

# Jackson

## Township Gazette

January 2021

### MANAGERS CORNER

I hope you all had a wonderful and safe Holiday Season. What can I say about 2020? It was a year of challenges and changes. Of course, we have adopted a new budget for 2021 and still are trying to accommodate the ever-changing environment of maintaining a public office during a trying pandemic.

A major goal of the Township's 2021 Budget is to develop a meaningful budget based on the Township's responsibility to be good stewards of your tax dollars to provide crucial Township services. The FY 2021 Budget includes **NO TAX INCREASE** in the Township's Real Estate Tax which remains at 1.8 mils. At this rate, the average township real estate tax for a residential dwelling assessed at a value of \$100,000 will be \$180.00. The General Fund expenditures cover public works/roads projects, parks, volunteer fire and emergency medical services, support for Windy Hill Senior Center and Glatfelter Library. The Township has applied for a grant through the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the purchase and installation of a 8 to 12 year old play structure at the Little Creek Community Park. There is an increase in the quarterly fee for refuse collection and recycling from \$68.17 to \$70.83. The "per bag" fee increased to \$8.80 each.

I am sure we are all wary of COVID-19 and its impacts. First, I want all of you to know that we are and have been "open for business" throughout the pandemic. We have strived to return phone calls and emails in a timely fashion to respond to all your questions and concerns. Unfortunately, the office is closed to the public, but, any permit applications, sewer bills, taxes, etc. can be collected through the secure drop box by the front door of the Township building. That box is emptied once per day, often, twice per day. We are here to answer any phone calls as well as emails. We are all looking forward to a time when we can be fully open for business to serve the residents of the Township. The offices are open for our public meetings and the Township follows all the CDC guidelines such as mask wearing and social distancing. Of course, residents can also send me an email or call with any questions or comments you have for the Board to be read at the Board of Supervisors Meeting. More importantly, please take care of yourself and your loved ones by following CDC guidelines and we can all get through this together.

Here is hoping and wishing for a better 2021 and if you get the chance and have not been, take a walk on our trail at Little Creek Community Park, play a round of golf, pickleball or basketball.

### IMPORTANT MEETING DATES

#### Board of Supervisors 7:00 PM

*Monday, January 4, 2021*  
*Tuesday, February 2, 2021*  
*Tuesday, March 2, 2021*  
*Tuesday, April 6, 2021*  
*Tuesday, May 4, 2021*

#### Planning Commission 7:00 PM

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*  
*Tuesday, February 16, 2021*  
*Tuesday, March 16, 2021*  
*Tuesday, April 20, 2021*

#### Sewer Authority 7:00 PM

*Thursday, January 21, 2021*  
*Thursday, February 18, 2021*  
*Thursday, March 18, 2021*  
*Thursday, April 15, 2021*

#### Zoning Hearing Board If Needed 7:00 PM

*Monday, January 25, 2021*  
*Monday, February 22, 2021*  
*Monday, March 22, 2021*  
*Monday, April 26, 2021*

### Township Office Information

Telephone No. (717) 225-5661 ♦ Fax No. (717) 225-0130

Website: [www.jacksontownship.org](http://www.jacksontownship.org) ♦ e-mail: [information@jacksontownship.org](mailto:information@jacksontownship.org)

**TOWNSHIP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Resolution 04-20 Creating A Handicapped Parking Space at 123 Lester Avenue was adopted.
- The Board appointed Mark Derr as an alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board for the remainder of a three-year term through 2021.
- The 2021 Klugh Contract for Animal Control Services was approved.
- The 2021 SPCA contract renewal for Animal Care and Housing was approved.
- The Penn Waste quarterly residential trash contract for 2021 is \$70.83. The rate approved included an additional \$.56 per quarter for disposal rates at the York County Resource Recovery Facility.
- Ordinance 220-20 Vacating a portion of Hidden Lane in Jackson Township, York County, Pennsylvania was enacted.
- Resolution 05-20 Authorizing the Manager to submit and sign the application for the Traffic Signal Approval to PENNDOT was adopted.
- Resolution 06-20 Adopting an Act 537 Special Study was approved.
- The Board granted approval for Hamilton & Musser, P.C. to perform the 2020 township audit at a cost of \$7,300.
- Jackson Township received from the County of York a Care's Act Grant of \$8,191.95. This is 100% of the application that was submitted for the IT upgrade of computers and software for the Township due to the COVID Pandemic.
- Resolution 01-20 (revised) Application for the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) grant for the Little Creek Community Park play structure and other amenities was adopted.
- Resolution 07-20 Approving the 2021 Township Budget was adopted.
- Resolution 08-20 Setting the Tax Rate at 1.8 Mills was adopted.
- Resolution 09-20 Transfer \$75,000 from the General Fund to the Recreation Escrow Fund was adopted.
- Resolution 10-20 Transfer \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund was adopted.
- Resolution 11-20 Accepting the Deed of Dedication of Thistle Hill Drive was adopted.

**SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ACTIONS:**

- Poplar Partners Preliminary Land Development Plan to develop the property along Route 116 between Myers Road and Pine Springs Boulevard was granted modifications for the landscaping requirements in the parking area, along roads and access drives and given conditional approval.

**SEWER BILLS**

2021 – 1st Quarter was mailed at the end of November  
Payment is Due: **January 15, 2021**

2021 – 2nd Quarter will be mailed at the end of February  
Payment is Due: **April 15, 2021**

**NOTE: Credit Card payments for sewer bills are now being accepted.**

**There is also a link on the website ([www.jacksontwpyork.org](http://www.jacksontwpyork.org))  
to make on-line payments.**



*Happy New Year!*

## FROM THE ZONING OFFICER

### WINTER WEATHER ORDINANCE:

Now that we are well into our winter snow season, I wanted to take a moment and make everyone aware of an ordinance that has largely gone unenforced for quite some time.

Chapter 127, Article IV of the Jackson Township Ordinance defines "Snow Emergencies" as "Any time snow removal is conducted by the Township Personnel either by plowing or by the spreading of cinders, salt or antiskid materials.

So, during any type of snow event where an accumulation is forecast that could require plowing or a freezing rain/sleet event where salting and/or applying antiskid material is required, all vehicles must be removed from on street parking to allow the roads to be cleared from curb to curb. Only after the roadway has been cleared can vehicles be returned to on street parking where permitted.

Plowing snow is a very tedious and stressful task. Please

help make this task a bit easier for our dedicated Township Public Works employees. If everyone cooperates the streets get cleared better and faster and the risk of vehicle damage is greatly reduced.

Failure to voluntarily comply with this section of the Jackson Township Ordinance could result in the vehicle being towed, in which case the vehicle owner will be liable to pay all costs associated with towing and storage. In addition, the owner of the offending obstruction may receive a fine and/or a citation of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$600.00.

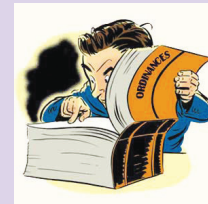
The number of cars that our employees have had to plow around has increased due the growth of the population over the last several years. Please help us address this issue with your voluntary cooperation.

Also, please remember sidewalks are to be cleared within 24 hours after any snow or ice event has ceased.

### ON-LOT SEPTIC PROGRAM:

A reminder to those residents living in the On-Lot Septic District 3. Your septic systems were supposed to be pumped and inspected by the end of December 2020. This is a requirement of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection that is administered by Jackson Township. If you haven't complied with this requirement please contact an approved waste hauler to have your septic system pumped and inspected while the weather will allow.

Failure to comply will eventually result in a fine from the District Magistrate with the requirement to have the system pumped as well.



## 2021 COUNTY & TOWNSHIP REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTION

**Jeanne Grogg, Tax Collector (717) 225-6561**

*Jeanne will have the following sitting hours at the Jackson Township Municipal Building to collect taxes:*

Wednesday, April 7 - 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Friday, April 9 - 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Monday, April 12 - 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Wednesday, April 14 - 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Thursday, April 15 - 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Thursday, April 15 - 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Monday, December 27 - 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM



If taxes are not paid during these hours, you need to send them via mail to Jeanne's address located on your Tax Bill.

## LITTLE CREEK COMMUNITY PARK UPDATE

Photos below are Phase 2 improvements to the park project development that were completed in 2020. Many exciting upgrades can be seen at the Little Creek Community Park located at 1657 Route 116.



*Little Creek Community Park, Pickle Ball Courts*



*Little Creek Community Park, Basketball Courts*



*Little Creek Community Park, Parking Lot by the Multipurpose Fields*



*Little Creek Community Park, Multipurpose Fields*

### Future Little Creek Community Park Projects include:

- Playground for 8-12 year-old (Grant application was completed and submitted to the Commonwealth Financing Authority under their Parks, Open Space recreation Grant Funding Program)
- Baseball Field – Future Phase
- A large multipurpose field
- Improvements to the existing Clubhouse

## OFFICE OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP FIRE CHIEF



It is especially important during the winter months when using wood stoves and fire places to frequently clean and inspect your chimneys. Make sure you are keeping proper clearances around them and not storing items too close.

