# TALK of the TOWNship

Fall 2018 Vol. XXIII Ed. 5



Senior Expo/Health Fair

Wednesday, September 19, 2018 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Public Works Building, 520 Park Drive, Boiling Springs

## Sponsored by:

UPMC Pinnacle Carlisle • Cumberland County Aging and Community Services
Benefit Connections, Inc. • Karns Quality Foods
Orrstown Bank • State Representative Will Tallman

# **FLU SHOTS**





Chair Massage

# **Shingles Vaccinations:**

K-mart will administer Shingles Vaccinations at the Expo. You must pre-register for the shot by calling the K-Mart Pharmacy at 717-243-2271.

K-Mart Pharmacy will be able to tell you if your prescription drug plan will pay for the vaccination.

# Free Health Screenings:

Cholesterol
Glucose
Bone Density
Blood Pressure
Hearing · Vision
Spinal Analysis

Bingo begins at 2:45 p.m.



# **SOUTH MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP**



#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Standing (L-R) Ronald Hamilton, Duff Manweiler, Walter "Rick" Reighard, Seated (L-R) Bryan Gembusia (Chairman) Tom Faley (Vice Chairman) supervisors@smiddleton.com

**TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR** - Bryan Salzmann (Salzmann Hughes) **TOWNSHIP ENGINEER** - Brian O'Neill (Rettew)

520 Park Drive, Boiling Springs, PA 17007-9536 Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 am - 4:00 pm Telephone: 717-258-5324 • Fax: 717-258-3577 www.smiddleton.com

**Publishing Editor:** 

**Contributing Articles:** 

Natalie Frye

Cory Adams , Bob Kissinger, Tim Duerr, Tim Stout, and Jennifer Varner

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF —

**Cory Adams** - Township Manager cadams@smiddleton.com

**Jarrett Sweeney** - Assistant Manager/Finance Director/IT Professional jsweeney@smiddleton.com

**Sandra Quickel** - Township Secretary squickel@smiddleton.com

**Natalie Frye** - Administrative Assistant nfrye@smiddleton.com

#### TAX COLLECTOR -

#### Jennifer Varner

Voice and Fax 717 258-0127 • jvarner@smiddleton.com www.smtaxvarner.com

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm or by appointment at Township Municipal Building

#### SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT-

**Vince Elbel** - Sewage Enforcement Officer 717-263-6120

#### -PARKS & RECREATION-

**Sarah Colondrillo** - Director of Recreation scolondrillo@smiddleton.com

**Donna Ludwig** - Program Coordinator dludwig@smiddleton.com

**Vickie Shatto** - Parks & Recreation Secretary/Accts Payable Clerk vshatto@smiddleton.com

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT -

**Timothy Duerr** - Director of Community Development/ Zoning Officer tduerr@smiddleton.com

Bill Coulson - Building Code Official/Fire Marshall/ Codes Enforcement Officer bcoulson@smiddleton.com

**Timothy Stout** - Building Code Inspector/ Codes Enforcement Officer/Recycling Coordinator tstout@smiddleton.com

**Kelly Kurtas -** MS4 Coordinator / Assst. Zoning Officer / Assst. Codes Enforcement Officer kkurtas@smiddleton.com

**Allison Earnst** - Community Development Secretary aearnst@smiddleton.com

**Ron Hamilton** - Emergency Services Admin./Asst. Fire Marshal esadmin@smiddleton.com

#### PUBLIC WORKS -

**Kurt Uhler** - Director of Public Works kuhler@smiddleton.com

**Russel Yinger** - Roadmaster ryinger@smiddleton.com

**Brian Steigleman** - Heavy Equipment Operator **Matt Kempf** - Mechanic

**Rodney "Jake" Starner** - Mechanic/Heavy Equipment Operator

Craig Shaw - Road Sign Coordinator/Laborer

Sean Clouse - Compost Site Coordinator/Laborer

Josh Martin - Road Laborer Carey Welsh - Road Laborer

Trever Gill - Parks & FacilitiesTech.

