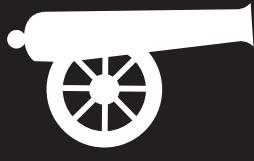


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# Coordinator's Comments

This issue of the *Cannon Communicator* is packed with updates that shape the future of Cannon Township. From sewer planning and tax reminders to trail expansions, park improvements, and election updates, there's a lot happening behind the scenes to keep our community running smoothly. You'll also find conservation events, well-earned recognition for our Fire Department, and stories that celebrate the people who make this Township special. We hope these updates inform, inspire, and invite you to stay connected to life in Cannon Township. We're *all* here to serve you!



**Jessica  
Gutowski-Slaydon**  
Trustee  
Cannon Communicator  
Coordinator



The long-anticipated Biggby on Belding Road, next to Ric's, opened on December 27.



## North Country Trail

Did you know the North Country Trail runs right through Cannon Township? Explore this scenic stretch and enjoy miles of peaceful woods and rolling landscapes. In winter, the trail is an ideal way to stay active while soaking in the season's snowy charm. Start your journey at the Cannon Township Hall and follow the blue blazes as seen here.



## From the Supervisor & Sewer Update

As you are aware, Cannon Township has long taken a proactive approach to maintaining the health and integrity of its sewer system. The goal of this approach is to provide the highest level of service while maintaining a sustainable system at the lowest overall cost.

Consistent with this philosophy, the Township initiated a study of the sewer system serving residents along Wildemere, which runs north from Belding Road along the west boundary of Balk Family Park. The sewer trunk line runs north along Silver Lake and is located so close to the water that, in several areas, manhole covers are actually situated on the beach. The homes are located between the sewer line and Wildemere Road.

Many of these homes have extensive and beautiful landscaping, as well as pools, patios, and other structures built above or very near the sewer line. This portion of the system is aging, and if access were required in the event of a failure, some of these features could be significantly damaged or destroyed.

Because we address issues before they become problems, we initiated a study while the system on Wildemere is still healthy and intact. The study, conducted by our engineers at Prein & Newhof, thoroughly analyzed the system, access issues, and potential future solutions. We invited the Wildemere residents to an initial public meeting to inform them of the access issues, review Prein & Newhof's findings, discuss options, and

of greater importance, gain input from the residents on the options they would like considered. All of that information went to the sewer committee to review the data, comments, concerns, and recommendations from the engineers. A final solution was identified, agreed upon and a report generated.

We invited the Wildemere residents to another meeting to communicate the results and collect any additional feedback for Township board consideration. The board discussed the findings that included more public outreach. After listening to residents and our engineers, the board voted to relocate the sewer away from the lake and to provide grinder pumps to those who require them to maintain service. Ownership of the grinder system would be transferred to the property owners. There is no immediate concern for the safety and health of the Wildemere sewer line. The relocation of that system will be implemented when it reaches the top of our capital improvement plan. We will pay cash for the project, and the sewer rate payers in Cannon Township will not be assessed, nor will we have to take out bonds for the project.



**Steve Grimm**  
Supervisor





## Treasurer's Report

Happy New Year!

As a friendly reminder, the 2025 Winter Property Taxes are due February 17, 2026. Our office is open on President's Day, Monday, February 16. Postmarks are not accepted, and we recommend that you allow extra time by mailing your payment at least two weeks in advance. In addition, allow extra time if you are using your bank's Bill Pay services.

The Treasurer's Department has a few suggestions on how to efficiently pay your property taxes without relying on the post office. Consider setting up either an automatic ACH for your payments, pay online at our website, or use our secure drop box at the Cannon Township office front door which can be used 24 hours/day.

Unfortunately, tax payments received after the above due date will be subject to a 3% interest/penalty charge. All delinquent taxes as of February 28, 2026, will be turned over to the Kent County Treasurer's Department. As of March 1, 2026, call Kent County (616-632-7500) to pay your taxes.

