



## Two Mile Run Park Grant Awarded



Brighton Township has received a grant award of \$210,000 from the Community Conservation Partnerships Program administered by the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), who noted that “Your DCNR grant award is a recognition of outstanding recreation and conservation work”.

The grant project will assist in the funding of the rehabilitation of Shultz Lodge and extensive site improvements. Building renovations include the demolition of the stage area and the construction of a new

vestibule and interior construction within the main lodge that will include windows, flooring, lighting and ceiling. Significant site grading will take place to reduce the elevation of the parking lot in relationship to the lodge for building preservation and to improve site drainage. The parking lot will then be reconstructed with one main entry point and circular drop off with sidewalks to serve the new building entrance and Shelter No. 1. The refuse dumpsters will be relocated to accommodate these changes. Site improvements will include stormwater management, sidewalks and landscaping.

At this time the execution of the grant contract with DCNR is pending. Thereafter construction plans will be submitted to DCNR for authorization to proceed. A project schedule will be developed and reported on in future newsletters.

## Hardy Field Selected as Project of the Year

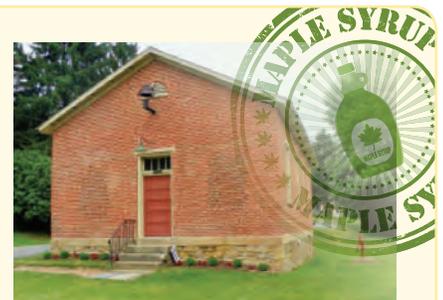
Hardy Field has been selected as Project of the Year by the Beaver County Chapter of Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers. The Larson Design Group was the engineers for the project, managed by F. Thomas Zeglin, P.E.

The project converted the multi-use field into a modern day baseball facility. This required significant site grading through the use of laser-guided GPS blade control. The field had historically been unusable during certain times of the year due to poor drainage conditions. The grading in combination with drainage infrastructure were



completed to address this issue. Another design goal was to improve ADA access, which was addressed through the construction of a switchback ramp, additional sidewalks and a pedestrian crossing.

*Congratulations to Larson Design Group for receipt of this award.*



### “Little Red” School House Special Event

The one room “Little Red” schoolhouse will have a special open house during the 2016 Maple Syrup Festival weekend. The Richmond Schoolhouse Museum is located at 245 Park Road in Brighton Township and is adjacent to Brady’s Run Park. Parking and admission are free. The special open house will be held as follows:

**Saturday, April 2, 2016**  
10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

&

**Sunday, April 3, 2016**  
Noon to 4:00 p.m.

## Also in this Issue

Planning Commission, VFD and Police Department Annual Reports.....	2, 4
Composting Site Permit Renewal .....	3
Park Rules & Regulations.....	7
Refuse & Recycling Program Rates ...	8
MS4 Program Implementation.....	9

# Brighton Township Planning Commission 2015 Annual Report

The Brighton Township Planning Commission members serve as volunteers, and are appointed by the Board of Supervisors to review land use proposals, such as subdivision and land developments, and make recommendations on their adoption to the Board. They also develop and review amendments to the Township's land use codes. The Commission holds monthly meetings to conduct all business. The Commission welcomes all input from residents on the Township's land use policies and other matters that fall under their review, with the goal of maintaining and improving the character of the Township. Following is a brief summary of the Commission's formal activities during 2015.

## 2015 Commission Members

Jeffrey S. Maze, Chairman	William L. Snider, Vice Chairman
Tim O'Brien, Secretary	Mark Piccirilli
Michael Purton	Jenny Strang
John A. Weber	Kathryn L. Johnston, Solicitor

## Subdivision Application Plan Reviews

1. Plan of Subdivision for Audrey H. Sheline & Cynthia L. Sheline ..... 2 Lots \*@
2. Plan of Lot Revision for Richard S. & Margaret H. Crumrine and Tusca Area Reformed Presbyterian Church ..... 2 Lots \*\*@
3. Crumrine Lot Consolidation – Consolidating Lots 202 & 203 ..... 1 Lot @

@ Denotes final approval granted by Board of Supervisors – plan recorded.