**Trent Reisinger** - Parks & FacilitiesTech.

Jonathan Keller - Parks & FacilitiesTech.

Paul Smith - Parks & FacilitiesTech.

Russell Gutshall - Parks & FacilitiesTech.

Jeff Kelly - Parks & FacilitiesTech.

William McNaughton - Compost Site Attendant

Paul Sheffer - Compost Site Attendant

#### **EMERGENCY**

If an after hours emergency occurs in the Township, please observe the following procedures:

Police, Fire & Ambulance: Call 911
PA State Police Carlisle Non-Emergency: 717-249-2121

**Roadways**: Call the Township Office at 258-5324 and leave a message. We will respond as quickly as we can.

If you have an emergency, please call 911.

**Sewer & Water**: Call the Municipal Authority Office at 258-6476. An answering service will direct your call.

# From the Manager's Desk

ation, but here at the Township we are as busy as ever. You entrust us with your hard-earned tax money, so we owe it to you to reinvest it back into the community in projects that you see immediately, as well as to pay for other initiatives that may not necessarily be as visible but will pay dividends in the future.

We lined up over \$1.1 million worth of road upgrades and repairs throughout the Township, which includes complete re-paving projects as well as milling, shoulder repairs, and line-striping work on over a dozen different roads. Some of the larger projects include work on Lindsey Road, Stonehedge Drive and Forest Lane, Brookwood Avenue, Logan Drive, Strayer Drive and Todd Road, and Heisers Lane, just to name a few. We have also completed a Township-wide review of our bridges, and should have permits in hand from the State to finally address the bridge on Petersburg Road that was narrowed to onelane last year. This project should be completed in time for the larger Kunkle Bridge (Petersburg over the Yellow Breeches) replacement project in 2019.

As previously mentioned, the Township has begun to rollout our Federally-mandated storm water program (also known as MS4). As part of this, as well as to just make it more efficient for us to respond to winter weather

The summer may be a great time for rest and relax- events, the Township has begun the design of a new salt and materials storage facility, hopefully to be open next year. Additionally, and unlike many nearby communities, South Middleton has chosen not to pass the cost of our MS4 program onto our residents (such as through storm water fees), but for now will pay for the program with funding on hand.

> We continue to implement components of the Spring Meadows Park Master Plan with the construction of a new restroom facility, along with a "tot lot" playground at the front of the park. Additionally, this fall we anticipate beginning a full master plan study of the Township's other nearby parks (South Middleton, Leaman, and Yellow Breeches Parks). Also, this summer saw the installation of new lighting at Woodcrafters Park, allowing for nighttime baseball.

> Finally, as we move through August, the Township is well underway in developing its 2019 Budget. Primary areas of note for next year will include continuing proper funding for our emergency services organizations and ensuring our road maintenance needs are met. Additionally, we will decide on next year's trash and recycling service moving forward, whether that includes retaining Advanced Disposal or putting our contract out for bid.

## **SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS**

#### **APPROVED:**

- Carlisle United Methodist Church, 2 lots, 33 South Spring Garden Street, Final Land Development
- Stardust Motel, 1 lot, 1502 Holly Pike, Conditional Use
- F & M Trust, 2 lots, Westminster Drive, Conditional Use
- Rose Detailing, Inc, 1 lot, 1531 Commerce Ave, Conditional Use
- John's Mobile Repair Service, 1 lot, 1511 Commerce Ave, Conditional Use
- Paul & Paul Strayer Jr., 2 lots, E. Springville Road, Final Mountain Creek Distribution Center, 1 lot, 1 Ames Drive, Subdivision/Lot Alteration
- George Mallios, 1 lot, 1947 W. Trindle Road, Conditional Morgan's Crossing, 131 lots, 330 Petersburg Road, Con-
- Akash Patel & Associates, 1 lot, 1501 Commerce Ave, Conditional Use
- Carlisle Distribution Center, LLC, 1 lot, 45 Logistics Drive, Conditional Use
- Jonietta E. Warner, 2 lots, Lindsey Road, Final Subdivision/Lot Alteration
- Evelyn K. Grove and Michal & Robin Scherer, 2 lots, Mountain Road, Final Subdivision/Lot Alteration