The Treasurer's Department recommends that you review your tax bill to make sure you are receiving the Principal Residence Exemption (PRE). If the PRE is in place, your annual tax savings are approximately 18 mills. There are two places on your tax bill to check to make sure the "PRE" is in place. On your tax bill you should see: **% PRE/MBT:100% and "exempt" next to your school district Operating Tax on your bill.** If the PRE is not in place, please bring this to the Assessor or Treasurer's attention, and we will arrange for the proper forms for you to sign.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call David at (616) 884-2201 or Judy at (616) 884-2202.



**David Spencer**  
Treasurer



# Clerk's Corner

## TECHNOLOGY, ROADS, ELECTIONS, CEMETERIES

### ELECTIONS

Cannon Township is moving forward with the process of consolidating election precincts to enhance administrative efficiency and streamline Election Day operations. After thorough review, we will be consolidating the current six precincts into four new precincts. The proposed structure will maintain manageable voter counts, all well below the Proposition 2 maximum of 4,999 voters per precinct: Precinct #1 will have approximately 2,859 voters, Precinct #2 will have about 3,172, Precinct #3 around 2,913, and Precinct #4 will contain roughly 2,989 voters. A proposed map illustrating the new boundaries is available for review.

With the completion of the new Cannon Community Center at the Balk Family Park, all precincts will then vote at this single, centralized location on Election Day. The nine-day early voting period for all State and Federal elections will, however, continue to be held at the Cannon Township Center. It is important to note that due to recent legislative changes allowing all voters to request an absentee ballot and the implementation of nine-day early voting, the volume of in-person voting on Election Day has been significantly reduced.

### BUILDING RENTAL

The new Cannon Community Center is scheduled to be complete by the fall of 2026. Following its grand opening, the facility will be available for residents to rent for private events, including baby and wedding showers, wedding receptions, graduation parties, and more. Please stay tuned for the official grand opening dates and the finalized fee schedule, which will be published soon.

### ROADS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY

We would like to remind residents about important traffic regulations concerning Belding Road. It is illegal to pass a vehicle on the wide shoulder when that vehicle is turning left. The solid white line on the shoulder indicates a no-crossing zone and must be strictly observed for safety.

### CEMETERY OPERATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT

The ground penetrating radar (GPR) scan on the east portion

of the Old Cannonsburg Cemetery on Sunfish Lake Road has been completed. The survey identified 20 unowned grave sites that will be made available for sale in the spring once they have been accurately marked. Development of the New Cemetery on the Cannon Township property is progressing. Next steps include budgeting for necessary environmental studies and creating a Request for Proposal (RFP) to determine the costs associated with the initial phase of development, including the installation of the roadway and necessary tree removal.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATION

Cannon Township has been approved for a ".gov" extension. Our website and all Township email addresses have transitioned (or will transition imminently) from the ".org" domain to ".gov." This change provides an additional layer of security and clearly confirms the Township as a government entity. The former ".org" addresses will automatically redirect to the new ".gov" designation during this transition. The Township is committed to transparency and accessibility: all Township Board Meetings and Planning Commission meetings are live-streamed. The link is available on the official website, or you can search "Cannon Township" on YouTube. Additionally, you can sign up on the website to receive all Board Agendas and Meeting Minutes directly via email.

### CONTACT THE CLERK'S OFFICE

For assistance, please contact the Clerk's Office during regular hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You can reach the office via email at [jalles@cannontwp.gov](mailto:jalles@cannontwp.gov) or by phone at (616) 884-2207. This information is also available on the official Township website.



**Jim Alles**  
Clerk



# A Bit of History By Hillary Hatch

## A TALE OF TWO HILLS: THE HISTORY OF PANDO AND CANNONSBURG

West Michigan's ski story has deep community roots, starting with Pando Ski Park. Opened in 1960 by Dick Bresnahan, a WWII 10th Mountain Division veteran, Pando was named after his training grounds in Pando, Colorado. He aimed to create an affordable, family-friendly place to ski close to Grand Rapids. The park, located off Belding Road near Bostwick Lake, became West Michigan's 37th winter sports area and a popular gathering spot. With its cozy lodge, rental shop, open fireplace, snack bar, and first-aid stand, Pando welcomed generations of local skiers.

