

The Spring Echo

SPRING 2019

SPRING BRUSH COLLECTION ~ WEEK OF APRIL 8TH

Spring Township will be having its Spring Brush Collection starting Monday, April 8, 2019, weather permitting. They will go over each street **ONE TIME ONLY**. If you wish to have your brush picked up, please follow these instructions:

- ✓ **ALL** limbs must be placed along the curb, **PARALLEL TO THE ROAD**.
- ✓ **ALL** limbs must be placed out prior to 7:00 a.m. Monday morning, April 8, 2019, so that you are not missed. **ONCE THE ROAD CREW HAS GONE OVER A STREET THEY WILL NOT GO BACK.**
- ✓ **NO** limbs larger than 4" in diameter and **NO** more than one load of brush will be accepted per household. **This collection is for trimming of bushes and trees, not for tree removal or site clearing.**

It is important that these instructions are followed to ensure the safety of our Road Crew and proper operation and care of our equipment. IF THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED YOUR BRUSH WILL NOT BE PICKED UP!!!

The Road Crew will begin sweeping the streets after brush collection is over. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to call the office at (814) 355-7543 ext. 105. Thank you!

From the Township Zoning Office
By Vaughn Zimmerman

Soon springtime will be here, and with that our grasses and shrubs will grow quickly. Township regulations require that yards need to be mowed on a regular basis and restricts grass and weeds to a maximum height of 6 inches. As we look forward to cleaning up our properties in the upcoming spring season, please also remember that in order to burn your brush your property needs to have a minimum of 3 acres.

Spring Township also has regulations that require trash to be stored in proper containers and that properties are to obtain the services of a licensed trash hauler. Without proper storage and regular collection, trash can become a public nuisance and a health hazard.

The Township's sewage management program will continue in 2019. For those who had their properties inspected 6 years ago you will be asked to have your septic system pumped and inspected again this year. These forms will be mailed soon so please return your information forms and the inspection fee as soon as possible so that we may schedule your inspection!

Lastly, please remember that any home improvement projects you may wish to do this year may require building and zoning permits. To ensure the needed amount of time to process your permits, please submit your applications as far in advance of your project as you are able.

If you have any questions about these or any other issues, please contact me at (814) 355-5067 Ext. 104 or email me at code@springtownship.org.



**From the Police Department
Chief Michael Danneker**

With Spring and Summer just around the bend, we remind our Township Residents and traveling public to drive safely. Spring Township will again participate in several PennDOT grants focusing on Aggressive Driving and seat belt violations. For those of you who have a negative view of our efforts, PennDOT has shown a significant decrease in crashes within our region. I personally would like to thank all of the officers, not just from Spring Township, but all around the Commonwealth, that participate in these efforts to make our Pennsylvania roadways safer.

With warmer weather coming our way, people are less likely to stay confined to their residence. Please remember to lock your house and car doors when you're not present. If you see or hear something odd that may be concerning, please feel free to contact the Spring Township Police Department by dialing 911 or the non-emergency number at 1-800-479-0050.

The Board of Supervisors, and Police Staff look for ways to address public safety needs. For the safety of our community, our Officers have started wearing body cameras which should also support transparency. We'll continue to ask for your input and support to continue our goals of making this the safest Township of our size in the Commonwealth.

Please remember to check out our Facebook page!

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER!!

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**TOWNSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE**

**SUPERVISORS** – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00 pm unless it falls on a holiday, then it is the following evening.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00 pm unless it falls on a holiday, then it is the following Monday.

**WATER AUTHORITY** – 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm. (December meeting is a week early)

**ZONING HEARDING BOARD** – AS NEEDED

**SIXTH ANNUAL  
(Rain or Shine!)  
PLEASANT GAP  
FIRE COMPANY  
EASTER EGG HUNT**

**Co-Sponsored by the  
Pleasant Gap Lioness Club and  
Pleasant Gap Legion**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2019  
10:00 AM**

**Pleasant Gap Carnival Grounds  
Robinson Lane, Pleasant Gap, PA**

**Registration begins at 9:00 AM  
Age groups include:**

**0-2**

**3-4**

**5-6**

**7-9**

**10-12**

**OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN OF  
SPRING TOWNSHIP!!**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

**For More Information  
or to make a donation**

**Contact:  
Connie Bair-Holt  
387-4593**





## **WATER AUTHORITY**

*By Molly Baird*

### **ATTENTION: Spring Township Water Authority Customers!!**

Due to increasing costs on maintaining the system and the installation of the new well project, Effective January 1, 2019, your water rates have changed! The new rate will be \$5.00 per 1,000 gallons used plus the \$20.00 base fee per quarter. Customers will notice the change on the April 15, 2019 billing quarter.

We also highly encourage customers to make sure when paying on line you are paying your water bill. We are separate from the sewer office, which is Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority. If we receive a payment from someone who is not a customer, we can only refund the monies we received. We cannot refund the fee charged by Pay Pal for paying online. These monies do not come to The Authority. If we receive a payment that is not ours, monies are transferred from our Pay Pal Account into the checking account so a check can be cut to issue a refund which is typically at the end of each month after approved at a Water Authority meeting. **Please be careful which website you are on before making a payment.**

As Spring/Summer will be approaching, customers will be anxious to get outside and wash vehicles, plant gardens, etc., but as always try to remember water is a precious commodity and we need to remember to **“USE WATER WISELY!”**

### **TIPS FROM TOBY Water Operator**

Here is a little tip to help reduce your water usage and keep your bill at the appropriate amount. Periodically or month, check your home for leaking water. When you are not using any water, look at your water meter for a couple of minutes and make sure that none of the numbers are scrolling (on the plastic I-Perl meter) or that little triangle is turning (brass SR2 meter). If you experience this situation, you have something leaking in your home. Most of the time it is a leaking toilet or outside hose bib. This should be addressed as soon as possible.

A ½ gallon per minute water leak used 720 gallons per day or 64,000 gallons per quarter. A full quarter of a leak this size would result in your water bill being an additional \$320. I hope this helps you reduce any unnecessary water usage.

Please feel free to call me with any questions about this. Toby Dashner 355-7543 Ext. 115

### **AFTER HOURS DROP OFF BOX**

**ATTENTION RESIDENTS: MANY OF YOU MAY NOT BE AWARE THAT WE HAVE AN AFTER HOURS DROP OFF BOX LOCATED RIGHT OUTSIDE OF OUR FRONT DOORS OFF TO THE LEFT. THIS BOX IS FOR AFTER HOURS DROP OFF OF WATER PAYMENTS, PERMIT APPLICATIONS, LETTERS, ETC. THIS BOX IS CHECKED EVERY MORNING AND DISTRIBUTED ACCORDINGLY.**

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Spring Township Building  
1309 Blanchard Street  
Bellefonte, PA 16823

Presorted Standard  
PAID  
Bellefonte, PA  
16823-9998  
Permit No. 17



**Spring Township Offices will be closed on the following days:  
March 30 ~ May 28 ~ July 4 ~ Sept. 3**



### **Mission Statement**

Our Mission is to create, nurture and maintain an environment of growth, challenge, and unlimited potential for all those around us.

### **Goal**

Our Goal is to leave this world a better place to live, work, learn, grow, and have fun!

### **Spring Township Board of Supervisors**

- ❖ Terry Perryman, Chairman
- ❖ David Capperella, Vice-Chairman
- ❖ Frank Royer, Supervisor

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