



Disc Golf Course at Two Mile Run Extension



Over the past two years the Township has seen an increase in the use of the Township's disc golf course. The Two Mile Run Extension course at 1250 Brighton Road, Beaver, PA 15009 is open year round and free to play. The 9-hole par-35 course features two tee pads (recreational and intermediate levels) and two baskets (Red and Yellow) on each hole which allows players the choice of playing 4 different layouts. A 9-hole round takes about 90 minutes. Disc golf can be played alone or with others.

Basic rules of the game and a score card can be found under Parks and Recreation Areas on the Parks & Recreation Page of the Township website.

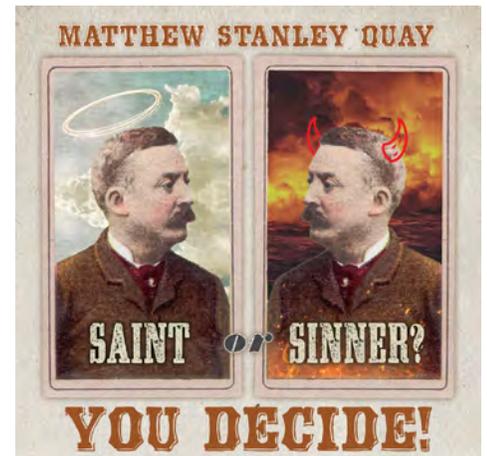
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“Matthew Stanley Quay: Sinner or Saint?” Exhibit Opens at Heritage Museum

Matthew Stanley Quay - the son of a Presbyterian Minister Anderson Quay - was one of the Beaver Area's most fascinating historical personalities. He was born in 1833, moving to Beaver in 1840 at the age of 7. His family was poor but they found a way to educate their son at Beaver and Indiana Academies and eventually Jefferson College (presently Washington and Jefferson College). Quay received the Medal of Honor after the Civil War Battle of Fredericksburg in 1862 and resigned as a Colonel of the 134th Pennsylvania Regiment. In 1868

Quay established the Beaver Radical newspaper to counter the views of then Argus Newspaper where he began to form plans for his future. Quay began climbing in the local political scene, holding a variety of offices, and eventually climbing to the ranks of a two term Pennsylvania Senator and Chair of the Republican National Committee (1888-1891). The Museum display offers a glimpse of Quay's policies, political positions and sometimes controversial political agenda allowing the viewer to form his or her own decision on whether Quay was a “Sinner or Saint.” All visitors



will be asked to cast a vote, with the final tally of ballots to be announced at the end of the season. A must see! On the web: BeaverHeritage.org.

2021 Annual Police Department Report

Chief of Police Howard Blinn has issued the following Department statistics for 2021:

Hours Worked.....	33,261
Miles Patrolled	141,012
Accidents Investigated	53
Criminal Arrests.....	71
Moving Traffic Citations Issued	846
Nonmoving Traffic Citations Issued.....	87
Traffic Warnings Issued.....	167
Parking Violations.....	21
Fines Collected.....	\$38,036
Homes Security Alarms Answered	168
Assists to Other Departments.....	238
911 Calls	140
Aid to Sick or Injured.....	693
Animal Calls.....	136
Vacation Checks.....	26
Business Check/Closure	306

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. Violators are subject to penalties. Dogs are prohibited in Township Parks, other than areas specifically designated.



SOLICITING OR PEDDLING

Soliciting or 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.

Township Supervisors

John Curtaccio, *Chairman*

Mark Piccirilli, *Vice Chairman*

James E. Equels, Sr., *Supervisor*

Bryan K. Dehart, *Manager*

Kathryn L. Johnston, *Solicitor*

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Township Engineer

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Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

V.F.D. 2021 Annual Report

Fire Chief Mitchell Curtaccio has issued the following 2021 statistical report for the Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department.

TYPE.....	NUMBER
Structural.....	33
Fire Alarms.....	77
Brush.....	11
Vehicle Accidents.....	31
Vehicle Fires.....	5
QRS.....	430
Service Calls (i.e. CO Alarms, Gas leaks, Wires down, etc.).....	111
TOTAL CALLS.....	698

The Fire Department is still in need of volunteers willing to join and help protect and serve our community. Do you want to join them? All training and equipment is provided by the Department. Volunteering provides an opportunity to serve and give back to the community. If you are interested or just want to investigate membership further, please visit Fire Station #3 located on Grange Road behind the Social Hall on any Monday night between the hours of 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. The other volunteers look forward to meeting you and answering your questions. Or, email us at station63@comcast.net if you want more information or are interested in volunteering.