#### **PENDING:**

- Old Town Run Mountain Lodge, 2 lots, Whiskey Springs Road, Final Minor Subdivision
- Westmooreland Phase 1, 38 lots, Walnut Bottom Road, Final Subdivision & Land Development
- William & Cynthia Wirl, 2 lots, S. Middlesex Road, Final Minor Subdivision
- Group & Group, 1 lot, 1545 Holly Pike, Final Land Development
- Conditional Use
- ditional Use
- George & Tessie Mallios, 1 lot, Trindle Road, Preliminary/Final Land Development
- Parkview of Boiling Springs Phase 3, 27 lots, East Old York Road and Springville Road, Final Subdivision and Land Development
- Kee Medical Services, LLC, 1 lot, 1733 Trindle Road, Preliminary/Final Land Development

# **Township Ordinances and Resolutions**

Over the past several months, the Board of Supervisors has considered and approved a number of ordinances and resolutions. A copy of these documents can be found on the Township's website or obtained at the Township offices. All resolutions are effective immediately and ordinances five days after approval, unless otherwise noted. The following are a summary of these actions:

#### **NEW ORDINANCES**

None

#### **NEW RESOLUTIONS**

#### Foundry Day - Resolution No. 2018-13

Approves street closures and the hanging of a banner over Rt. 174.

Adopted: April 26, 2018

#### Traffic Signal Application - Resolution No. 2018-14

Authorizes the Township Manager to submit a traffic signal lar Dr. as Township roads. application to PennDOT for the West Mooreland Phase I subdivision.

Adopted: May 10, 2018

#### Multi-Modal Grant - Resolution No. 2018-15

Authorizes the Township to apply for a Multi-Modal grant of up to \$3 million related to sidewalk improvements and traffic calming measures in and around the village of Boiling Springs.

Adopted: June 28, 2018

#### Street Dedications - Resolution No. 2018-16

Accepts portions of Tavern Blvd., Allenberry Ct., and Pop-

Adopted: July 12, 2018

## Clean Water Corner

Here are 10 simple tips for saving water and helping rivers. (Some may even save you money). Got a new tip to share? Let us know!

- Turn the water off while you brush your teeth and save over two gallons a minute.
- Fix dripping faucets and running toilets. A leaky faucet that drips at a rate of one drop per second can waste up to 2,700 gallons a year.
- Save water and money by choosing efficient showerheads, dishwashers, and other appliances. Look for the "WaterSense" label.
- Only run your washing machine and dish washer when they are full. 4.
- Dispose of chemicals properly at a hazardous waste drop-off center do not pour them on the ground, into the sewer, or down the drain.
- Avoid using pesticides or herbicides on your yard and garden the chemicals can contaminate groundwater and streams, and can also hurt kids and pets.
- In the yard, use mulch to keep moisture from leaving the soil and minimize the need to water.
- If you must water the lawn, water in the early morning or evening, and try to avoid watering on windy days. This will limit the amount of water that is evaporated by the Sun or blown onto sidewalks and driveways.
- Plant a rain garden to add beauty to your yard while absorbing and filtering runoff. Water absorbed in a rain garden will filter pollution otherwise headed for streams.
- 10. Use a rain barrel to collect rain and help water your plants. Forty percent of the average homeowner's water use is outdoors. Rain barrels reduce the stress on municipal water systems during the dry, summer months.



# **Fall Leaf Pickup**

Fall Leaf Pickup will begin October 29 and run to **December 7**. Bundle your leaves in an untied bag at the curb, and the Public Works crew will take care of them. Due to weather and staffing limitations, it is impossible to have a set schedule. However, it is our intent to cover the entire Township at least once every week.



