011**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTIONS**

There were numerous inspections made on premises throughout the Township as a result of complaints, or scheduled survey and these premises were found to have either trash, weeds, or abandoned vehicles as the problem. These and other miscellaneous complaints were corrected or are in the process of correction through personal contact or letter notification.

### **FOOD INSPECTIONS:**

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| Beijing #1 Chinese Restaurant-Complaint | Anointed Eats & Sweets Hot Dog Cart |
| Sandella's Flatbread Café               | McDonald's                          |
| GoldenLivingCenter                      | Arden Courts                        |
| Quality Food Mart                       | Ecumenical Community I              |
| Ecumenical Community II                 | Ecumenical Community III            |
| Brother's Pizza-Front Street-Failed     | Country Mile Market                 |
| Café Down Under                         | Jo Jo's Pizza                       |
| Super 7 Food Mart-Failed                | Harrisburg Stadium 14               |

On July 1, 2011; An Onsite Inspection occurred at 4384 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street concerning the pool. Goldfish are living in the pool but no pump was hooked up. Advised the residents to either place a pump on the pool or remove the pool from the front yard. A return visit was made on July 5, 2011 and the pool was removed from the front yard. The case is closed.

On July 1, 2011; An Extensive visit at the Beijing #1 Chinese Restaurant about Beetles being found in the noodles of a take out order. I required the owners to have their Pest Control Company come in today and evaluate the situation and begin treatment. The Pest Control Company did come in and their estimation is a minor infestation coming from Noodles that came from Chinatown in New York. The boxes were removed from the establishment and disposed of and a treatment of dry bait of crack and crevice type was applied because of being a restaurant.

A contract was signed by the Restaurant to have treatments continuing to make sure for the next 6 months that the beetles do not return. Penn Waste was then notified of what would be in their

dumpster to handle differently than a regular front load container. The technician was there on Saturday, July 2, 2011 and returned with me on Tuesday, July 5, 2011 to do a second application.

On July 1, 2011; An Onsite Visit with a Hot Dog Cart that had just set up shop at the Shop n' Drive Gas Station on Herr Street. They did obtain a license later that day to have their hot dog cart there at Shop n' Drive.

On July 1, 2011; A Meeting With David Dyer, Highway Superintendent concerning a Community Action Container that was placed on Carter Drive in our right-of-way to get it moved. It was not able to be moved till the following week with the holiday weekend but it was removed from that location and moved closer to the sign of CoventChristianAcademy.

On July 5, 2011; Posting of 2001 Sauers Road occurred. One placard was on the front of the house and one on the garage were re-applied with a letter of violation also attached to the dwelling. Manager Myers was made aware of the situation and informed that someone had removed the placard from the front and was inside the dwelling.

On July 5, 2011; A Re-Inspection at 104 Wild Lilac Court and nothing has changed. A citation was issued for the trash and the salvage goods still being present. The highway crew was asked to clean up the property and provide a bill so that the resident could be billed for the work.

On July 5, 2011; A Yard Inspection at 1995 Sauers Road for salvage goods that were present in the side and the rear of the property. All of the salvage goods were removed on the property and the case is now closed.

On July 8, 2011; An Onsite Inspection with a resident, Mrs. Sandra Turns concerning the properties that had burned on Tuscarora Street. Letters for demolition have gone out for all three of the properties with George Drees, Fire Marshal assisting. The owners of the properties must obtain demolition permits and have the properties torn down. The owners are required to get back to George Drees or myself by the end of August as to their intentions with a firm time line as to how things will occur. Failure to submit the proper paperwork to us will result in citations being issued.

On July 8, 2011; A Housing Code and yard Inspection occurred at 5215 North Front Street, Apt. #1 and Apt. #2 at the request of the tenant. A violation letter was sent out to the owners of the property with a re-inspection to occur in August.

On July 11, 2011; A Yard Inspection occurred at 2009 Mill Plain Court for BAGSTERS being used to store trash and salvage goods. Bagsters are specifically designed to be used for construction and demolition materials. A violation letter was sent out and the resident did ask for an extension which was granted.

On July 11, 2011; An Onsite Re-Inspection occurred at McDonald's because of cold holding unit that is running high. I will recheck the unit again after the maintenance personnel from the corporate office comes in tomorrow. The unit was temporarily shut down until the cause of the unit running high was determined.

On July 12, 2011; A Housing Code Re-Inspection occurred at Walnut Crossings, Apt. #G-302 for roaches. The tenant of the apartment cleaned up the whole apartment. No live roaches were noted but a lot of dead roaches were noted. A surprise visit will be made in two weeks to see how the tenants are keeping up with their cleaning.

