

FALLS TOWNSHIP

Spring / Summer 2021

Bucks County, Pa.

Business Booming Despite Pandemic

After a challenging year riddled by job losses, business closures and sickness propelled by the COVID-19 pandemic, our community finally has some positive economic outlooks on the horizon.

As Falls Township - along with the rest of the nation - continues to manage our coronavirus response, we are seeing a gradual return to normal among our business community. Several land development projects planned to begin later this year are expected to bring thousands of new, permanent warehousing and light industrial jobs, as well as hundreds of new construction jobs, to Falls Township.

NorthPoint Development, the new owner of 1,846 acres of the former U.S. Steel site, plans to soon begin construction of 10 million square feet of warehouse space, attracting a variety of large Fortune 500 companies to Falls. Once complete, that project alone will provide between 5,000 and 10,000 new jobs for our community! Over the next decade, the newly named Keystone Trade Center will bring back the jobs of the Fairless Works complex in its heyday.

In addition to new jobs, this expansive redevelopment project will help breathe much-needed life into this property with a multi-million-dollar remediation effort, demolition of old buildings, fresh landscaping throughout, upgraded utilities and refreshed roadways and rail lines. The Falls Supervisors worked to make sure that NorthPoint pays its fair share for municipal services as well, which could help lessen the burden on our taxpayers. The company will contribute to our Township's police and fire service and road maintenance. In all, the company is expected to invest more than \$1 billion into our community.

While NorthPoint may be the largest developer with its eye on Falls Township, it is not the only one. Stalwart Equities intends to build close to 1 million square feet of warehouse space on the former Solvay tract, as well as 11 acres on South Pennsylvania Avenue and East Post Road. This project is expected to provide 500 or more new jobs.

Another boon to the local economy is the Continuous Materials, LLC plan to construct a post-consumer and post-industrial waste separation facility, which would create 340 construction jobs during its approximate 16-month buildout and 100 permanent jobs.

Alro Steel Corporation and Empire Fiber, LLC will create another 200 or more combined permanent jobs and 150 to 200 construction jobs as the warehouse and recycling facility are built.

These developments could not have been planned at a better time. Our residents are struggling in these challenging times. Having access to good, clean jobs close to home is a great advantage. Using even conservative estimates, these development projects, as they move to fruition, will mean more than 6,000 new jobs - and possibly many more - in Falls Township over the next decade.

Just imagine the impact this level of job creation will have on our Township and the region. More jobs locally translate to more customers buying goods and services from our local businesses. It means more lunches at our local restaurants. It means more municipal taxes paid, which will help offset taxes paid from Falls homeowners. Not only will these companies be creating jobs in Falls Township, they will also help sustain our local businesses and contribute to our economy.

I hope you share my excitement for the incredible economic opportunities that await Falls Township and our region.

-Jeffrey Dence

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Police Department

Add Your Name to the No Solicitation Registry

In 2014, the Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance that allows residents to add their name to a No Solicitation Registry. This list is distributed to anyone that applies for a Solicitation Permit with instructions not to solicit at any of the addresses on

the list. To be placed on this list, please contact the Police Records department at **(215) 949-9100**.

(More Police Department News On Page 3)



No Parking On or Blocking Sidewalks

Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (Title 75) section 3353 (a) (2) (ii) prohibits parking a motor vehicle on a sidewalk. The fine is \$50. Residents cannot park their cars in any way that blocks a sidewalk or they are subject to being issued a state parking citation.

Anonymous Tip Line: (215) 949-9120

Falls Township Police has created a tip line allowing the public to contact the Police department anonymously. Members of the public are encouraged to report suspicious individuals or activity. Tips are then analyzed and passed on to the appropriate division for follow-up. Because the tip line is anonymous, the sender will not receive a response. The tip line is not an emergency number. If you witness a crime in progress or have an emergency that

requires the police, please call 911.

Neighborhood Watch Program

Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program that enlists the active participation of residents in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime, solve problems, and improve the quality of life in your area. Neighborhood Watch is a group of concerned citizens, joining together to assist local law enforcement in identifying and reporting suspicious or criminal activities in their neighborhoods. By taking an active role in the protection of their homes and families, residents are better able to discourage criminal activity and keep their neighborhoods safe. For more information, please contact **Cpl. Mike Wolverton**, (215) 949-9100 ext. 326 m.wolverton@fallstwp.com.



SafetyNet Tracking Systems



Caring for someone with a cognitive condition who wanders is a considerable responsibility. SafetyNet Tracking Systems helps public safety agencies quickly find and bring home loved ones who may be lost.

Falls Township Police can provide your loved one with a SafetyNet bracelet that they should always wear. Water-proof bracelets feature a radio frequency transmitter that emits a continuous signal. If a loved one is missing, caregivers would contact authorities immediately. Trained search and rescue teams track the signal emitted from the bracelet, locate the missing person and return him or her home safely.

Radio frequency technology can work in densely wooded areas, building and shallow water, even when GPS and cellular technology can not.

If you know anyone who would benefit from this program, or would like additional information, please contact the Falls Township Police Department at (215) 949-9100.

Find Us On Social Media



Falls Township Police department is now on social media outlets like Facebook and Twitter. Follow us to get information on what's going on in your neighborhood.



Police Reports Available Online

Police reports are now available online through Crashdocs.org. Cost is \$10 for individuals and \$15 for attorneys and insurance companies. Online report availability is provided through Carfax, which also offers an investigative element for police.

"Coffee with a Cop"

Coffee with a Cop allows Police and residents to come together in an informal, neutral space to sit down with a mix of officers, detectives, sergeants, lieutenants and the Chief to ask questions, discuss happenings in the area, voice concerns, and get to know the officers who patrol their areas.

