

# CARROLL TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday — Friday

8:30 AM — 4:30 PM

Closed Weekends & Holidays

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## Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) - Bag It – Don't Blow It!

Carroll Township is one of many municipalities included on the list of small MS4 programs across Pennsylvania that are subject to Pennsylvania DEP and Federal EPA regulations governing stormwater quality. Municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4) are systems that collect and convey stormwater from developed areas of the Township to nearby streams. These systems are designed for stormwater only, and are separated from wastewater systems. As part of this program, there are many things that we can do to protect our streams and rivers.

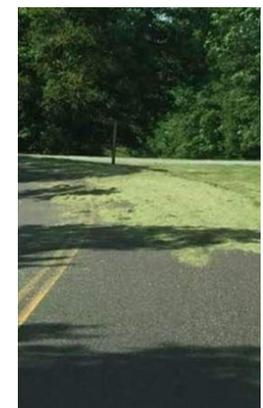
### Yard waste can pollute our streams and rivers!

When leaves, grass clippings and other yard debris are blown onto streets, sidewalks and into storm drains, it eventually will make its way to our streams and rivers. These materials add excess nutrients to the streams and cause water quality issues. Take care of your water bodies by taking care of your yard debris.

### Bag It, Don't Blow It!

- NEVER blow leaves or grass clippings from your yard into streets, sidewalks or storm drains.
- Our Township does not provide street sweeping services on a regular basis.
- Streets and sidewalks must be kept clear of all yard waste to prevent this debris from entering a curb inlet or storm drain. Assume that if your yard waste is on a paved surface, it has access to a storm drain.
- When yard waste makes it through a storm drain and into a stream or river, it:
  - ✓ adds excess nutrients to the water, causing potentially-toxic algae blooms
  - ✓ reduces and degrades fish and wildlife habitats
  - ✓ decreases water recreation opportunities by degrading water quality
  - ✓ makes it harder to treat our drinking water

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## NEW RECYCLING GUIDELINES - BACK TO THE BASICS

### METAL

- Aluminum beverage cans
- Steel and bi-metal food & beverage cans
- ✓ Rinse thoroughly to ensure they are free of contaminants and residue.
- ✓ Remove caps or lids and dispose of them in the trash.
- ✓ It is not necessary to remove labels.



### GLASS

- Clear, blue, brown and green glass food & beverage containers
- ✓ Rinse thoroughly to ensure they are free of contaminants and residue.
- ✓ Remove caps or lids and dispose of them in the trash.
- ✓ It is not necessary to remove labels and neck rings.



### PLASTICS

- Plastic containers #1, #2 and #5 with a neck smaller than the base
- ✓ Rinse thoroughly to ensure they are free of contaminants and residue.
- ✓ Remove caps or lids and dispose of them in the trash.
- ✓ It is not necessary to remove labels and neck rings.



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- ✓ Clean and Dry.
- ✓ No food contact.
- ✓ Cover loose paper with heavier items in the container to prevent them from blowing.



### CARDBOARD

- All sizes of corrugated cardboard and shipping boxes
- ✓ Dry and flattened.
- ✓ No food contact.
- ✓ Bundle any large or loose pieces of cardboard that will not fit in your recycling bin.



### CARTONS

- Shelf-stable and refrigerated food and beverage cartons
- ✓ Remove and dispose of straws and caps in the trash.
- ✓ Rinse cartons.



**WHEN IN DOUBT - THROW IT OUT!**

# Today's Recycling Crisis

The United States generates more recyclable material than any other country in the world and China is the world's largest buyer of recyclable material. The Chinese government recently imposed new rules implementing a ban on certain recyclables from other countries, most notably mixed paper (such as junk mail) and mixed plastics (those labeled #3 - #7) and put in place stricter rules severely restricting the levels of contamination allowed in the recyclable material they accept. These changes have had catastrophic consequences on the recycling industry in the U.S. and globally. For example, bales of mixed paper were allowed to have approximately 5% contamination in them, or 92 pounds of trash, in a 1,850 pound bale of recycled paper. Beginning in 2018, China changed those restrictions to a 0.5% contamination rate, or 9 pounds of trash in a 1,850 pound bale of recycled paper. As a result of a decision made half-way across the globe, what can now go in your recycling bin has changed. Without China as a major market, recyclers are forced to find other outlets, and while waiting for new markets to pick up the slack, what was once considered a recyclable has now become refuse. Until the current market instability eventually dissipates, China's ban has forced local recycling programs back to the basics and shifted their focus to materials with traditionally strong markets.