Pando also earned a place in snow-sport history. In the 1960s, Sherman Poppen, encouraged by his pregnant wife, lashed two skis together and created the first "snurfer," a playful invention that would spark the future of snowboarding. As the snurfer gained popularity, Pando hosted national competitions, including the 2nd National Surfing Championships, where a young Jake Burton Carpenter competed before founding Burton Snowboards and helping shape an entirely new sport.

Pando served the community for 52 years before its sale to Cannonsburg Ski Area in 2015. Although many hoped to see it reopen, its long chapter quietly closed after the purchase.

Cannonsburg's own beginnings stretch back to 1950 when C. William Goff began dreaming of building a ski hill. After 15 years of searching for land, a business partner, and investors, the vision came to life. Goff teamed up with Paul Hartl who grew up skiing to school in his native Germany. Together, they transformed a piece of land off Cannonsburg Road, moving an estimated half-million yards of dirt, into the hill we know today.

These two hills shaped local winter culture, offering both recreation and the spark of innovation right here in our Township.

**PANDO**

8076 Belding Rd. (M-44)  
12 miles from G. R.  
PHONE 866-1286

Open Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.  
Noon to 10 p. m.  
Saturday-Sunday, 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.  
Saturday Night, Adults Only  
7 to 10:30

- V3 ski tows
- 4 runs and instruction area
- Completely supervised
- Snack bar
- Snow machines.

Big Lodge with Fireplace  
Glen Derby Certified Instructor

**CANNONSBURG SKI AREA**

Skiers on a lift, a pair of skis crossed in the foreground.





# Ski Cannonsburg

10 minutes from Grand Rapids, Michigan

Michigan's Closest and Most Reasonably-Priced Major Ski Area

so easy to get to



deep snow base

Extensive Snow-Making Machines. 109 Overhead Snow Guns make 2 ft. snow base around December 1st which lasts 'til March 15th.

new chair lift

## 14 LIFTS

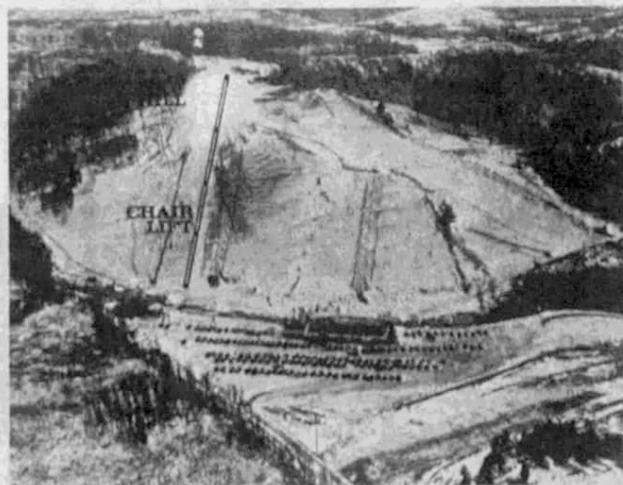
- ✓ Chair Lift
- ✓ 4 Beginner Tows
- ✓ Everything for the new skier
- ✓ Ski School
- ✓ Ski Rentals
- ✓ T-Bars
- ✓ Cafeteria & Ski Shop
- ✓ Open Every Day & Night

ONLY 6 MINUTES FROM INTERSTATE  
EXPRESSWAYS

**SAVE** 5 TO 8 HOURS DRIVING TIME

TRAVEL TIME TO CANNONSBURG

Grand Rapids .....	10 mins.
South Bend .....	2 hrs.
Fort Wayne .....	3 hrs.
Benton Harbor .....	1½ hrs.
Kalamazoo .....	1 hr.
Chicago .....	3 hrs.



more skiing fun with night skiing

Lifts don't close at 4:30; you can ski 'til 10:30!  
You really get your skiing's moneys worth at  
Cannonsburg.

lodging

Cannonsburg is just 5 - 10 miles from 1,200 motel accommodations (deluxe or lower rates) with delightful dining, indoor swimming pools, dancing and after skiing night life.

