

NEVILLE NEWS



Neville Township * 5050 Grand Avenue, Neville Island, PA 15225 Phone 412-264-1977



In honor of Earth Day 2019, Neville Green and Neville Township will partner to host the Annual Neville Township Clean-up Day on **Saturday, April 27, 2019.**

Volunteers will perform a litter sweep along Grand Avenue and Neville Road to remove the trash that has accumulated over the winter. **Please volunteer!** We need your help to make the Island a more attractive place to live, work and visit.

Volunteers should plan to meet at the Neville Island Fire Station at 5300 Grand Avenue by 9:00 AM. The event will end at Noon.

The Township will supply all volunteers with work gloves, safety vests and trash bags. Neville Green will provide free coffee, donuts and bottled water.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Neville Green at 412-965-7574 or email dorothy15225@gmail.com.

If your business or family is unable to participate on April 27th, you are encouraged to clean your neighborhood, street or business during the week of April 22 – 27. Notify Neville Green of your project and you will receive a certificate and recognition for your efforts.



Walter London Recognized for Leadership



Vice-Chairman Rick Rutter presenting Resolution to Walter London

On Thursday, March 14, 2019, the Board of Commissioners honored Mr. Walter London for his long-time service to the Neville Township Zoning Hearing Board.

Mr. London has served for thirty-six years, many of those as Chairperson. He was recognized for his outstanding leadership at public meetings, guidance to new officials and dedication in serving his fellow citizens. Mr. London recently retired as Chairperson, but generously agreed to continue serving on the Board.

His fellow Zoning Hearing Board Members Raymond Antonelli Sr., Dave Kerr and Solicitor Henry Miller, joined the Commissioners in recognizing Mr. London.

The Zoning Hearing Board currently has an open seat for an alternate member. Any resident interested in serving should submit a letter of interest to the Board of Commissioners at 5050 Grand Ave.



SPRING 2019 CALENDAR



Spring Hydrant Flushing - April 25 and April 26 2019, from 4:00 pm - Midnight.



Customers may notice discolored water and are asked not to do laundry or use large amounts of water during this period. If you experience discolored water, please flush your lines by running cold water. If the discoloration remains after 10 - 20 minutes, please call the Township at 412-264-1977.

Street Sweeping - Wednesday, April 3rd thru End of November



The Township's Street Sweeping Program will resume on April 3RD and continue through the end of November. The Township is divided into three zones, each with two (2) hour parking restrictions every Wednesday.

- Zone 1: First Ward (First Street to Pershing Way) - 8 AM to 10 AM.
- Zone 2: Second Ward (Hubert Street to Gibson Lane) - 10 AM to 12 Noon.
- Zone 3: Third Ward (Cottage Avenue to Von Stein Lane) - 1 PM to 3 PM.

Residents are expected to move their vehicle EVERY WEDNESDAY. Please do not call the Township to ask if the street sweeper is operating. Last minute cancellations may occur due to equipment failures or other emergencies. The office may not have the latest information and you will not be excused from moving your vehicle or parking citations.

If you receive a parking citation you may pay by mail, in person or via the Township's 24-hour drop box. *Failure to pay within 30 days will result in a police traffic citation that includes a larger fine and court costs.*

The Township's Street Sweeping Program is an essential service. Not only does it keep our community looking its best, but it prevents litter and debris from reaching our storm sewers and ultimately the river. Street Sweeping keeps water quality high and prevents flooding.

Park Rentals - Reservations now accepted for 2019 dates.



If you are planning a picnic, party, family reunion or other summer event, park pavilion rental forms are now available. Stop in the Township Office or call 412-264-1977 to reserve a space.

Neville Island Real Estate Tax - Thursday, May 30, 2019 * 9:00 am - 12:00 pm



On April 1st Township Real Estate Tax bills will be mailed to all property owners. For residents who wish to pay in person and prior to the end of the discount period, Jordan Tax Services representatives will be at the Municipal Building according to the following schedule: **Thursday, May 30, 2019 * 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.**

Primary Election Day - Tuesday, May 21, 2019



Pennsylvania polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

TAX QUESTIONS?
Call Jordan Tax Service at
724-731-2311
Or visit www.jordantax.com



SPRING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT CHECK LIST - If your spring or summer plans include home improvement projects, please review this list of important reminders.

PERMITS: Many common spring and summer projects, including decks, fences and swimming pools require a building, electrical permit and/or are subject to zoning regulations including height and set-back rules. *The best time to speak to the Township building inspector is during the planning phase of your project.* Call 412-264-1977 and schedule a time to ask an inspector about permit and construction requirements.

Permit applications are available at the Township. During the busy construction season and prior to holiday weekends, you should allow for up to 2 weeks for the review of your completed permit application packet. If you are hiring a contractor, make sure to discuss who will be applying for and paying for all permits. Construction without a permit can result in your project work being delayed, citations and fines.