\* Denotes 1 lot with existing dwelling.

# Denotes lot with non-building waiver

## Land Use Ordinance Preparation

**Zoning Code Amendment** – The Planning Commission worked with the Cohen Law Group to revise and restate the Township's zoning regulations as they apply to communication antennas and towers. Part of the mission was to address the placement of facilities within the public right of ways and to encourage co-locations. The new regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 198.

**Stormwater Ordinance** – To comply with PA DEP stormwater management requirements and the Township's NPDES permit for its stormwater facilities, a Stormwater Management Ordinance, including Prohibited Discharges, was prepared. The ordinance regulates stormwater discharges with the goal of improving water quality. The new regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 197 establishing Township Code Chapter 173.

**Subdivision & Land Development Code Amendment** – The Subdivision and Land Development Code was amended to remove existing regulations for stormwater management, as those regulations are now established as Stormwater Management, Chapter 173 of the Township Code. The changes were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 199.

**Floodplain Ordinance** – A revised and restated Floodplain Ordinance was prepared and adopted with an effective date of August 17, 2015 to comply with the revised FEMA floodplain mapping and to remain compliant with the Nation Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 195, Floodplain Management, Chapter 100 of the Township Code.

**Zoning Code Amendment** – During 2015 the Commission initiated a review of the Zoning Code to discuss and recommend Code changes relating to uses where alcohol could be served. This is in response to the passing of a referendum ballot question by the voters of the Township that permits the granting of liquor licenses for the sale of liquor within the Township. Amendments will be completed for adoption during 2016.

## Other Business Items

**Township Greenway and Trail Plan** – The PA DCNR has awarded a grant to the Township for the preparation of the Greenway and Trail Plan. Mr. O'Brien is the Planning Commission's appointee serving on the Study Committee. The Study Committee conducted community meetings for public input and held several other meetings throughout the year. The plan identifies locations recommended for conservation or public easements. The plan will be concluded in 2016.

### Township Supervisors

John Curtaccio, *Chairman*  
James E. Equels, Sr., *Vice Chairman*  
Mark Piccirilli, *Supervisor*  
Bryan K. Dehart, *Manager*  
Harold F. Reed, Jr., *Solicitor*  
Lennon, Smith,  
Souleret Engineering, Inc.  
*Township Engineer*

### Municipal Authority

(724) 774-4800  
Kerien Fitzpatrick, *Chairman*  
Jack E. Erath, *Vice Chairman*  
Gordon R. Sheffer, Ph.D., *Secretary*  
Jeffrey S. Maze, *Treasurer*  
Michael L. Keeliher,  
*Assistant Secretary/Treasurer*

### Sewage Authority

(724) 774-4800  
Jeffrey S. Maze, *Chairman*  
Jack E. Erath, *Vice Chairman*  
Kerien Fitzpatrick, *Secretary*  
Mark Piccirilli, *Treasurer*  
Gordon R. Sheffer, Ph.D.,  
*Assistant Secretary/Treasurer*



## Free Bus Trip for WWII & Korean War Veterans

On May 26th there is a one day trip to visit the National WWII Memorial, Korean War Memorial and Arlington National Cemetery in Washington DC. The trip is for WWII and Korean War Veterans and is free. The bus departs at 5:45 a.m. from the Beaver County Parking Garage (next to Courthouse) and returns around 9:00 p.m. There is a nurse on each bus as well as several assistants. Meals and drinks are provided and wheel-chairs are available for those that need them. The goal is to fill every seat with a veteran and therefore we are unable to accommodate family or friends. **For more information and/or reservations, please call Lydian Fisher (724) 728-9370.**

## Final & First Quarter Earned Income Tax Returns

Final Earned Income Tax Returns are due by April 15th. Employed residents of Brighton Township are subject to a 1% tax on gross earnings. This tax is paid to the Beaver Area School District and Brighton Township at 1/2 of 1% each. The tax must be paid quarterly to avoid penalty. If you were/are employed in Pennsylvania it is mandatory, with a few exceptions, that your employer withholds the tax and your obligation is fulfilled except for the filing of a final return by April 15th. However, it is the employed person's responsibility to pay the tax so payment should be verified. **Failure to file a final return, even when no tax is due, makes individuals liable for penalty. Upcoming payment schedules:**