Also be mindful when dumping wood ash and putting it into combustible items such as boxes or plastic bucket. Wood ash can self insulate itself and maintain enough heat to ignite a fire for up to five (5) days. Never dump ash onto combustible surfaces such as mulch, leaves, etc.

Make sure to also routinely check all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors often to insure they are functional.

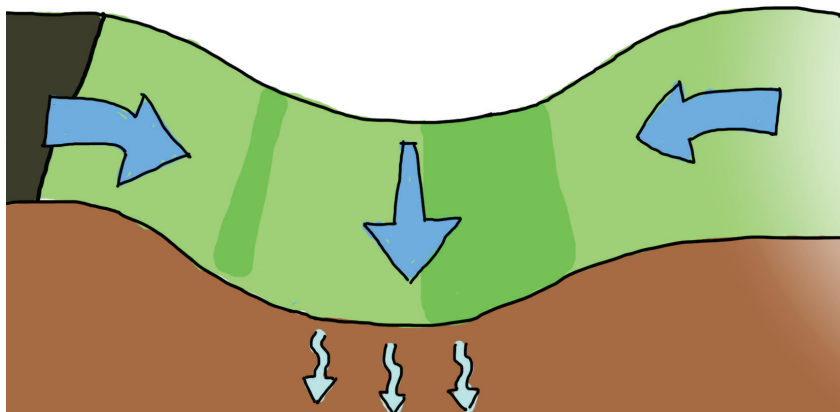
## Vegetated Swale

### What is it?

A vegetated swale is a wide, shallow channel, planted with grass or shrubs. A swale conveys runoff like a ditch, but a swale is much shallower and wider than a typical drainage ditch. If the swale is located on a steeper slope, rocks may be used to prevent erosion.

### How does it work?

The wide, shallow design of swales allows runoff to flow more slowly than it would in a narrow, deep ditch or in a pipe. Vegetated swales slow runoff, promote infiltration, and filter pollutants and sediment in the process of conveying runoff. They can be used instead of conventional curb and gutter.



## How does a Homeowner maintain it?

### Regularly:

- If the vegetation in the swale is turf grass, mow the swale when mowing the rest of the yard. Mow only when swale is dry to avoid rutting.
- After rain events look for erosion, damage to vegetation, or sediment accumulation. Reseed bare areas and remove sediment.

### Twice a Year:

- If the vegetation in the swale is larger perennial shrubs and bushes, check to make sure that it's healthy. Any bare spots need to be replanted.
- Look for any sediment build-up. Remove any accumulated sediment.

### Annually:

- Perennial plants should be cut back if needed by species type, and any dead vegetation should be removed at the end of the growing season.

### Additional Information:


- While vegetation is being established in the first few years, weeding may be required.
- Watering may be necessary during dry periods.

### ❄️ Special Winter Needs:

- After the spring melt, remove any accumulated antiskid material like sand. Replace any damaged vegetation.
- If driveway or sidewalk runoff is directed to the swale, use nontoxic, organic deicing agents or magnesium chloride-based liquid products (rather than sodium chloride-based salts).

## 2021 Jackson Township Trash & Recycling Collection Calendar

January							February							March							April						
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 = Regular Collection Day

 = Delayed Collection Due To Holiday

Observed holidays are noted in **RED**. Collection days that fall on or after the holiday will be delayed one day. EXCEPTION: If holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there is no change in service prior to or after the holiday.

### BASIC RESIDENTIAL GUIDELINES



- Trash, Recycling, and one bulk item must be curb side by 6:00 AM on your scheduled collection day, which is Thursday.
- Bags or containers must not exceed 33 gallons or 75 pounds.
- No more than 4 bags or containers will be collected per customer.
- Low Volume Customers must attach a bag to a bulk item.
- Call Penn Waste to schedule collection of appliances containing freon (air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, etc.)
- No construction debris will be collected curb side.
- Sign up for our E-News Updates at [www.pennwaste.com](http://www.pennwaste.com) to stay up to date on collection updates.

Penn Waste is the exclusive hauler for Jackson Township under this contract. The 2021 rate and service level is as follows:

TRASH	RECYCLE	BULK ITEM	RATE
4 Bags or Containers 33 gallon containers - 75 pound limit	Unlimited	One per week	\$70.83 per quarter
Pay-Per-Bag Option Minimum of 18 bags per year	Unlimited	One per week	\$79.20 billed Bi-Annually

If you should have any questions, please contact our office at 717-767-4456

For additional details visit our website [www.pennwaste.com](http://www.pennwaste.com)

### NASHVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

#### Station 11 Fundraiser

Fish Fry: February 12; February 19; February 26; March 5; March 12; March 19; March 26; April 2; May 15 –  
Serving from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Please check our FACEBOOK page (NASHVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT) for regular updates about any changes or new dates for functions.