## What is contamination?

Contamination is any non-recyclable item (trash) that gets mixed into a bale of recyclable material. When bales of recyclables arrive in China, they are cut open and sorted through. Items such as plastic bags, clothing, medical waste, Christmas lights and any other non-recyclable items are considered "contamination."

## What can residents do to Reduce Contamination of Recyclables?

Educate yourself on what items your waste hauler accepts for recycling. Do not throw items in the recycle bin unless you know for sure it is recyclable. When In Doubt, Throw It Out! Make sure that wet, non-recyclable items are disposed of in the garbage.

## UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- **NEW: Paperboard.** For example: no cereal boxes, shoe boxes, tissue boxes, pizza boxes or paper towel/toilet paper rolls. **No office paper or "mixed paper"** such as: junk mail, envelopes, letter-head, copier paper, magazines, catalogues, post cards. No shredded paper.
- Needles and medical waste - **DO NOT** place used needles or any other medical waste in your recycling! Doing so poses a potential health hazard! Place used needles in a plastic detergent bottle and dispose of in regular trash. Household medical waste should also be included in regular trash.
- Food waste and food soiled material
- Broken glass, Aerosol cans
- Hoses
- Drinking glasses, windows, mirrors and ceramics
- Light bulbs and Christmas lights
- Styrofoam (packaging "peanuts," styrofoam cups and bowls, etc.)
- Aluminum foil, Scrap metal, Clothing hangers (metal and plastic)
- Used paper towels or tissues
- Wet paper and cardboard
- Chemical, oil and solvent containers
- Plastic grocery bags - Plastic bags including grocery, bread, vegetable, dry cleaning, newspaper and many more can be recycled at most grocery stores. For more information, visit [www.abagslife.com](http://www.abagslife.com).
- Plastic bubble wrap, clamshell containers, food wrappers, utensils (forks, knives, spoons, etc.)
- Electronic waste - By law, Pennsylvania residents and businesses may not dispose of electronic devices at the curb or in their trash.



# Township Snow / Ice Removal Policy

**Township Roads** - The Highway Department's policy is to begin plowing the most heavily traveled roads first. Please be patient. Salting and anti-skid placement will be performed as needed. After the initial plowing, it is necessary to have the plow return to widen the path. This provides an area to plow additional snow if another storm should arrive prior to a melting period. Residents are asked to park their car in a driveway if at all possible.



There is no way to avoid plows putting snow at the end of driveways. If you do shovel your driveway before the street is plowed, throw the snow to the right of your driveway when facing the road and this will minimize the snow that is pushed back into your driveway from the plows. **DO NOT** throw snow into the public street. A citation can be issued in accordance with Township Ordinance 106-1997, allowing for fines up to \$1,000.00. **In addition, we ask that you pull all portable basketball poles onto your property as a safety precaution for our plow operators.**

Please minimize your travel during this time. If you must drive, allow additional time. Our primary concern during inclement weather is the safety of the motoring public. Your cooperation is appreciated.

The following roads are state owned and maintained by PennDOT. Route 15, Route 74, Mountain Rd, Baltimore St, Old York Rd, Harrisburg Pike, Williams Grove Rd, W. Siddonsburg Rd, Camp Ground Rd, and Mumper Lane. For state road concerns contact PennDOT at (717) 848-6230.

**Sidewalks** - Township Ordinance 106-1997 requires the owner, occupant or tenant of every property fronting upon or along side any streets of the Township to clear snow, slush, and ice from all sidewalks that adjoin the property. All sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after a snowfall ends. This includes handicap ramps at intersections. **DO NOT** throw snow into the roadway. If snow is so hardened that it cannot be removed without damaging the sidewalk, salt, sand or other abrasive material is required to be applied within the time provided above. Properties that are vacant or for sale are not exempt from this requirement. If you would like more information regarding this Ordinance, please contact the Township Office.

**Fire Hydrants** - Property owners are requested to clear around fire hydrants to ensure adequate fire protection. Valuable time could be lost if your local fire company has to shovel the hydrant first.

## Mailbox Guidelines

Below are some guidelines that should help residents understand their responsibilities concerning mailboxes.

