



# GREENE INFORMER

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

### COMPOSTING FACILITY HOURS

Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Saturday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

### PARK HOURS

Dawn to Dusk

*Happy New Year*  
**2020**

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors and staff hopes everyone had a safe and happy Holiday Season. It has been our pleasure to serve you this past year and we look forward to serving you even more effectively in the year 2020. As always, if you have any questions or issues that we can help with please contact us at 717-263-9160 or 717-263-4990.

## Christmas Tree Collection

Greene Township will be commencing Christmas Tree collection **beginning**:

**Monday, January 6, 2020**



The collection crew will make **ONE PASS** through the Township. Trees must be placed at the edge of your yard **no further than four feet from the edge of the pavement of the road** on the **first day** of collection. **No return trips** will be made. Otherwise, our composting facility is open Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 AM – 2 PM and Saturdays, 8 AM – 1 PM.

## Park News

**Ice Skating Rink.** The Greene Township Ice Skating Rink at the Township Park is coming back and will be ready for use over the winter months. Visit our website for updates and additional information.

**Pavilions.** Beginning Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 we will be taking reservations for our 4 Picnic Pavilions for the 2020 season. Please call our office to book a date and time. We will not be taking reservations until that date. Visit our website for more information.

In 2020, Greene Township proudly begins its 41<sup>st</sup> year without a Township real estate tax.

# GREENE TOWNSHIP

## SNOW REMOVAL POLICIES



The Greene Township Board of Supervisors would like the residents of Greene Township to keep in mind the snow removal policies and help us as we attempt to maintain safe and passable roads this winter. You can assist us by remembering a few important tips.

- ★ **Greene Township does not have a bare roads policy.** During storm events some roads may be snow covered for a period of time. See Greene Township's procedure of snow removal below.  
  
Keep in mind, while snow is falling, roads will not be bare. Snowplows have very specific routes they cover and they often take two hours or more to complete an entire route and return to the starting point. That means, if snow is falling at 1 inch per hour and a truck takes three hours to get back to the beginning of its route, 3 inches of snow will have fallen since it was last plowed.
- ★ **Greene Township's procedure on snow removal is as follows:** During the storm the trucks will make initial and subsequent passes to open roadways and keep the roads at passable conditions. After the storm the trucks will make multiple passes to clear the entire width of the roadways and clean intersections. Please remember this policy when clearing driveways and parking areas.
- ★ **Please do not park on Township roads and cul-de-sacs.** Your car can be damaged from snow and other debris being moved by the plow. **This is also a violation of the Township Code and you can be fined or towed.**
- ★ **Please keep trash bags and containers off the roadway.** Greene Township is not responsible for damage to containers that are on the roadway or in the road right-of-way.
- ★ **When following a snowplow** please remain a safe distance behind the vehicle so that the operator can see you. **These trucks stop and back up often** as well as deposit anti-skid on the road surface.
- ★ **Do not shovel or plow snow from your property onto the road surface or plow across the road to deposit the snow on the other side.** These practices reduce the melting effect of the salt and remove the anti-skid from the road surface. This creates an icy patch on the road that is very difficult to remove. **This is also against the law and you can be fined up to \$300 per incident.**
- ★ **Is your mailbox ready for winter?** Make sure your mailbox is firmly supported to the post and the post is secured in the ground. You may want to consider the use of reflective tape or other material to make it easier to see during storms or during dark hours. Greene Township allows property owners to place mailboxes within the limits of the legal right-of-way out of respect for the U.S. Postal

Service's need to deliver, and mail customers' convenience of delivery. **But because those boxes are within the right-of-way, any damages caused by snow or ice are the responsibility of the property owner.**

- ★ **Yard damaged by snowplows.** Property owners can identify the edge of the roadway with vertical marking devices that will be visible night and day to the snowplow operators. (Example: reflector posts, wooden stakes, fiberglass rods, or other reflective devices).

If damage does occur, please report by calling our office. Greene Township will pick-up any snowplow damaged yard material that remains within a reasonable amount of time. In the spring Greene Township will restore the area damaged by placing new topsoil and seeding the affected area.

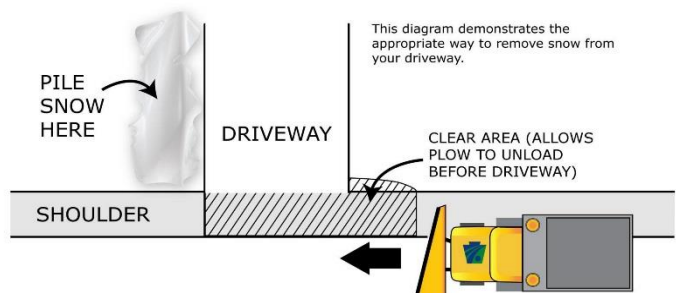
**Most importantly, if you don't have to travel please stay home. The fewer the number of vehicles on the road the better it is for our operators to do a fast and effective job of removing snow and ice.**



## DRIVEWAY SNOW SHOVELING TIPS

PennDOT and Greene Township make every attempt to minimize depositing snow onto sidewalks and driveways and its operators are instructed to reduce speed when plowing in residential areas. However, to keep Greene Township moving, roads must be cleared, and usually PennDOT and the Township have no option but to push the snow off the roads and onto sidewalks and driveways.

