

ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP AUGUST 2017 NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE SUPERVISOR

I would like to take this time to introduce myself. My name is Mike Boulier. My wife Kathy & I have been Township residents for 42 years. I have worked for East China Schools for 32 years. I was appointed as the Township Supervisor on April 17, 2017. Previous to becoming Supervisor I served as a Township Trustee for 11 years, on the Planning Commission for 5 years & on the Board of Zoning for 3 years. I have also volunteered on the Recreation Committee for 14 years.

Since becoming Supervisor I have been busy addressing various issues within the Township. I look forward to serving the residents of St. Clair Township. Please contact the office if you have any concerns you would like me to address. You can also reach me by my email which is supervisor@stclairtp.org.

As a reminder with school starting soon I encourage everyone to be extra cautious while driving. Children are often unpredictable and may ignore hazards or take risks. If you are driving behind a school bus please allow greater distance than following a car. This will give you more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing.

FROM THE CLERK

There will be no Elections held for the Township in 2017. Quite a change from the four elections held in 2016. Unless a school millage is put to vote beforehand the next Election will be in August of 2018. Please check back in future newsletters for updates.

If you wish to register to vote please stop by the office or contact Joyce by phone at (810)329-9042.



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**WATER & SEWER
BILLING & DUE DATES**

1st Quarter Mailed April 15th
Due Date without penalty May 15th
Shut Off May 31st

2nd Quarter Mailed July 15th
Due Date without penalty August 15th
Shut Off August 31st

3rd Quarter Mailed October 15th
Due Date without penalty November 15th
Shut Off November 30th

4th Quarter Mailed January 15th
Due Date without penalty February 15th
Shut Off February 28th

Payments can be made by mail, in office or in the dropbox located outside the front door of the Township Hall.
Please note due to unforeseen circumstances with the Post Office the second quarter bills were sent out slightly later altering the due date to August 22, 2017.



FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Please have your trash & recyclables out by 7:00 am on your scheduled day to ensure pick up.

Place your recyclables on the opposite side of the driveway of your regular trash. Recycle bins are sold at the Township Hall. They cost \$10.00 a piece. You can purchase one from us or use your own.

For regular trash pick up there is a ten bag limit per house per week and any metal items and any larger items must be scheduled for special pick up. Contact Marcotte to schedule a special pick up or with any questions you may have.

For residents that have yard waste included (**east of Range Road**), pick up began April 3rd and ends November 27, 2017. Yard waste will be collected in compostable paper bags or 33 gallon trash cans, no lids, marked with an "X" not weighing more than 40 pounds.

When a holiday falls on your scheduled day, please place garbage out the day after. Monday pick up put out Tuesday & Friday pick up put out Saturday. Holidays include the following: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day. *Only when the holiday falls on a week day does this apply.*

If you have any questions you can contact Marcotte at (810)985-9818 or email them at: marcottedisposal@comcast.net. You can also visit their website at www.marcottedisposal.com.

ACCEPTABLE RECYCLABLES:

- Newspaper/Flyers
 - Magazines/Catalogs
 - Envelopes/Brochures/Phone Books/Office Paper
 - Steel/Tin/Aluminum Cans/Pop cans
 - #1 & #2 Plastics (Milk jugs/Juice Bottles)
 - #3-#7 Plastics (yogurt containers/ice cream/ketchup/mustard etc)
 - Plastic Grocery Bags
 - Clear Glass (Empty & Rinsed)
 - Cardboard bundled & tied 2' x 2' x 18" placed next to recycling container
- ***Please always rinse/clean containers

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Paper Milk/Juice Cartons/Paperboard (anything wax coated)
- Styrofoam Packing Containers
- Propane Tanks/Paint Cans/Batteries/Tire/Flammable Liquids
- Medical waste (syringes)
- Chemical (Dry or Liquid) household cleaners
- Garbage/Compost Food Waste/Concrete/Wood
- Items/Electrical Cords
- No oil containers of any kind

Mark your calendar for the upcoming events:

Pick a Pumpkin-Trunk or Treat

October 21, 2017

11:00 am until 1:00 pm

Best Decorated Car Prize & Raffle for the kids @ 12:30 pm. Hot dogs, chips, cider & donuts.

