



# Township Implements Rave Mobile Safety Services

To comply with PA DEP Public Notification Rules the Municipal Authority has implemented the services of Smart911 as its emergency notification provider through PA Rural Water Association.

The Smart911 system is provided by Rave Mobile Safety and is designed to make phone calls on a Township-wide basis, or to specific people or areas, in the event of an emergency, and can make hundreds of calls a



minute to convey recorded messages. It can also be used to share important information. The system is also available for use by emergency services or other Township Departments who can give notice of road closures, missing persons or other information.

It is important for residents and business owners to verify the accuracy of the information provided, and to provide additional contact information such as unlisted, unpublished or cell phone numbers and even email addresses. Accurate information in the database helps to ensure emergency notifications will be passed on to everyone in a timely manner.

**ADD / UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION**  
Please use the following form below to add, remove or update your information. Be assured that this information will not be provided to any outside agencies or companies.

Visit **SMART911.com** to complete the sign up form.

# Disc Golf Course at Two Mile Run Extension

Brighton Township's disc golf course at Two Mile Run Extension, 1250 Brighton Road, 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.

# 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 2023 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 12th to August 4th and is for students in K-5th grade. It is operated from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and lunch is provided. 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.

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# 2022 VFD Annual Report

Fire Chief Mitchell Curtaccio has issued the following 2022 statistical report for the Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department.

TYPE	NUMBER
Structural .....	35
Fire Alarms .....	94
Brush .....	9
Vehicle Accidents .....	37
Vehicle Fires .....	8
QRS.....	430
Service Calls (i.e. CO Alarms, Gas leaks, Wires down, etc.).....	97
<b>TOTAL CALLS.....</b>	<b>710</b>

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](http://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 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](mailto:eschwartz@brightontwp.org).

### Township Supervisors

John Curtaccio, *Chairman*

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James E. Equels, Sr., *Supervisor*

Bryan K. Dehart, *Manager*

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*Township Engineer*

### Municipal Authority

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Mark Piccirilli, *Treasurer*

Gordon R. Sheffer, Ph.D.,  
*Assistant Secretary/Treasurer*

# 2022 Police Department Annual Report

Chief of Police Howard Blinn has issued the following Department statistics for 2022:

Hours Worked.....	33,868
Miles Patrolled .....	133,112
Accidents Investigated .....	71
Criminal Arrests .....	64
Moving Traffic Citations Issued.....	972
Nonmoving Traffic Citations Issued.....	88
Traffic Warnings Issued.....	161
Parking Violations.....	17
Fines Collected.....	\$25,671
Homes Security Alarms Answered .....	163
Assists to Other Departments.....	310
911 Calls.....	100
Aid to Sick or Injured.....	682
Animal Calls.....	173
Vacation Checks.....	24
Business Check/Closure .....	186

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 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.

## Beaver Library Annual Book Sale

The Beaver Area Memorial Library will host its popular book sale at the beginning of June. The presale will be held on Friday, June 2nd from 5-7 p.m. Tickets will be \$25 each and includes a bag of books. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time or at the door.

A bag sale will be held on Saturday, June 3rd from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$15 per bag.

The bag sale continues on Monday, June 5th and Tuesday June 6th from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. with the cost of a bag of books being reduced to \$10.

Curbside Cocina (Mexican food) and Trish's Truffles food trucks will be parked out in front of the library on Saturday, June 3rd from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Enjoy lunch after visiting the book sale.

Books will be arranged by categories for easy browsing.

The library will be accepting gently used books for the sale on Tuesday, May 23rd. Please no Reader's Digest Condensed books, encyclopedias or textbooks.

Proceeds from this event will go towards funding the library's operating budget.

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



PROCLAMATION NO. 2023-15

BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP  
BEAVER, PENNSYLVANIA

*“Blessed are the peacemakers...” Matthew 5:9*

*WHEREAS, Peter J. Benedict, Jr. was hired as a full-time Brighton Township Police Officer on September 1, 1996 in service to the Brighton Township community; and*

*WHEREAS, Peter J. Benedict, Jr. was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on June 23, 2000 and to the rank of Captain on April 11, 2016; and*

*WHEREAS, Peter J. Benedict, Jr. is retiring, with his last day of service as a Brighton Township police officer being March 31, 2023; and*

*WHEREAS, Peter J. Benedict, Jr. has faithfully served the police department and the citizens of Brighton Township for nearly 27-years, including 20 years as a D.A.R.E. officer, thereby significantly impacting the lives of children in the Beaver Area School District in a positive manner; and*

*WHEREAS, service to others is one of the highest callings upon mankind and requires one to place the interest of others above their own; and*

*WHEREAS, service as a police officer requires devotion and dedication to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, Peter J. Benedict, Jr. has fulfilled these roles to the highest degree;*

*NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of his service and dedication to the Brighton Township community, the Supervisors of Brighton Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania do hereby place upon the official Minutes of the Township, their appreciation for the service of **Peter J. Benedict, Jr.***

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to Brighton Township Police Department Captain Pete Benedict our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success and health in all of his future endeavors.*

*ENACTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023*



BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

*John Curtaccio*  
John Curtaccio, Chairman

*Mark Piccirilli*  
Mark Piccirilli, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

*Bryan K. Dehart*  
Bryan K. Dehart, Secretary

*James E. Equels, Sr.*  
James E. Equels, Sr., Supervisor



At their meeting on April 10, 2023 the Board of Supervisors presented Captain Benedict with a Proclamation (opposite) in recognition of his retirement from the Brighton Township Police Department. The Proclamation is a testament to Captain Benedict's dedication, professionalism, and unwavering commitment to public safety. As Captain Benedict embarks on a new chapter in his life, the community he served with distinction for 27 years (1996 – 2023) wishes him a happy and fulfilling retirement.



James E. Equels, Sr., Mark Piccirilli, Captain Benedict, John Curtaccio



Jarret Cunnard was recently hired as a full-time police officer with the Brighton Township Police Department, beginning March 1, 2023. Officer Cunnard previously worked part-time with the Department. We wish him a long and successful career with Brighton Township.



## Drug Drop Box

For the safe disposal of prescription drugs and medications, a drop box is available in the lobby of the Police Department located at 1400 Brighton Road. Flushing medications down the toilet or throwing them in the trash can have the potential of creating safety or health hazards. Plus, unused medications are often subject to abuse or accidental poisonings and overdoses.

When disposing of medications in the drop box, they should remain in

their original containers. Personal information on the labels ought to be crossed out, but information about the medication should be legible. Place prescriptions, prescription patches, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, samples and medications for pets into the drop box. Open containers of liquids should be completely sealed.

No syringes/needles, inhalers or aerosol cans.

# “Matthew Stanley Quay: Sinner or Saint?”

## Exhibit Opens at Heritage Museum

Due to popular demand, the Beaver Area Heritage Museum’s award-winning “Senator Matthew Stanley Quay: Saint or Sinner?” exhibit will remain open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays from March 18 through June. More than 1,500 guests viewed the display last year. Visitors overwhelmingly cast their votes that Quay was more of a sinner than saint in his life’s work. An all-new video documentary, in association with Pacer Studios, captures the highlights of Quay’s personality and practices through the fascinating perspective of his biographer, the late Dr. James A. Kehl of the University of Pittsburgh. Kehl’s sprightly interview was recorded a year ago, just months before his death at age 100, while the documentary was still in production. The 35-minute, highly entertaining video has been posted on the Heritage Foundation’s new YouTube page:

<https://youtu.be/SjenXmcjdcY>

The Saint/Sinner exhibit and documentary received a statewide award in April bestowed by PA Museums in Harrisburg. It also has been nominated for a national award of the American Association for State and Local History.

The free display features a colorful, visually rich display of artifacts educating museum-goers on aspects of Quay’s complex life and legacy. The exhibit includes a wide array of original, vintage photographs and papers from Quay’s life and career, dating from his birth in 1833 to death in Beaver in 1904. These include more than a dozen political cartoons from some of the country’s leading contemporary newspapers and magazines, images of Quay and his friends and landmark sites, and one-of-a-kind documents.



To learn more, visit their website:  
[beaverheritage.org/quay-exhibit](http://beaverheritage.org/quay-exhibit)

**OR, YOU CAN  
SCAN HERE!**





## Sewer Deduct Meters Available

The Brighton Township Sewage Authority (BTSA), in cooperation with the Brighton Township Municipal Authority (BTMA), has 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](http://www.brightontwp.org).

# 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](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 2023 Yard Waste Permit Renewal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Previous Permit No.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

# 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

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 1-800 580-6342.

## Building Permit Activity for 2022

Single Family Dwellings.....	20
Duplex Units.....	0
Demolitions .....	0
Residential Additions .....	12
Porches/Decks.....	10
Garages/Carports .....	3
Sheds/Pole Buildings/Barns/Pool House .....	21
Swimming Pools.....	14
Solar Panels .....	45
Building Repairs/Remodel .....	2
Retaining Wall.....	1
Hot Tub.....	3
Non-residential/Commercial.....	6

**Estimated Construction Value .....\$10,724,392**



## Maintaining Stormwater Infrastructure

As part of the annual outfall screenings, the physical condition, and the needed maintenance, of inlets and outfalls is recorded and reported to the Brighton Township Road Department. Thereafter, the needed maintenance is undertaken to maintain the integrity of the storm sewer infrastructure. This photograph shows the installation of new HDPE stormwater pipe that was installed to replace deteriorated corrugated metal piping.

