

Summer 2020

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NEVILLE NEWS



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



CONGRATULATIONS NEVILLE GRADUATES - CORNELL H.S. CLASS OF 2020!

We are proud of you and your accomplishments.
We are confident that you will continue with even more successes.
Good luck in your next adventure. Congrats!

Riley Farrar *** Madison Hitt *** Gregory Kleppinger

Joseph Maxell *** Jeffrey Phillips *** Miranda Phillips

Corey Pulford *** Davine Smith *** Timothy Spirnock

COVID-19 – WE CAN BEAT THIS TOGETHER! STAY SAFE, STAY CALM – THIS SHALL PASS

Thank You!

The Neville Township Board of Commissioners would like to extend their sincere appreciation to all residents and our business community for their patience and cooperation during the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency.

Special appreciation is extended to all essential workers, including store clerks, restaurant employees, postal and delivery drivers, teachers, medical professionals, first responders and our municipal staff.

The Township also thanks the Cornell School District, Meals on Wheels, the West Hills Area Community Food Bank, our local churches, and all those who are volunteering their time and funds to help feed and care for those in need.



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE CORAOPOLIS VFW POST 402 FOR HONORING OUR AREA VETERANS ON MEMORIAL DAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR'S PARADE AND CEREMONY WHEN WE CAN ALL BE TOGETHER. WE APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT WE NEVER FORGET THE SACRIFICES OF MANY GENERATIONS OF AMERICAN VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Rescheduled Date

YARD SALE

Resident volunteers are organizing a **Community-Wide Garage / Yard Sale on Saturday August 15, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.** To participate, please email Kari DeShong at karisearl@gmail.com and include your address, big ticket items to be sold (TV, Couch, etc.) or the type of items for sale (baby, books, DVDs, etc.). The sale will be advertised on media outlets with a map of the homes participating. *And please thank these volunteers for their time and efforts in organizing a positive community event!*



YOUR RIGHT-TO-KNOW MORE ABOUT WHAT IS IN YOUR DRINKING WATER?



The 2019 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT is now available anytime on the Neville Township Water Department website. The direct link to review the report is <https://goh2o.net/NTWD/ccr>.

Any resident or business that does not have computer access and would like to obtain a copy of the 2019 Report can visit the Township Administrative Office at 5050 Grand Avenue or call 412-264-1977 to request a copy of the report. The Township will mail a copy to your attention free of charge.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR UTILITY BILL

- Combined water, sanitary sewage and garbage bills are mailed to all residential customers on a quarterly basis.
- Your single bill covers the cost to purchase and distribute treated drinking water, to convey and treat sanitary sewage and for weekly household waste pick-up and special pick-ups for hard-to-recycle and dispose of bulk items and household hazardous waste. When comparing rates, be sure to consider all services included in your single bill.
- You will not receive separate bills from West View Water Authority, ALCOSAN, Waste Management or any other authority or agency for these services.
- Full payment is due 15 days after the date on your bill. Failure to pay in 15 days results in a past due notice that includes a 5% penalty added to your account.
- Accounts 30 days past due will receive a written shut-off notice. Customers who fail to respond within 10 days of the date of the shut-off notice by making payment in full will have their water service shut-off.
- Once a crew respond for shut-off, a \$75.00 fee will be assessed to restore water service and a customer must be present to reconnect service. Crews cannot accept on-site payments.
- The Township accepts cash, check or money order. Credit card payments can be made on-line only, and a processing fee is applied. A 24-hour drop box is available for after hour payments.
- If paying by cash, please bring exact amount. No change is available at the Municipal office. Overpayments will be credited towards the next billing cycle.
- Monthly payments are accepted to help budget for your quarterly bill.
- Customers whose service has been shut-off for non-payment or due to a vacant structure are still required to pay a minimum monthly charge for access to public utility

DON'T THROW YOUR MONEY DOWN THE DRAIN!

Your water and sewer bill is calculated on a base rate and a volume rate. The base rate is for connection to the system and provides you with a minimum number of gallons per month at a flat rate. All gallons used above the minimum are billed at the volume rate. Rates have not increased since July 2015. If you receive a high bill, you used more water!

Seasonal activities, such as car and lawn care may increase your bill. The most common reason for a high bill is a silent water leak. A dripping faucet, slow toilet leak or running outdoor hose can increase your water use and your bill! Inspect your plumbing often. Toilets can be checked using non-staining dye. Turn off all faucets and check your meter - meters will not turn if no water is flowing.

Leak credits cannot be issued for any water that passes through a customer's meter or for sewage when water is discharged into sanitary sewers and treated by ALCOSAN.



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

How Do I Request a Township Record?