Earned Income Period	Payment is Due
Final Return - Verification Needed	By April 15th
1st Qtr: January, February, March	On or before April 30th

The EIT Collector for all of Beaver County, including Brighton Township and Beaver Area School District, is Berkheimer. All 2015 final returns and 1st Quarter 2016 estimated payments should be sent to Berkheimer. Forms can be obtained from the Berkheimer web site at [www.hab-inc.com](http://www.hab-inc.com). They can also be reached at (866) 701-7206.

**The PSD Code for Brighton Township and Beaver Area School District is – 040303.**

**NOTICE:** If you are self employed, work out of state or are a federal employee, local earned income tax is not deducted from your pay by your employer, so you are required to pay the tax quarterly or be subject to additional penalty, interest and costs.

## Time to Renew Your Yard Waste Permit!

All 2015 Yard Waste Composting Site Permits expired February 29th and must be renewed for use of the site. Permits may be renewed as follows:

1. In person at the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road, Beaver, PA 15009. Cost of the permit is \$10.00.
2. By mailing a check, **made payable to Brighton Township**, in the amount of \$12.00 (\$2.00 to cover return postage) along with the number from your previous permit. Your new permit will be issued and mailed to you within five days. (This form is also available on the Applications & Forms page in the Resident's Center of our web site at [www.brighton.twp.org](http://www.brighton.twp.org).)

First time permit applications must be made in person, with proof of residency, at the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road, Beaver, PA 15009.

During the past year the township experienced numerous occasions of improper use of the site. Only grass, leaves, brush/tree limbs are to be deposited at the site. Please refer to the rules and regulations for site use. Plastic bags, stones, boards, landscape timbers and garbage are not acceptable. Disposal of unauthorized materials can damage the equipment used to operate the site, and can cause other hazards. Use of the site without a valid permit, or in violation of the rules, can result in enforcement action. The site is under video surveillance.

**If you have any questions about our composting site, please call (724) 774-4800.**

### Brighton Township YARD WASTE PERMIT 2016 RENEWAL

Resident Name

Address

Previous Permit No.

Signature

# VFD 2015 Annual Report

Fire Chief Joshua Curtaccio has issued the following 2015 statistical report for the Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department:

TYPE	NUMBER
Structural .....	4
Fire Alarms .....	77
Brush .....	7
Vehicle .....	23
Vehicle accident with injuries .....	3
Carbon Monoxide .....	11
QRS .....	247
Miscellaneous calls for service .....	46
Mutual Aid.....	53
<b>TOTAL CALLS.....</b>	<b>471</b>

Remember, your Fire Department is TOTALLY VOLUNTEER. The Department is looking for members 18 years of age or older. The Department permits Junior members ages 16 and 17. Volunteers are also needed for the Ladies Auxiliary. Stop in at Fire Station No. 3 on Grange Road on Mondays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. or email us at station63@comcast.net if you want more information or are interested in volunteering.

The Fire Department is also looking for individuals over 18 who would like to join as a Social Member and assist with fundraising activities, such as our Fish Fries. Please email us at station63@comcast.net for more information.

- **Fire Hydrants** – Township Code makes it unlawful for any person, other than those authorized by the Township, Fire Department or Municipal Authority, to open, tamper with or interfere in any manner with any fire hydrant. No obstructions are to be planted, constructed or placed within six (6) feet of any hydrant.
- **Burning** – Burning of household papers or other permitted refuse must be done within a salamander wire basket or masonry enclosure with a top to prevent fly ash from escaping. Such burning is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays or legal holidays. Burning is permitted Wednesday through Saturday between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please monitor all outdoor burning activity closely to prevent brush and other wild fires.
- **Donations** – If you wish to financially support the Fire Department, donations can be made on line through the BTVFD website [www.brightontwpvfd.org](http://www.brightontwpvfd.org) or by check to BTVFD and mailed to 84 Grange Road, Beaver, PA 15009.