PHONE: Area 616 - 866-1393 for reservations  
WRITE: Box 18, Cannonsburg, Michigan



## Family Feature

### THE HATCH FAMILY

There's something about Cannon Township, something you can't quite measure, but you can feel. It's in the way neighbors wave as you drive by, the way friendships form over shared trails and school events, and the way our stories intertwine across generations. Few families embody that spirit more than the Hatch family: Jordan and Hillary, and their four kids, Lily, Robert, Marius, and Hazel.

Originally from Ohio, the Hatches are Buckeyes through and through. Ten years ago, life brought them to Cannon Township when Jordan accepted a position with Wolverine World Wide. They settled in quickly and made Cannon their home. A few years later, his career took them to Minnesota when he joined Red Wing Shoe Company. But when Jordan transitioned to fully remote work, Hillary knew exactly what that meant. It was time to return home—and for Hillary, home meant Cannon Township.

If you know Hillary Hatch, you know this: she is a connector. She loves people, she loves stories, and she has a gift for building relationships that matter. She's the neighbor who walks over with a smile to introduce herself the moment a moving truck pulls in. She's the friend-of-a-friend who becomes your friend because someone knew you'd hit it off. Hillary is the reminder that communities don't just happen, they grow through intentional kindness.

When the Hatch family first moved to Cannon Township, Hillary became close with Margie and John Smallfield who introduced Hillary to Ralph and Ruth Johnson, 89-year-old sunflower farmers. Their friendship blossomed into something special. Hillary helped Ralph write his memoir, preserving a piece of Cannon Township history that

might have otherwise been lost. That experience deepened her passion for the stories held within this land.

Ralph encouraged Hillary to join the Cannon Township Historical Society where Hillary stepped right up, helping record stories, preserve memories, and shine a light on the people who shaped this place long before us.

Her philosophy is simple but powerful. "If you can connect people to the history, the next generation will be better caretakers of the land for future generations." It's a vision that guides all the work she does.

Recently, Hillary has helped the Historical Society expand its online presence sharing stories, sparking curiosity, and helping Cannon Township residents rediscover the heritage woven through their own backyards. Plans are underway to bring even more historical content to the Township website.

If you love history and would like to learn more, please consider becoming a member of the Cannon Township Historical Society. For just \$5 a year, you can help preserve and share our local history. To join, simply send a \$5 payment made out to Cannon Township Historical Society and mail it to: PO Box 24 Cannonsburg, MI 49317

This historical society is led by Sam Fessenden and can be reached at [Cannonhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:Cannonhistoricalsociety@gmail.com) or to set up a visit call 616-874-7517. There is no entry fee to visit the museum.

Interested in serving on the Historical Society's Board or volunteering? Their next meeting is April 14. To learn more, contact Sam at (616) 874-7517.

# Business Feature

## ROCKFIT FITNESS CENTER

This locally owned, 24/7 gym has been part of the Cannon Township area for over a decade, offering a reliable place to lift, move, and stay consistent without the pressure or pretense. Members have access to strength and conditioning equipment for all levels plus guided programming through the RockFit app to help take the guesswork out of workouts.

The current owners, Jordan and Tarryn LaFreniere, took over RockFit three years ago after seeing something worth protecting –not just the space, but the role it plays in our community. Taking over an established gym came with responsibility, and they've spent the last few years doing the unglamorous work, upgrading equipment, tightening systems, refining programming, and being patient about growth.