Homeowners have several options to help minimize the impact to driveways. The first is remove snow only to approximately 10 feet from the end of the driveway until plowing is complete. Another method is to clean an area on the right side of your driveway (as seen in the diagram below) to give the snow on the blade of the plow a place to empty before it gets to your driveway. This way you won't have to do the same job twice.



PennDOT and Greene Township also reminds you that it is illegal to push snow from a driveway or parking lot onto a state or township road.

# United States<sup>®</sup> Census 2020

**What Is the 2020 Census?** The 2020 Census counts every person living in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories.

Each home will receive an invitation to respond to a short questionnaire—online, by phone, or by mail. This will mark the first time that you will be able to respond to the census online.

**Important Dates.** By **April 1, 2020**, you will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home.

Starting in **May 2020**, the Census Bureau will begin following up in person with homes that have not responded to the census.

**Required by Law.** Getting a complete and accurate census count is critically important. That's why your response is required by law. If you do not respond, the U.S. Census Bureau will follow up in person to collect your response.

**Why is the census so important?** The results are used to determine how much funding local communities receive for key public services. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data. The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

**Your privacy matters.** And while you are required by law to participate, the Census Bureau is also required by law to protect your answers. Your personal information is kept **confidential**. Your responses are used only to produce statistics. The Census Bureau does not disclose any personal information. The law ensures that your private information is never published and that your answers cannot be used against you by any government agency or court.

[2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov)

*The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time that the country has counted its population since 1790.*

## TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



Since the enactment by the Greene Township Board of Supervisors of the Transportation Capital Improvement Plan in 2007, the Township has collected an Impact Fee on new development in the Township. The fee to the developer is established at the time of Land Development approval and then assessed at the application for a Land Use/Building permit. A study of the Transportation needs within the Township was completed to identify improvement projects which would mitigate the projected traffic congestion within the Township that would occur as a result of growth. The study established both the projects needed and the fee amounts that would offset the costs for the necessary construction. The Township Supervisors adopted the Plan in 2007 and have subsequently periodically updated it.

By state law the collected monies can only be used to address the projects which will relieve traffic congestion which has been identified in the adopted Capital Improvement Plan. On state highways the fees are only permitted to offset 50% of the improvement costs. To date the collected fees have been used to construct the traffic signal at the intersection of Sunset Blvd. and Rte. 11, the traffic signals at the I-81 Walker Road Interchange, the reconstruction of the Rte. 11/997 intersection, the construction of North Parkwood Dr. and various other improvements throughout the Township.

The Township is currently using the fees in conjunction with a state Multimodal Transportation funding grant to construct a traffic signal at the Kohler/Grand Point/North Parkwood road intersection. The work on this signal is slated to go to construction in January 2020 and will include temporary signals which will operate until the permanent signals are complete within the year. Additionally design and permitting work has begun for a traffic signal to be placed at the intersection of Kohler and Walker Road. Future plans include the extension of North Fifth Avenue to Walker Road and include a roundabout at North Parkwood Drive.

The Township recognizes that as growth occurs in the community there is a necessity to update the public infrastructure to adequately accommodate it. Programs like the Transportation Capital Impact Fees provide for an equitable way to develop a funding source for these projects.

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## Community Page

### Registration for the 2020 Youth

#### Baseball & Softball Seasons

#### **Fayetteville Athletic Association**

##### **Greene Township Meeting Room:**

Saturday, Jan. 25	9 – 11 am
Monday, Jan. 27	6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Feb. 1	9 – 11 am
Monday, Feb. 3	6 – 8 pm

#### **Greenvillage Youth League**

[facebook.com/greenvillagebaseballandsoftball](https://facebook.com/greenvillagebaseballandsoftball)

#### **Guilford Athletic Association**

[guilfordathleticsassoc.com](https://guilfordathleticsassoc.com)

#### **Scotland Youth League**

[scotlandyouthleague.com](https://scotlandyouthleague.com)

*Please check their websites for  
registration dates and times.*

### Community Events

#### **Fayetteville Fire Department**

##### **Dates to Remember:**

Jan. 1	New Year's Day 11am–2pm (Pork & Sauerkraut)
Feb. 2	Sunday Dinner 11am–2pm
Mar. 1	Sunday Dinner 11am–2pm
Apr. 5	Sunday Dinner 11am–2pm
May 10	Sunday Dinner 11am–2pm (Mother's Day)
May 16	Outdoor Gun & Cash Bash

##### **Carnival – New Dates**

May 28 thru June 6

##### **Friday Night Bingo**

Doors open at 5:00 pm  
Bingo starts at 6:45 pm

For additional information visit their  
website: [www.fayettevillefirerescue.com](https://www.fayettevillefirerescue.com)

#### **Scotland Community Center**

**Bingo** is held every Thursday night at the Scotland Community Center. Doors open at 5:00 and the kitchen opens at 5:30. Games begin at 6:45. Contact Gary Smith, Sr. at 717-816-1963 for information.

**Rentals.** Contact Jim Umbrell at 717-709-0179 for Community Center and Scotland Memorial Park pavilion rentals.

Scotland Memorial Park is closed until Spring.

Like them on their [Scotland Community Center Facebook](#) page or look on their sign in front of the Community Center for special events taking place at the Center.