# Police Department 2015 Annual Report

Chief of Police Howard Blinn has issued the following Department statistics for 2015:

Hours Worked.....	23,599
Miles Patrolled.....	149,703
Accidents Investigated .....	99
Criminal Arrests.....	68
Moving Traffic Citations Issued .....	1,354
Nonmoving Traffic Citations Issued.....	38
Traffic Warnings Issued .....	35
Parking Violations.....	36
Fines Collected .....	\$29,156
Homes Security Alarms Answered .....	157
Assists to Other Departments .....	100
911 Calls .....	89
Aid to Sick or Injured .....	629
Animal Calls .....	124
Vacation Checks .....	57
Business Check/Closure .....	963

Chief Blinn thanks all Township residents for their kind support to the Department and encourages the reporting of all suspicious activity to the Police Department. Please be reminded of the following:

- **Lock Vehicles** – Vehicles parked outdoors should be locked at all times, especially when parked upon a street. Do not leave valuables (purses, laptops, etc.) within the vehicles. Unlocked vehicles are an easy and common target for theft.
- **Vacation Checks** – If you are going to be away from your home for a period of time, the police department will make periodic checks on your residence while you are away. Prior to leaving, phone the department at (724) 728-1134 with departure and return dates.
- **Dogs** – It is unlawful for the owner of any dog in Brighton Township to permit the dog to run at large upon any street or upon the property of any other than the owner or keeper. Dogs are prohibited in Township Parks.
- **Soliciting or Peddling** – Soliciting and peddling is regulated within the Township and requires the securing of a license. Soliciting or peddling is prohibited on Sundays and holidays, before 9:30 a.m. or after sunset or 6:00 p.m., whichever occurs first.
- **Parking** – Vehicles must be parked on the right-hand side of the road with the flow of traffic or it will be subject to ticketing.
- **Curfew** – It is unlawful for any person under the age of 18 years to be or remain in or upon any street, park or public place in the Township between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. unless a parent, guardian or other person having legal custody, accompanies the person.

**UPCOMING FISH FRIES**

**MARCH 18, 25**

**APRIL 1, 15**



# Real Estate Tax Office

Due to banking requirements, it is mandatory that separate checks be issued for payment of the Township Real Estate Tax and School Real Estate Tax. Brighton Township Real Estate taxes must be made payable to Brighton Township Tax Collector. Beaver Area School District Real Estate taxes must be made payable to Beaver Area School District Tax Collector. Thank you for your cooperation.

The 2016 Brighton Township Real Estate Tax bills were mailed March 1, 2016. Unpaid 2015 Beaver Area School District Real Estate Tax bills will be filed April 1, 2016 at the Court House.

If a mortgage company does not hold your taxes in escrow and you did not receive your tax bill, please contact the tax collector.

The elected tax collector, James W. Onuska, holds office hours as follows:

## Office Hours:

- Tuesday: ..... 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday: ..... 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday: ..... 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Last two (2) Saturdays of each of the discount months (March & April): ..... 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Personal appointments may be made by contacting the tax office.

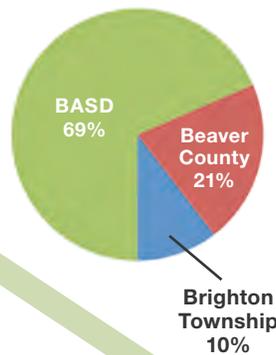
The tax collection office is located in the lower level of the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road. A drop box has been installed for your convenience. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact James W. Onuska, Brighton Township Real Estate Tax Collector at (724) 774-2622.

NOTE: When mailing, please do not include your tax payments within the same envelope as your water & sewer payments. These items should be mailed independent of each other. Those utilizing bill payment services should also notify their bank of this requirement.

## Real Estate Tax Dollar

Taxing District	Mills Assessed
Brighton Township.....	11.0
Beaver County .....	22.2
Beaver Area School.....	72.2

## Real Estate Tax Distribution



### Example of House Assessed at \$35,000

<b>Township Tax</b>	
11.0 mill x \$35,000=	\$ 385.00
<b>County Tax</b>	
22.2 mill x \$35,000=	\$ 777.00
<b>School Tax</b>	
72.2 mill x \$35,000=	\$ 2,527.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,689.00</b>



## Building & Zoning Permit Requirements

The International Construction Code (ICC) is in effect for all construction within Brighton Township, with the exception of a few items that have been excluded pursuant to The Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, as amended. However, a Zoning Permit is required for all construction activity, including items excluded by the Act.