SMOKE DETECTORS — Several years ago the Fire Department instituted a smoke detector program to provide free smoke detectors to Township residents in need. For more information about the program or how to obtain free smoke detectors please contact the station at station63@comcast.net or 724-495-3803.



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. Violators are subject to a \$1,000 fine. No obstructions are to be planted, constructed or placed within six (6) feet of any hydrant to permit unrestricted access to the hydrant in the case of an emergency.



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 online through the BTVFD website www.brightontwpvfd.org or by check to BTVFD and mailed to 84 Grange Road, Beaver, PA 15009.



Project Lifesaver®

The Brighton Township Police Department is a certified participating member agency of Project Lifesaver®, a program 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's 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 costs \$300. The Department is now accepting donations to assist program participants with a financial need.

If you want to determine if you are eligible to participate in the program, or 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.

Brighton Township Planning Commission 2021 Annual Report

The Brighton Township Planning Commission was created by Township Ordinance, which sets the terms of membership and establishes the powers and duties of the Commission. Members of the Commission 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.

2021 Commission Members:

William L. Snider, Chairman	Mark Piccirilli
Jeffrey S. Maze, Vice Chairman	Matthew Stewart
Karen Green, Secretary	Kimberly Radler
Tim O'Brien	Kathryn L. Johnston, Solicitor

Subdivision & Land Development Application

Plan Reviews:

1. Hallam Plan of Subdivision of Lot 2 Residual Grimes Plan2 Lots#@
2. Lang Plan of Subdivision.....2 Lots*#@
3. Golletti Plan of Lot Consolidation (3 lots consolidated)1 Lots@
4. Mount Pleasant Farms Plan of Subdivision Phase 2 Lot Plan4 Lots*#@
5. Brighton Township Consolidation Plan No. 11 Lot*#@

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

* Denotes 1 lot with existing dwelling/building.

Denotes lot with non-building waiver

Agricultural Security Area:

The Commission reviewed and made a recommendation on the Brighton Township Agricultural Security Area (ASA) as part of the required seven-year review process. The review was required under the provisions of the Agricultural Area Security Law. The Board of Supervisor's approved the modified ASA consisting of 82 parcels totaling 2,167.780 acres.

Comprehensive Plan:

In October 2019 the Planning Commission initiated the preparation of a new comprehensive plan, and worked on its preparation throughout 2020 and 2021 with the assistance of an appointed Steering Committee. The Township engaged Envision Group LLC as the planning consultant for the project. The process included a series of Study Committee meetings, key person interviews and questionnaires/surveys that were conducted

on-line and in print. The plan was prepared utilizing the planning principles identified in the Pennsylvania Department of Community Development's (DCED) "Creating an Implementable Comprehensive Plan." The Plan focuses on identifying community issues, steps to address the issues, persons or groups responsible for addressing the issues and a timetable for implementation that identifies short, medium and long range efforts. In December, the Board of Supervisors adopted the 2021 Brighton Township Implementable Comprehensive Plan.

Land Use Regulations:

The Commission conducted reviews of the land use codes and prepared and recommended several ordinances as a result. The recommendations included new definitions, parking changes and other details. The most comprehensive changes are summarized below.

Solar Energy Systems:

The Commission created regulations within the Zoning Code for Solar Energy Systems. A differentiation within the Code was created between accessory and principal solar energy systems, with appropriate regulations established for each use, and the uses provided for within various zoning districts. The primary focus of the ordinance was to have regulations in place in the event an application for a Principal Solar Energy System (PSES) would be filed. This type of use is often referred to as a solar farm or commercial scale solar. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 228.

Agritourism:

The Commission created regulations within the Zoning Code to provide standards for accessory commercial uses that can typically accompany an agricultural use or operation. These uses are often referred to as Agritourism, which is now a defined term and use. The Commission tailored the regulations to be consistent with State laws, such as the Agriculture Area Security Act, the Protection of Agriculture Operations from Nuisance Suits and Ordinances Act and the Municipalities Planning Code. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 229.

Industrial and Development Performance Standards:

The Commission amended the regulations within the Zoning Code within the area identified as Industrial and Development Performance Standards. Many of the standards were initially established to specifically address the oil and gas industry and related uses. The amendments were made to make certain standards more generalized to apply to other non-residential uses that are provided for in the Code. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 230.

Wireless Communication Facilities:

The Commission amended the regulations within the Zoning Code for Wireless Communications Facilities to comply with PA Act 50 of 2021, known as the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act. The Act provides for the regulation of small wireless facilities in municipal rights-of-ways and supersedes local zoning. The Act required all municipalities, including Brighton Township, to amend their regulations to comply with the Act. The Commission, therefore, prepared an ordinance to amend the Zoning Code Section 195-135 Wireless Communication Facilities. The regulations permit the placement of wireless communication facilities in all street rights-of-ways, by co-locating antenna and related facilities on an existing utility pole or by placing a new pole up to 50-feet in height within the street right-of-way. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 231.