On July 12, 2011; An Onsite Yard Inspection occurred at 2923 Locust Lane for a tree in the backyard which has split. A letter of violation was sent out to the owner of the property to have the tree removed; however the letter came back because the owner of the property is deceased. Manager Myers will need to be consulted as to how to proceed from here.

On July 12, 2011; A Housing Code Inspection occurred at 213 Shell Street with Apt. #A-2 and #A-3 for various violations stemming from a leaky roof, clogged gutters and 2 drains which were clogged with leaves and wood debris to be removed from the drains. David Dyer, Highway Superintendent was consulted to check out the street cut out to make sure it is open for when it rains. He did open up the curb area at the sidewalk to allow a 4 inch hole to drain unto the street. Further investigation is needed to determine what Michael Murphy is doing to correct the leaky roof. It appears that a tree went through the roof on the back side of the apartment complex.

On July 13, 2011; An Onsite Inspection at 3604 Cloverfield Road for various construction material and roll-off container to have the items removed which were there for sometime. A letter of violation did go out to the property owner and the roll-off was removed.

On July 13, 2011; An Onsite Inspection at 3821 Concord Street; motor home, trailer had flat tires and were out of inspection. The trailer was filled with automotive parts and a letter of violation was sent out to remove both and it was corrected. The case is now closed.

On July 13, 2011; An Onsite Inspection with Albert Wrightstone at 408 Altavisita Avenue for a dead tree. Pictures were taken of the tree that needs to be removed. Albert will be handling the case from this point because of it being a Shade Tree Commission issue. A citation was issued by Albert.

On July 13, 2011; A Yard Inspection occurred at the 3507 Union Deposit Road. Various violations were noted including High Grass and Weeds, 3 vehicles out of inspection with flat tires, and salvage goods present on the property. A violation letter was sent out to the estate and the violations were corrected. The case is now currently closed.

On July 14, 2011; I attended the quarterly CASA meeting at the Lancaster Farm and HomeCenter.

On July 15, 2011; An Onsite Inspection at Mt.SinaiChurch for numerous violations that were

Present. I spoke with both of the ministers at this parish and made suggestions as to what to do to prevent this illegal dumping to occur in the future.

On July 15, 2011; A Visit was made to Sisco's Pizzeria about High Grass and Weeds that were present at the rear of the property. Upon re-inspection on July 18, 2011; the weeds were all cut and the case is now closed.

On July 15, 2011; An Onsite Inspection to 3700 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street about trash being left there from the tenants. Pictures were taken of the trash accumulation. A citation was to be issued but the owner of the property did come to see me and ask me for assistance on how to assist with this tenant. The tenant has thus moved out and the items were removed by the owner of the property. The case is now closed.

On July 15, 2011; A Tour through 3400 and 3600 alleys on North 6<sup>th</sup> Street for violations and letters were sent out to the different properties with violations for trash, brush, and high grass and weeds present on their properties.

On July 15, 2011; An Onsite Inspection back to McDonald's to recheck the cold holding unit to make sure that the unit was repaired and was in working order. It is working fine and the unit was allowed to be put back in operation.

On July 15, 2011; An Onsite Inspection at 1909 Christopher's Place for mulch in the street. The resident was advised to remove the mulch from the street because it was creating an issue not only for traffic but right next to a storm drain. A recheck was made on Monday, July 18, 2011 and the mulch pile was removed.

On July 18, 2011; A Meeting with Van Thuy Ngugen from 3700 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street. I gave the owner of the property till Wednesday, July 20 to have the trash and salvage goods removed from the property or a citation would be issued until the property was cleaned up.

On July 18, 2011; An Onsite Meeting with Kent from Mike Murphy's rentals concerning the spouting, drains, and roof that were effected from the storms at the end of May when a large tree came through the roof at the one end of the complex. I stated to Kent that the spouting needed to be cleaned immediately. There were plants growing out of the spouting and making sure that the line was cleared from the spouting out to the street. David Dyer, Highway Superintendent already had cleaned out the portion of the drain on the street to allow better access for the water to flow. Kent stated that Mike Murphy's Rentals has contracted with Bob Sheetz for the roofing repairs and this is correct. A copy of

the contract was faxed for me to have. The repair project is expected to start in August weather permitting.

On July 18, 2011; A Meeting with Mr. Brown at 507 North 32<sup>nd</sup> Street about an overgrowth of vegetation at his property from Hemlock Landscaping. A phone call was made to Mr. Smith who is the owner of Hemlock Landscaping to have him go over and visit with Mr. Brown to make sure that his concerns were addressed. I also made a visit to meet with Mr. Brown concerning his concerns and the only issue that had not been addressed by Hemlock Landscaping that was evident at the time were some limbs extending over onto the driveway of Mr. Brown's property. A call was made then back to Mr. Smith and he had one of the people from his crew go over and cut the branches back.