Confirmation of compliance with the ICC is by site inspections by certified building inspection officers. The Township has contracted with the Middle Department Inspection Agency (MDIA) to perform plan reviews and inspection services. MDIA also issues final occupancy permits. Applicants for building permits are required to submit documentation with the application that the proposed construction complies with code. These codes apply to general construction, plumbing, electrical and HVAC/Mechanical.

Due to the plan review requirements of the ICC, please allow more time for the processing and review of your permit application if you are planning a construction project this year. You may also visit the Applications and Forms Page within the Resident's Center at [brightontwp.org](http://brightontwp.org) where Customer Assistance Guides have been posted to assist you through the permitting process.

Do you have code questions? Contact: John Balsler, Building/Plumbing/Electrical Inspector at (800) 662-6342.

## Building Permit Activity for 2015

Single Family Dwellings.....	17
Residential Additions .....	9
Porches/Decks.....	16
Roof .....	8
Garages/Carports .....	11
Sheds/Out Buildings/Pergolas.....	35
Swimming Pools.....	8
Retaining Wall .....	1
Egress Window .....	1
Elevator.....	1
Nonresidential .....	17
Demolitions.....	2
<b>Estimated Construction Value.....</b>	<b>\$12,037,720</b>

# Senior Gardening Plots Available



Spring is just around the corner, and thoughts of flower and vegetable gardens race through our heads. But, maybe you don't have a suitable garden plot. If you are age 60 or older and a resident of Beaver County, you qualify for a garden plot at the Senior Gardens located on Western

Avenue on County property located in the township. The Senior Gardens are sponsored by the Beaver County Office on Aging and the Penn State Extension Master Gardener Program.

Garden plots, usually 15' X 20', are available on a first come basis. For the gardener's convenience there are two shelters and picnic tables, as well as two small sheds for storing some gardening tools. Water is also available for a nominal, one-time annual fee. There are many experienced gardeners at the site. So, even if you are a first-time gardener, have no fear, these gardeners have great ideas and suggestions to help you out.

Gardening is a great way to stay active and eat healthy. The friendships developed with fellow gardeners add to the enjoyment experienced by many at the Senior Gardens. An annual summer event called "Taste and Tour" brings all the gardeners and their families together for an evening of food and fellowship at the gardens. And, it is a great way to show off your garden!

To receive an application call the Penn State Extension Office, located at 1000 Third Street, Beaver, at (724) 774-3003.



# Beaver Library Annual Book Sale

The Beaver Area Memorial Library's annual book sale will be held on Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You can attend the pre-sale on Friday, June 3rd from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for a fee of \$5. Donations of usable hardback and paperback books will be accepted starting May 24th. Magazines, textbooks and encyclopedias will not be accepted. The library is located at 100 College Avenue. For more information, please call the library at (724) 775-1132.

# FEMA Releases New Flood Insurance Rate Maps for Beaver County

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which administers the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), has implemented changes to the Flood Insurance Studies (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM). On August 17, 2015 changes to the above documents became effective within Beaver County including Brighton Township. As a result of the changes, the Township adopted a new Floodplain Management Ordinance that meets NFIP standards. The Ordinance sets standards for construction, land development and other activities within the Flood Zone. This Ordinance can be viewed on the Zoning & Planning Page of the Township website.

To find additional information related to your property visit <https://msc.fema.gov/portal/>. Persons with flood insurance now, or who will now need it based upon the new mapping, have an especially strong interest in contacting an insurance agent. In some cases, it may be necessary to engage a Professional Land Surveyor or Engineer to provide an Elevation Certificate (EC) to determine insurance premium rates. General information on National Flood Insurance Program is available at [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov) and at <https://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program>.