This is a great way to strengthen police-community partnership and build friendships throughout the community. Coffee with a Cop is just another way to allow our residents to make Falls Township a better place to live. Check our website, Facebook or Twitter for coming dates.



Parks and Recreation

All programs/events are subject to change due to any COVID-19 guidelines/restrictions that may be put in place by local Department of Health officials

Ready to get over those winter blues? Looking forward to the warmer weather?

Look no further than the program offerings and amenities offered by Falls Township Parks and Recreation for the spring/summer season. It is our goal to offer diverse programming to Township residents. Please check out our offerings:

Spotted Lanternfly Trap



Spring means the emergence of pesky spotted lanternfly. Look for traps in Falls Township Community Park near pavilion A. The Environmental Advisory Council will host a workshop on how to build your own spotted lanternfly traps on April 17 at 10 a.m. You can

also learn how to build your own trap on Page 12.

Youth Skateboarding

Parks and Recreation will once again be partnering up with Skate the Foundry to offer a Youth Skateboard Course this spring and Skateboard Summer Camp. The Youth Skateboard Course will be held Saturdays, beginning March 6 and continuing through April 10. In the event of rain, the course would continue through April 17. A session will be offered youth ages 6 to 9 years old from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and for youth ages 10 to 13 years old from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Each group will have a maximum of 10 skaters. Cost is \$165 for residents; and \$180 for non-residents. The Youth Skateboard Summer Camp will be held Aug. 2-Aug. 6 from 9 a.m. to noon for youth ages 6 to 13 years old. Maximum is 12 skaters. Cost is \$315 for residents; and \$325 for non-residents. To register for the skateboard programs, please call Brian Andrews at (215) 949-9000 ext. 220 or email b.andrews@fallstwp.com. For more information about the programs, please visit www.SkateTheFoundry.com, email skatethefoundry@gmail.com, or call (215) 954-0750.



Pavilion Rentals

If you are looking for a place to hold a party, family reunion, nonprofit event, or wedding ceremony, please consider reserving our pavilions at the Falls Township Community Park, Quaker Penn Park or the Fallsington Gazebo at Fallsington Commemorative Park. To reserve a pavilion or gazebo, please contact Barbara Loessy at (215) 949-9000 ext. 221 or by email b.loessy@fallstwp.com.

Drive-In Movie Series

Parks and Recreation will once again be partnering with Mid-Atlantic Event Group to offer a Summer Drive-In Movie Series. Stay tuned for dates and movie titles, which will be announced at a later date.

Pinewood Pool

The Pinewood Pool is a great way for our residents to cool off and spend quality time with family. The pool is scheduled to open Saturday, May 29. The season runs until Labor Day (Sept. 6). Take advantage of the "Early Bird" discount period which runs through April 8! To register or for further information about the pool, please visit www.fallstwp.com, go to the Parks and Recreation Page, and click on the link to "Pinewood Pool."



Registration must be completed online by using your existing Community Pass Account. If you need assistance with registration, please contact Barbara Loessy at (215) 949-9000 ext. 221 or by email at b.loessy@fallstwp.com. **COVID-19 rules/guidelines/restrictions will likely be in effect for the 2021 season. Please email b.andrews@fallstwp.com or call (215) 949-9000 ext. 220 with any questions.**

Summer Lifeguards Sought

Parks and Recreation is looking to hire several lifeguards for the 2021 pool season. Candidates must be at least 15 years old and have a current Lifeguard/First Aid/AED certification. The starting pay rate is \$9 an hour. Hourly starting pay rate for lifeguards with prior experience is negotiable. For further information or if interested in applying, contact Brian Andrews at (215) 949-9000 ext. 220 or by email b.andrews@fallstwp.com.



Boat Ramp Passes

All seasonal and daily passes must be purchased online (VISA and MasterCard only). Rates for seasonal passes will be: \$80 for a Falls resident; \$155 for a non-resident. Daily passes will be \$15. To purchase a seasonal or daily pass, go to www.fallstwp.com, go to the Parks and Recreation page, and click on the link "Quaker Penn Park Boat Launch Pass." You will then be able to register and pay for either a seasonal or daily pass. A daily pass is only good for a 24-hour period from time of purchase. For further information, contact Barbara Loessy at (215) 949-9000 ext. 221 or by email b.loessy@fallstwp.com.

Parks and Recreation

Falls Summer Camp

We are accepting registrations for its 2021 Summer Camp Program. Due to COVID-19 restrictions required by the Pennsbury School District, we can only allow a maximum of 84 campers for this year's camp. We are only permitting 12 campers per age group. Due to this limited capacity, we will not allow campers to switch



age groups this year. Additionally, COVID-19 rules/guidelines must be followed. Please call (215) 949-9000 ext. 220 or email Brian Andrews at b.andrews@fallstwp.com with any questions about the structure of this year's camp. Registration is completed online

through the Community Pass Registration System (Capturepoint link). Visit www.fallstwp.com to access the online registration system. The 2021 Summer Camp will be held at Walt Disney Elementary School. The camp is designed for children ages 5-13 (all registered participants must be at minimum 5 years of age and have completed kindergarten). Our camp employs several certified teachers, an experienced support staff, and an offers an incredible 1:5 counselor to camper ratio. We will offer fun and creative in-camp activities as always! There will not be any field trips. Visits to Pinewood Pool are uncertain at this time. Decisions on potential visits to the pool will be made at a later date. The camp runs from Monday, June 21 through Friday, July 30. If you need help registering for the program, please contact Barbara Loessy at (215) 949-9000 ext. 221 or by email at b.loessy@fallstwp.com.

