

# **BROWN TOWNSHIP**

Spring 2021



**Trustees** 

Connie Skinner Gary Stegner Charles Miley

## **RECYCLING EVENTS - Charlie Miley - Trustee**



Fiscal Officer Peggy Link

July 17th 9:00 - 1:00

Hazardous Waste & Paint

Marion County Fairgrounds 220 E. Fairgrounds St. Marion, Ohio 43302

\$20/CAR (fee Includes paint)

There is a STRICT 10 can limit on latex paint.

For Event details please visit https://dkmm.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-HHW.pdf

158,000 pounds of materials were recycled in the Brown Township Bins last year. That was the fourth highest in the county.

For other disposal options visit

https://dkmm.org/hazardous-waste/

## **ELECTRONICS & TV's**

#### More information is available at DKMM.ORG

Electronics contain heavy metals which can contaminate drinking water if not handled properly. Electronics should be dismantled by a professional to be recycled into new electronic equipment. The following locations accept electronics. Be sure to read each listing carefully as some do not accept televisions. Electronics can also be recycled at Special Collection Events. Please see the county listings below for the 2021 Electronic Collection details.

#### **Delaware County**

District Sponsored Electronics & TV Collection - All District residents are welcome to attend.

Best Buy, 1375 Polaris Pkwy, Columbus, Ohio 43240, (614) 430-0789

Ohio Mulch (No televisions accepted) 883 U.S. Highway 42 N., Delaware (740) 363-8496 Ohio Mulch (No televisions accepted) 6673 U.S. Route 23 S., Lewis Center (740) 548-6242 Ohio Mulch (No televisions accepted) 6300 Frost Road, Westerville (614) 568-0222 Accurate IT, 3854 Fisher Road, Columbus, Ohio (614) 453-0709

## **BROWN TOWNSHIP Clean-up**

Several of you have been asking about Brown Township Cleanup. After checking with the Health Department and DKMM - Solid Waste we have learned that this will not take place this spring. With everyone concentrating on COVID the event has tentatively moved to Fall 2021 with a return to the regular schedule in the Spring of 2022. Information will be available on the township Face Book Page BROWN TOWNSHIP DELAWARE COUNTY. If it becomes available before the Fall Newsletter

## TOWNSHIP ROADS - Charlie Miley - Trustee

Since the weather is getting warmer and the robins are back, can the orange barrels be far behind. Last Fall I gave you a preview of the road work we would be doing this summer. In brief we are working on Jumper, Kelly McMaster, and Walton. Cackler will be striped. We decided to put a cap on Pugh Rd., which will be a major improvement to that road. The township applied for OPWC funds to do an overlay on Howard but as of the printing of this newsletter we have not heard if the funding has been approved.

We recently found out that the township qualifies for a ODOT Sign Grant in the amount of up to \$50,000. As part of this grant the township is required to bring all road signs up to the new standards. In a Zoom conference I found out we needed quite a few signs to meet the new standards. The application is due in May and funding will be available in 2022.

After several delays the Veley Rd. Culvert will finally be replaced during the last three weeks of April. Several weather related delays have pushed this project back. We also accepted an estimate to replace a culvert at the south end of Hogback Rd. that is in bad shape. This will be completed sometime this summer.

#### INFORMATION ON THE TRASH AGGREGATION - Connie Skinner - Trustee

There have been some inquiries about the trash and recycling program we talked about in the last newsletter. We received feedback from 86 individuals out of 500 households. We had 38 people for the program and 48 against the program. We decided to not pursue this type of program at this time. 86 responses are just not enough for us to make a decision. We recommend shopping around for your best price and options. The recycling bins at the township hall are emptied every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.





#### **CEMETERY INFORMATION - Connie Skinner - Trustee**

Our flags for the veterans graves in the cemeteries will be maintained by the American legion post 518 based in Ashley. Commander Joe Pennington offered to help keep the flags new and fresh. We thank them and all veterans that helped with this project.

## Cemetery Continued - Connie Skinner - Trustee

We contracted with Longstreth Memorial based out of Galion to pour our cemetery foundations. Longstreth is a company that specializes in cemetery foundations and monument work. We work closely with them to mark where the foundations are to be set for the monuments. In doing this, we have been able to save township residents money and it frees up our maintenance crew for other important township work. To put in your foundation order, please contact our cemetery sexton Beth Harp. Foundation orders are due April 1st for a spring pour and September 1st for a fall pour.

### **NEW GUIDELINES FOR HALL RENTALS - Connie Skinner - Trustee**

We worked with the Delaware County health department to help develop a plan for renting our township halls. There are guidelines that everyone will need to follow and you will be given these guidelines with the rental contract. We need to keep our buildings at half capacity for now, until more people become vaccinated. For the new hall on Route 521, this means parties of 90 people or less. And for the historic hall on Main Street, parties of 25 people or less. We will keep an eye on things as to when we can open and begin operating at full capacity.