# Police Department and Project Lifesaver®

The Brighton Township Police Department is a certified participating member agency of Project Lifesaver®. The program is designed to help people that have the tendency to wander. Project Lifesaver has two goals; to streamline search and rescue procedures and to help save lives. Designated officers of the Police Department have undergone an extensive training course covering Autism, Alzheimer's, Down syndrome and other cognitive conditions and are now certified as electronic search specialists.

## How does the program work?

Persons enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small personal transmitter around the wrist or ankle that emits an individualized tracking signal. If an enrolled client goes missing, the caregiver notifies the Brighton Township Police Department acting as the Project Lifesaver agency, and a trained emergency team responds to the wanderer's area. Program participants have found that most who wander are found within a few miles from home, and search times have been reduced from hours and days to minutes. Each bracelet cost \$300. The Department is now accepting donations to assist program participants with a financial need.

If you wish to make a tax deductible donation, please contact Officer Eric Schwartz at (724) 728-1134 ext. 207 or by email at [eschwartz@brightontwp.org](mailto:eschwartz@brightontwp.org).



## Park Rules & Regulations Reminder

With spring upon us, the Township parks will once again be in full use. Residents and guests are reminded of the following park rules and regulations as established by Township Ordinance:

**Hours: Sunrise to Sunset**

The Following Are Strictly Prohibited:

- Smoking or use of tobacco within any building or structure or within 25-feet of any playground, athletic field, building or structure.
- Possession, use, or under the influence of alcoholic beverages or drugs.
- Boisterous, immoral, or indecent conduct.
- Threatening, abusive, profane or obscene language.
- Littering.
- Damaging, defacing, destroying or moving Township-owned property.
- Fires except in facilities provided for such purposes.
- Mini bikes, motorcycles, snowmobiles, go-carts, ATVs or other motorized vehicles.
- Bicycles on or around any playing field or surface.
- Climbing on fences, backstops or buildings.
- Hitting golf balls on any playing field or surface.
- Dogs within any area devoted to athletic activities or outdoor gatherings – including Dawson Ridge Park, Ellis Field, Hardy Field and Two Mile Run Park lodge and picnic areas.\*
- Soliciting
- Cleaning, servicing or repairing vehicles.
- Leaving vehicles in park after closing hours.

**Violations may be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000.00** – A complete list of rules & regulations are available at the Brighton Township Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road. The above are enforced in accordance with Township Code Chapter 133.

**\*Note:** Dogs on a leash are permitted on trails and open space areas – including Aspen Trail, Ashley Ridge Trail and Two Mile Run Park Extension Walking Trail.

## Six-Week Summer Playground Program

Looking for a fun and safe environment for your elementary age children this summer? Then you will want to participate in the 2016 Summer Playground Program! Brighton Township, in cooperation with the Beaver Area School District, has once again contracted with the YMCA to conduct a Summer Playground Program at the Dutch Ridge Elementary School. The 6-week program runs from June 13th to July 22nd, is for students in K-5th grade and is operated from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. YMCA trained staff supervise the program and provide needed resources; including games, crafts, sports and special events. All YMCA staff members hold current CPR and First Aid certifications. There is no registration fee to participate in the program. Information will be provided through handouts to the children at school.

Please watch for more details later this year!

PLAYGROUND



HAVE FUN!!



# Non-Residential Recycling Requirements

Commercial and other non-residential establishments are reminded that participation in the Township's recycling program is mandatory. Township ordinance requires that all businesses must separate high-grade office paper, aluminum food & beverage containers and corrugated paper (cardboard) from the waste stream, and store the materials until collection. Each location is also encouraged to recycle clear, brown and green glass food and beverage containers; steel and bimetal food and beverage containers; newspaper and magazines; and PET (1) and HDPE (2) plastics. An annual report must be submitted to the Township by the establishment or their contracted hauler disclosing the type and weight of materials recycled during the previous year. The Township is required by the PA Department of Environmental Protection to report annually the types and amounts of materials recycled by both residential and commercial sources.

