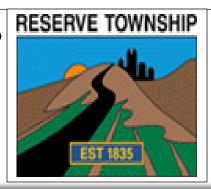


RESERVE TOWNSHIP Newsletter

Pittsburgh, PA 15212 reservetwp.com 412-322-1551

SPRING 2023



OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
OFFICE CLOSED:
April 7 – Good Friday
May 29 – Memorial Day

GARBAGE COLLECTION:

Regular Pick-up Day - Thursday
Memorial Day May 29 – delayed one day
County Hauling - (724) 929-7694

2023 REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTION

The Board of Commissioners appointed Jordan Tax Service as the real estate tax collectors for the year 2023. 2023 tax bills are projected to be mailed to residents starting May 1, 2023. A letter from Jordan Tax Service will be included in the bills with directions on how to pay.

Jordan Tax Service will be in the Township office for the residents to pay their real estate taxes in person on

Tuesday, June 27th from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. & Thursday, June 29th 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Please contact Jordan Real Estate for any real estate tax related questions: Jordan Real Estate: 724-731-2300 or email custsvc@jordantax.com

MARCH 26TH, EASTER EGG HUNT!

It's that time of year to hop around and find some treats in eggs!

Where: Mount Troy Ballroom

33 Lonsdale St, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

When: 11 AM - 1 PM

(Registration starts at 10:30 AM)

For all children 12 years and younger.



Please email your Family Name, Address, Name and Ages of Children **before March 20**th to:

admin.assist@reservetwp.com or by calling the Township Office at **412-322-1551**.

RESERVE TOWNSHIP'S EASTER BUNNY ON THE FIRE TRUCK!



Starting at 10am!



SPRING CLEANING AND BUILDING SEASON IS BEGINNING!

A Few Things to Remember:

Please keep in mind the Townships Environmental Impact Ordinance #583, which prohibits the dumping of junk/abandon vehicles, tires other automotive parts, litter, other worthless trash, and yard debris, including grass clippings, shrubbery, and trees. An abandon or junk vehicle is defined as any vehicle that does not display a valid registration plat and valid inspection.

Fences, sheds, playhouses, decks, any structure, or any special conditions ALL require Zoning Permits. Permit applications are available at the Township office. Any questions, contact the Zoning Officer at 412-322-1551. Contact the Township office for driveway or walkway installation/replacements prior to installation.

Permits are required for the following:

(List is NOT all inclusive & Building and Zoning Permits may be required - Please call the Township for additional information)

- 1. Any permanent structure such as a house, garage, and additions to existing structures.
- 2. Structural changes to roofs of existing structures including the raising of roofs or dormers.
- 3. Changes to existing structures for interior partitions, bearing walls or beams.
- 4. All storage sheds, playhouses & outdoor shelters that exceed 120 sq. ft., fences over 4ft. in height and any concrete pads or patios along with decks for any structure including pools.
- 5. Replacement of existing decks. Any type of enclosure to existing decks or patios.
- 6. Window or door changes that involve the enlarging of the existing wall opening or the creation of a new opening.
- 7. Installation of swimming pools, above ground or in-ground.
- 8. A demolition permit is required when razing any house or building.
- 9. All excavating, backfill, dumping of fill, or digging requires a grading permit.
- 10. Any type of wall or retaining wall.
- 11. Any dumpsters/pods placed in the road and Right-of-Way

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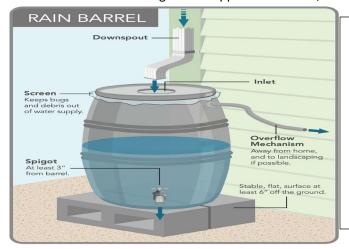
MANAGING SPRING STORMWATER

Prevent Pollution

In places where homes/impervious areas do not have stormwater management practices in place, increased runoff can negatively impact local communities.

Rain and snowmelt that would have been absorbed by leaf litter, soil and plant roots or filtered into the ground to provide groundwater recharge, instead moves across the human-built landscape. This runoff picks up and transports pollutants such as soil sediment, fluids leaked from automobiles, road de-icing agents, lawn and garden chemicals, pet and livestock waste, and debris.

Consequently, residents, community associations, and municipalities must cope with pollution of surface waters and in some cases contaminated drinking water supplies. Therefore, the most effective strategy for managing stormwater runoff is to prevent it.