## 2023 Stormwater Service Fee



Stormwater Service Fee bills for 2023 were mailed at the beginning of February by Berkheimer. 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. Prior to issuing 2023 bills the Township identified over 160 accounts for the filing of liens for unpaid balances. Liens incur additional fees and interest until paid. The current Lien Preparation, Filing Fee & Satisfaction Fees total \$87.50 and interest accrues at 6% per year.

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

Annual MS4 compliance activities are underway for 2023. 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). The MCMs have been established by PADEP to meet permit goals to preserve and improve water quality of surface waters – streams, lakes and rivers. The Township's MS4 Permit requires implementation of a stormwater management program that addresses each of the six Minimum Control Measures identified in the Permit, as follows:

- MCM #1: Public Education and Outreach regarding Stormwater Impacts;
- MCM #2: Public Involvement and Participation;
- MCM #3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination;
- MCM #4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control;
- MCM #5: Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New and Re-Development Activities; and
- MCM #6: Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

The Township implements an Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program to comply with the requirements of MCM #3. This program includes an annual outfall screening program, where the Township Engineer completes a review of the outfalls in the Township. The purpose of this program is to identify and eliminate illicit discharges that may contribute pollutants to the Township's streams and lakes. This program is conducted during late spring/summer months at times of dry weather; samples are collected from the outfalls and are tested to determine if any pollutants are present in the discharge. If a pollutant is found, the Township investigates to determine the source of the pollutant and works towards removing it from entering the storm sewer system.

MCM #5 requires the Township to ensure adequate operation and maintenance of post construction stormwater best management practices (PCSM BMPs) throughout the Township. PCSM BMPs are facilities that control or treat stormwater runoff, such as detention basins, rain gardens, bioretention basins, underground stormwater detention tanks, and other stormwater control facilities. In order to evaluate whether these facilities are operating properly, representatives of the Township and Township Engineer complete annual field reviews of each BMP during the spring. This includes both BMPs owned by the Township and those owned by private entities, including developers, businesses, homeowners' associations and other entities. When deficiencies are found during the inspection, parties responsible for maintenance are notified to take corrective action such that the BMPs function as designed to address downstream flooding and improve water quality.

As part of MCM #6, the Township implements an annual training program for Township officials and staff. The training program provides information regarding permit activities and requirements. Specific training is provided annually to Road Department, Municipal Authority and Sewage Authority staff regarding the Township's Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping Operation and Maintenance Plan. This O&M Plan, developed as a requirement of MCM #6, establishes procedures implemented by the Township to prevent stormwater pollution during municipal operations. Annual elected official training was conducted at the February 13, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting and included a general review of the Township MS4 program.



*Well-Maintained Facility*



*Excess Vegetation, Ponding Water Present, Outlet Structure Obstructed*

# Brighton Township Planning Commission

## 2022 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.

### 2022 Commission Members:

William L. Snider, Chairman	Mark Piccirilli
Jeffrey S. Maze, Vice Chairman	Matthew Stewart (January to August)
Karen Green, Secretary	Kimberly Radler
Christopher Dugan (October to December)	Kathryn L. Johnston, Solicitor
Tim O'Brien	

Following is a brief summary of the Commission's formal activities during 2022.

### Subdivision & Land Development Application Plan Reviews:

1. Doughty Plan of Lot Consolidation  
(2 lots consolidated).....1 Lots\*<sup>@</sup>
2. Milne Plan of Lot Revision  
(3 lots revised into 2 lots) .....2 Lots\*\*<sup>@</sup>
3. Branthoover Subdivision & Consolidation  
(4 lots revised into 2 lots) .....2 Lots\*\*

<sup>@</sup> Denotes final approval granted by Board of Supervisors - plan recorded.  
<sup>\*</sup> Denotes 1 lot with existing dwelling/building.

### Implementable Comprehensive Plan:

In December 2021, the Board of Supervisors adopted the 2021 Brighton Township Implementable Comprehensive Plan after recommendation of adoption by the Planning Commission. During 2022 the Commission reviewed and began various code revisions based upon recommendations of the Plan.

### Land Use Regulations:

The Commission conducted reviews of the land use codes and prepared and recommended several ordinances as a result. The recommendations vary by ordinance, but typically included new definitions, review current and establish land uses, provide conditions for uses, and other details. The most comprehensive changes are summarized below.

Zoning Code Amendment for Agricultural Uses – The Commission prepared amendments to the Zoning Code that provided new and revised definitions for Agricultural Operation, Farm (Agricultural Use), Home Gardening, Horticulture, Landscape/Garden Center, and Private Greenhouse. The uses are also provided for within the various zoning districts. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 232.

Zoning Code Amendment for Private Swimming Pool – The Commission prepared amendments to the Zoning Code, Section 195-123 Private

Swimming Pools to make them more consistent with the requirements of the Uniform Construction Code and International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 234.