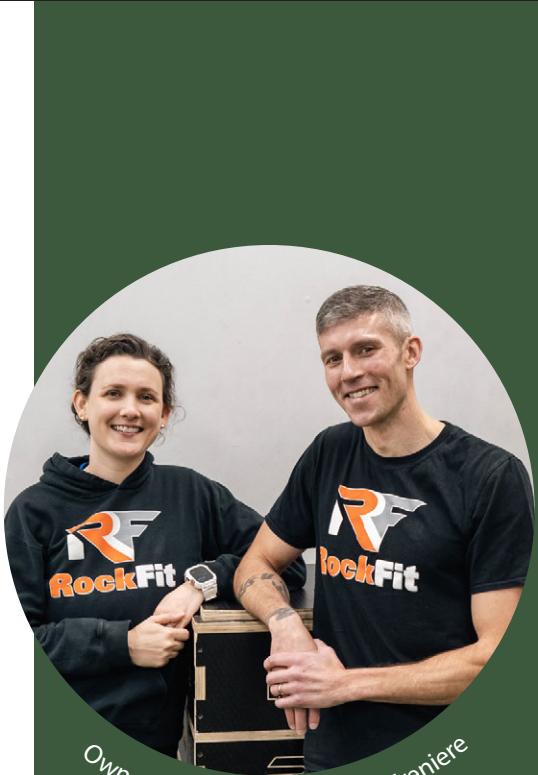
Their strengths balance each other well. Jordan is steady and detail-oriented, focused on improving how the gym functions day to day. His partner in work and life, Tarryn,

brings energy, people skills, and a background in mental health, helping shape a culture where members don't feel judged or out of place. Together, they've made RockFit a gym where beginners can walk in without intimidation and experienced members still feel challenged.

What they value most is consistency, both in training and in business. They're not chasing trends or quick wins. The most rewarding moments come when members stick with it, gain confidence, and realize they're more capable than they thought.

RockFit is rooted in Cannon Township because this is home. It's where they live, raise their family, and build relationships. Looking ahead, the focus remains simple: keep improving the experience, expand programming thoughtfully, and continue being a dependable place people can count on, day after day.

To learn more about RockFit, please visit their website at [rockfitmi.com](http://rockfitmi.com)



Owners, Tarryn and Jordan LaFreniere



## Community Center

The first round of donating opportunities for the new Community Center involves having a brick engraved with your name on it. More details will be shared on the Township website and at future board meetings. For any questions, please contact cbalk@cannontwp.org.



## Invasive Species & Wetlands Committee Update

**Save the date!** February 25, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

The Invasive Species and Wetlands Committee is thrilled to host its inaugural event of 2026. Ryan Wilemski, Invasive Program Coordinator from Kent Conservation District, will be holding a presentation on the art of managing invasive plants in West Michigan and the restoration of wildlife habitats. This presentation serves as a resource that aligns with the ongoing efforts of our committee over the past few years.

Invasive species pose a risk to our natural areas by outcompeting those that are native to the region. Once introduced, they have the ability to spread over large distances via bird or even human activity. Fortunately, individual early detection and control efforts can save countless hours of work needed to restore the property. The Kent Conservation District will share a list of priority invasive plants in West Michigan, the established best management practices for eradicating them and provide next steps to restore the property by installing

native species which benefit our local wildlife and pollinators substantially more than their invasive counterparts. The presentation will also include landowner grant opportunities for habitat restoration, services that the in-house Kent Strike Team can provide including previous invasive control work with Cannon Township and upcoming volunteer events to get involved with local conservation efforts. The goal of the presentation is to share actionable steps toward mitigating the impact of invasive plants and repairing our land to provide the greatest benefit to local wildlife.

The committee is excited to host more events throughout the year, ranging from presentations to community work days. Please contact me with any ideas that you may have for a future event.



**Cy Balk**  
Trustee

SAVE THE DATE

**May 2, 2026**

Bittersweet pull at the Balk Park! Be on the lookout for more event details.



# Fire Department Update

## A SEASON OF GRATITUDE AND DEDICATED SERVICE

As the calendar turns toward the end of the year, we find ourselves immersed in the holiday season, a time traditionally dedicated to reflection, deep gratitude, and the invaluable warmth of time spent with loved ones. From all of us at the Cannon Township Fire Department, we extend our sincerest appreciation. Thank you for the unwavering trust and continued support you place in us every single day.

### THE COMMITMENT TO SERVE

Our mission is defined by the commitment to serve this community, often during your most challenging and vulnerable moments. We recognize the profound responsibility that comes with being the ones you call upon when things go wrong.

