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# SPRING NEWSLETTER

# NEWS FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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It is with great joy that the Township wishes each of you a Happy Spring. Following a long, cold and often times confining winter, it is our desire that everyone be able to enjoy the spring season and that we all become more comfortable leaving our homes and interacting with others again in the very near future.

As Spring arrives and we embark on annual spring cleaning, planting our gardens and maintaining our lawns, residents are reminded that the Board of Supervisors adopted a Sewage Management Ordinance in November 2019, which became effective on January 1, 2020. At that time, all property owners were notified by mail of the ordinance along with instructions to ensure compliance with the ordinance. Information on this ordinance was also included in Fall 2019 Township Newsletter and can be accessed on our website at www.littlebritain.org.

In an effort to ensure the smooth transition to these new regulations, the Township was divided into 3 separate districts. Each district was assigned a year in which their on-lot septic system would need to be inspected and pumped. A copy of the district map is located on page 3 of this newsletter. All property owners located within District 1 should have had their septic systems cleaned and inspected last year. Property owners in District 2 are scheduled to have their systems cleaned and inspected this year, and those in District 3 will be due next year in 2022.

Anyone residing in District 1 who has not yet submitted verification that their system was serviced should do so now to avoid having penalties applied. Property owners who fail to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance are subject to a \$500 to a \$5,000 fine for each day they are non-compliant.

Any questions pertaining to this matter should be directed to the Township Secretary/Treasurer at 717-529-2373 ext. 1.



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#### TAXES

Taxes Statements are obviously not anyone's favorite topic of conversation or item to find in their mailboxes.

#### **Taxes of Yesteryear**

While taxes paid by American colonists to Great Britain were one of the main reasons for the Declaration of Independence and ultimately the Revolutionary War, America's Founding Fathers knew that our young country would need taxes for essential items such as roads and especially defense. Providing the framework for taxation, they included procedures for the enactment of tax law legislation in the Constitution, under Article I, Section 7.

#### **Taxes of Today**

The state of Pennsylvania does not levy or collect taxes on real estate or personal property. Instead, those taxes are reserved for local governments like counties, municipalities, and school districts. In most areas of Pennsylvania, including Lancaster County and Little Britain Township, all three groups levy real estate or property taxes.

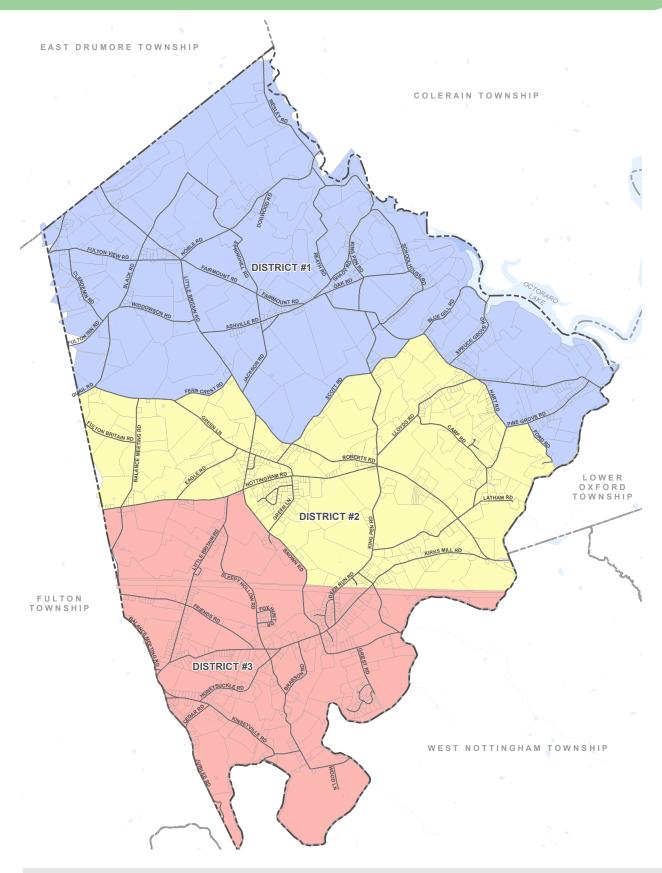
It should be noted that only **9.37%** of the amount collected through Municipal/County tax statements comes to the township. For instance, out of each \$100 paid in these taxes, Little Britain Township receives only \$9.37. The last time the tax rate was increased in Little Britain Township was in 1997. In 2002, the Township eliminated the Per Capita tax.

So, while none of us may be happy to receive another tax statement, please keep in mind that *the township has not increased taxes in 24 years* and works hard each and every day to ensure your tax dollars are spent carefully and wisely.

#### **Take Action**

Please note that Municipal/County tax statements for 2021 were mailed in late February. If you have not received your statement, please contact the Tax Collector, Agnes Reeder, at 717-955-0047.

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District 1 (Blue): Due in 2020 | District 2 (Yellow): Due in 2021 | District 3 (Orange): Due in 2022

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### Mark Your Calendars Now So You Don't Miss Out On This Once-A-Year Event



Up to a truckload of items - \$5.00 Tires without rims up to 15" diameter - \$3.00 Large Whites requiring freon removal - \$15.00

Batteries - Free

No electronics (computers, printers, TV's), hazardous materials or paint cans will be accepted.

No ash from household trash, burn piles, coal or plastic ground covering will be accepted.