## **VOTING UPDATE - Charlie Miley - Trustee**

Since last fall the trustees have discussed moving the township voting from the church to the township hall. Trustee Skinner has been the contact person for this transition. Currently the township is waiting on the prosecutor to draft a usage contract that is acceptable to both parties. With completion of this contract we are confident that voting in November 2021 will take place at the new hall on 521 for those of you that do not take advantage of early voting.

## **Dan Gladman - Road Superintendent**

Plow season is over and our plows are put away again until fall and our mowers are ready for the mowing season. Along with mowing, the Brown Township Maintenance Department has other duties which include but not limited to, road repairs, culvert and ditch maintenance, keeping the road right-of-way clear of hazards and debris, snow and ice removal, building maintenance, and care of two cemeteries. We are equipped with a variety of equipment including two dump trucks with snow plows, backhoe, skid steer loader, large tractor with a boom mower, a zero turn mower, and various other pieces of small equipment. Brown Township maintains 20+ miles of township roads while Delaware County and ODOT maintains the other roads in the township. The township maintenance is done by the townships three part-time employees, the trustees, and various outside agencies.

To keep the road right-of-way clear of overgrown trees we have to cut them back occasionally. This is mostly done with a large brush cutter mounted on a tractor; this is a very rough cut, not a clean cut. However it is a cost efficient way to maintain right-of-way clearance.

Lastly please keep in mind to slow down while passing workers and equipment on the roads for your safety and theirs.

## **Chief Troy Morris - Tri-Township Fire**

Now that 2020 has finally ended, it appears that some sort of normalcy is returning. The past year our calls for service were down, we made several changes in operations in an event to protect those we had contact with, and we continued to move forward with projects we had begun.

The new engine that was ordered in the fall in progressing at the manufacturing facility. We recently received photographs of the cab and chassis, next for the unit is the fire pump and body. While it is progressing, we expect completion this fall. After equipping it and conducting staff training, we will place it in service. Since the last newsletter, we have completed the land split for 2.2 acres on the Bowtown Road side of the Byxbe Campus (former Delaware Area Career Center North Campus) with Delaware County. At the March Fire Board meeting a contract with the architect was approved and signed. We will begin designing a new station to not only meet our current needs but for the future.

We have been in contact with representatives of Ohio Department of Transportation in regard to the "Point Project" and how it effects the Sunbury Road station. As part of the project, our site is needed to complete this project. The plan is to move the railroad to the east temporarily while the old overpass is removed and a new one installed and the road widened by two additional lanes. This project still has a start time of Spring 2022.

Spring has arrived, time for the spring clean-up. The burning of brush has guidelines created by the State EPA. Please call one of the stations to get further information. The farming community will be hitting the fields again, please give them some room on the roads as they plant crops.

Station 331 495 Sunbury Road (east of the Point) 740-369-2703 Station 332 660 Coover Road 740-362-1600

## **NEWSLETTERS & ADDRESSES - Charlie Miley - Trustee**

Newsletters are sent to all registered voters in the township. If you know of someone who should receive the newsletter and is not a registered voter have them contact Trustee Miley by email at <a href="mailto:mileycharles@outlook.com">mileycharles@outlook.com</a>. Our goal is to get newsletters to all residents but some addresses have as many as 5 different people registered at the same address. The duplicates are eliminated at the address but we have no information as to the resident at that address.

## **Sean Miller - Director of Emergency Management**

## **FLOOD SAFETY**



Turn Around...Don't Drown

## **DELAWARE COUNTY EMA**



## Flooding: What You Need to Know

- Oid you know that it only takes six inches of swiftly moving water to knock an adult off his or her feet? Just two feet of moving water can float and carry away most vehicles including sport utility vehicles (SUVs) and pickup trucks. The best way to protect yourself and your loved ones is to seek protection from a flood by leaving the flood prone or warning area and finding shelter on higher ground.
- Did you know that a standard home insurance policy does NOT cover flood damage? Standard home insurance policies exclude coverage for damage caused by flood.
- Flood Insurance to protect your home and your home's content is available through the National Flood Insurance Program. Without a flood insurance policy, homeowners are left to cover their flood damage costs on their own. For more information about the National Flood Insurance Program visit www.fema.gov. You can also consult your insurance professional for further assistance.

#### **FLOODING FACTS**

- Flooding is the most frequently occurring natural disaster in Ohio and the United States and the most costly.
- ✓ The average annual U.S. flood losses in the past 10 years (2002-2011) were more than \$2.9 billion.
- ✓ Floods and flash floods happen in all 50 states.
- ✓ Nearly 20% of flood insurance claims come from moderate-to-low risk areas.