### Third Annual Bubbler Foundation Festival

Bring your family and friends out to the Bubbler Foundation Festival on September 2, 2018 from 12-5pm at South Middleton Park. The annual Labor Day fireworks will follow the festival beginning at dusk at the Boiling Springs High School football field.

SOUTH MIDDLETON

The North Mountain Ramblers will return this year to once again delight attendees as the featured band. There will be FREE ice cream (while supplies last) and a variety of delicious food for purchase. In the children's area, there will be many activities (all FREE) including Enriching Education and Community Life face painting, balloon artists, the Bug Man, sidewalk chalk, kites to fly, corn hole, a bounce house, a bounce obstacle course, bubble machines, water

balloons (weather permitting) and the playground. For the adventure seekers, new this year, there will be a zip line for children and children-at-heart!

The Bubbler Foundation will have an information table in the main pavilion with give aways and will be selling rubber ducks for the Rubber Duck Race at 3pm.

Please visit www.bubblerfoundation.org or the Bubbler Foundation's Facebook page for a schedule of all the activities.



As you may be aware, the Township has been having some service issues with our current waste and recycling hauler, Advanced Disposal. To address these concerns, the Township has met with Advanced Disposal on a number of occasions, as well as summoning them before the Board of Supervisors to address these concerns. Advanced Disposal has stated they are facing both equipment and staffing issues and are working on improving these impediments to their service. We will continue to monitor Advanced Disposal's service through the remainder of this year and determine whether it is in the public's best interest to put the contract out for bid later this year.

It must be mentioned however that any future contract will, in all likelihood, see an increase in cost of service. A significant factor driving up the cost of both trash and recycling disposal are recent changes in the overseas recycling market which has driven down the profitability of recycling. Due to these challenges in the market, it is possible that your next trash and recycling ser-

vice may look quite different from what you are currently familiar with.



# **Municipal Authority Update on Your Water and Sewer Services**

#### **SEWER SERVICES:**

You may be aware that there is a major water and sewer replacement project occurring in the Forge Road Acres Development. The Municipal Authority is replacing all of the sewer mains, manholes, and laterals from the main to the property lines in two phases. Phase I, which has been under progress since early 2018, encompasses the area along Forge Road and to the east. A second phase will include the area to the west of Forge Road. This part of the project will be bid after the completion of Phase I.

Regarding your sewer rates, the last increase was five percent in early 2017. The Authority will determine later this vear whether another increase in needed in 2019.

#### **WATER SERVICES:**

As part of Phase I of the Forge Road Acres project, the Authority is also replacing all of the water mains, valves, hydrants, and laterals from the main to the property line. Furthermore, the Authority is nearing completion of the interconnection of our two water distribution systems in the South Spring Garden Street and Bonnybrook Road area. We expect this to be completed within the next month.

Regarding your water rates, the last increase was 15 percent in early 2017. The Authority will determine later this year whether another increase will be needed in 2019.

The 2017 Consumer Confidence Report (Annual Water Quality Report) is available for your review and can be downloaded at our website, www.smtma.net. If you would like a paper copy, please contact us during normal business hours at 717-258-6476.

## **TOWNSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE**

All meetings are subject to final approval and advertisement by the various boards involved. Please check the Township website or call the Township office for an update.

