The Township Committee has selected K. Hovnanian as the conditional redeveloper for twenty acres of Township owned land on Dey Road between The Place at Plainsboro and the new PSE&G substation. A Redevelopment Plan was previously approved for the property which specified an age-restricted development that could be either single-family homes or multi-family townhomes, or a combination of either housing type. A public solicitation for developers was conducted with K. Hovnanian’s proposal coming in as most closely following the vision expressed in the Redevelopment Plan.

The concept plan shown in K. Hovnanian’s proposal includes approximately 52 single-family homes, a pool with cabana, and a walking trail around the perimeter of the site. Access to the development will be via an intersection with Dey Road and Woodland Drive. The Township acquired the land in late 2001 from Calton Homes who built the neighboring residential development.

Mayor Cantu explained, “This is a win-win for the Township that will include much needed housing for those wishing to down-size out of their existing homes while the Township reaps the economic benefit of removing non-revenue producing surplus property.”

Maplewood at Princeton
Senior Living Community Opening Soon

Maplewood at Princeton is a modern senior living community situated on the campus of Penn Medicine-Princeton Health. Maplewood is located at 1 Hospital Drive across from the Discovery Years child learning center and VCare Adult Day Care.

The amenity-rich facility includes various options for assisted living depending on need, as well as memory care units for residents diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias. The 105-unit complex is expected to open this summer.

The leasing office for Maplewood is now open. For more information visit https://www.maplewoodseniorliving.com/senior-living/nj/plainsboro/hospital-dr/ or call 551-258-4604.
**Did You Know?**

Did you know that a recent change in New Jersey State law eliminated the 'wartime service requirement' in order for a veteran to qualify for the Veteran Property Tax Deduction? This new state law, which took effect in December of 2020, essentially expands the eligibility for the $250 Veteran Property Tax Deduction to any honorably discharged veterans with active duty service and / or surviving spouses/civil union/domestic partners.

Visit https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/lpt/lpt-veterans.shtml for more information and for an application.

**Did you know that the state Homestead Benefit Program provides property tax relief to eligible homeowners?** For many homeowners, this benefit is distributed directly to the municipality in the form of a credit, reducing your property taxes.

Visit https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/homestead/geninf.shtml for information and eligibility requirements.

Swimming Pool Safety

Summer is on its way, with visions of backyard cooking and relaxing by the pool on many minds. Before you open your pool for the summer, check the following items for proper operation:

• Pool fence/barrier - The gate to the pool area must be self-closing and self-latching. The gate should also open out, away from the pool area. Fencing should comply with the specific applicable requirements regarding opening limitations.

• Proper drain and suction covers - Missing covers can lead to entrapment, which may lead to drowning. It is critical that the proper drain and suction covers are in place.

• Flotation devices - Have flotation devices and a pool hook readily available to aid in case of a need for a rescue situation. Practice using these devices prior to an actual emergency.

When your pool is open, never leave children to swim unsupervised. Designate an adult to watch at all times. If you don’t know CPR or basic first aid, consider taking a course.

“The township’s Code Enforcement Department annually inspects all public swimming pools. However, private swimming pools are only inspected when they are new or undergo some major modification”, stated Township Committeeman and department liaison Ed Yates. “It is important to properly maintain your private swimming pool.”
Mayor Peter Cantu recently spoke with James Demetriades, Penn Medicine Princeton Health’s new CEO.

“We are happy to welcome James to Plainsboro”, stated Mayor Peter Cantu. “We are fortunate not only to have a capable hospital administrator with more than 17 years of experience within the organization, but to have one that cares deeply about the patients, staff and members of the community is wonderful.”

“I am very grateful for Mayor Cantu’s invitation to reflect on my 17-year tenure with the organization and the significant growth we have experienced and to share my vision for the health system. It also was an opportunity to thank residents for the tremendous support they have given us, particularly during this past year”, stated James Demetriades. “The campus here in Plainsboro is a significant community benefit, not only for the township but all of central New Jersey, and we are excited about the future of Penn Medicine Princeton Health.”