Tennis Programs

Bucks County Tennis Association offers a variety of five-week tennis programs, youth and adult tournaments and competitions for Falls residents of all ages. Programs are held at Penn's Grant Park Tennis Courts, Penns Grant Drive and Rose Avenue in Morrisville. Registration deadlines are as follows: **Season 1:** March 27; **Season 2:** May 8; **Season 3:** June 19; **Season 4:** Aug. 23;



August Swing Season: Aug. 1; **Fall Forehands Season:** Oct. 10. Learn more and register at www.buckscountytennis.usta.com

Vietnam Flag Memorial

Falls Township is proud to once again host The Delaware Valley Vietnam Flag Memorial at the Falls Township Community Park. This year's event is tentatively scheduled to take place Friday, June 11-Sunday, June 13. Volunteers are needed to plant flags on the soccer field (located on phase 1 of the park) on Friday morning at 9 a.m. For further information, please contact Ed Sabol at edwardsabol@gmail.com.

Annual Fishing Derby



Our annual Fishing Derby is tentatively scheduled for Memorial Day, Monday, May 31. Parks and Recreation is inviting all children between the ages of 5-17 to sign up and participate in the annual event. PRE-REGISTRATION is REQUIRED. The derby will run from 8-10 a.m. Each participant will receive a participation medal and awards will be given for most fish caught and largest fish caught in various age categories. To register or for further information,

please contact Brian Andrews at (215) 949-9000 ext. 220 or by email at b.andrews@fallstwp.com. Registration forms will be available in the Parks and Recreation office at the Falls Township Municipal Complex (Suite 100) starting April 1. Our office hours are 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Summer Concert Series

Once again, Falls Township Parks and Recreation will hold 12 concerts as part of its 2021 Summer Concert Series lineup. All concerts take place under the pavilion in Phase 1 at the Falls Township Community Park on Sundays from 6-8 p.m. The following is a tentative schedule and is subject to change:



- Sunday, June 20 **Strictly 60's Band**
- Sunday, June 27 **Chester County Concert Band**
- Sunday, July 4 **The Original Mixed Company**
- Sunday, July 11 **The Rick Gazda Band**
- Sunday, July 18 **Jump Start Band**
- Sunday, July 25 **Daisy Jug Band**
- Sunday, August 1 **Barbone Street Jazz Band**
- Sunday, August 8 **The Rick Gazda Band**
- Sunday, August 15 **First Time Around Band**
- Sunday, August 22 **Uptown String Band**
- Sunday, August 29 **Big Band from The Valley**
- Sunday, September 5 **The Mango Men**

National Night Out

National Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 3. Parks and Recreation is partnering with the Falls Township Police Department and other local first responders to host a fun community event for our residents. The event is scheduled from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Falls Township Community Park. Rain date is Aug. 4. We will have bounce houses, a balloon artist, facepainting, table vendors, and much more! Food and drink will be sold as well. This is a FREE event. This event is tentative based on any COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

'21 Budget Maintains '92 Rate

It's been nearly three decades since Falls Township last raised taxes. While the costs of everything have risen over the last 29 years, the fiscally responsible Falls Township Supervisors once again held the line on municipal taxes, which last increased in 1992.

The last time Falls raised its municipal tax a gallon of gas cost \$1.05 and the average cost of a new home was \$122,500.

Even with a continually shrinking state contribution for pensions, increased expenses and cost of living hikes, the Supervisors' spending plan holds the line on taxes, with \$36.4 million projected to be spent in 2021.

Since 2014, Falls Township's millage rate has been 7.22. The 7.22 mill tax rate represents the lowest tax millage rate the Township has had since the 1992 budget was passed, according to Finance Director Betsy Reukauf.

Property owners will continue paying \$216.60 for an average assessment of

\$30,000 under the Township's 2021 budget. The owner of the average Bristol Township property, by comparison, pays \$1,036.40 in local taxes.

Falls maintains its services – and offers trash and leaf pickup free of charge – without instituting an Earned Income Tax, as many other towns have done.

Of the local taxes collected from Falls Township property owners, the Township receives 3.6 percent - less than 4 cents per every dollar - while Pennsbury School District collects 83.9 percent and Bucks County receives 12.5 percent.

Despite receiving a small fraction of taxes collected throughout the Township, Falls elected officials have worked hard to do more with less, year after year. Since 2012, the Township has seen its pension obligation double from \$1.3 million in 2012 to \$2.6 million in 2017 all while the state contributions have remained relatively flat. For 2021 state contributions are expected to decrease. Falls is projecting \$3.1

million in 2021 pension costs, with \$2.4 million being covered by the Township.

Even with a flat municipal tax rate, Falls Supervisors are planning several projects for 2021, including the continuation of the annual road program with the full-depth reconstruction of Willow Drive.

In addition, intersection improvements are planned for North Olds Boulevard and Trenton Road. Falls had budgeted \$50,325 for the project. PennDOT will fund 80 percent of the project cost through a grant.

Falls will also finish adaptive traffic signal upgrades at Lincoln Highway, Tyburn Road and West Trenton Road.

The spending plan also earmarks \$150,000 for tree trimming and removal of trees damaged by the Emerald Ash Borer and Spotted Lanternfly.

In related news, the Township will see a \$27,208 reduction in its overall workers compensation premium as compared to 2020, according to Township Manager Matt Takita.

Parks and Recreation

Dual Festivals!