- Mailboxes are the property and responsibility of each resident.
- Any maintenance that needs to be done on a mailbox is the responsibility of the resident.
- If snow knocks over your mailbox during the plowing operation, it is your responsibility to repair or replace it.
- If your mailbox is placed adequately off the road, and it is directly hit by either a Township snowplow or the equipment clearing the roads, the Township will repair or replace it.
- If there is an area where a mail carrier pulls off the road to deliver the mail, any maintenance of this pull-off is the responsibility of each resident. The Township is not responsible for these pull-off areas.
- These guidelines apply to Township roads only and not to state or private roads.



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### Compost it, Don't Blow it!

- Leaves and yard debris, along with many other items from your household, can be composted.
- Turn your waste into rich, useful compost.

### Mulch It, Don't Blow It!

- Turn your yard waste into mulch or leave it on the ground. Yard waste acts as a natural fertilizer and creates a backyard habitat for wildlife.

### Safe streets, Don't Blow It!

- Mowing or blowing grass clippings or leaves onto streets and paths can cause dangerous conditions for motorcycles, bicyclists and possibly for cars. Keep our streets clear.

### It's the Law, Don't Blow It!

- Carroll Township's Stormwater Ordinance does not allow any non-stormwater discharge such as grass clippings and leaves, which are blown into the street, and can be introduced into the storm-water system. This is a violation of our Ordinance.

## Solicitation Permits

## Ordinance # 2007-181

Peddling (selling or offering for sale any goods, wares, services or merchandise) and soliciting (seeking or taking of contracts or orders for any goods, wares, services or merchandise) is only allowed with a Township issued permit. Applications are available at the Township Office or at [www.carrolltownship.com](http://www.carrolltownship.com). The fee for a solicitation permit is \$25 per month or part of a month. Permit holders shall not engage in soliciting or peddling on any day of the week before 9:00am or after 8:00pm. Residents should always ask to see the permit and report it immediately to the police department if the person(s) soliciting cannot show you the permit for any reason. School children and non-profit groups are exempt.



## Register your Rental Properties

Carroll Township Ordinance 81-1989 requires landlords to report the name and address of all tenants who occupy or vacate a dwelling unit within 15 days after said occupancy or vacancy. It is the responsibility of the landlord to obtain and submit the forms to Christina Heisey, Carroll Township Tax Collector, P.O. Box 288, Dillsburg, PA 17019. Forms are available on [www.carrolltownship.com](http://www.carrolltownship.com).