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*"It is the mission of the Cannon Township Fire Department to provide, with care and concern, the highest quality Fire/Rescue/EMS care and service to all persons for whom the Cannon Township Fire Department is responsible. We will accomplish our mission through prevention, education, emergency response, and other related emergency and non-emergency activities. We will actively participate in our community, serve as role models and strive to effectively and efficiently utilize all necessary resources at our command to provide a product deemed excellent to our citizens."*

It is true that the work we do doesn't always yield a favorable outcome, and those moments weigh heavily on every one of our personnel. Yet, it is the success stories—like the heartwarming account of the Williams family detailed in the last Cannon Communicator—that fuels our resolve and reminds us of the immense impact of immediate, decisive action. We understand completely that we are expected to be there, ready to help, even when it is undeniably your worst day, and we approach that expectation with solemn professionalism and dedication.



### HONORING EXCELLENCE IN EMERGENCY CARE

This past year, our team's dedication to excellence received significant external recognition. We were deeply honored to be celebrated at the recent KCEMS (Kent County Emergency Medical Services) recognition ceremony.

Your Cannon Township Fire Department proudly received three distinguished awards in total, showcasing the depth of training and commitment within our ranks:

- Two Life-Saving Awards: These awards specifically recognize instances where our quick actions and medical interventions directly resulted in saving the patients' lives. They are a testament to the high level of emergency medical care our firefighters provide.
- One Award for Exceptional Patient Care: This accolade acknowledges not just the clinical skill, but the compassion, professionalism, and thoroughness of our team's response and care provided to a patient under challenging circumstances.

These awards belong to the entire community, as they reflect the investment you make in supporting our department. As we look ahead, know that your Cannon Township Fire Department remains committed to providing the highest level of emergency service, grounded in professionalism, compassion, and tireless readiness.



**James M. Morris**  
Fire Chief, EMT

# Parks & Recreation and Facilities Update

Hello Friends and Neighbors,

I hope this newsletter finds you doing well and enjoying the outdoors, even when the temperatures stay colder. Spring is just around the corner, and both the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Facilities Committee have been hard at work preparing for the spring and summer ahead so that you can continue to enjoy our parks. I would like to share a few updates with you.

The Cannon Trail expansion will begin in 2026. The project has been approved by the Township Board, all easements have been secured, the Kent County Road Commission has approved the plans, and the funding is in place thanks to the Recreational Millage that Township residents voted for several years ago. As many of you know, Cannon Township operates with a surplus budget, not a deficit budget, so we do not begin projects until we have the money saved up so we can pay for them in full. We have been saving Recreational Millage funds for many years in preparation for this important expansion.

The project will begin with the installation of a paved multi-use trail that will pick up where the current ending is at Hickory Court, then cross Kies into Luton Park, run along the South border of Luton Park and end at the South parking lot of Luton Park. Once construction begins, we anticipate the project will take less than three months to complete. If you would like to view the full design, a copy of the plans is available at the front desk at the Township offices.

We have also launched a trail etiquette campaign to help educate and encourage trail users. New trail etiquette signs are being installed under the trail stop signs at intersections. When trail users slow down to cross a road, they will have a moment to review the guidelines. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with them and let us all work together to keep the trail safe and enjoyable for everyone.

We have completed our Parks and Recreation Master Plan for the years 2026 through 2031. The Parks and Recreation Committee began working on this Plan in mid-2025. The plan must be updated every five years and submitted to the

Michigan Department of Natural Resources by February 1, 2026.

It is always exciting to envision the future of recreational opportunities in Cannon Township. I want to thank the Parks and Recreation Committee for their dedication and hard work. We also appreciate the residents who shared ideas and feedback during the 30-day public comment period from December 12, 2026 through January 11, 2026

We are excited to share the completed plan with you. It contains a number of future projects and helpful information about the Township and our recreational opportunities. A printed copy is available for review at the front desk of the Township office. We will also post the plan on our website, although it may not be available online at the time of this printing.

Finally, an update on Balk Family Park. As many of you have seen, construction on the building and surrounding grounds is underway. We know it can be inconvenient to use the park during this construction phase, and we appreciate your patience. Once completed, the park will be a tremendous asset to the community, and we are extremely excited to see it take shape.

