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The Greene Township Board of Supervisors meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 PM.

Greene Municipal Authority (Sewer)	(717) 263-5324
Guilford Water Authority	(717) 263-2813
Tax Collector (Kathy Frazer)	(717) 264-8674
PennDOT	(717) 264-4171
PA Game Commission	(814) 643-1831
Dog Enforcement Office	(717) 762-9794
PA DEP	(717) 705-4700
Fayetteville Fire Department	(717) 352-3131
Franklin Fire Department	(717) 263-5874
West End Fire Department	(717) 532-5555
Pleasant Hall Fire Department	(717) 532-5155

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY – DIAL 911

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

COMPOSTING FACILITY HOURS

Through October 31

Mon. – Fri. 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Saturday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Beginning November 1

Wed. & Fri. 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Saturday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PARK HOURS

Dawn to Dusk

Fall 2018 Bulk Collection

Mark Your Calendar!

Bulk Collection days for fall 2018 have been scheduled for:



Friday, September 7, 2018 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Saturday, September 8, 2018 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

The collection will be at the Township building located at 1145 Garver Lane in the village of Scotland. This service is provided to the residents (not commercial) of Greene Township from the Supervisors.

Residents should bring driver's license as a form of identification or have a Greene Township identification sticker on the vehicle. A bulky item is an item that will not fit in your garbage container or weighs more than 50 pounds. **Bulky items must be free of all garbage. Building materials, loose material, and items that can be broken down to fit in a garbage container are not bulky items and will not be accepted.**

Please do not bring liquefied paints, spray cans, fuel drums, and other hazardous materials. We are unable to accept them. In addition, construction debris will NOT be accepted. Arrangements need to be made with the landfill to dump construction debris. We will accept items not picked up by your regular trash service but we do NOT accept regular household trash (bags of garbage, recyclables, etc). Yard waste is also not accepted during bulk collection. Greene Township accepts yard waste on a regular basis at our composting facility on Mickey Inn Road.

Vehicle batteries will be accepted again as well as up to eight tires per household for disposal. We can only accept standard car or pick-up truck tires. Rims and tires must be separated. We continue to accept 20 lb. propane bottles.

Composting Facility will be closed during Bulk Days

NO ELECTRONIC RECYCLING COLLECTION

We will not be accepting electronic devices such as TVs, computers, monitors, etc. this fall.

Fall 2018 Brush & Leaf Collection



Greene Township will be commencing brush and leaf collection this fall beginning on the following dates:

Brush: Monday, October 22

Leaves: Monday, November 5

The brush and leaves must be placed for pickup on the first day of their respective collection schedules. The collection crew will make ONE pass through the Township. Please place your brush and rake your leaves to the edge of your yard, no further than 4 feet from the edge of the pavement of the road. Do not bag your leaves. Brush should be no longer than 8 feet in length and no bigger than 3 inches in diameter. Place brush PARALLEL to the road. **The brush and leaves must be on separate piles** in order for the Township machinery to collect it. **If the brush and leaves are not separated, they will not be collected.** Please avoid placing brush and leaves next to mailboxes, fence posts, etc. as they can be damaged by the equipment and please do not place your leaves on a tarp.

Please note that these are the **BEGINNING** dates for brush and leaf collection. We ask for your patience as it may take a few weeks to complete the entire Township.

Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I pay my Sewer Bill?

Greene Township Municipal Authority
4182 Sunset Pike
Chambersburg, PA 17202
(717) 263-5324

Where do I pay my Water Bill?

Guilford Water Authority
115 Spring Valley Road
Chambersburg, PA 17202
(717) 263-2813



Is a land use permit required for a shed?

Yes, a permit is required for any structure above 4 feet in height, including fences. Permits are also required for reconstruction as well as for the relocation of a building on your property.

Composting Facility Hours

**Our extended hours will end on October 31, 2018.
We will then resume our regular hours of:**

**Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Saturday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

In Remembrance



Greene Township recently placed plaques on Township Park benches in remembrance of former Township employees and our friends **Johnny Furry and Todd Washabaugh**, both of whom passed away due to cancer.

