

# The Spring Echo

FALL 2020

**IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO, PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN THE 2020 CENSUS  
WWW.CENSUS.GOV**

## **FALL BRUSH COLLECTION ~ WEEK OF OCTOBER 12th**

Spring Township will be having its Fall Brush Collection starting Monday, October 12th, 2020, 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**, so that they are clearly visible and accessible.
- ~ Limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter will not be collected.
- ~ All limbs must be placed out prior to 7:00 a.m. Monday morning, October 12, 2020, so that you are not missed. Once the Road Crew has gone over a street, they will not go back.
- ~ 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.

**LEAF COLLECTION** will follow immediately after brush collection and continue until all leaves are picked up or the snow flies! If you have any additional questions, please feel free to call the office at (814) 355-7543 ext. 102. Thank you!

**REMEMBER** If you miss these collection dates, you may take these items to the Bellefonte Landfill

**From The Township Zoning Office**

By Vaughn Zimmerman

Dear Township Residents,

As fall approaches, you may be thinking about projects that you still need to do before winter sets in. I would like to remind you that most projects do require zoning permits and building permits, so please do not forget to take care of this before you begin your project.

We are now into the eighth year of the Township's sewage management program. This means that those properties who were inspected in the second year of the program are now having their second inspections performed. If you have not yet sent in your materials, please do so as soon as possible so that your inspection can be scheduled.

As Fall approaches, I would also like to remind our residents that burning of leaves and brush is not permitted unless the property has at least three acres. I would encourage all of our residents to make use of the scheduled leaf and brush pickups that are offered by the Township to avoid burning these items.

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](mailto:code@springtownship.org).



## From the Police Department

To the citizens of Spring Township: The Spring Township Police Department is proud to protect and serve our community.

With Summer behind us and Fall approaching, we ask that you consider some of our vigilant suggestions:

- Centre County schools will be in session beginning on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. Please practice safe driving with special attention to our school students, school buses, school zones and young drivers. Spring Township Police and the Rockview State Police will be enhancing traffic visibility and enforcement in our jurisdiction, especially during school start and end times.
- With the Fall season approaching, please remain aware of deer crossing roadways in Spring Township with special attention being taken near farms and wooded areas no matter the time of day or night.
- New “No Trucks”, 10 ton weight limit signs have been placed at the traffic lights on South Harrison Road/East College Avenue and South Main Street/East and West College Avenues. Special thank you to the Spring Township roadcrew and PennDOT maintenance for erecting the new signs.
- Residents, please remain vigilant in locking your home and car doors on a regular basis.
- Residents be aware of phone scams. As a rule of thumb, we suggest that you do not answer numbers that you do not know. If someone knows you, they will leave you a voicemail. Never give out account numbers or social security numbers to those you do not know. Do not agree to give a call a credit card or gift card number over the phone.

We wish everyone a healthy Fall 2020 and encourage you to continue practicing masking/social distancing and a little extra patience and understanding during our society’s ongoing COVID Awareness.

O.I.C. Ronald Schall

FOR EMERGENCIES DIAL 911  
OR FOR NON EMERGENCIES  
CALL 1-800-479-0050



DUE TO THE UNCERTAINTY OF THE  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC  
SPRING TOWNSHIP HAS NOT MADE A  
DECISION REGARDING  
TRICK OR TREAT  
AT THIS TIME

PLEASE CONTINUE TO CHECK OUR  
WEBSITE FOR UPDATES AS TIME  
GETS CLOSER TO HALLOWEEN

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A  
FUN AND EXCITING EVENT FOR THE  
CHILDREN OF THE TOWNSHIP, BUT  
WE WANT TO DO WHAT IS  
NECESSARY TO KEEP EVERYONE  
SAFE AND HEALTHY DURING THESE  
UNCERTAIN TIMES.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE  
AND UNDERSTANDING.





## WATER AUTHORITY

*By Molly Baird*

### **ATTENTION** Spring Township Water Authority customers!

We are happy to report, as some of you have already utilized, our online payment option is now up and running! To pay online go to: <https://springtown.authoritypay.com> We also now have the option of taking credit card payments in the office and/or over the phone if you so choose.

Also, the penalty forgiveness that was in effect from March 16 – June 24, 2020 has been lifted and beginning with your July 2020 bill, penalties will now be reinstated if not paid by the due date. Penalties are assessed at a rate of 10% of the amount of your bill and will carry forward to your next quarters bill if not paid with your current bill.

In addition, if you request your water service be terminated due to vacations, illness and no one living in the home or other situation of that nature – there is a \$25 termination fee and a \$25 fee to have the water service turned back on. If you request your water service be turned off for leaks or repairs there is no charge for that service.

It has been a very dry summer and customers have been watering gardens, plants/shrubs, filling pools, etc. but we must remember WATER IS A PRECIOUS COMMODITY and we need to remember to ‘USE WATER WISELY!’

### Tips from Toby

Dear Spring Township Water Authority Customers,

We have received multiple calls about higher than usual water bills due to excessive usage. I am reposting this again to try and reach out to our customers in hope to help with this situation.

Here is a little tip to help reduce your water usage and keep your bill at the appropriate amount. Periodically or monthly, 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 the little triangle is not 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, water softener malfunction or outside hose bib. This should be addressed as soon as possible.

A ½ gallon per minute water leak uses 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 \$320.00. I hope this helps you reduce any unnecessary water usage.

Please feel free to call me with any questions about this.

Toby Dashner – (814) 355-7543 Ext. 115

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Bellefonte, PA 16823

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16823-9998  
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## Spring Township Offices will be closed on the following days:

November 11, 26, 27 ~ December 24, 25 ~ January 1, 2021

### **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**

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