



TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL



Whitehall Township will not publicly comment on personnel matters regarding its employees. It is the Township's position that confidential information regarding employees should not be shared or discussed in public. Recently, allegations related to Tax Office employees, other Township employees, the Township Administration and the Township Board of Commissioners were made on social media and to the press. Rest assured, the Township has taken all appropriate steps to address concerns regarding the Tax Office and will continue to support Township employees and address all appropriately raised concerns.

A key priority of the Township Administration and Board of Commissioners is ensuring that all money paid to the Tax Office is handled carefully. The Township recently received recommendations from an outside auditor on best practices to ensure the security of the Tax Office. Among other things, only employees who have undergone a specialized background check are permitted to accept payments at the payment windows. Additional dual controls are in place to ensure that all taxes and fees collected are properly accounted for. These rules prevent the Township from simply reassigning employees to the Tax Office or using temporary staff if there are times when staffing is limited.

All staff currently working in the Tax Office are Township employees. The Township Treasurer has the power under the Township Home Rule Charter to appoint such other employees as she determines are required to perform her job functions. The Treasurer has not appointed any of her own employees to assist with duties that she believes are not being properly performed by Township employees.