



Get Ready for the 19th ANNUAL  
BROOKS TOWNSHIP CLEAN-UP DAY!  
( BROOKS TOWNSHIP PROPERTY OWNERS ONLY! )  
SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018  
from 8 a.m. – 2p.m.

WHAT: Brooks Township Clean-up Day  
WHEN: Saturday, June 2, 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
- No medical waste

**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.*

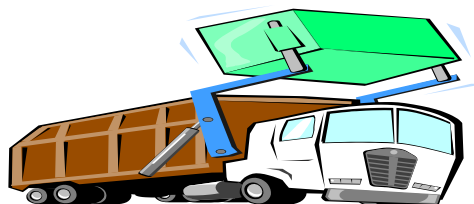
**The Township has the right to reject any materials deemed unacceptable**

**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!**



## FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR

### ROAD MILLAGE

Hopefully when you are reading this newsletter, winter will have finally left and that spring is upon us. With the warm weather we are all excited to begin “summer” things. Hiking, biking, and boating are among the things we all enjoy doing. Much of this involves our roads. I am sure many of your vehicles have found “the pot holes” this winter and spring. The Township board is appealing to those of you who have found those “pot holes” and to those that were lucky enough not to. Brooks Township is in need of a road millage. In many of the past newsletters we have had shared information regarding this issue. Brooks Township is one of only 8 townships out of 24 in Newaygo County that does not have a road millage. With the support for a road millage there are many more projects that the Township could do that would greatly improve our system of roads. On the August 7, 2018 primary ballot residents will be asked to support a road millage of 1.5 mills. This would generate approximately \$212,000 per year to repair and maintain our roads. This along with monies from our general fund could help eliminate gravel roads in the Township in the future. We spend over \$26,000 per year just for brining those roads. We have also contracted with the Newaygo County Road commission for \$220,000 for other road projects.

### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

There is another project that the township is supporting. It is a multi-municipality effort to fund a School Resource Officer. Brooks Township along with the City of Newaygo, Garfield Township, Croton Township and Newaygo Public Schools are working hard to see that this will happen for the safety of children. As a township board we feel we must do what it takes to protect the greatest asset on earth and that is our children. This would be a wonderful accomplishment for the whole community if this happens.

### DREDGING

I will be working on mitigation plans for dredging local lakes. This will require cooperation with the Department of Environmental Quality, lake boards, and private individuals along with the Township. I have been gathering information regarding this issue over the past year and hope to make it a high priority for myself. There is never a guarantee on what can be done when working with multiple agencies but to protect the investments in our lakes the township will do their best to try and make this a reality.

I along with the rest of the township board thank you for letting us continue to serve you. You are more than welcome to contact anyone of us, anytime.

Have a wonderful summer.

Cory Nelson

### **BROOKS TOWNSHIP ROAD MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

*Below is the language that will be on the August Ballot for a proposed road millage*

Shall the total tax rate limitation on the amount of general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within Brooks Township under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased by a new additional millage of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) annually for five (5) years, 2018 through 2022, inclusive, to provide funds for the improvement and maintenance of public roads within Brooks Township?

If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$212,240 in the first year of the levy. All or a portion of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Newaygo County Road Commission or other governmental agency for the improvement and maintenance of public roads within Brooks Township. All or a portion of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Brooks Township / Croton Township Water Resources Tax Increment Financing Authority or other governmental agency for water resource improvement and/or access to inland lakes, specifically Pettit Lake.

### **EXAMPLES OF COST FOR A ROAD MILLAGE**

<b>50,000 Taxable Value</b>	<b>\$ 75.00/year</b>
<b>75,000 Taxable Value</b>	<b>\$112.50/year</b>
<b>100,000 Taxable Value</b>	<b>\$150.00/year</b>
<b>125,000 Taxable Value</b>	<b>\$187.50/year</b>

**(\$1.50 per 1,000 of taxable value)**



# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

to be held @ the Newaygo County Road Commission

(M-20 just west of M-37)

June 2, 2018- 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!

Look for the flyer in the Hi-Lites for additional information!

Donations are greatly appreciated!

Four car tires for FREE!

\$3.00 for each additional car size or smaller. More than 8 tires requires approval.

Televisions and old monitors - \$20.00 each

Electronics (Printers, tablets, cellphones, laptops) - Free drop off

If you have questions call the Newaygo County Board of Public Works at 689-7213.

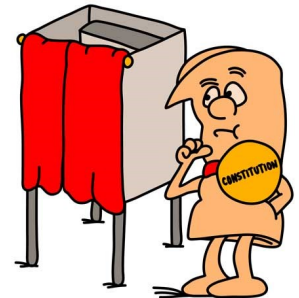
## BROOKS TOWNSHIP ZONING DEPARTMENT

Just a reminder that if you are considering construction or project of any kind please check with the zoning department to see if any permits are required. Any construction or placing of buildings 200 sq. ft. or larger requires a permit.

## ELECTIONS

The Primary Election will be held on August 7, 2018 and the General Election will be held on November 6, 2018. The last day to register to vote for the primary is July 9 and the general is October 9. 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 available forty-five days 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, at 652-6763.



## TOWNSHIP CALENDER

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

May	15 Twp. Board Mtg.	Aug.	21 Twp. Board Mtg.
	21 Planning Comm. Mtg.		27 Planning Comm. Mtg.
	28 Memorial Day (Office closed)	Sept.	3 Labor Day (Office closed)
June	2 Twp. Clean-up		14 Summer taxes due
	19 Twp. Board Mtg.		18 Twp. Board Mtg.
	25 Planning Comm. Mtg.		24 Planning Comm. Mtg.
July	1 Summer tax bills mailed	Oct.	16 Twp. Board Mtg.
	4 4th of July (Office closed)		22 Planning Comm. Mtg.
	17 Twp. Board Mtg.	Nov.	20 Twp. Board Mtg.
	23 Planning Comm. Mtg.		22 Thanksgiving (Office closed)
			26 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**  
**Ryan Schultz, Trustee**  
**Ken Page Jr., Trustee**

### **Planning Commission**

*(4th Monday of the Month)*

**Ryan Schultz**  
**Danielle Hummel**  
**Pat Baker**  
**Phil Knappe**  
**Matt Arthur**  
**Mark Pitzer**  
**Cheryl Rosen**

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

*(Meets as needed)*

**Mark Pitzer**  
**Kim Roehrig**  
**Frank Janusz**  
**Dave Warren**  
**Ken Page Jr.**

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

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

**[www.brookstownship.org](http://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 go to the DNR website: [www.michigandnr.com/burn permits](http://www.michigandnr.com/burn%20permits),  
or call the Cadillac Management Unit at 231-745-4651 or 1-866-922-2876.**