What a Combo! Save the date! Falls Township has decided to combine two of its favorite events. The 2021 Touch a Truck event and Family Festival will take place on the same day! The date is Saturday, Sept. 18. Touch a Truck will take place 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on the lakeside portion of the park. From 9-10 a.m. will be a "quiet" hour for children with special needs. Come on out and explore construction vehicles, fire engines, tow trucks, electrical trucks, and much more!! The Family Festival will take place 4:30-8:30 p.m. We will have food and table vendors, bounce houses, games, balloon artistry, music, and much more. The event will culminate with an awesome fireworks display at approximately 9 p.m. Both events are FREE except for food and drink.



Touch-A-Truck

We're On Facebook!

For the latest information on the Parks and Recreation Department, be sure to follow us on Facebook. Our Facebook page can be accessed by visiting www.fallstwp.com, clicking on the "Parks and Recreation" page, and looking for the link to the feed.

Medicare Help Available

Getting close to or thinking about retirement and not quite sure what Medicare will and will not cover? We are offering a great chance for you to get those answers. A representative from DelVal Senior Advisers will conduct a workshop through Zoom on Thursday, April 8 from 6:30-8 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact Brian Andrews at (215) 949-9000 ext. 220 or by email at b.andrews@fallstwp.com. There will be an additional workshop in October 2021 (date to be announced). Depending on COVID-19 restrictions, that workshop may either take place in the public meeting room at the Municipal Complex or through Zoom.

Bulk Disposal Day

Mark your calendars for the next FREE BULK DISPOSAL DAY, which will be held on Saturday, April 24 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. This bulk disposal program is for resident homeowners of Falls Township and Tullytown Borough. Proof of residency is required. It is not intended for commercial customers or contractors.

WHERE: GROWS Landfill behind Waste Management's Turkey Hill Office, 1000 New Ford Mill Road.

DROP OFF: Bulky waste items, yard waste and appliances. For additional information please call Waste Management at (800) 869-5566.

PLEASE NOTE: The following materials cannot be accepted: liquids, oil, paint, car batteries, propane tanks, gas cylinders, hazardous household wastes, tires, chemicals, pesticides and spray cans. No refrigerators, air conditioners or freezers. No electronics, including TVs, computer equipment, stereo equipment, or any other electrical item that plugs in or operates on batteries. Bucks County organizes household hazardous waste collections throughout the year. For further details on the household hazardous waste collections, call (215) 345-3400.

Industrial Projects Equal Jobs

With an eye on local job creation, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved two land development plans projected to create several hundred new local jobs.

The Supervisors granted preliminary and final land development approval for construction of a 254,699-square-foot warehouse and a roughly 300,000-square-foot recycling facility.

The warehouse will employ 75 to 100 workers. The recycling facility is expected to be built over a 17-month period and employ 150 to 200 workers during construction and approximately 100 to 110 permanent full-time employees once at full operation.

Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence noted that the 200 permanent jobs and approximately 200 construction jobs were a “great” addition to the Township.

In terms of the warehouse, Alro Steel Corporation plans to consolidate two vacant properties and undertake a three-phase project at Progress Drive and Steel Road South in the heavy industrial district.

The 14.63-acre tract would house a 254,699-square-foot warehouse for the company’s metals, industrial supplies, and plastics. Of the total building, 10,744 square feet would be earmarked for office space.

The company plans to hire for pri-

marily warehouse positions. Other positions include administrative staff, a general manager, a warehouse superintendent, as well as an inside sales manager and an operations manager.

Initially 35 to 50 employees would be hired. Once the company is in full operation, the total number of employees would increase to be between 75 to 100 employees.

Empire Fiber, LLC intends to construct a recovered fiber market pulp manufacturing facility on 33 acres of U.S. Steel property situated at Middle Drive in the Township’s materials processing and manufacturing district.

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Supervisors Advance Redevelopment

In an effort to breathe new life into 1,800 acres of brown fields and bring thousands of new jobs to the region, the Board of Supervisors approved several actions to spur continued progress at the U.S. Steel property.

The Falls Supervisors voted unanimously to adopt an ordinance designating the bulk of the U.S. Steel property as a Keystone Opportunity Investment Zone. The designation would exempt NorthPoint Development from taxes for a 15-year period which began on Jan. 1, 2021 and continuing through Dec. 31, 2035.

While NorthPoint would not be required to pay real estate taxes as part of the KOIZ designation, the Supervisors approved a payment in lieu of tax agreement which requires the developer to pay 110 percent of the “taxes that are owed at this time,” according to Township attorney Mike Clarke.

Pennsbury School Board and Bucks County Commissioners voted to support the KOIZ designation. For the state to consider the KOIZ designation, all three taxing authorities – the municipality, school district and county government – needed to first support it. NorthPoint will begin paying 110 percent of real estate taxes to each of the three taxing authorities in 2021.



**NORTHPOINT AT KEYSTONE INDUSTRIAL PORT COMPLEX
SKETCH PLAN**

FALLS TOWNSHIP, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA



The amount of real estate taxes could increase based on potential tax increases from each of the three taxing authorities, but not as a result of reassessments during the 15-year period.

The KOIZ designation would be comprised of the former Fairless Works U.S. Steel site, which first opened in 1952. The site closed in 2001 and has largely sat vacant ever since.

In addition to the annual payment in

lieu of taxes, Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said NorthPoint Development would also contribute to police and fire service, as well as road maintenance. He touted the developer’s “big investment,” which includes an estimated \$40-\$45 million in remediation efforts as part of the \$1.5 billion redevelopment to construct 10 million square feet of light industrial warehouses.