SEPTEMBER			NOVEMBER			
10	Zoning Hearing Board5:00 PM	8	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM			
10	Municipal Authority6:00 PM	12	Zoning Hearing Board 5:00 PM			
12	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM	12	Municipal Authority6:00 PM			
13	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM	14	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM			
18	Planning Commission 6:00 PM	15	Parks & Recreation Board6:00 PM			
20	Parks & Recreation Board6:00 PM	19	Planning Commission 6:00 PM			
24	Municipal Authority6:00 PM	20	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM			
26	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM	26	Municipal Authority6:00 PM			
27	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM	28	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM			
	OCTOBER		0 11			
8	Zoning Hearing Board 5:00 PM		DECEMBER			
8	Municipal Authority 6:00 PM	10	Zoning Hearing Board5:00 PM			
10	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM	10	Municipal Authority6:00 PM			
11	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM	12	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM			
16	Planning Commission 6:00 PM	13	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM			
18	Parks & Recreation Board6:00 PM	18	Planning Commission 6:00 PM			
22	Municipal Authority6:00 PM	26	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM			
24	Building Code Appeals Board 4:00 PM					
25	Board of Supervisors6:00 PM					

**Meeting Locations:** Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board and Parks & Recreation Board: South Middleton Township Municipal Building, 520 Park Drive, Boiling Springs, PA 17007

**Municipal Authority:** South Middleton Township Municipal Authority Office, 345 Lear Lane, Boiling Springs, PA 17007 Anyone with special needs requesting assistance at any meeting should please contact the Township Office at least one week prior to the meeting date to make arrangements for assistance.

# From the Tax Collector

If you own real estate in South Middleton Township, you should have received a County and Municipal Real Estate Bill in March and a School District Real Estate Bill in July. These bills are based on the assessed value of your real estate. Taxes due on your real estate depend on the millage rate established by these taxing authorities. If you are paying your taxes through online/web banking, please remember to put the tax bill number in the memo section. If you mail in your payment and require a receipt, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment. I do accept credit cards as a form of payment. The credit card processing company charges a 2.65% processing fee that is based on the amount of your bill. This fee will



be added on to your credit card payment. To pay by credit card, please come to my office in the Township Building and bring a form of photo identification. I also accept cash, personal checks, business checks or money orders as forms of payment. There is a slot in my office door for payments brought during non-office hours. Thank you!

# From the Zoning Officer

In the early 1980s, the Township adopted an "Airport Hazard Overlay District" as part of our Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of this district was, and continues to be, to ensure the safe operation of the Carlisle Airport by restricting the placement of structures or the growth of trees in its protected airspace. The Zoning Ordinance requires all property owners within the Overlay District to keep all objects from reaching a height that could affect the safety of aircraft operations. Be aware, it is the responsibility of the property owner to mitigate these potential dangers. If you are uncertain whether your property is located within the Airport Hazard District, or if you have any questions concerning your responsibilities, please contact either the Township or the Carlisle Airport at 717-243-2133.

# **Staff Changes**

After 21 years of service, **Rosalie Green** has retired as Township Receptionist (and overall problem solver). She brought a level of positivity to her position that was infectious to everyone that had the fortune to work with her. Rosalie greeted everyone with a smile and a happy voice. She plans to enjoy her camp in Huntington County, travel more and spend time in her many flower gardens. Although we are sad to see her go, we wish Rosalie a happy retirement.

The Township recently hired **Kelly Kurtas** as our new MS4 Coordinator/Asst. Zoning Officer/Asst. Codes Officer. Kelly comes to us from Silver Spring Township where she did MS4 work as well, and prior to that she was a Hydraulic Specialist. She did both her undergraduate and master studies at Shippensburg University.

Also joining us as a Parks and Facilities Technician is **Jonathan Keller.** Jonathan graduated from Mansfield University and recently completed National Guard basic training. Welcome Kelly and Jonathan to South Middleton!

# **Boiling Springs Receives Statewide Recognition**

The Village of Boiling Springs was recently recognized as a "Great Public Space" by the American Planning Association, Pennsylvania Chapter. It joins four other Pennsylvania locations in receiving the honor this year after a statewide competition.

According to the Association, Great Places "have a sustainable vision for the future and serve as a model for other communities." It praised Boiling Springs for its variety of restaurants, shops, cultural sites, and recreational activities, as well as for Children's Lake, its trail community status along the Appalachian Trail, and its events during the year that attract thousands to the village.