## New Rate Effective April 1, 2016

Brighton Township's contract with J. Young Refuse for the collection of all residential refuse and recycling includes a provision for change to the monthly collection charge if there is an escalation in the fees charged by the disposal sites for refuse and recycling utilized by the hauler. Based upon a recycling center fee increase of \$2.00 per ton a new rate effective April 1st has been calculated as follows:

Base Rate July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 .....	\$ 11.08
Tipping Fee Cost Adjustment calculated effective October 1, 2015.....	\$ 0.05
Tipping Fee Cost Adjustment calculated effective December 1, 2015.....	\$ 0.02
Fuel Cost Adjustment calculated effective January 1, 2016 .....	(\$0.08)
Monthly Refuse Rate effective January 1, 2016.....	\$ 11.07
Quarterly Refuse Rate effective January 1, 2016 .....	\$33.21

A one-time charge of \$0.08 will be permitted with the April 1, 2016 billing for the tipping fee increase effective December 1, 2015.

## How to Prepare Your Materials



**RECYCLING IS EASY!**

**RECYCLABLE MATERIALS**

<p><b>Manila &amp; Brown Folders</b></p>	<p><b>Newspaper &amp; Phone Books</b></p>
<p><b>Glossy Paper &amp; Magazines</b></p>	<p><b>Junk Mail</b></p>
<p><b>Tin &amp; Aluminum</b></p>	<p><b>Glass</b></p>
<p><b>Aseptic Containers</b></p>	<p><b>Plastic</b> All containers labeled #1-7</p>

- Plastic Bottles and Jugs Only**
- All containers labeled # 1-7 are accepted!
  - Rinse, flatten and securely fasten cap back on.
  - Labels do not need to be removed.
  - Containers that originally held oil or chemicals must be completely emptied and not contain any potentially hazardous material
  - No plastic bags or buckets.
  - Place in green recycling container with other recycling items.
- Aluminum, Bi-Metal & Tin Food and Beverage Containers and Aluminum Foil**
- Rinse and flatten or crush containers.
  - Labels do not need to be removed.
  - Place in green recycling container with other recycling items.

**NON-RECYCLABLE MATERIALS**

<p><b>Food Waste</b></p>	<p><b>Glass Pane &amp; Pyrex</b></p>
<p><b>Food Containers</b></p>	<p><b>Ink/Toner Cartridges</b></p>

- Glass (Clear, Brown and Green Bottles and Jars)**
- Rinse.
  - Labels do not need to be removed.
  - Do not break glass.
  - Do not include auto glass, light bulbs, porcelain, ceramic, plate glass or crystal.
  - Place in green recycling container with other recycling items.
- Aseptic Containers (Milk Cartons)**
- Rinse and flatten containers.
  - Place in green recycling container with other recycling items.
- Newspaper and Other Paper Products**
- Include newspaper, magazines, phone books, junk mail, and all other paper.
  - Do not place in plastic bags.
  - Cereal and cracker type boxes can be included – remove inner bags or liners and flatten.
  - Place directly in green recycling container with other recycling items.

- Remember...**
- Place your recycling container at roadside on the same day as your regular garbage collection during the recycling weeks.
  - Place recyclables directly into recycling container. Do not place items in separate bags or they will not be collected.
  - Recover your recycling container promptly after collection.
  - Green recycling containers are available for purchase at the Brighton Township Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road.

# MS4 Program Implementation

During the past year Brighton Township has completed significant tasks to develop procedures for implementation of its General Permit requirements issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for operation and maintenance of the Township's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). The MS4 system includes all ditches, piping, drains, culverts, catch basins and structures that convey only stormwater runoff to surface waters of the Commonwealth (i.e. Two Mile Run, Brady's Run, Ohio River, etc.). The underlying objective of the Permit is to develop a MS4 Program which implements measures that will protect and improve water quality. The General Permit requires six (6) Minimum Control Measures (MCM's) to be implemented, and include:

1. MCM 1 Public Education and Outreach Program,
2. MCM 2 Public Involvement and Participation,
3. MCM 3 Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination,
4. MCM 4 Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control,

5. MCM 5 Post-Construction Stormwater Management (PCSM) in New and Re-Development Activities,
6. MCM 6 Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping.