This interview and other township programming can be viewed on the township’s YouTube page at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLulaJ42xD4O61_DBeNo4eA
New Self Defense & Child Safety Program Offered

Starting in early July, the township will offer a new child safety program called RadKIDS. This program empowers children and parents with a revolutionary skill-based curriculum that strengthens children’s personal boundaries and boosts parental confidence. It replaces fear with knowledge, skill, and power, by enhancing a child’s critical thinking abilities and physical resistance skills.

When participating in RadKIDS children are not told what to do, they are taught how to STOP a probable abduction if they are challenged or tricked by a predator. This is accomplished through a fun activity and skill-based methodology that empowers children to set their own personal boundaries. RadKIDS is the national leader in children’s safety education.

For more information visit the Department of Recreation and Community Services webpage at https://www.plainsboronj.com/603/Parks-and-Recreation

Food Pantry Collaborates With Local Youth Groups and Businesses

The Plainsboro Township Food Pantry Coordinator, Erum Ladak, has been actively working alongside youth groups and local businesses in a variety of ways to fill the needs of the community.

Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops have been conducting food drives and collecting large donations to benefit the food pantry. In addition, they have been brainstorming on creative ways to give back to the community by assembling holiday bags, conducting food and toy drives, assembling birthday boxes, collecting school supplies, creating care packages…and so much more! Local groups and businesses have pitched in with gift cards, reusable bags, hot box lunches, monetary donations and more to ensure that the pantry shelves are stocked and needs are met.

“Our success is in our generous community supporters”, stated Township Committeeman and department liaison Nuran Nabi. “Each and every supporter makes a huge difference and we truly appreciate it.”

If you would like to donate to the township’s food pantry, please email eladak@plainsboronj.com or call 608-799-0909, extension 1711.

Summer is around the corner and with it comes our Summer Blast series. For the past nine years we have been partnering with Princeton Alliance Church to provide monthly Friday evening events for the whole family.

While much like last year, this year may look a little different; it will still be packed with fun, friends, and movies! We hope that you will join us for our summer family movies, complete with snacks provided by Princeton Alliance Church.

This summer we will start out with a drive-in movie in June and then we will move to the Municipal Complex for in-person, socially-distanced events for the July and August movies. This year’s movie line up will be:

- **Friday, June 18** – Aladdin
- **Friday, July 16** – War with Grandpa
- **Friday, August 20** – Onward

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Join Us for the Summer Blast Movie Series

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Battery Recycling Requires Care

In January, a massive fire destroyed a recycling facility in Passaic, New Jersey. The facility was completely destroyed but luckily there were no injuries. However, many northern New Jersey municipalities were left to find other options for their recyclables. An investigation by the local fire department found that the fire most likely started from a lithium battery. Yes, a lithium battery improperly placed for curbside collection has the potential to destroy buildings, equipment and disrupt an already volatile recycling industry.

How is it possible that a battery can cause so much damage? In simplest terms, a battery is a device that stores chemical energy and converts it to electricity. Electricity is created when the terminals are connected in a circuit. Even when a battery is not in use, stored energy is present within the battery. This stored energy can be released even when the terminals are not connected.

There are two types of batteries; single use and rechargeable. Single use batteries are primarily alkaline and lithium primary. Rechargeable batteries are primarily nickel cadmium, lead acid, nickel metal hydride and lithium ion. Technically, all can be recycled; however, in most areas – including Plainsboro, alkaline batteries are disposed of in the normal waste stream. Currently, Plainsboro provides for recycling of only lead acid batteries, which can be taken to the Conservation/Recycling Center located off Grovers Mill Road during normal business hours.

Batteries cannot be placed in curbside recycling bins. This will create a potentially dangerous situation, but your recycling will not be collected. “We must all do our part by properly recycling and keeping batteries out of our curbside recycling,” stated Township Committeeman David Bander.

