

Garden Township Newsletter

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FY19/20 Township Board Meetings are will be held the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00PM at the Township Community Building except May. -

Board Members: -
Supervisor: -

Richard Pichette
450-6010

Clerk: -
Brenda Lester -
450-5185 -

Treasurer: -
Mary Ann LeBresh -
644-2897 -

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Lisa Pichette
450-0965
Tyler Lucas
450-0531

Assessor: Joe Maki
Asst. Coleen Maki
280-4372
jmaki4215@sbcglobal.net
with text and voice mail

Transfer Station: 644-7139
Hours: 9AM to 5PM -
Mon. Wed. Sat.

Fire Chief: Keith Farley
906-450-7036

Transfer Station:

Truck purchase: A new truck was bought for the Transfer Station for a cost of \$165,490.00 A 2019 Western Star. We also purchased 5-year warranties for the Engine, Transmission, Front/Rear Axles, and towing at a total cost of \$4,712.00.

Recycling:

Household garbage only

No construction material

No tires

Plastics - Everything possible is recycled – #1 and #2 plastics, tin cans, newspapers, and magazines, cardboard.

(Glass is NOT recycled). Please do not mix glass with plastics.

Oil and Anti-Freeze in clear containers. NO Mixtures

Please ensure cardboard boxes are broken down and flattened

No brush until further notice

Some items are set aside for resident's to reuse

For non-residents the following fees apply:

TVs 30" and smaller are \$25 each

TVs over 30" are \$35 each

Computers, printers, and other electronics are \$10 each

Mattresses - \$20. If you bring mattress for family and friends that are not from the Township, please ensure you pay the non-resident fee.

Please always check with Bill whenever you are leaving items anywhere on the grounds. This will ensure Bill knows what is at the Transfer Station.

Please call Bill with any questions – 644-7139

Township Hall:

Point of contact: Garden Township Treasurer – Mary Ann LeBresh

5 Nov – Election – Fire Department Millage Renewal

6 Nov – Public CUPPAD Meeting to discuss Delta County Master Plan

Cemetery:

Point of contact: Garden Township Clerk – Brenda Lester

Garden Township's amended cemetery ordinance states flowers, pots, urns and grave blankets MUST BE REMOVED NO LATER THAN

NOVEMBER 1ST OF EACH YEAR. Decorations are allowed for holidays

outside of these dates but must be removed in a reasonable time following

the holiday. Veteran flags and holders are permitted all year long." So please, if you have not already removed items from your loved one's grave(s), do so now. Also, no trees, shrubs, or inground plantings are allowed and Garden Township reserves the right to remove them at the owner's expense. Snow plowing is not allowed and we ask everyone not to drive in the cemetery once the snow comes. Copies of the amended ordinance can be obtained at the township office or emailed to you.

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Fire Department:

Point of Contact: Garden Township Fire Chief - Keith Farley

- The Fire Truck has officially been paid off!
 - New LED lights have been installed at the Fire Station and they look great and provide a lot more light.
 - Heritage has officially moved out of the Fire Station. Many thanks to Heritage donating the 1,000 gallons of propane to the Fire Department.
 - Some ideas for us of that space includes: Storage of Boats/RVs; TRI-STAR take over that space; and lease to a business like we did with Heritage.
 - Fire Prevention was held at the school on 11 October.
 - Renewal of Fire Department Millage will be on the Ballot on 5 November 2019. Half the millage is for bills/wages/expenses/maintenance and the other half is for Fire Equipment.
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Parks and Recreation:

Point of Contact: Garden Township Trustee - Lisa Pichette

- The Park sign is being redone by Steve Johnson. The bathrooms are changing to Unisex. Signs have been purchased and will be put up soon. The last item to get is three more cement stoppers that will hopefully prevent anyone from going on the grass with their vehicles.
 - Met with the Village of Garden Recreation Committee to discuss projects the Village is working on. The projects and plans were presented to the Garden Township Board. The Garden Township Board approved buying the Safety Topper at a cost of \$1,648.
 - Dottie LaJoye from CUPPAD told us about a Grant for Murals. We are presently investigating the costs of putting up a Mural on our Township Hall.
 - Garden Township Park will officially close on 1 November 2019.
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The Garden Township Board would like to thank the following people who volunteered their time in the Village of Garden Clean up: Steve Minor, Nancy & Mike Ranguette, Chase Eberts, Jacob & Sara Allison and their daughter, Eliza, Gary Sporer, Karen Paulson, Colleen Weinert, Sue Lucas, Tyler Lucas, Mary Ann LeBresh, Brenda Lester, Richard & Lisa Pichette. A special thank you to Charlie & Kay Tatrow for allowing us to use his land to put the brush on and to Scott Lucas for using his skidder to pick up all the brush that was removed from the ditches. A job Well Done by all!

The replacement of the septic at the Garden Township Hall is in process. The survey has been completed, the Health Department has given us the go-ahead. We are now requesting bids to hopefully complete this before the snow comes. The cost will run approximately \$35,000.00 which includes surveys,

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Don't forget to continue to visit the Garden Township Website at gardentwp.com. You can find the board minutes as well as Ordinances and Newsletters.

If you have any questions about the newsletter please call Lisa Pichette @ 450-0965