Please consider passing out treats from your trunk this year. We are in need of many more trunks! If you plan to pass out treats, please be inside the park by 10:45 am to set up.

Children's Christmas Party

December 9, 2017

11am to 2pm.

Bring your letter to Santa, along with a camera. Crafts & refreshments served.

The Township Pavilion is available to rent for your summer/fall events. Please check the website for the rental application and contact the Township office for availability.

Thanks to everyone who came out to the Tree Give Away held in April & Pet a Pet in the Park held in May. We had a great turnout for both events.

Recreation meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6 pm at the Township Hall, September through May. Have suggestions or new ideas? Stop in and let us know!

HALL RENTAL

The Township Hall is available to rent for Township residents. The hall has a capacity of 75 people. The cost is \$100 to reserve your date. If everything is cleaned up afterward we will mail you back a deposit of \$50.00.

Rental applications are available on our website www.stclairtpw.org under the "forms" tab or in office.

Book now as our calendar fills up fast.

Attention Senior Citizens

St. Clair Township Senior Citizens group meet at the Township Hall the third Tuesday of each month at noon for lunch and fellowship. Sometimes they stay after and play cards. If you wish to stop by, please bring a dish to pass. Our next luncheon will be August 15th. We hope to see you there!



TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT NEWS

2017 Summer Taxes are due on September 14, 2017 before 4:30 p.m. After that date a 3% penalty is applied and then interest accumulates at 1% per month. We do not accept postmarks.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not waive interest, penalties, or administration fees. The legal responsibility of paying taxes on the correct parcel of property rests with the taxpayer. The Treasurer will not be responsible for payment on wrong parcel descriptions.

Currently, bills paid through your on-line banking system may take up to 15-20 business days to be received since they are processed by a third party vendor.

Cash and Check Information: **1) CASH** - It is not always possible to break large bills, as the office keeps minimal change on hand for security reasons. When paying with cash please bring in exact amount due or as close as possible; **2) Checks** - Make checks payable to "St. Clair Township", and include your telephone number and parcel number of the property; **3) - Deposit Drop Box** for your convenience, the Township has a drop box located in front of the Township Hall main entrance. Please use **only** checks or money orders when using the drop box. **Any payments made after 4:30 p.m. will be applied on the next business day;** any amount not paid by the due date will go delinquent and does incur penalties and interest.

Utility Bills: The Treasurer's office handles all water & sewer billing for St. Clair Township. All utility services are billed in arrears on a quarterly basis. If you are moving in or out of your residence, please call the township for a final bill and mailing address information updates. Reminder that online bill pay through the Township website has been discontinued due to lack of use and not being cost effective.

Reminder: We do not accept credit cards, debit cards or credit card checks. Also tax & water bills cannot be combined on to one check. A separate check must be written for the water bill and another for the tax bill. Thank you.

UPDATES FROM THE ASSESSOR

If you are a new resident and have recently moved in, be sure to file your PRINCIPLE RESIDENCE EXEMPTION and PROPERTY TRANSFER AFFIDAVIT with the St. Clair Township offices before June 1st, 2017 or November 1, 2017. The "PRE" ensures that you will be placed on the tax roll at the correct millage rates. Failure to do so can result in overpayment of your school taxes.

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FROM THE BUILDING DEPT.

Just a reminder that you can obtain building, mechanical, plumbing & electrical permit applications on our website: www.stclairtpw.org or by stopping by the office.

Brian's office hours are Monday, Wednesday & Fridays from 9 am to noon. Stop by or call with any questions.

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR BURN PERMIT FOR 2017



St. Clair Township issues all burning permits for residents of the Township. Permits issued are valid calendar year (Jan 1st-Dec 31st). **A new permit is required each year if you wish to burn.** Permit applications are available at the Township office or on our website @ www.stclairtpw.org All applications must be signed stating you have received a copy of the ordinance and will comply with the regulations. A permit is not valid until a permit number is issued by the Township. **PLEASE BURN RESPONSIBLY!** **Failure to do so or non-compliance with the ordinance could result in charges for an emergency response.**