Residents are encouraged to recycle other batteries through alternate means. Many national retailers such as Best Buy, The Home Depot, Staples and Lowes collect batteries for recycling. Additional battery recycling information is also available at https://www.epa.gov/hw/universal-waste or https://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/recycling/materialsinfo.htm

Understanding the Housing Inspection Process

If you are planning to sell or rent your residence in Plainsboro you will need to coordinate with the Housing Division in the Plainsboro Township Code Enforcement Department. An overview of this process, along with other useful information is available on the Township’s website, at https://www.plainsboronj.com/156/Housing-Division

The Housing Division is responsible for the inspections of all properties that are sold or rented in Plainsboro, including apartments. This program was established by the Township Committee to ensure that all residential properties in Plainsboro are safe and properly maintained throughout the life of the residence. The current condition of these properties is a testament to the effectiveness of our inspection process, as well as the many benefits Plainsboro Township offers to its residents.

As a convenience, the township website allows an applicant to apply and pay for the necessary inspection online. Once the application is processed, an inspection will be scheduled to ensure that minimum ordinance standards are met. During the processing of an application, a comprehensive review of the property’s file will be performed to ensure that there are no open permits. If open permits are found, inspections can then be scheduled and performed through the Building Division. Any violations during the housing inspection will be noted and a copy will be emailed to the owner or realtor/other representative. When all noted violations are corrected, a re-inspection will be conducted to ensure that any necessary repairs were made satisfactorily, and a Housing Certificate of Occupancy will be issued.
Plainsboro Police Introduced
“Virtual Interactive Policing” (V.I.P.) Program

During these unprecedented times the Plainsboro Police Department invites the community to join our FREE Virtual Interactive Policing (V.I.P.) program that will provide virtual and interactive seminars throughout the year. These seminars will address topics that have the greatest impact on the quality of life of our residents.

“The Plainsboro Police Department recently created a program that reaffirms our commitment to providing outstanding police services and ensuring the safety of our community,” Chief Fred Tavener stated.

Meetings will be held monthly with an educational presentation at the beginning of each session. Topics will include:

• Child Internet Safety
• Fraud/Scams
• New Driver Safety
• Recognizing Drug Abuse
• Pedestrian and Bike Safety
• Firearms – Home Storage
• Residential and Personal Security
• Prescription Drug Disposal
• Covid-19 Safety Best Practices

Please contact Sergeant Blanchard at eblanchard@plainsboropolice.com to sign-up.

Deputy Mayor Neil Lewis stated, “The Plainsboro Police Department looks forward to the continued partnership with and support from our community.”

#NotEvenOnce Virtual Course Offered to High School Students

On March 23rd, the Plainsboro Township Police Department finished the #NotEvenOnce three day course at the WWP High School North. Although challenging due to remote teaching, it turned out to be another successful year. This was the fourth consecutive year that law enforcement and educators teamed up with the goal of informing senior students of the dangers of opiates prior to leaving for college or heading out into the work force.

The Plainsboro Police Department extends a special thanks to staff at West Windsor-Plainsboro High School North, as well as the guest speakers Nitya and Savya. Nitya and Savya were both graduates of West Windsor-Plainsboro High School North and they were gracious enough to spend time telling their life story and discussing the addiction recovery process. We are certain that they both made a positive impact on the students.

The Plainsboro Police Department looks forward to more successful years of the #NotEvenOnce program in the future. Deputy Mayor Neil Lewis stated, “This program can bring the youth of our community together with our police department, and provides invaluable lessons on the danger of opioid addiction.”

From left to right - Plainsboro Police Corporal Dan Kanaley, West Windsor-Plainsboro North Health and Physical Education teacher Beth Serughetti and Plainsboro Police Corporal Joe Bryta speak with former students Savya and Nitya as part of the virtual #NotEvenOnce course recently held at the high school.
Pet Licenses: New Jersey State law mandates that all dogs six months of age or older be licensed. Applications are available for all new pets in the Township Clerk's Office at 641 Plainsboro Road. Proof of rabies vaccination must be submitted with the application. According to state regulation, when licensing, the rabies vaccination immunity must extend through at least ten (10) months of the 12-month licensing period. Therefore, licenses cannot be issued if the rabies vaccination expires before November 1st of each year. If for any medical reason the animal cannot be vaccinated in the required time, form VPH-28 must be completed by the veterinarian and submitted with the form. Submit a copy of the spay/neuter certificate, if applicable. The license fees are $13.20 for spayed/neutered animals and $16.20 for non-neutered animals. Late fees of $5.00 per month are assessed as of February 1st.