Building & Zoning Permit Requirements

Brighton Township has adopted the International Construction Code (ICC) to regulate 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 that may be excluded by the Act.

Confirmation of compliance with the ICC is by site inspections that are conducted 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 the 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 where Customer Assistance Guides have been posted to assist you through the permitting process.

Do you have code questions? Contact: **Chuck Steinmetz, Middle Department Inspection Agency, at (800) 580-6342 or the Electrical Inspector, Jeff Bayton at (800) 608-6342.**

Building Permit Activity for 2021

Single Family Dwellings.....	32
Duplex Units	2
Demolitions.....	4
Residential Additions.....	3
Porches/Decks	22
Garages/Carports	11
Sheds/Pole Bldgs./Barns/Pool House	24
Swimming Pools	11
Solar Panels.....	16
Building Repairs/Remodel	3
Roof/Repairs.....	5
Retaining Wall.....	1
Awning	1
Hot Tub.....	1
Nonresidential.....	18
Estimated Construction Value	\$23,589,634

Real Estate Tax Office

The elected Real Estate Tax Collector, James W. Onuska, would like each property owner to be aware that the 2022 Brighton Township Real Estate Tax bills were mailed March 1, 2022 and the 2022 Beaver Area School District Real Estate Tax bills will be mailed July 1, 2022.

Real Estate Tax bills are mailed to each property owner. In today's environment, there have been a large number of mortgages refinanced or sold to other companies. Therefore, real estate tax bills were not going where they needed to go and as a result, some bills have gone to incorrect mortgage companies. The resident is responsible for the taxes due and each resident who has a mortgage can forward their real estate tax bill to their current lender. Additionally, all major mortgage companies will receive an electronic file of tax bills so they will know the exact amount due. If you have any questions, please stop by the tax office or contact James W. Onuska, Brighton Township Real Estate Tax Collector at 724-774-2622.

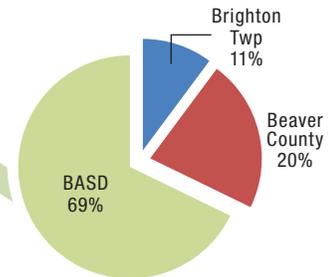
Office Hours:

Tuesday:4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 Thursday:.....9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Real Estate Tax Dollar

Taxing District	Mills Assessed
Brighton Township	13.5
Beaver County	26.0
Beaver Area School.....	88.4
	127.9

Real Estate Tax Distribution



Example of House Assessed at \$35,000

Township Tax	13.5 mill x \$35,000 =	\$ 472.50
County Tax	26.0 mill x \$35,000 =	\$ 910.00
School Tax	88.4 mill x \$35,000 =	\$ 3,094.00
Total		\$ 4,476.50

2022 Stormwater Service Fee



Stormwater Service Fee bills for 2022 were mailed at the beginning of February by Berkheimer. All unpaid balances from 2020 and 2021 were included on the bills. As reported in prior newsletters, the Township adopted a Stormwater Service Fee effective in 2019. The rate is established at \$66.00 per year (\$5.50 per month) for each single-family detached residential property. The billing provides discount, face and penalty periods. Developments that own and maintain their own stormwater infrastructure, and are part of the Township's inspection and maintenance program may be eligible for a partial credit. The fee unit is identified as an Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU). An ERU is designated as 4,700 SF of impervious surfaces based upon the Township's Stormwater Service Fee Analysis and Report. Non-single family properties pay fees based upon how many ERUs their property has.

Stormwater is now highly regulated. Requirements of the Township's NPDES General Permit for its Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) as issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) necessitates frequent inspection, maintenance and quality monitoring, similar to water, sewage or other utilities. Costs for these activities continue to increase as a result of regulatory requirements. As a result, the Township has become more proactive with the maintenance of existing storm sewer systems and site inspections. The Township is investing in new infrastructure and site improvements that are necessary for regulatory compliance and to implement the requirements of the approved Pollutant Reduction Plan.

Township MS4 Permit Update

Brighton Township's Annual MS4 compliance activities are underway for the 2021-2022 reporting period. The Township's NPDES MS4 Permit, issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), requires the Township to annually comply with Six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs). One of these MCMs, MCM #5, involves activities associated with Post Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control. As part of this MCM, the Township must review each stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) facility located within the Township. These BMPs include stormwater detention basins, rain gardens, and underground detention tanks.