"The diversity of community character, assets and activities creates small-town charm that is a treasure for all to experience," the Association said in a news release. Boiling Springs is the first Cumberland County community recognized as a Great Public Space by the Planning Association since the program was first stated in 2014.

Also named as a Great Public Space this year is Buhl Park in Mercer County, Central Park in Bucks County, Emmaus Triangle Park in Lehigh County, and the Susquehanna Riverfront in Clinton County. Boiling Springs will be part of a special exhibition at the Planning Association's annual conference this Fall in Erie.

# Thank You!

Thank you to American Legion South Mountain Post #674 for their kind donation of an American Flag for Spring Meadows Park. This is the second time that Post #674 has donated a 15' x 25' American Flag for the park.



# What to Recycle

Aluminum, Glass (clear, brown & green),
Plastic 1 through 7 (natural and pigmented
narrow-neck containers such as water/milk
bottles, shampoo bottles, bleach bottles) Ferrous
(iron, steel, tin) cans, Newsprint, Construction/
craft paper, Junk mail, catalogues, phone books,
Corrugated cardboard Boxes (broken down flat)



#### SOUTH MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP

520 Park Drive Boiling Springs, PA 17007 717-258-5324 • FAX 717-258-3577 www.smiddleton.com PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE P A I D Harrisburg, PA PERMIT NO. 762

# **Burning/Fire Reminder**

Due to the current dry conditions, South Middleton Township requests that any burning and use of smoking materials be monitored and completely extinguished when completed. We have recently had a number of fires related to smoking and hope that everyone pays special attention to extinguishment.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*ECRWSS EDDM\*\*\*\* LOCAL POSTAL CUSTOMER



#### **Clip and Save**

# COMPOST SITE SCHEDULE

	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
JANUARY			2 pm - 5 pm			8 am - 1 pm
FEBRUARY						8 am - 1 pm
MARCH		2 pm - 5 pm	2 pm - 5 pm	2 pm - 5 pm		8 am - 1 pm
APRIL		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 1 pm
MAY		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 1 pm
JUNE		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 3 pm
JULY		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 3 pm
AUGUST		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 3 pm
SEPTEMBER		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 1 pm
OCTOBER		2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 6 pm		8 am - 1 pm
NOVEMBER	2 pm - 5 pm	8 am - 1 pm				
DECEMBER		2 pm - 5 pm	2 pm - 5 pm	2 pm - 5 pm		8 am - 1 pm

615 Lindsey Road, Carlisle

#### **CLOSED HOLIDAYS AND INCLEMENT WEATHER**

# **Compost Site Rules**

Must be a South Middleton Township resident. Please remove all containers and bags.

#### **Accepted**

- · Leaves on leaf pile only
- Brush/shrubbery clippings
- · Dry ornamental grass
- Logs under 8" diameter/less than 6' long
- Pine cones and seed pods in compost only
- Shrubbery roots that are free of dirt and stones

#### **Not Accepted**

- Weeds from garden
- Grass clippings, garbage, dirt, stones
- Nuts, Fruit, Vegetables
- Corn fodder, Corn cobs, Mulch/Old Compost
- Construction materials
- · Logs over 8" in diameter
- The Compost Site is a *No Smoking* facility.
- Residents are required to have an access sticker afixed to their windshield (preferably in the lower corner of the passenger side) or access will be denied.
- No commercial business or hauler may drop off or pick up any product without a completed authorization form. The forms are available at Township office and must be signed by a Township resident.
- Leaf mulch and tanbark are free to Township residents, but must be hand loaded.
- Due to the high probability of vehicle damage or bodily harm, Township residents and employees are prohibited from machine loading any product.
- The Township staff appreciates the cooperation of all involved with the operation of the compost site, as we pride ourselves in providing a quality product free of charge in a safe environment to all residents.
- Questions shall be directed to South Middleton Township Road Director Russel Yinger.