- **<u>Homeowner Tips</u> ** Homeowners can reduce stormwater runoff on their properties in several ways including:
 - Minimizing impervious surfaces (sidewalks, driveways, patios, etc.)
 - Planting native vegetation in place of lawn areas
 - Not removing trees and other growing vegetation from existing forested areas
 - Directing rain gutters onto lawn or garden areas where more water can seep back into the ground
 - Constructing rain gardens or infiltration trenches
 - Using rain barrels to collect and recycle rooftop runoff

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Proudly serving the communities of Ross Township, West View Borough, Millvale Borough, Reserve Township, and Ohio Township"

Over the past year, Reserve and 4 other member municipalities have been working with Ross/West View Emergency Medical Services Authority to address the funding crisis that has plaqued ambulance services across the nation. The goal was to provide a sustainable funding solution that would ensure the continued high-quality emergency services that we have come to expect.

In the spirit of intergovernmental cooperation, Ordinances were recently passed by all five member municipalities to enact a Special Emergency Ambulance Service Fee (Reserve's Ordinance #694 can be viewed on the Township website). This is a mandatory fee that will apply to every residence and business in the region (Ross, Ohio and Reserve Townships/West View and Millvale Boroughs). The fee will be collected directly by Ross/West View EMSA, beginning in 2023. In return for paying the fee, any out-of-pocket expenses for residents or businesses requiring emergency ambulance services will be waived.

Our communities are very lucky to be served by such a professional and well-trained organization. For more information on Ross/West View EMSA please visit their website at www.rwvems.org or follow them on Facebook.

FEE SCHEDULE

Residence/Business	Occupancy	Cost	Discount Price	Discount Date	Pay by date
Residential Premises	N/A	\$55.00	\$49.50	June 1st	August 31st
Small Business	1-25	\$55.00	\$49.50	June 1st	August 31st
Medium Small Business	25-100	\$100.00	\$90.00	June 1st	August 31st
Medium Large Business	100-300	\$200.00	\$180.00	June 1st	August 31st
Large Business	Over 300	\$500.00	\$450.00	June 1st	August 31st

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM RESERVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT – STATION 317

Lithium-Ion batteries are a growing problem in the fire service. We have seen an increase in fires resulting from failures with these batteries. One of the largest concerns with Lithium-Ion batteries is that once one cell fails, the fire propagates to surrounding cells. This propagation is called thermal runaway. An equally dangerous condition with these batteries are the gases that are produced when they begin to fail and catch fire. While our members are trained to handle these situations, once the battery fails fire will spread quickly.



Lithium-lon batteries are in cell phones, laptops, cordless power tools, rechargeable children's toys, E-mobility devices (E-bikes, scooters), Electric vehicles, and countless other devices. To ensure safe use and protect against battery failures use proper charging devices that are UL tested, do not over charge, do not purchase after-market replacement batteries, keep batteries and devices at room temperature, and keep away from heat sources and flammable items. If you notice an odor, distortion of the battery, extreme heat, or an odd sound please call 911. These are all signs that a failure is imminent. When disposing of batteries please do take them to a battery recycling center. Do not discard old batteries in normal trash.

A specific hazard that the Reserve VFD is concerned with is homes that utilize solar or wind power and store that energy in Lithium-lon battery banks. There have been many documented fires from failures in these systems that have resulted in extensive damage due to the thermal runaway and inability to stop it. If you have a Lithium-Ion battery bank used to store power and wish to share that information with us, please contact us at reservevfd@gmail.com.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

CLEAN-UP DAY

IN RESERVE TOWNSHIP!

Reserve Township will be sponsoring cleanup day on May 6th. Individuals, scouting groups and environmental groups are invited and encouraged to participate in this effort.

Join your neighbors in helping to make a difference in keeping our community beautiful.

- * Gloves, trash bags and safety equipment provided.
- * Township will provide refreshments following cleanup.
- * Clean-up begins at 9:00 AM in the Township Office parking lot.
- * To volunteer or for any additional information, please call <u>412-322-1551</u> or email manager@reservetwp.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TOWNSHIP EVENTS

The Township is seeking dedicated individuals who would like to take part in community events, whether it be part of the planning process or helping during the day of the Township event. If you are interested in volunteering for the Township, please email admin.assist@reservetwp.com or call 412-322-1551 with your name, contact information, and if you are interested in joining the event planning committee and/or volunteering the day of the events.

Events throughout the year include Easter Egg Hunt, Clean-Up Day, Halloween Parade, and Christmas Lunch with Santa.

One of the greatest gifts you can to give to your community is your time!!



SUMMER CASH GIVEAWAY



BENEFITS THE RESERVE VFD - STATION 317

JULY 1ST THRU JULY 31ST

winner based on Pennsylvania Lottery 3 Digit Evening Number drawn at 7:00pm winner receives amount shown on that date

DONATION: \$5.00

All unsold tickets become property of the Reserve VFD - Station 317