



Get Ready for the 17h ANNUAL
BROOKS TOWNSHIP CLEAN-UP DAY!
(BROOKS TOWNSHIP PROPERTY OWNERS ONLY!)
SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2016
from 8 a.m. – 2p.m.

WHAT: Brooks Township Clean-up Day
WHEN: Saturday, June 4, from 8am – 2pm
WHERE: Brooks Township Hall parking lot (490 Quarterline Rd.)
COST: First Car or pickup truck per property owner is free! Each additional load is \$5.00. Single axle trailer: \$10.00, Double axle trailer: \$20.00

What we will accept:

- All old appliances**
- Furniture
- Roofing Materials
- Auto parts & engines (with oil removed)
- Lawn mowers
- Lawn chairs
- Electronics
- Sheet metal**
- Old bicycles**
- Bed springs **& mattresses
- Fencing or wood
- Tires
- Plastic & vinyl siding

What we will not accept:

- No car bodies or frames
- No yard waste or brush
- No gas tanks
- No propane tanks
- No sealed containers
- No paint*
- No hazardous materials*
- No batteries*
- No concrete
- No compost
- No household garbage

TIRE COST:

Tires less than 33 inch	\$ 3.00
33 inch and bigger tires	\$ 4.00
Tractor/Equipment tires	\$ 10.00

Limits on kind & number of tires may be imposed

* Newaygo County Board of Public Works will accept these items. Call 231-689-7225 (see inside newsletter for more information.)

** We will have dumpsters available to recycle scrap metal. To make unloading easier, put scrap metal at the bottom of your junk pile.

Clean-up Day is intended for household refuse only. No business waste.

The Township has the right to reject any materials deemed unacceptable

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING WILL BE AVAILABLE!

PROOF OF PROPERTY OWNERSHIP IN BROOKS TOWNSHIP IS REQUIRED

(proof of property examples might include newsletter, tax bill, drivers license)

ALL LOOSE TRASH MUST BE BAGGED OR BOXED!!!

Please be prepared to unload your own items, if help is unavailable!

ELECTIONS

The Primary Election will be held on August 2, 2016 and the General Election will be held on November 8, 2016. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Absentee applications and ballots are available for these elections. You may stop by the office or call the township. The ballots are usually available about a month before the election. If you are on the permanent absentee voter list you will be sent an application automatically. Please remember to bring a photo ID with you to the polls. If you have any questions please call Jennifer Badgero, Clerk, or Maureen Dutkiewicz, Deputy Clerk at 652-6763.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

to be held @ the Newaygo County Road Commission

(M-20 just west of M-37)

June 4, 2016 - 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If you question dumping it on the ground or down your drain, we take it!



Hazardous items accepted at No Charge for Newaygo County residents, though donations are greatly appreciated.

(Tire information was not available at the time of publication for this newsletter)

If you have questions call the Newaygo County Board of Public Works at **689-7225**

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FROM THE SUPERVISOR

As winter leaves us and spring arrives the constant questions asked are about road conditions and brining. The township board is 100% behind the improvement of our roads. We believe it is a vital part of serving those that have elected us to govern. The township road committee that works with the Newaygo County Road Commission has recommended approximately \$268,000 to improve and brine our roads in 2016. These projects are important to keep all roads safe. The board is happy to support this type of improvement to make our roads an example of excellence. The past 3 years we have spent an average of \$200,000 on road improvements. That money has come out of our general fund. To be fiscally responsible the township must maintain a balance of approximately one year's budget in its general fund. In order to continue to budget this money the township feels that a road millage will be needed in the near future. This is the only way we will be able to continue to fund road infrastructure. The board would continue to budget general fund money along with money generated by a road millage. The township board will be discussing the possibility of asking for a road millage in the future months. Information will be in future newsletters and on our website. The board is interested in all questions and concerns regarding this issue.

The township is continuing its participation in the River Watch program. Working together with citizens, the County Sheriff and DNR officials this program has been a great success. If you would like to get involved with this program please contact the township.

Recycling for Newaygo County is beginning their 2nd year located here at the township. They continue to do a great job and we encourage everyone to participate in recycling.

The township will be funding a part-time deputy from the Sheriff's department for extra patrols during some weekends this summer. Residents have expressed concern with safety during these times and we felt this was an important issue.

