

Upper Paxton Township Newsletter

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Something New at Spring Cleanup Day!!!

Keystone Mobile Shredding will provide on-site document shredding services from **9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Paper only!!!** This is a new service being offered on a trial basis to determine the need. The service is being provided in an effort to better serve our residents.

3-ring binders, batteries, electronics, large binder clips, tools, vinyl, plastics, x-rays and other general waste products are not acceptable for shredding. This service is provided for residents – **not for business shredding purposes.** Cash donations will be accepted to cover the cost of this service.

SPRING CLEANUP DAY – APRIL 12, 2014

Upper Paxton Township will hold a residential spring cleanup day Saturday, April 12th from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the township building, 506 Berrysburg Road.

Guidelines are:

- Must be a township resident, identification is required.
- No contractors, businesses, commercial users or dump truck loads.

Unacceptable items are, but not limited to: burn barrels, household weekly trash, paint, motor oil, propane tanks, chemicals, liquid waste, antifreeze, ammunition, explosives, demolition waste, yard waste and household hazardous waste.

Dauphin County residents may dispose of household hazardous waste by calling 1-800-449-7587.

Examples of bulk items accepted are metal, electronics, furniture, appliances and gas grills (no propane tanks).

A disposal fee will be charged for tires: passenger tires - \$3 each (larger tires will have an additional charge) and tires on wheels - \$5 each.

VOLUNTEER HELP IS NEEDED FOR THIS EVENT!!!

DAUPHIN COUNTY ELECTRONICS DROPOFF –

GRATZ BOROUGH

ON APRIL 12, 2014




In December, Upper Paxton Township in cooperation with Dauphin County Recycling agreed to host the collection of electronics from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month. However, on April 12th (during the Township's Spring Cleanup Day), the location of the Northern Dauphin County collection will be changed to Gratz Borough. Upper Paxton Township will only receive electronics from the residents of the township. The regular schedule of collection will resume on the second Saturday in May. This has proven to be a very successful program.

STREET SWEEPING WILL BE DONE THE WEEK OF APRIL 14TH. NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN FOR THE DATES ON WHICH THE SWEEPING WILL BE TAKING PLACE IN YOUR AREA.

GETTING READY FOR SPRING ROADWORK

The winter has been hard on our roads. We will be doing an inspection of the damages in the next few weeks to determine what needs to be repaired. We are also doing a survey to determine a long range plan for roadwork. Members of the road crew are traveling each roadway in the Township and rating the pavement for distress on a scale of 0 to 10 for cracks, potholes, broken edges, deficient drainage, overall riding quality, volume of traffic and several other factors. This study will provide valuable information needed to prioritize the roadwork and identify the most distressed roadways in the Township in order to provide residents with a long-range roadwork plan. This study will also provide information for the Township's Sign Management Program. There is much to be done. In the near future, we will be putting out a program to explain what work is planned and a possible timeline for getting it done.



NOTE OF APPRECIATION - Thank you to the residents who kept their vehicles and other items away from the roads and streets to make it easier for the road crew to keep the surfaces clear of snow and ice. We apologize for damaged mailboxes and lawns. The road crew will be coming around to fix the road damage in the near future.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

The Board of Supervisors would like to express their appreciation to the following individuals for their dedication and service to the Township:

RANDY WITMER, ZONING OFFICER:

Randy has served as the Zoning Officer for the Township since 1998. He has also performed other valuable services during his employment including roadside mowing and lawn care and snowplowing. Randy has also organized recycling efforts and Spring Cleanup Day events over the years. Randy will be leaving this position in March.

RANDY FEIDT, ZONING HEARING BOARD:

Randy has served on the Zoning Hearing Board since January, 1999. He has served as Chairman of the Board for several years. This is a volunteer service which provides a valuable service to the residents of the Township. His time and expertise are greatly appreciated. Laura Phillips assumed this position as Chairman of the Zoning Hearing Board in February, 2014.

FLORENCE (MIDGE) UNDERKOFFLER, AUDITOR:

Midge has served the Township as an elected Auditor since January, 2005. Auditing the Township's financial records is a time-consuming task requiring patience and dedication. Midge has always provided this service with a smile that will be missed, but she has chosen not to seek re-election. JoAnne Horchler was elected to serve as Auditor in November, 2013.

WELCOME TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Luanna Zimmerman has been hired as the new part-time Manager. She will begin her duties on March 17th. Her regular office hours will begin on May 5th. Luanna will also continue to serve as the Township's Tax Collector.

The Board of Supervisors decided to develop a part-time manager position in order to provide a better quality of service for the residents of the Township. With ever increasing government regulations and reporting mandates, developing this position will provide a better quality of administration for the Township. This position will have regular office hours. Supervisors feel that this will provide more access for residents to express their needs and better communication between office staff, road crew and Supervisors.

MEETING SCHEDULE

All regular monthly meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month beginning at 7:00 p.m.

A monthly workshop meeting will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month beginning at 9:00 a.m., except the December Workshop meeting will be held on Monday, December 22nd.

Do I live in Upper Paxton Township or Millersburg Borough?

Check your Real Estate Tax Bill:

If you live in Upper Paxton Township your parcel number will be **65-000-000**; if you are a resident of Millersburg Borough your parcel number will be **45-000-000**.

Reminder:

VOTE

General Primary Election

Tuesday, May 20, 2014