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Falls Amends Riverfront Zoning

In an effort to boost business operations – and increase hundreds of local job opportunities – in Falls, the Supervisors unanimously adopted an ordinance amendment to permit warehouse operations in the riverfront district. The original zoning permitted warehouse operations only as a conditional use.

The amendment was made at the request of Stalwart Equities, a developer interested in constructing a nearly 1 million-square-foot warehouse on more than 95 acres along the Delaware River.

The board recently reviewed a sketch plan from Stalwart Equities for construction of 916,300 square feet of warehouse space and 60,000 square feet of office space. The bulk of the property – 84.664 acres – is at the former Solvay tract. Two other parcels totaling more than 11 acres are comprised of land on South Pennsylvania Avenue and a portion of the former Rogers foam tract on East Post Road.

Stalwart has not yet submitted a



land development plan. Attorney Robert Gundlach Jr. called the ordinance amendment the “first step of the process” prior to the filing of a land development application. Stalwart, as well as any other developer interested in constructing a warehouse in the riverfront district, would need to come before the Board of Supervisors for land development review and approval prior to moving forward.

Township attorney Mike Clarke said the text amendment “is just a way of expediting a process.”

The Stalwart property is bound by industrial uses along East Post Road to the north, the Delaware River to the east and Biles Creek, vacant land to the south and a mix of commercial and residential properties to the east between the site and South Pennsylvania Avenue.

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Waste Separating Facility First in U.S.

If all goes as planned, Falls Township will be the first of five sites across the U.S. to house a post-consumer and post-industrial waste separation facility.

Representatives from Continuous Materials, LLC discussed with the board its plan to construct a plant in Falls Township that would employ 100 people once operational, tentatively in October 2022. The project would also add approximately 340 construction jobs during buildout, which is projected to begin in May 2021 and continue through October 2022.

The facility is planned for a roughly 10-acre property owned by Waste Management on New Ford Mill Road. Continuous Materials would use the latest technology “to pull plastic and paper out of the waste stream” and transform it into high-performance cover boards for commercial roofing applications, according to Continuous Materials Senior Vice President Allan Bradshaw.

“It literally is the garbage bag that you put in the trash can,” he said. “The vast majority of that paper and plastic is recoverable, completely without a human hand touching it.”

The process in place at Continuous Materials’ plant in Des Moines, Iowa recovers 25 percent of waste for use in Everboards. The rest will be conveyed into trucks and transported

to the landfill.

The company’s Everboard roof cover has a 20-year life, Bradshaw said, noting that boards can be then brought back to the plant, ground up and reused to make new boards.

Waste Management sees 25 to 55 trucks per hour at its landfill. Once the Continuous Materials facility is operational, the company would “divert” four to six trucks per hour for a total of 19 to 22 trucks per day during a 12-hour shipping window.

“Just diverting trucks that are already on their way to the landfill makes sense,” Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said.

Continuous Materials attorney Tom Jennings said the facility would not impact landfill tipping or host fees paid to the Township. For 2021, Waste Management’s host fees are estimated at \$18 million.

Since the processing results in “very low” emissions, emission control technology is not needed, Bradshaw said. The company uses heat and cool only in the process and does not use water, or chemicals, he said.

The Supervisors took no action. Once Continuous Materials submits a land development application, the board can undertake a formal review and consider granting approval to construct the facility.

Falls Amends Riverfront Zoning

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Officials told the Supervisors the warehouse would employ 500 or more local employees. The project would generate \$963,000 in real estate taxes to Pennsbury School District, \$41,000 in municipal taxes and \$33,000 in annual local services taxes.

The site could house one tenant or be subdivided to house up to four, Stalwart officials said, adding that details on occupancy would not be known until the project is finalized and marketed.

Traffic could be the project's largest obstacle. Stalwart's traffic consultant said the property would host 700 vehicles dai-

ly. Of those, 150 to 200 per day would be trucks.

Developers are planning to widen South Pennsylvania Avenue to help accommodate traffic. In addition, the warehouse would have separate truck and passenger vehicle access. The truck route would be Route 13 to Tyburn Road to South Pennsylvania Avenue. Trucks exiting the site would be directed to turn left and head south along South Pennsylvania Avenue. Passenger vehicles would be able to access the site from both the South Pennsylvania Avenue and East Post Road driveways.

Stalwart officials are working with Morrisville Borough to restrict trucks traveling on Post Road to a certain tonnage.

Industrial Projects Equal Local Jobs

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Jim Austin, the company's CEO and president, said the site was chosen in large part because of its easy access to land and water transport. Empire would either ship 60 containers of pulp out of the plant daily by barge or would haul product by truck to the Port of Newark and transport on container ships.

"The beauty of the site is that we do not have to pass the residences coming and going to this property," Austin said, adding that not impacting the local community is "the only way to run a business."

The state-of-the-art virtually odorless facility will recycle old, corrugated containers and mixed paper products into recycled paper. Plans call for processing of 500,000 tons of material from Waste Management, Republic Services, as well as other trash and recycling haulers.

The company anticipates total annual revenues of \$135 to \$150 million and \$6.2 million per year for its payroll, according to Austin.

In terms of production, dry fiber comes into the plant in bails, is put on a conveyor, then moved into a hydro pulper with hot water at 110 degrees Fahrenheit to break up the cellulose fiber. The material is then put through the processing line to remove contaminants such as tape, Styrofoam, and plastic.

About 4 to 5 percent is sorted out of line and goes into the dumpster. Roughly 10 to 15 percent has been through the recycling process three to five times and is no longer strong enough to manufacture paper and is put into the side collection system to be used for daily landfill cover. Empire has an agreement with Waste Management to truck its unusable material for landfill cover.