On July 18, 2011 A re-inspection was made at 104 Wild Lilac Court for the violations that were present earlier in the month. Everything was still present so the property has been turned over to the highway crew to get cleaned up.

On July 18, 2011; A Visit to US Auto Sales to discuss about removing the tires and the drums in front of the building which was blocking the fire escape. They were removed on site.

On July 19, 2011; A Re-Inspection at 912 Cherrington Drive to make sure that all of the violations have been corrected. All of the violations have been corrected and the case is now closed.

On July 19, 2011; A Re-Inspection to 3705 Griffin Lane for the violations and check and see who was handling the property since the owner is now residing out of state.

On July 20, 2011; A Court Hearing for Dennis and Rita Robinson at 104 Willow Court about a vehicle being stored on their property illegally. The car had been removed from the property and the citation was dismissed. The case is now closed.

On July 21, 2011; A Re-Inspection at 2001 Franklin Avenue, Apt. #1 and all of the violations that were still remaining from the initial re-inspection on June 30, 2011. All of the remaining violations were corrected and the case is now closed.

On July 22, 2011; An Onsite Inspection at 3124 Walnut Street for a yard which is extremely overgrown and a subsequent meeting with the next store neighbor about the property. A letter of violation has gone out to the owner to correct the jungle or be issued a citation.

On July 22, 2011; A Yard Inspection at the corner of Beaufort Drive and Old Township Road for brush that is overgrown and extending out into the roadway creating an obstruction that needs to be

trimmed back to allow better sight distance at the intersection. A letter of violation went out to the owner of the property to correct the violation.

On July 25, 2011; A Meeting with Bernard Mitchell, Jr. concerning what has occurred with his property and has two bagsters present in his driveway. A complaint was received from a neighbor concerning the bagsters being present for weeks. An extension was granted until Monday, August 1, 2011.

On July 25, 2011; A Yard Inspection at 2213 Buttonwood Circle for an overgrowth of trees and vegetation which is coming over onto the neighbor's property in Brandywine development. A letter of violation has gone out to have the excessive vegetation cut back.

On July 26, 2011; An Extensive onsite meeting at Organic Endeavors to discuss where he is and where he hopes to be in the future. He stated that he would like to be included in future plans for changes with recycling. I stated that at this time no changes were coming but he would be informed as to if and when additional things would need to be recycled.

On July 26, 2011; A Re-visit to Brother's Pizza to make sure that the restaurant had sanitizer on hand and test strips to clean and sanitize the dishes. They were on hand so the restaurant was allowed to open and the workers were instructed on site how to use the Bleach and strips to clean and sanitize the dishes.

On July 27, 2011; An Onsite Inspection at Classic Communities for Summit View and still no change. The roll-off container is still present and no Penn Waste dumpsters are on site. The whole townhouse community is completed. I will speak with Manager Myers upon his return about this matter.

On July 27, 2011; A Meeting with George Drees concerning the demolition of the properties up on Tuscarora Street. Three properties will need to come down because of fires to each of the structures. Letters went out to the owners of the properties and they must obtain demolition permits and provide a time line to George and I by the close of business on Friday, August 29, 2011.

On July 27, 2011; A visit back to Davis Landscaping about the pile of dirt that is present on the hill to the rear of the property. Nothing has changed even after a letter was sent to the owner of the business. Later that afternoon a phone call was received by me from Scot Davis informing me that he apologized for not keeping his promise to remove the pile and it will be completed by the middle of next week in August. I will recheck the property to make sure that the pile of dirt has been removed.

On July 29, 2011; A Re-Inspection at 3507 Union Deposit Road to see if the violations have been corrected. All of the violations have been corrected and the case for now is closed.

On July 29, 2011; A Re-Inspection at 3821 Concord Circle and all of the violations that were present have been corrected and the case is now closed.

On July 29, 2011; A Re-Inspection at C.H.HinesChristianFellowshipChurch and all of the violations in the backyard have been corrected and the case is now closed.

On July 29, 2011; An Onsite Meeting with Mr. Herman at his property at 1816 Holly Drive and David Dyer and Dean Deitrich from the Highway Department about a tree which fell. There is further investigation that needs to be done on the tree.

On July 29, 2011; A Revisit to Jo Jo's Pizza to make sure that they had sanitizer on hand. Instruction was given as to how to use the sanitizer and the corresponding test strips for the sanitizer. Also information was provided on obtaining a new person in the establishment certified in food handling.

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