The MS4 system has been surveyed and mapped. Facilities that comprise the MS4 system have been inspected and their condition documented. The mapping effort identified 108 stormwater outfalls within Brighton Township. The Permit requires that 20% of stormwater outfalls are inspected annually to confirm proper operation and to identify any illicit connections that may exist. Should illicit connections be found, they must be removed and/or mitigated. To ensure adequate operation and maintenance of all post-construction stormwater management BMPs (Best Management Practices) within residential housing, commercial and institutional sites, the Township has implemented an annual inspection program of structural BMPs such as stormwater detention ponds, underground detention tanks, rain gardens, infiltration basins, and bio-retention areas, among many others.

Stormwater Management regulations, including MS4 Prohibited Discharges to stormwater facilities have been updated and adopted. These regulations are established as Chapter 173 of Township Code and can be viewed on the Township's website on the Stormwater / MS4 Page. Residents are encouraged to review the website for additional educational resources.

Remember that water that goes into a storm sewer eventually drains to a stream. You can help by doing the following:

- Monitor storm sewer inlets near your property. No one should be dumping anything into the storm sewer system. Contact the Police Department immediately if you witness dumping. The Brighton Township Illicit Discharge Complaint Form is available on the Stormwater /MS4 Page of the website.
- Clean up after your pets and dispose of their waste properly.
- Use fertilizers properly and efficiently to prevent excess runoff.
- Properly store materials that could contaminate water supply.
- Report any chemical spills.

## Future MS4 Program Implementation Activities

The Township will soon be completing additional tasks and implementing further requirements as part of its mandatory compliance with the General Permit Minimum Control Measures (MCM) issued by the PA Department of Environmental Protection for operation and maintenance of the Township's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4).

### Grading and Excavating

The Township Engineer has updated the Township's Grading and Excavating regulations that will be established as Chapter 104 of the Brighton Township Code. These regulations will establish planning, permitting, performance and inspection requirements for earth moving and excavating, including standards for fill, drainage and retaining walls.

Standards for site development will be presented within the Manual of Brighton Township's Minimum Construction Standards and Details.

### Stormwater Management for Small Developments

In accordance with the Township Stormwater Management Code, small developments are eligible for submission of a simplified stormwater management plan. A small development is one that proposes the creation of 5,000 square feet (SF) or less of impervious surface area. An impervious surface prevents the infiltration of water into the ground and includes items such as roofs, building additions, patios, garages, swimming pools, storage sheds, porches, decks and similar structures, and any new driveways or sidewalks.

If the total impervious surface area is less than 1,000 SF, no further action is required. If the total impervious surface area exceeds 1,000 SF, an application will be required for the construction of a gravel sump storage area, rain garden or similar stormwater management facility to be constructed and maintained by the landowner as part of the project. If the total impervious surface area exceeds 5,000 SF, a complete stormwater management plan, prepared by a registered professional engineer must be submitted.

These updated regulations are under review by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors, with adoption targeted during April.

# Brighton Township

1300 Brighton Road  
Beaver, Pennsylvania 15009

PRSR STD  
U.S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
Permit No. 263  
Beaver, PA 15009

## MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings are held at the Municipal Building. Meetings are subject to change. Call to confirm meeting date and time, (724) 774-4800.

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Second Monday of each month – 7:00 p.m.

### PLANNING COMMISSION

First Monday of each month – 7:30 p.m.

### MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Third Monday of each month – 8:00 p.m.

### SEWAGE AUTHORITY

Third Monday of each month – 6:45 p.m.

### ZONING HEARING BOARD

As requested.

### PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Fourth Wednesday of each month – 7:00 p.m.

Third Wednesday in November & December.

## Easter Egg Hunt

### REGISTRATION FORM

Saturday, March 26, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to the Township Office by Monday, March 21.**



## Easter Bunny to Arrive in Brighton Township!

The Easter Bunny has confirmed attendance for the **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, March 26th at Two Mile Run Park at 11:00 a.m. Children age 2 through 10 are to be registered for the event at the Township Office by Monday, March 21st to allow the Easter Bunny to plan appropriately for the event. Treat bags will be furnished for the eggs, which are filled with candy and prizes. Adults and children under 2 are also welcome at Shultz Lodge for cookies and beverages.