I hope to see you out enjoying the many recreational opportunities here in Cannon Township. If we cross paths, please feel free to say hello. I look forward to meeting you.

Wishing you a life well lived in Cannon Township.

Todd Olson  
Trustee, Cannon Township, MI  
Chair, Cannon Township Parks and Recreation  
Member, Cannon Township Facilities Committee



**Todd Olson**  
Trustee



# Zoning Update

## NONCONFORMING LOTS, BUILDINGS AND USES

Section 450-30 of the zoning ordinance explains what happens with lots, buildings, or land uses that were completely legal when they were created (prior to the existing zoning ordinance) but no longer fit today's zoning requirements. The idea isn't to punish homeowners or businesses, but to let these properties keep being used while slowly moving the community toward meeting current standards.

In simple terms, if something was legal before the zoning rules changed, it's allowed to stay. But the Township doesn't want these nonconforming situations to last forever, so the rules limit how much they can be expanded and encourage property owners to bring things up to current code when possible.

### NONCONFORMING LOTS

Lots that were officially recorded before the new zoning rules (1996) took effect can still be used even if they're smaller or narrower than today's requirements. Owners just need to meet at least 90% of the required property setbacks. If someone owns two or more small, side-by-side lots that don't meet the size rules, the Township will treat them as one combined lot for zoning purposes. Once combined, they can't be split again unless each new lot meets all the current zoning standards.

### NONCONFORMING BUILDINGS

Buildings that don't meet today's rules can stay as they are, but they can't be expanded in any way that makes them even more out of compliance. Repairs and normal maintenance are allowed, but major improvements are limited if they exceed 50% of the building's value—unless the owner is making the building more compliant. If a nonconforming building is damaged by something like a fire, it can usually be rebuilt, but larger reconstruction projects may need special approval.

### NONCONFORMING USES

If a property is being used in a way that no longer fits zoning rules, that use can continue, but only inside the parts of the building that were originally designed for it. It can't be expanded to new areas or moved around the property. If the nonconforming use stops for a full year, or if a permitted use takes its place, the old use can't come back. Signs of abandonment, like shutting off utilities or removing equipment, can also cause the nonconforming use to be considered discontinued.

Overall, these rules aim to be fair to existing property owners while guiding the community toward meeting current zoning standards over time.



**Edmund Lockhart**  
Zoning Administrator  
Assistant Planner

## Dates To Remember

Date	Event	Time	Location
2/9/2026	Township Board Meeting	7:00pm	Cannon Township Center
2/10/2026	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00pm	Cannon Township Center
2/16/2026	Winter Property Tax Bills Due		
2/16/2026	Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting	6:00pm	Cannon Township Center
2/23/2026	Parks & Rec Meeting	5:30pm	Fire Dept Training Room
2/23/2026	Township Board Meeting	7:00pm	Cannon Township Center
3/9/2026	Township Board Meeting	7:00pm	Cannon Township Center
3/10/2026	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00pm	Cannon Township Center
3/16/2026	Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting	6:00pm	Cannon Township Center
3/23/2026	Parks & Rec Meeting	5:30pm	Fire Dept Training Room
3/23/2026	Township Board Meeting	7:00pm	Cannon Township Center
4/3/2026	Office Closed - Good Friday		Cannon Township Center
4/13/2026	Township Board Meeting	7:00pm	Cannon Township Center
4/14/2026	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00pm	Cannon Township Center
4/20/2026	Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting	6:00pm	Cannon Township Center
4/27/2026	Parks & Rec Meeting	5:30pm	Fire Dept Training Room
4/27/2026	Township Board Meeting	7:00pm	Cannon Township Center
5/1 & 5/2	Summer Clean Up	8:00am – 3:30pm	Cannonsburg Ski Lodge

For additional meeting dates, please visit the Township website at [www.cannontwp.org](http://www.cannontwp.org). Please note that dates are subject to change.

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**Pictured on the cover is the Dwight Lydell Chapter of  
The Izaak Walton League's Pond, located in Cannon Township.  
Join them for their Annual Winter Fest on January 31.**