Delaware County Emergency Management | www.delcoema.org | (740)833-2180 | @delcoema

# Ways to receive Emergency Communications



## DELAWARE COUNTY EMA



## Receiving Communications in an Emergency

- NOAA All Hazards Weather Radio (NWR): NWR broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Mobile Apps: FEMA, American Red Cross, The Weather Channel and many local news media outlets offer apps and/or weather text alerts.
- DelcoAlerts: Delaware County offers the opportunity to receive emergency
  notifications by signing up for DelcoAlerts at www.delcoalerts.org. This system
  provides you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as
  severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of
  buildings or neighborhoods. Alerts are geo-targeted to your registered address.
- Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) Emergency messages sent by authorized government alerting authorities through your mobile carrier.
- Emergency Alert System (EAS) is an alert that is sent to TV and radio stations.
   Used for severe weather alerts and can be utilized for other events.
- Outdoor Warning Sirens Siren on a pole located in various locations throughout
  the county and manually activated locally. Sirens sound countywide when a
  tornado warning is issued for any part of Delaware County. Outdoor warning
  sirens are not intended for notification while indoors. They are intended to alert
  those who are outdoors.

For more information on the outdoor warning siren system, receiving emergency communications or severe weather preparedness, visit Delaware County Emergency Management on the web at www.detcoema.org. on social media @detcoema or contact Delaware County Emergency Management at (740)833-2180.

## **Patrick Brandt - 911 Director**



## **Jane Hawes - Delaware County Director of Communications**

Progress on renovating the old north campus of the Delaware Area Career Center has slowed a little as the Commissioners decided to reject all the bids received in their first request for the redevelopment project. The bids came in significantly higher than anticipated, due to current volatilities in the price of materials in the construction market. As a result, the Commissioners have directed their staff to prepare a new request for bids. Meanwhile, design work for the project has continued with Columbus-based M+A Architects. Some of the better known projects in the central Ohio area include: the Big Lots corporate headquarters, the White Castle Home Office, and the M/I Homes headquarters.



# KILBOURNE BALL TO START ITS 63rd SEASON

Kilbourne Baseball and Softball will field 11 teams in 2021: 8U Softball, 10U Softball, 12U Softball, 2 Coach Pitch (T-Ball) teams, 3 Pinto Baseball (7 & 8 yo) teams, Mustang Baseball (9-10 yo), Little League Baseball (11-13 yo) and Pony Baseball (14-16 yo).

We have 124 local kids on our teams and will play over 80 games at our fields in Kilbourne beginning on April 30th.

Kilbourne Day is Saturday, May 22 - all teams will play a home game.

Please visit our new site for updates: www.kilbourneballassociation.com

Thank you to our 2021 team sponsors: Cackler Farms, Chelly Belly, Fleming Farms, Kilbourne Market, Lux3 Beauty, Royal Cabinets, Sheets Farms, PJ Tobin Remodeling, Quality Control Construction and Wells Septic.

Thank you to our volunteer coaches and parents!

Kilbourne Ball Association

kilbourneballassoc@gmail.com

## **Township Contact Information & Responsibilities**

Connie Skinner - 740-815-5131 - csbrowntwp@gmail.com

Cemetery - Health Department

Gary Stegner - 740-272-2011 - gary.stegner@hotmail.com

Parks & Facilities

Charlie Miley - 740-602-1575 - charles miley twp@nexgenaccess.com

Roads, Fireboard, 911 Board, EMA Board, LEPC Board

**Peggy Link** - 740-369-0700 - <u>plink0723@yahoo.com</u> Payments, Billing, Records, Records Requests

#### Information on the Township website

www.co.delaware.oh.us/index.php/brown-township

Comprehensive Plan Contact Info Zoning Resolution Cemetery Fees

Zoning Application Cemetery Foundation Order Zoning Fees Electric Aggregation Policy

Cemetery Rules Mailbox Policy

Hall Rental Resident Complaint Form



#### **ZONING OFFICIALS ZONING COMMISSION TOWNSHIP NUMBERS TRUSTEES INSPECTOR** Ian Capwell Gary Jones Gary Stegner Susan Kuba 740-272-2011 740-833-5777 Keith Holewinski Connie Skinner Kyle Vanderhoff 740-815-5131 Secretary Chris Rhinehart Charles Miley Vicki Sheets Stan Bean 740-602-1575 614-678-3551 Robert Hedrick - Alt

Fiscal Officer Peggy Link 740-369-0700 Cemetery Sexton	Hall Rentals  Kristine Hedrick 740-833-5057	ZONING APPEALS Chris Thompson Chris Shamro Brad Ebersole
Beth Harp	740-000-0001	Julie Lisano
614-570-0261		Bill Cackler Donald Dicke - Alt

- Trustees meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month 7:00 PM at the Township Hall, 5555 St. Rt. 521
- The **Zoning Board** meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall, 5555 St. Rt. 521
- The **Zoning Appeals Board** meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month if needed. Meetings are held at the Township Hall, 5555 St. Rt. 521
- All Cancellations will be posted on the front door of the township hall

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