PA One Call: If your project plans include any digging or excavation, don't forget to call 811. PA homeowners and contractors are required to contact PA One Call by dialing 811 at least three business days prior to any project that breaks ground. *The law applies to even simple projects like planting a shrub or installing a new mailbox post!* With one call to 811, all utilities will respond to locate underground power, gas, water, and sewer lines and communication cables. New regulations require Neville Township to report all violators and you may be fined and be responsible to make restitution for any damages to unmarked utility lines.



KNOW WHAT'S BELOW... CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG!

CONSTRUCTION RUN-OFF: State and local storm water regulations require all property owners to prevent damage to storm sewers and waterways by controlling construction run-off from the property. It is illegal to discharge dirt, mud, gravel, cement, grass clipping and organic and non-organic materials from your property into a public street, storm sewer or waterway. Homeowners are responsible for all contractors working on their property. To discuss a project or report a violation, please call 412-264-1977.

Pool Credit Program: If you plan to fill a new or existing swimming pool this season, please be advised that residents must have the Township Water Department read the meter PRIOR TO and AFTER filling the pool and there will be a minimum charge for the additional meter readings. The Township no longer accepts any applications for a pool credit without verified meter readings for the gallons of water used to fill the pool. Pool credit applications are available at the Township.

Disposing of Electronics and Large Bulky Items: If your plans include a garage or household cleanout, don't forget you can now take advantage of the Waste Management Home Collection Program for Household Generated Special Materials. This service is provided at no additional cost to residents. The Board approved this program to encourage the responsible disposal of environmentally sensitive items and to help keep our neighborhoods, yards and sidewalks looking tidy.

Residents, landlords and tenants are required to schedule a collection appointment for all electronics, hard-to-recycle and large, bulky items. YOU MUST SCHEDULE A SPECIAL PICK-UP! These items cannot be placed with your weekly curbside pick-up. Please visit the www.nevilletownship.us for instructions on how to set-up a collection appointment

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR SEWAGE TREATMENT BILL? ALCOSAN'S Clean Water Assistance Fund may be able to help. Contact the Township for an application.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: The Neville Township Public Works Department is seeking to fill **Temporary Summer Public Works Laborer** positions. High school and college students are encouraged to apply. Students will cut grass, remove weeds, paint and perform other physical labor while learning about parks, roads and public water and sewer systems. The Township also considers adult applicants, including retirees interested in a temporary, full-time position. For details on the positions and an application, visit the Township Office.



Before you plan your first spring cookout, make sure you are familiar with the Allegheny County Health Department Open Burning Regulations. Fire size and materials are limited.

Visit burnfactsallegheny.info, call 412-578-7963 or pick-up a fact sheet at the Township office.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS - THUNDERSTORMS & TORNADOES

The changing seasons often bring drastic swings in weather. The spring transition from cold to warm and the heat and humidity as summer approaches help build thunderstorms that can produce hail, severe wind gusts and even tornadoes. Thunderstorms also produce hazards from lightning and floods.

Don't wait until an emergency to prepare for severe weather. Simple steps can prevent injuries and even save your life. Check flashlight batteries now and make sure your family knows where lights are stored. Know where to seek shelter at home, at work, at school and in public places, such as a store or mall. Make sure everyone in your family has access to the National Weather Service Watch and Warning System through television, radio, cell phone weather apps or a NOAA weather radio. Boaters need to take special precautions to allow for adequate time to seek shelter from approaching storms.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A WATCH AND A WARNING?

WATCH – The National Weather Service will issue a Watch when they expect favorable conditions to allow for severe thunderstorms to develop. Watches usually cover a wide area of several counties and a period of 6 to 8 hours. Use this time to prepare by reviewing your family plan, securing loose objects outdoors, closing doors and windows and monitoring weather forecasts.

WARNING - The National Weather Service will issue a Warning when thunderstorms are creating severe weather. Storms have been detected on radar or reporting by the public. Warnings usually last less than one hour and cover a small, specific area. Severe thunderstorms contain damage winds, hail or the potential for a tornado. A Tornado Warning is issued when a storm shows rotation on the radar or a tornado has been spotted. **WHEN A WARNING IS ISSUED, YOU SHOULD TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION!** Seek shelter in the lowest, most central room and stay away from doors and windows.

OUR OFFICES WILL CLOSE FOR THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS

- Friday, April 19, 2019 – Good Friday
- Tuesday, May 21, 2019 – Primary Election Day
- Monday, May 27, 2019 – Memorial Day

Find minutes, forms and more at www.nevilletownship.us

UTILITY PAYMENTS ARE ACCEPTED 24-HOURS A DAY – A SECURE DROP BOX IS LOCATED BY THE MAIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING ENTRANCE AT 5050 GRAND AVE. OR PAY BY CREDIT CARD ON-LINE at www.nevilletownship.us.

Next Newsletter –
Summer 2019

Mailed with Water Bill
on June 30, 2019



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