Please Don't Feed the Bears

How to Keep Bears at Bay

As Pennsylvania's 20,000 bears try to pack on the pounds before a long winter's nap, many are coming closer to residential areas to hunt for food – especially those houses bordering wooded areas. There have been reported sightings of bears and signs of visits in Greene Township – damaged bird feeders and bird baths. Here are some tips on how to stay safe by keeping bears at bay:



Play it smart. Do not feed wildlife. Food placed outside for wildlife, even in bird feeders, can become “bear magnets.” In prime bear areas, restrict bird feeding to late November through late March, when bears den. Avoid foods that are particularly attractive for bears, such as sunflower seeds, hummingbird nectar, and suet. Bring feeders inside at night or suspend them from high cross wires. Bears are opportunistic eaters and once they find easily accessible food sources, whether on a farm or in a housing development, they will keep coming back as long as food is available.

Keep it clean. Don't put garbage out until pick-up day, throw table scraps outside for animals to eat, or add fruit or vegetable waste to your compost pile. Also, clean your barbecue grill regularly, and if you feed pets outdoors, consider placing food dishes inside overnight. Encourage your neighbors to do the same.

Keep your distance. If a bear shows up in your yard, stay calm. From a safe distance, shout at it like you would to chase an unwanted dog. Make noise and let the bear know it is not welcome. Or, simply leave the bear alone, and clean up the mess after it leaves. Follow up by making sure you eliminate whatever attracted the bear in the first place. You may want to talk to your neighbors, as well.

Check, please! If a dog is barking or a cat is clawing at the door to get in, try to determine why. Do so cautiously, however, turning on outside lights and making noise.

Office Fall Closings:

Labor Day	Monday, September 3
Columbus Day	Monday, October 8
Election Day	Tuesday, November 6
Veterans Day	Monday, November 12
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 22
	Friday, November 23

Poison Hemlock

Aggressively Spreading in South Central PA

Poison hemlock is a dangerous plant often found along stream banks, in fields, near fences, and on roadsides. Eating even a small amount of any part of this plant can kill people, livestock, and wildlife.



Poison hemlock. Clockwise from left: lacy, triangular leaves; white flowers in umbel; green stem with purple spots and blotches; seeds.

The hemlock plant has white flowers that grow in clusters, and the stem has purple spots. This plant can grow up to 9 feet tall. Leaves are fern-like and bright green, with a musty smell.

All parts of the plant are poisonous, including the flowers, leaves, stems, roots, and seeds. Even the dead canes remain toxic for up to three years. A single poison hemlock plant can produce over 40,000 seeds. These seeds can adhere to farm machinery, vehicles, fur and clothing, as well as be carried by water, and to a limited extent, wind. Poison hemlock is capable of rapid establishment, particularly in disturbed sites.

It contains potent toxic alkaloids that affect the nervous system, and even small internal doses can cause respiratory collapse and death. It can also cause a severe skin reaction similar to a burn when touched externally.

Poison hemlock can be mixed in with harmless plants in pastures and crops, making this plant particularly dangerous to livestock. However, its unpleasant, musty odor usually causes animals to avoid it unless there is no other foliage or feed available to eat.

When removing this hemlock, always wear rubber gloves and protective clothing when pulling the plant. Place the plant into a plastic bag and dispose of it into the trash. **Please do not bring poison hemlock to our Composting Facility** - the dried plants remain toxic.

Historically, hemlock was used in ancient Greece to poison condemned prisoners, and it was what killed Socrates after he drank a potent hemlock infusion.

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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. Early Birds begin at 6:45. Contact Gary Smith, Sr. at (717) 816-1963 for information. Like them on Facebook Scotland Community Center.

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

Scotland Community Park closes for the season October 1, 2017.



Schools are Open – Drive with Care

With summer ending and the start of school not far away, drivers need to do their part to keep kids safe as they make their way to school. Whether riding or walking, students are sharing the roadways and you can do your part to keep them safe. Children are unpredictable so be alert.



Children walking to or from their bus are usually very comfortable with their surroundings. This makes them more likely to take risks, ignore hazards or fail to look both ways when crossing the street. The area 10 feet around a school bus is where children are in the most danger of being hit. Stop your car far enough from the bus to allow children the necessary space to safely enter and exit the bus. Please do your part to keep our kids safe. **Drive with care!**

Election Day

Tuesday, November 6