Zoning Code Amendment for Keeping of Chickens – The Commission prepared amendments to the Zoning Code, Section 195-137.11 Keeping of Chickens. The changes updated the regulations for coops, maintenance standard, yard requirements and permitting. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 235.

Zoning Code Amendment Buffer Yard Requirements – The Commission prepared and recommended for approval a proposed ordinance to amend the Zoning Code Section 195-137.1 Buffer Yard Requirements. The proposal updates standard details, buffer yard densities, planting details and recommended planting lists to include more native Pennsylvania species. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 237.

Zoning Code Amendment for C-2 Mixed Use – The Commission prepared and recommended for approval a proposed ordinance to amend the C-2 Mixed Use District that provides new and revised definitions, including new and revised uses, and conditions for the uses. The Code regulations were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 238.

Zoning Map Amendment – The Commission prepared and recommended for approval a proposed ordinance to adopt an amended Zoning Map. The proposal is to rezone certain property from C-2 Mixed Use District to R-1 Rural Residential District. The revised zoning map was adopted by the Board of Supervisors as Ordinance No. 239.

## 2023 Roadway Improvement Program

The Brighton Township Sewage Authority (BTSA), in cooperation with the The Board of Supervisors has awarded bid contracts for the 2023 Roadway Improvement Program to Shields Asphalt Paving in the amount of \$427,792.50.

The paving lists includes: Ridgeview Drive, Sebring Road (Matthews Drive to 1100 Sebring) and Highland Woods Drive. Due to inadequate road base, the Ridgeview Drive project will be a full depth reconstruction on the segment from Tuscarawas Road to Laurel Drive. The Township will also apply a leveling coat, which will then be sealed with oil and chip.

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.

# 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 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.

# Real Estate Tax Office

The elected Real Estate Tax Collector, James W. Onuska, would like each property owner to be aware that the 2023 Brighton Township Real Estate Tax bills were mailed March 1, 2023 and that the 2023 Beaver Area School District Real Estate Tax bills will be mailed July 1, 2023. Unpaid 2022 Beaver Area School District Real Estate Tax bills were filed on April 1, 2023 at the Court House.

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. The tax collection office is located in the lower level of the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road. A drop box has been installed for customer convenience.

## Office Hours:

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

Personal appointments may be made by contacting the tax office.

## RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

<b>Manila &amp; Brown Folders</b>	<b>All Paper</b>
<b>Glossy Paper &amp; Magazines</b>	<b>Newspaper &amp; Phone Books</b>
<b>Tin &amp; Aluminum</b>	<b>Junk Mail</b>
<b>Aseptic Containers</b>	<b>Plastic</b> All containers labeled #1-5 & 7

## How to Prepare Your Materials

### Plastic Bottles and Jugs Only

- All containers labeled # 1-5 and 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.

### 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...

- Glass is NO LONGER accepted for recycling.
- 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.

### NON-RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

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



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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.

### SEWAGE AUTHORITY

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

### MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Third Monday of each month  
7:45 p.m.

### ZONING HEARING BOARD

As requested.

### PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

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

## Municipal Authority Water Tank Painting Contract

The Brighton Township Municipal Authority (BTMA) awarded in the spring of 2022 a contract to D&M Painting Corporation for tank painting projects. The contractor completed work at the Authority's Dawson Ridge Storage Tank and the first tank at the Gypsy Glen site in 2022. One (1) tank remains to be completed in 2023 at the Gypsy Glen Site on the interior of one of the storage tanks as well as some ventilation improvements at the Dawson Ridge Storage Tank. Work is anticipated to be completed in May.

### Municipal Authority Pump Station Electrical Improvements Contract

The Brighton Township Municipal Authority awarded in late 2021 a contract for electrical improvements at the Center Drive and Gypsy Glen

Pump Stations. Materials were ordered by the Contractor after contract award. With several repeated delays related to supply chain issues, the electronic components of this contract were delivered. Construction is expected to be completed in May.

### Municipal Authority Waterline Replacement Contract

RCC Building Contractors, Inc. initiated work in January 2023 for the replacement of aged waterlines at several locations in the Township in accordance with the Authority capital improvements project plan. The mainline construction is complete. The Contractor is now connecting customers to the new waterlines installed. The project area includes the following waterlines:

1. Dutch Ridge Road: Tuscarawas to Grange (Abandon Aging Waterline)
2. Beech Street: Maple to Chestnut (Replaced Existing Waterline)
3. Sycamore Street; Maple to Chestnut (Replaced Existing Waterline)
4. Spruce Street: Chestnut to Birch (Replaced Existing Waterline)
5. Coleman Drive: Tuscarawas to Crest (Replaced Existing Waterline)