Brad Dunham, Fire Chief  
Nashville Vol. Fire Co. - York County Station 11  
717-225-5309 Station - 717-577-4794 Cell  
bdunham1141@comcast.net Email

## Spring Grove Regional Parks and Recreation Center

1472 Roth's Church Road, P.O. Box 349, Spring Grove, PA 17362

(717) 225-9733

[www.sgrprc.com](http://www.sgrprc.com)



Visit our website, [www.sgrprc.com](http://www.sgrprc.com) for a full listing of upcoming events and the program guide.

### PARK DAY!

**March 17th, 2021**

Kids! Get ready to run, jump and search for our St. Patrick's Day "Lucky" coins hidden within our parks. If you find any of our "Lucky" coins you can win prizes! Simply visit one or all three parks listed to search for your "Lucky" coins. Take a picture and leave the coin for the next "Lucky" Leprechaun to find.



### Park Locations

**Farmers Field Park- Paradise Township**

(Location: Route 30 and Church Street behind Paradise Elementary School)

**Little Creek Community Park-Jackson Township**

(Location: 1657 Route 116 SG Pa 17362 also Little Creek Golf Course)

**Spring Grove Community Park – Spring Grove Borough**

(Location: Route 116 and Railroad Street/ Near school bus lot)



Find: 1-10 Coins win a SMALL prize

Find 10-20 coins win a MEDIUM prize

Find: 20 or more win a LARGE prize

Count your coins take a photo of them and email to [springgroverec@comcast.net](mailto:springgroverec@comcast.net) to claim your prize!

Please submit your name with a clear number of "Lucky" coins pictured by Thursday, March 18, 4:00pm.



**Have fun and get outdoors!**



## FREE COMMUNITY EGG HUNT

**Saturday, March 27th, 2021**

**FREE EVENT**

(Donations Appreciated)

**Locations/Times**

**9:00AM Farmers Field Park- Paradise Township**

(Location: Route 30 and Church Street behind Paradise Elementary School)

**10:00AM Little Creek Community Park-Jackson Township**

(Location: 1657 Route 116 SG Pa 17362 also Little Creek Golf Course)

**11:00AM Spring Grove Community Park – Spring Grove Borough**

(Location: Route 116 and Railroad Street/ Near school bus lot)

**\*NEW ADDITION 11:15am Doggie Egg Hunt (SG Community Dog Park)**

**\*Find the Golden Eggs at each Park to win a prize! Walking to 10yrs of Age**

**Special Appearance from the Easter Bunny**

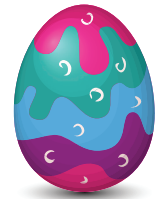
Event Sponsored By:



Spring Grove Regional Parks and Recreation Center has **RELOCATED!**

**Our New Address Is:**

**•1472 Roth's Church Road, PO Box 349, Spring Grove, PA 17362• (717) 225-9733-[www.sgrprc.com](http://www.sgrprc.com)•**



**Jackson Township**  
439 Roth's Church Road  
Spring Grove, PA 17362

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## JACKSON TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

### ***Township Boards***

#### **Board of Supervisors:**

Jonathan D. Holmes, Chairman  
Emily A.B. Miller, Vice-Chairman  
David F. Brown, Member

#### **Tax Collector:**

Jeanne M. Grogg

#### **Administration Officials:**

Florence A. Ford, Manager  
Sally A. Bushey, Treasurer/Adm. Asst.  
Linda A. Eaton, Secretary/Fin. Officer  
Ray Dietrich, Jr., Zoning Officer

#### **Planning Commission:**

Robert E. Callahan, Chairman  
Colby R. Snyder, Vice Chairman  
Bradley R. Dunham  
Diane C. King  
1 Vacancy

#### **Zoning Hearing Board:**

Timothy S. Ferrence, Chairman  
Travis A. Thoman  
Rich Yingling  
Melinda Carlson - Alternate  
Mark Derr, Alternate

#### **Sewer Authority:**

Scott B. Snyder, Chairman  
John A. McDonald, Vice Chairman  
Geoffrey Woolfson, Treasurer  
Joyce E. Sheridan, Secretary  
Steven Hudgins

#### **Agricultural Security Committee:**

Jason A. Yohe, Chairman  
David A. Sprenkle, III  
Thomas Boyer  
James A. Brodbreck, Jr.

**Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday**

**The office will be closed the following holidays:**

**January 1, 2021 – New Year's Day, • February 15, 2021 President's Day**

**April 2, 2021 – Good Friday**