From there, the water removed in the manufacturing process would be taken to 20 parts per billion purity. Effluent water would be treated and discharged to the Morrisville Municipal Authority wastewater treatment facility.

The plant would operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

What This Means to Falls Township

5,000-10,000 new, clean jobs

\$1.5 billion community investment

10 million square feet of warehouse space

Board Advances Redevelopment

(Continued from Page 7)

"No more Elcons," Dence said. "No more heavy industrial."

Supervisor John Palmer said NorthPoint is working to "make a brown space green again."

The Supervisors also approved a resolution recognizing the Morrisville Municipal Authority as the provider of all water and sanitary sewer related utilities serving the 1,846-acre property.

Currently, U.S. Steel provides the water and sewer services for the site. With the sale to NorthPoint, water and sewer utility has been transferred to Morrisville Municipal Authority.

Dence said that while

the transfer will be "beneficial" to the Township of Falls Authority financially, the Authority could not provide service since it does not have a water and sewer treatment plant.

As part of the massive redevelopment, NorthPoint Development intends to rename the Keystone Industrial Port Complex the Keystone Trade Center.

Based on a sketch plan the Falls Supervisors reviewed recently, the multiple phase project consists of constructing 20 or more state-of-the-art industrial warehouse buildings for companies like GM, Amazon, Chewy, Walmart, UPS, FedEx and more to Falls Township.

Rezoning Helps Fill Vacancies

In an effort to help fill vacancies in the former Pathmark shopping center and make room for a new Wawa, the Falls Supervisors rezoned a portion of the shopping center, which is located at 500 Lincoln Highway.

Under the approved amendment, the intersection of Arleans Avenue and Lincoln Highway – a 2.036-acre parcel where Arosso, A Touch of Sicily is situated – switches from shopping center to highway commercial zoning. The zoning change allows for the planned demolition of the existing 6,000-square-foot Arosso building and relocation inside the shopping center and for a 5,585-square-foot Wawa with eight fuel pumps to be built in its place, the shopping center’s attorney, Julie Von Spreckelsen, told the Supervisors.

“These are old buildings,” she said. “They’ve been there for decades.”

The Supervisors unanimously approved the zoning ordinance amendment following a brief hearing. No one from the public commented during the virtual meeting.

Von Spreckelsen said the zoning

change complements the “commercial corridor” on Lincoln Highway and maintains the “character of the neighborhood.”

“It’s consistent,” she said. “It’s good planning.”

In conjunction with the zoning change, the Falls Supervisors also unanimously approved a minor subdivision to carve out the 2-acre parcel from the 15.3-acre shopping center.

Falls Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said the shopping center owner would still need to return to the Township for final approve and zoning relief.

Von Spreckelsen told the board that the roughly 190,000-square-foot shopping center has struggled to maintain occupancies. When the Pathmark closed, the shopping center lost its anchor tenant, as well as two other vacancies. The property owner made physical improvements to the property, yet still has 60,000 square feet of vacancies. The former Pathmark - where Funzilla is now located - took three years to fill.



Parking Limits Boost Public Safety



With an eye on public safety, the Township Supervisors banned parking on a portion of Woolston Drive and Makefield Road.

Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said parking had been prohibited on the roads along the side immediately adjacent to the Commons at Fallsington Apartments, but drivers had recently started parking there.

Acting Police Chief Nelson Whitney told the board previously that the police department noticed parking problems in the area

around the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. Chief Whitney said the department had received 20 complaints regarding the visibility problem for drivers heading from Makefield Road toward Woolston Drive.

“It got to the point where there was going to be a tragedy,” Whitney said.

Police put up temporary no parking signs. This fall, the Supervisors adopted an ordinance amendment to prohibit parking permanently.

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Smoking Limited on Township Property

Smokers need to look before they light up under an ordinance change limiting smoking on Township-owned property.

The Falls Supervisors adopted the ordinance change recently, which prohibits smoking on any Township property except in designated areas.



The ordinance change mirrors what was enacted at Township-owned parks, attorney Lauren Gallagher said.

The Township municipal complex does not have designated smoking areas, officials said.

According to the ordinance, smoking includes cigarettes, cigars, pipes, other lighted smoking instruments, as well as vaping.

Smoking is banned from most indoor places as part of the state's Clean Indoor Air Act, which became law in 2008. Last year, state lawmakers introduced a bill that would have extended the Clean Indoor Air Act to include all public places.

Supervisors Streamline Home, Rental Inspections

In an effort to simplify the inspection process as it relates to home buying and residential rentals, the Township Supervisors adopted an ordinance to amend its housing standards.

Township attorney Lauren Gallagher said Township officials reviewed the ordinance prior to its adoption with owners of apartment complexes and representatives from a realtors association. The ordinance eliminates the residential resale inspection process and replaces it with a certification of major components – heating system, chimney, sewer system and the electrical panel. Once the components are certified, a certificate of occupancy is issued, Matt Takita, Township manager and chief code enforcement officer and zoning officer said.

“We do not require a home inspection,” Takita said. “That will be between the buyer and the seller.”

Typically, homebuyers conduct inspections prior to purchasing a home, Takita said. The level that homeowners undertake is “far greater” than what the Township does, he said. “There’s a lot of protection for the buyer.”

Homebuyers would be made aware of open violations or outstanding permit violations on the property prior to buying.

The ordinance change also institutes a rental unit inspection program, which calls for annual inspection of indoor and outdoor common areas at apartment complexes. For every apartment unit that has been occupied for three years or more, an interior inspection would be undertaken. Each apartment complex would start a registry of tenants who have three or more years of tenancy.