Stormwater BMPs are designed to provide rate control for new developments; water quality improvements; and retain larger volumes of water to provide for infiltration into the ground or release into a stream at a slower rate, thereby reducing the potential for downstream flooding and/or erosion. Each Spring, with the assistance of the Township

Engineer, Brighton Township performs an annual review of each Stormwater BMP to observe its condition and functionality of the structure. The intent of these reviews is to observe whether the Stormwater BMP is operating and being maintained in accordance with the approved Operation and Maintenance Plan associated with each facility. If a deficiency is observed during the review, the Township provides notice to the responsible party to address the deficiency. It is then the responsibility of the responsible party to address the deficient items within the allotted time. The responsible party, as well as the Township, completes a follow-up review of the Stormwater BMP once notified that the deficiencies have been addressed.

Key items that are reviewed during the process are:

- Is the outlet structure obstructed?
- Is excess vegetation present?
- Is erosion present?
- Is standing water in the facility?

Well-Maintained Facility



Excess Vegetation, Ponding Water Present, Outlet Structure Obstructed





Municipal Authority Awards Water Tank Painting Contract

The Brighton Township Municipal Authority recently awarded a contract to D&M Painting Corporation in the amount of \$563,920 for work at Authority water tanks. The contract includes cleaning and painting the one-million gallon hydropillar at the Dawson Ridge site. The scope of work includes the cleaning and overcoating of the tank exterior, blast cleaning and painting of the interior storage tank (including fluted column), and removing and replacing the existing condensate ceiling inside the fluted column. A new ventilation system will also be installed. At the Gypsy Glen site, the work scope includes the cleaning and painting of the exterior and interior of Standpipe No. 2 and the blast cleaning and painting of the floor and bottom 4-feet of interior wall of Standpipe No. 3.

At this writing the time frame for the work has not been established.



2022 Roadway Improvement Program

The Board of Supervisors has awarded bid contracts for the 2022 Roadway Improvement Program to Youngblood Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$342,717. The paving lists includes: Ornida Drive, Shadylane Drive, Glenview Drive, Morrow Lane and Grandvue Drive. The Township will also apply a leveling coat to the following roads, which will then be sealed with oil and chip: Beacom Drive (Dutch Ridge Road to the area of 358); Darlington Road (Tuscarawas Road to Marylee Drive); and Marylee Drive.

The Road Department will also conduct their annual oil and chip program for the treatment and maintenance of certain roads to supplement the road paving program, as well as performing other important road maintenance and drainage projects.

Beaver Library Annual Book Sale

The Beaver Area Memorial Library will host its annual book sale on Saturday, June 4th during the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Books will be sold by the bag. The cost of a bag of books is \$15.

A presale will be held on Friday, June 3rd from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Those who purchase a ticket for \$25 will get a chance to be the first to purchase books. The entrance fee includes one bag of free books.

A bag sale will be held on the following dates with a bag of books costing \$10.

- Monday, June 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The library will begin accepting gently used books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, and games for the sale on Tuesday, May 24th. Please no Reader's Digest Condensed books, encyclopedias, textbooks, or magazines.

The library is located at 100 College Avenue. For more information, please call the library at 724-775-1132.





Leaf Waste Collection Program Returns This Spring

Drop Off Site Will Remain Operational

Consistent with the program offered in the fall, the Township will again provide a fee-based curbside collection program for leaf waste through May. The yard waste drop-off site will continue to operate on the same basis as it currently is and, therefore, participation in the curbside collection program is optional. Homeowners are encouraged to continue to use the drop-off site, or compost the leaves in their own yards.

The collection of leaves and yard waste is a fee-based program whereby residents purchase biodegradable paper collection bags at a cost of \$2.00 each within which the leaves, garden residues, shrubbery clippings or tree trimmings must be placed. Bags are pre-sold at the Municipal Building. Bags utilized must be purchased from the Township, and not be from another source, such as a home improvement store. Those purchasing bags will be contacted to schedule collection. Bags must be placed at the curb on collection day.

Time to Renew Your Yard Waste Permit!

Yard Waste Composting Site Permits must be renewed for use of the site. Permits may be renewed annually as follows:

1. In person at the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road, Beaver, PA 15009. The cost of the permit is \$15.
2. By mailing a check payable to "Brighton Township" in the amount of \$17.00 (\$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.)

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 2022 Yard Waste Permit Renewal

Name

Address

Previous Permit No.