The Pennsylvania Right to Know Law (RTKL) sets forth the requirements to obtain a copy of most Township records, including, ordinances, budgets, permits, etc. Persons requesting the record need to complete an RTK Request Form. Forms are available at the Municipal Building and on-line. You can file a RTK request in four ways: email, fax, U.S. Mail or in person.

Make sure your request for records is specific and concise. Identify the records you want as specifically as you can, so that we can quickly locate them and determine whether they are public record.

Don't ask questions. The RTKL is designed to provide access to records; it does not require agencies to answer questions.

Filing a request is always free, but you may be required to pay certain fees before receiving or inspecting your records.

How Do I File a Property Maintenance Complaint?

Neville Township enforces the International Property Maintenance Code. Our Enforcement Officer responds on a complaint basis for all issues reported by residents, identified by staff and officials, and to address concerns that are visible when performing building inspections throughout Neville Township.

Residents can report a concern by calling or visiting the Township, or by submitting a written complaint. Once a complaint is received, the inspector visits the site. If a violation is found, a written warning is sent giving the owner 20 days to correct the problem. If the problem is not corrected, a citation is filed at the District Magistrate. The court then decides to order a correction, provide an owner more time, and/or issue fines.



SWIMMING POOLS – F.A.Q.'s ???

PERMITS: A permit is required to install any swimming pool with a water depth of 24” or more. **THIS INCLUDES INFLATABLE POOLS!!!** Due to the high risk of injury or death, above-ground and in-ground pools, and spas and hot-tubs require permits and safety inspections. Our building inspector can help you understand the laws governing pool ladders, fencing, and the proper electrical grounding for filters and pumps. **PLEASE REQUEST THIS INFORMATION PRIOR TO INSTALLATION TO PROTECT YOUR FAMILY and NEIGHBORS and to AVOID DELAYS AND FINES.**

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 does not accept any application 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.

REMINDER: The Township Street Sweeping Program will continue through November 25, 2020. Help keep our streets and storm sewers clean! All vehicles and trailers must be moved for the two-hour window posted for your street. Fines are now in effect. Payment can be made by mail or placed in the Municipal Building 24-Hour Drop-Box. Unpaid fines result in police citations and additional fines and costs.





Neville Township Military Banner Program

The Neville Township Board of Commissioners with the generous support of the Keith-Holmes Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 402, Coraopolis, is pleased to offer the new Military Troop Banner Program. Banners may be purchased to honor any veteran or active service member who is a current or former resident of Neville Township. The 24' x 36" banner will be displayed along Neville Township roadways. For banner program information and applications contact the Township or [visit www.nevilletownship.us](http://www.nevilletownship.us).



HEITZ OF HEAVEN 5K Run / Walk – Sunday, September 13, 2020

Neville Township is honored to host the annual benefit race for the Heitz 61 Memorial Foundation. Run or walk in memory of Ryan V. Heitzenrater, who passed away in 2013 at the age of 13. Proceeds support higher education, physical well-being and teamwork in young persons involved in sports by distributing scholarships and offering diverse sports programs.

More info and online registration at www.Heitz61Foundation.org.



Neville Township residents are strongly encouraged to complete the 2020 Census at www.2020Census.gov. The Township relies on U.S. Census data to obtain grant and federal funding for the important programs that improve our community and reduce local tax contributions. In recent years census-dependent grants have purchased new playground equipment at Memorial Park, resurfaced the courts at Cottage Park and paid for water line improvements. **PLEASE COMPLETE THE CENSUS TODAY AND HELP KEEP GRANT DOLLARS FLOWING INTO OUR NEVILLE COMMUNITY.**



NEVILLE TOWNSHIP COVID-19 PANDAMIC RESPONSE



- As the COVID-19 Pandemic evolves, information can change rapidly. The best source for the latest Township information is on our webpage at www.nevilletownship.us.
- Check the website calendar and newsfeed for the status of events and possible cancellations, adjustments to Township services and important public safety announcements.
- Residents who have questions regarding local COVID-19 actions should call 412-264-1977.
- Most services can be provided by phone, email, or on-line and you can make utility payments 24-hours a day using the drop-box or via credit card.
- Persons who need to visit the Municipal Building will be required to wear masks and observe social distancing.
- Public Meetings will proceed following the latest Commonwealth requirements. Please check the website for alternative ways to attend meetings, provide comments or questions and to avoid **Any resident who is sick is strongly encouraged to stay home!**
- Please protect our vulnerable citizens, first responders and essential workers.

REMEMBER, YOUR MASK PROTECTS ME AND MY MASK PROTECTS YOU!



The Neville Township Board of Commissioners wish all citizens
A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER

Rick Rutter, Chairman * Bill Leon, Vice-Chairman * Jim Brown * Dave Kerr * Tracy Phillips