The ordinance changes are consistent with other municipalities.

Falls Welcomes New Businesses

Falls Township has had the pleasure of welcoming more than 30 new businesses to town in the last six months. This is tremendous, particularly considering the challenges of the pandemic.

A tenet of our Live Here, Spend Here campaign is that by shopping Falls first we continue to bolster our local economy, creating jobs and helping our local businesses to thrive.

We welcome the following new business additions:

Yardley Makefield Soccer, Inc., 255 Lower Morrisville Rd., Morrisville;
Spirit Halloween, 330 Commerce Blvd., Fairless Hills;
Desiree Hoelzle Photography, 168 Floral Dr., Morrisville;
Green Health Choice, 225 Lincoln Hwy., Ste. 15F & Ste. 4C, Fairless Hills;
High Standard Home Care, 433 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Her Corner, 312 West Trenton Ave., Morrisville;
Through Being Cool Tattoo, 636 Lincoln Hwy., Fairless Hills;
Camila's Pizzeria IV, 433 Alden Ave., Morrisville;
D3 Gunner, LLC, 914 Trenton Rd., Fairless Hills;
NOVA, 333 N. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Just Stumps, 57 Willow Dr., Levittown;
Endurance Sports, 225 Lincoln Highway, Ste. B1, Fairless Hills;
New Horizon Early Learning Center, 840 Trenton Rd., Fairless Hills;
Amazon, 1 Geoffrey Rd., Fairless Hills;
Advanced Fence Systems, 33 Walnut Lane, Levittown;
Brady's Botanical, 364 W. Trenton Ave., E, Morrisville;
Aman Logistics, 225 Lincoln Hwy., Ste. 217, Fairless Hills;
High Standard Home Care, 433 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Meever USA, Inc., 443 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Secoda Towing, 965 Lincoln Hwy., Ste. 100, Morrisville;



Community Options, 115 Bald Cypress Lane, Levittown;
Magic Lantern Show Films, 127 Nicole's Way, Morrisville;
Pete's Bargain Outlet, 8724 New Falls Rd., Levittown;
Performance Food Group, 225 Lincoln Hwy., Ste. 213, Fairless Hills;
Times Publishing News, 201 Woolston Dr., 1B, Morrisville;
Pizza Hut, 401 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Prime Multi-Services, 636 Lincoln Hwy., Ste. 16, Fairless Hills;
Goldie Plumbing, 179 Fallsington Tullytown Rd., Levittown;
J&M Plumbing, 8806 New Falls Rd., Levittown;
Larko's Packing & Distribution, 1300 West Steel Rd., Morrisville;
Marrazzo Manor Lane, 99-101 Makefield Rd., Morrisville;
Rob's Automotive & Collision Center, 327 Tyburn Rd., Morrisville;
Car Keyline, LLC, 309 West Trenton Ave., Morrisville.

Build a Spotted Lanternfly Trap

The spotted lanternfly is an invasive insect that feeds on grapevines and trees. One way to kill many without using insecticides is to trap them. The immature lanternflies (called nymphs) are often blown out of the canopy of the trees where they are feeding. Nymphs then walk to the trunk of trees and climb back up to start feeding again. We can take advantage of this predictable behavior by using traps to catch them.

Research has shown that a plastic-coated insect screening is effective in capturing lanternflies. It is basically a tunnel that lanternflies walk into. When they move up in the trap, they end up in a collection container where they die. You can buy this type of trap, modify similar commercially available traps, or make traps from scratch.



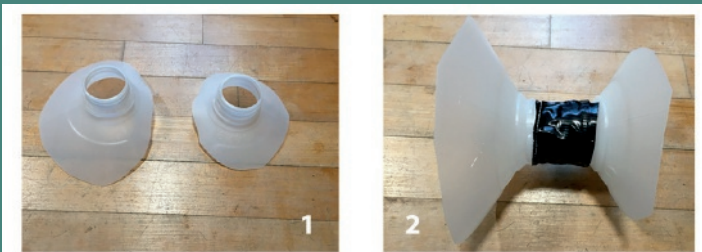
Photo courtesy of Penn State
Circle trap secured to a tree

This type of trap was originally made to collect pecan weevils. The design of this trap can be modified to include a larger collection container to allow capture of high numbers of lanternflies. The container can be a sturdy plastic bag that can be removed and replaced with a fresh one. This avoids dealing with rotting, stinky, dead insects. The clean bag will transmit daylight. Lanternflies move up toward the light.

You can use the trap on any infested tree. Nymphs are often found on the tree of heaven, or walnut and willow trees. Traps work best on trees with smooth bark. The traps will probably work best to catch nymphs in spring and early summer.

Only set up traps on trees on your property or where you have permission to do so. Also, remember to remove the trap at the end of the season.

Steps for DIY Spotted Lanternfly Trap



1. Cut the tops from two plastic milk jugs. 2. Attach the together with a hot glue gun and/or duct tape.



3. Fold screening and cut a small half circle out at the top. 4. Attach top of half circle of the screening to the inside of the milk jugs with a hot glue gun. Work slowly all the way around waiting for the glue to dry before attaching more.



5. The screening should overlap so the SLF won't escape. 6. If you are using flexible screening, use a hot glue gun to attach the screening to the plastic top.



7. Staple the longer piece of wood to the netting and to the plastic top. 8. Fold the plastic top piece to direct the top of the tunnel horizontal. Crease the plastic of the other top to make the top of the tunnel sturdy.