Public Works Department
609-799-0099

Conservation & Recycling Center: The center is currently open Mondays and Thursdays from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am-5:00 pm.

Brush Collection Guidelines:

- Brush must be placed curbside by 7:00 am the first Monday of your scheduled month and no earlier than ten (10) days prior
- Brush left curbside during non-scheduled months renders you subject to fines and removal costs
- Trimmings from trees and shrubs are accepted (maximum 6 feet in length and 5 inches in diameter)
- NO leaves, stumps, roots, soil, grass, lumber or debris
- Brush is to be neatly placed parallel to the road with limb ends facing the same direction
- No brush should be placed in the street or on sidewalks and no closer than 10' from any catch basin.

Residents are allowed to bring their brush to the Conservation /Recycling Center

Brush Collection Schedule:

Section 1 – April, June, August, October - Beechtree Lane, Beechwood Drive, Brentwood Lane, Bunting Court, Cardinal Drive, Chandler Court, Cottonwood Court, Cypress Court, Denison Place, Elm Court, Falcon Court, George Davison Road, Goldfinch Court, Grace Court, Groendyke Lane, Gulick Lane, Hale Drive, Hamilton Lane N., Hamilton Lane S., Hickory Court, Holohan Drive, Keppal Road, Kinglet Drive N., Kinglet Drive S., Krebs Road, Louis Court, Mackenzie Lane, Mahogany Court, Major Lane, Mapleton Road, Marion Drive, Meadowlark Drive, Mershon Lane, Mockingbird Court, Oriole Court, Osprey Lane, Parker Road, Parker Road S., Partridge Court, Perrine Road, Pine Court, Poplar Drive, Quick Lane, Red Oak Drive, Redwood Court, Rush Court, Saylor Court, Schalks Crossing Road, Seminary Court, Serina Court, Silvers Lane, Simonson Drive, Spruce Court, Tanager Court, Titus Lane, Walnut Court, Willow Court, Woodland Drive, Wyndhurst Drive, Wyndhurst - North of Dey.

Section 2 – March, May, July, September - Adams Court, Alfalfa Circle, Allen Court, Amberly Road, Barley Court, Barlow Court, Barn Swallow Court, Barnyard Court, Birch Drive, Blossom Hill Drive, Bradford Lane, Briande Court, Brookside Court, Camas Drive, Clinton Court, Clydesdale Court, Colonial Court, Cooks Lane, Cranbury Neck Road, Daisy Court, Derry Meeting Road, Dey Road, Dickinson Court, Dogwood Drive, Drayton Lane, Dryer Court, Edgemere Avenue, Eiker Road, Elsie Drive, Farmhouse Drive, Franklin Drive, Gardenia Court, Grovers Mill Road, Hancock Court, Harvest Drive, Hawthorn Drive, Heather Court, Heritage Way, Heron Court, Hilltown Court, Hummingbird Court, Jeffers Road, King Haven Court, Knight Drive E., Knight Drive W., Larkspur Drive, Linden Lane, Linden Lane S., Lovell Drive, Madison Drive, Maple Avenue, Marshall Court, Mayfair Terrace, Meadow Drive, Mifflin Court, Millstone Court, Monroe Court, Narrowbrook Court, Nostrand Road, Okesog Street, Orchard Lane, Orchid Drive, Paddock Drive, Parkway Avenue, Pasture Lane, Petty Road, Plainsboro Road, Pollack Court, Pondview Road, Prospect Avenue, Railroad Avenue, Ruedemann Drive, Rutledge Court, Scotts Corner Road, Sherman Court, Silo Lane, Stanton Court, Stone Meadow Court, Stults Drive, Sullivan Street, Sycamore Drive, Trumbull Road, Walker Gordon Drive, Webster Court, Wethersfield Road, Wheatsheaf Court, Windmill Court.

Curbside Recycling

Scheduled pickup dates for this quarter are: June 7, 21; July 5, 19; August 2, 16, 30

2021 Bulk Waste Days

Bulky items such as furniture, appliances, electronics, bicycles, etc., will be accepted at the Conservation Center from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on June 12, August 14 and November 6.
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