### Carroll Township Office will be closed on the following dates:

November 22—Thanksgiving  
November 23—Day after TG  
January 1—New Years Day

December 25—Christmas Day  
February 18—Presidents Day  
April 19—Good Friday

May 21—Primary Election Day  
May 27—Memorial Day  
July 4—Independence Day

# Government Officials & Township Personnel

## U.S. Representative:

Scott Perry (717) 600-1919

## State Senator:

Mike Regan (717) 432-1730

## State Representative:

Dawn Keefer (717) 432-0792

## District Justice:

Richard Thomas (717) 432-3618

## Supervisors:

Andy Ritter—Chairman  
acritter@hotmail.com

Brian Schmick—Vice-Chairman  
bschmickets@gmail.com

Bruce Trostle  
BRTMason@hotmail.com

Kelley Moyer-Schwille  
kmschwillecarrolltwp@gmail.com

Richard Rocco  
roccotownship@gmail.com

## Planning Commission:

Perry Bates—Chairman

Alexis Isenberg

Terry Adams

Michael Todd Ryan—Vice-Chairman

Ronald Colvin

Chad Reed—Secretary

Brian Linsenbach

## Zoning Hearing Board:

Gary Reihart—Chairman

Richard Gensler II—Vice-Chairman

Frank Setlak

Deana Weaver—Alternate

## Logan Park Authority:

Robert Ingham—Chairman

Theodore Pawlik—Vice-Chairman

Kay McKinney—Secretary

William Cressler—Treasurer

Chad Reed

## Tax Collector:

Christina Heisey (717) 502-6382

## Engineer:

Phillip Brath, P.E., Barton & Loguidice  
(717) 737-8326

## Sewage Enforcement Officer:

Gary Morrow (717) 319-1301

## Solicitor:

Duane Stone, Esquire (717) 432-2089  
Stone, Wiley & Linsenbach, PC

## Emergency Management Coordinator:

Raphael LaRocca (717) 638-8042

## Office: (717) 432-4951

Faye Romberger, Secretary/Treasurer ext. 101  
fromberger@carrolltownship.com

Josephine Patton, Assistant Secretary ext. 100  
jpatton@carrolltownship.com

## Zoning Officer: (717) 432-4951

Brandon Slatt ext. 104  
bslatt@carrolltownship.com

## Roads: (717) 432-4951

Bruce Patton, Road Foreman ext. 123  
Paul King ext. 123

## Police Department: (717) 432-3317

Thomas Wargo, Chief ext. 105

David Smith, Sergeant ext. 106

John Schreiner, Sergeant ext. 119

Gene Baptisti, Records Officer ext. 107

Lori Snider, Clerical ext. 107

## Police Officers:

Ben Martin ext. 120

Terry Williams ext. 114

David McCoy ext. 115

Justin Rogerson ext. 121

Michael Lohr ext. 110

Brian Sunday ext. 116

Elias Martinez ext. 113

Laura Solmon ext. 109

John Shapley III ext. 111

# 2019 Road Projects — — — — — — — — — —

**The following are the proposed road improvement projects for 2019:**

- Blair Hollow Road resurface from Blair Mountain Road to Pleasant Hill Court
- Double seal coat of Dorsey Lane from Mumper Lane to Chestnut Grove Road
- Chestnut Grove Road overlay from Cul-de-sac to Fileys Road

The road crew also will be cleaning and repairing drainage facilities throughout the Township, mowing along roads and replacing storm culverts at various locations.

**Just a reminder.....**

- Please do not blow grass clippings out on the roads. These clipping eventually end up in the storm gutters and drains causing clogs.
- Property owners along Township roads are asked to please keep shrubs and trees trimmed back off the road right-of-way.
- Please slow down and keep alert on roadways when work of any kind is being performed. This is for your safety as well as the workers.
- Permanent basketball hoops are not permitted within the Township road right-of-way.

## Resident Shred Day

In Spring of 2019, Carroll Township will host our first shred day at the Municipal Building. Township residents are invited to bring “confidential” paper material to shred. Items include but are not limited to: Old tax returns, pay stubs, bank statements, receipts, utility bills, etc. This will be a free service to our residents. Date and time to be determined. Watch for our Spring Newsletter and check [www.carrolltownship.com](http://www.carrolltownship.com) for more details.



### Public Meetings

**Board of Supervisors**  
 Work Session—1st Monday @ 6:30PM  
 Business Session—2nd Monday @ 6:30PM

**Planning Commission**  
 4th Thursday @ 6:30PM

**Zoning Hearing Board**  
 By Request Only

*Above meetings are held monthly at the Carroll Township Municipal Building*

**Logan Park Authority**  
 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00PM  
*Authority meetings are held monthly at the Logan Park Barn*

### Phone Numbers

**Fire, Police & Ambulance Emergency....911**

**Non-Emergency Dispatch.....(717) 854-5571**

**Police Headquarters.....(717) 432-3317**

**Twp. Office & Road Department(717) 432-4951**

**Tax Collector.....(717) 502-6382**

**Sewage Enforcement Officer.....(717) 319-1301**

**Township Engineer.....(717) 737-8326**

**Dillsburg Area Authority.....(717) 502-0431**

**Penn Waste, Inc (trash).....1-866-575-8720**

**Animal Control..... (717) 854-5571**

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## ***Emergency Management***

We are here to help you prepare and be ready for disasters! We can help you learn about hazards, create an emergency plan, and know what to do and where to go for the hazards we face.

### **Fall/Winter Preparedness Tips:**

- ✓ Pay attention to severe weather alerts and heed warnings and watches!
- ✓ Keep prescriptions, cash, and personal records easily accessible in case of long term sheltering or evacuation!
- ✓ Be prepared to help yourself, family, and pets for up to 72 hours with no outside help!

### **How to contact us:**

#### **Call us:**

Raphael LaRocca, EMC (717) 638-8042  
Through Carroll Township (717) 432-4951

#### **E-Mail us:**

readynorthernnyork@gmail.com

#### **Visit us on social media:**

<https://www.facebook.com/NorthernEmergencyManagementAgency/>

#### **York County Department of Emergency Services:**

<https://yorkcountypa.gov/emergency-services.html>