Signature

Municipal Authority Adopts New Water Connection Fee Schedule

The Brighton Township Municipal Authority (BTMA) approved a Service Connection Fee Analysis prepared by their Consulting Engineer, Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. The analysis was prepared in accordance with the provisions of PA Act No. 2003-57 and includes the Connection Fee, Customer's Facility Fee and Tapping Fee components. The analysis was prepared for each of the following: 5/8" Meter; 1" Meter; and 2" Meter. Based upon the analysis the water connection and tapping fees are as follows effective May 1, 2022:



CONNECTION TO AUTHORITY CIP/DI WATERLINE	5/8-Inch Meter	1-Inch Meter	2-Inch Meter
Connection Fee	\$ 1,501	\$ 1,507	\$ 3,293
Customer's Facility Fee	\$ 249	\$ 493	\$ 1,107
Tapping Fee	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3,250	\$ 3,500	\$ 5,900

CONNECTION TO AUTHORITY HDPE WATERLINE	5/8-Inch Meter	1-Inch Meter	2-Inch Meter
Connection Fee	\$ 2,001	\$ 2,007	\$ 3,793
Customer's Facility Fee	\$ 249	\$ 493	\$ 1,107
Tapping Fee	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3,750	\$ 4,000	\$ 6,400

CONNECTION TO AUTHORITY PVC WATERLINE	5/8-Inch Meter	1-Inch Meter	2-Inch Meter
Connection Fee	\$ 1,651	\$ 1,707	\$ 3,493
Customer's Facility Fee	\$ 249	\$ 493	\$ 1,107
Tapping Fee	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,700	\$ 6,100

Fees are payable to "BTMA" at the time of application for a building permit for new construction or application for connection to the water system. The typical single-family home uses a 5/8" meter. The larger size meters may be needed when a fire sprinkler system is installed, or in special circumstances where the service line is longer than normal, or increased flow is desired.

The tapping fee component is based on the equivalent residential dwelling unit (RDU) served per connection. Each connection is a minimum of 1 RDU.

New Water Rate Effective April 2022 Billing

As reported in the prior newsletter, the Municipal Authority adopted a rate increase as part of their 2022 Budget. The water rate increase was effective with the April billing, with payment due in May. The increase applies to all excess consumption being billed at that time. The sewage rate remains unchanged.

Overall, the residential rate for water and sewage increased 3.9%. The water

rate increased from \$25.10 per month to \$27.65 per month. Excess water is billed at \$5.75 per 1,000 gallons of consumption. The sewage rate remains unchanged at \$40 per month, with excess sewage billed at \$10 per 1,000 gallons of water consumption. The combined base rate billing is now \$67.65. A residential customer is permitted 4,000 gallons of consumption per month with the base rate. The

Township is divided into three billing districts, and each month one district has a water meter reading. Therefore, each meter is read once every quarter (each three months) or four times per year. Any use over 12,000 gallons is classified as excess usage. A 2% discount is available to those residential customers registering for automatic bill payment.

Brighton Township

1300 Brighton Road
Beaver, Pennsylvania 15009

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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
7:45 p.m.

SEWAGE AUTHORITY

Third Monday of each month
7:00 p.m.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

As requested.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Fourth Wednesday every other month, starting in January
7:00 p.m.

Sewer Deduct Meters Available

The Brighton Township Sewage Authority (BTSA), in cooperation with the Brighton Township Municipal Authority (BTMA), have made a program available to water customers to have a separate meter installed to measure the flow of water that does not enter the sanitary sewer system. This meter typically reads water used outside for watering lawns or gardens, washing vehicles or filling swimming pools. This sewer deduct meter is read at the same time as your water meter at the end of each quarter. The reading on the sewer meter is deducted from the excess use based on the water meter reading. The minimum amount billed during each quarter remains at twelve thousand gallons. Absent a sewer meter, no credit will be given for outside water use, such as filling your swimming pool or watering the lawn and garden.

The cost of the additional meter is two hundred eighty-five dollars (\$285.00). This one-time charge includes the meter and installation. This fee was recently increased to cover the cost of the meter and fittings used in the installation. Payment in advance to BTMA is required. All inside plumbing revisions will be at the expense of the owner and are subject to inspection prior to meter installation. Applications for sewer meter installation are available within the Resident's Center on the Water & Sewage Authorities Page or the Application & Forms Page of the Township web site www.brightontwp.org.

Summer Playground Program at Hardy Field

Looking for a fun and safe environment for your elementary age children this summer? Then you will want to participate in the 2022 YMCA Summer Recreation Program! Brighton Township has contracted with the YMCA to conduct this program at Hardy Field. The 8-week program runs from June 13th to August 5th and is for students in K-5th grade. It 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. Please watch for more details later this year.