Dates for brining our gravel roads are tentatively scheduled for May 23, June 27 and August 29. With the unpredictability of weather and conditions these dates may change. We will again be using D&B Brine.

There are many good things happening around the township and the township board encourages everyone to get involved. As always if you have any questions regarding any of the above issues or anything else please contact any township official.

Sincerely,
Cory J. Nelson, Supervisor

RECYCLING FOR NEWAYGO COUNTY

PUBLIC HOURS:

Tuesdays and Thursdays **Noon to 5 pm** | Wednesdays **Noon to 7 pm**

The Recycling Center, 490 Quarterline Rd., Newaygo (Brooks Township).

Questions: Call 231-924-5822

All recyclables may be placed together in the same single stream bin. Every bin has descriptions and pictures of acceptable materials. Print copies of this guide at RNC's website, recyclingfornewaygocounty.org.



If you would like to support Recycling for Newaygo County you may do so by becoming a member or friend of recycling. Visit their website or give them a call.

BROOKS TOWNSHIP ZONING DEPARTMENT

There have been a few changes in the Brooks Township Zoning Ordinances in the past year. After much consideration a change was made to the minimum square footage for a new residence. It was lowered from 1200 sq. ft. to 864 sq. ft. The minimum width of 24 ft. for a residence was not changed. Changes were also made for Home Occupation signs and in the Lakefront District (LD) regarding decks. These changes are located on our website under publications.

REMINDERS:

- Temporary camping permits are required to camp for more than four (4) non-consecutive or consecutive nights in a thirty (30) day period. There is no fee for the permit and it can be found on our website.
- Any dumping of leaves and other yard waste on federal land or other person's property is a violation of the township ordinance.
- There is a twenty-five (25) foot Green Belt area around all lakes. This area is to be left in its natural vegetative state. Prior to removing or constructing anything within this area please contact the zoning administrator.
- If you are considering construction of any kind please make sure you check with the township to see if a permit is required. Any construction or placing of buildings larger than 200 sq. ft. require a permit.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above changes or reminders you can go to the website, brookstownship.org, or call Joe Selzer, Zoning Administrator, at 231-652-6763, ext. 140.

TOWNSHIP CALENDER

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. at the Township Hall

May 17 Twp. Board Mtg.	Aug. 2 Primary Election
23 Planning Comm. Mtg.	16 Twp. Board Mtg.
30 Office Closed (Memorial Day)	22 Planning Comm. Mtg.
June 4 Twp. Clean-up	Sept. 20 Twp. Board Mtg.
21 Twp. Board Mtg.	26 Planning Comm. Mtg.
27 Planning Comm. Mtg.	Oct. 18 Twp. Board Mtg.
July 1 Summer tax bills mailed	24 Planning Comm. Mtg.
4 4th of July (office closed)	Nov. 8 General Election
19 Twp. Board Mtg.	15 Twp. Board Mtg.
25 Planning Comm. Mtg.	24 Thanksgiving (office closed)
	28 Planning Comm. Mtg.



Brooks Township Office
P.O. Box 625
490 Quarterline
Newaygo, MI 49337

Brooks Township Meeting Dates and Times

Brooks Township Board

(3rd Tuesday of the Month)

Cory Nelson, Supervisor
Jennifer Badgero, Clerk
Christina Haynor, Treasurer
Kim Roehrig Trustee
Mike Bouwer, Trustee

Planning Commission

(4th Monday of the Month)

Ryan Schultz
Mike Bouwer
Pat Baker
Phil Knap
Matt Arthur
Mark Pitzer
Cheryl Rosen

Zoning Board of Appeals

(Meets as needed)

Mark Pitzer
Kim Roehrig
Frank Janusz
Dave Warren
Ron Jensen

Brooks Township Hours: 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday

Phone 231-652-6763 Fax 231-652-6721

www.brookstownship.org

All meetings are held at the Township Office at 490 Quarterline, Newaygo at 7:00 p.m.

BURN PERMITS

To obtain a burning permit, you will need to call the Cadillac Management Unit at 231-745-4651 or 1-866-922-2876, or check with the DNR website at :[www.michigandnr.com/burn permits](http://www.michigandnr.com/burn%20permits).