9. Staple the shorter piece of wood to the netting. Tack the top part of the seam with a stapler so the SLF can't escape. 10. Use a stapler to attach the wire to the side of the netting that has the shorter piece of wood. You can adjust the wire to make it fit the tree. 11. Tie the top of the trap to the tree trunk. Use the push pins or a staple gun to secure the bottom edge of the netting against the tree.



12. Cut along the edges of the zip-type bag just enough to slip it over the plastic top. Secure it with a zip-tie. 13. The finished trap secured to a tree.

Outdoor Dining Extended Through June

Those eating at restaurants in Falls Township will be able to continue dining al fresco – should they prefer – at least through the end of June.

The Supervisors voted unanimously to extend the provisions of its previously approved outdoor dining resolution. Originally, the resolution was approved in June in response to the state’s re-opening plan and limited capacity for indoor dining. The Township’s resolution was set to expire 90 days following its adoption and was previously extended through Oct. 31 and later extended through Dec. 31, 2020. With the latest extension, restaurants will be able to offer outdoor dining until June 30, 2021.

Officials noted that the outdoor dining extension does not necessarily pertain to alcohol sales. Falls Township does not have jurisdiction over alcohol sales and consumption.

Township attorney Mike Clarke said that each restaurant operating with a liquor license must seek approval from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board for approval to provide alcohol outside.



TOUCH A TRUCK

**Will return
Sept. 18
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

**Interested in showcasing trucks or sponsoring our fundraiser?
Call Parks and Recreation Director Brian Andrews at
(215) 949-9000 ext. 220 or email b.andrews@fallstwp.com**

The advertisement features a yellow fire truck as the background. On the side of the truck, there is a black handprint graphic and a circular logo for Falls Township Fire, established in 1692, located in Bucks County. The logo includes a fire hydrant and a fire truck. The text "TOUCH A TRUCK" is overlaid on the top left, and the event details are in a white box on the top right. The contact information is in a white box at the bottom.

Clothes Dryer Safety

Doing laundry is most likely part of your everyday routine. But did you know how important taking care of your clothes dryer is to your home's safety? With a few simple safety tips, you can help prevent a clothes dryer fire.

- Have your dryer installed and serviced by a professional.
- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter
- Make sure you clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum
- Rigid or flexible metal venting material should be used to sustain proper airflow and drying time
- Make sure the air exhaust vent pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap will open when the dryer is operating. Once a year, or more often if you notice it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry, clean lint out of the vent pipe or have a dryer lint removal service do it for you
- Keep dryers in good working order. Gas dryers should be inspected by a qualified professional to make sure the gas line and connection are intact and leak-free
- Make sure the right plug and outlet are used and that the machine is connected properly
- Follow the manufacturer's operating instructions
- Do not overload your dryer
- Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed
- Keep the area around your dryer clear of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing, etc
- Clothes that have come in contact with flammable substances, like gasoline, paint thinner, or similar solvents should be laid outside to dry, then can be washed, and dried as usual.

Vital to Residents

The Fire Marshal's Office consists of 5 full-time employees. The Director of Emergency Services/Fire Marshal, 3 Fire Inspectors/Firefighters and the Clerk.

The department's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

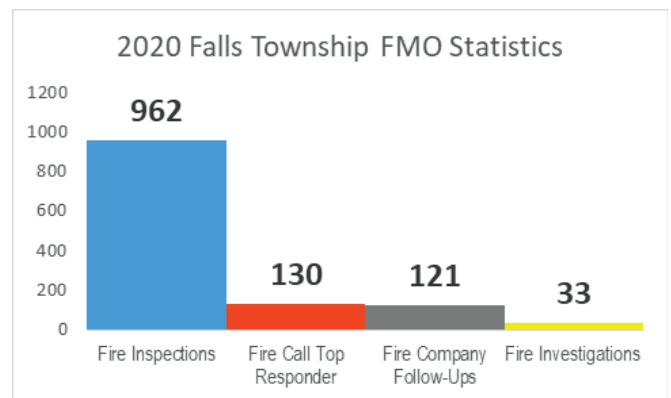
- Conducting fire investigations to determine origin and cause
- Conducting plan reviews for fire detection and suppression systems and other life/safety requirements
- Conducting annual fire/safety inspections to ensure compliance with applicable codes and regulations.
- Fire and safety inspections are carried out at all businesses, apartment complexes, schools, hotels, motels, day-cares, etc.
- Following up on fire company responses to ensure fire detection & suppressions systems are fully-operational as well as to reduce reoccurring false alarms.
- Respond to all fire/emergency calls during the day to supplement the volunteer staff when most volunteers are working full-time jobs.
- Conducting fire safety and prevention demonstrations to educate participants in an effort to reduce fires

Did you know?
Falls Township's 3 fire companies are 100% volunteer.

In addition to the day-to-day operations of the department, staff completes many other tasks in an effort to promote fire safety. The department participates in Channel 6's Operation Save a Life program to obtain smoke detectors, which are installed in Township residences. The team will also tests existing smoke detectors and installs batteries. Residents in need of smoke detectors can call **(215) 949-9000 ext. 255**.

In 2020, Director of Emergency Services/Fire Marshal Rich Dippolito successfully implemented a year-long food drive, a long-time goal. His team picked up food donations from generous residents and various organizations throughout Falls Township and delivered items to local food banks. An estimated 15,000 pounds of food was donated in 2020!

This chart contains statistics in some of the most essential areas.



How to Prepare a Home Fire Escape Plan

- Draw a map of your home. Show all doors and windows.
- Visit each room. Find two ways out.
- Windows/doors should open easily.
- Make sure your home has smoke alarms. Make sure each alarm is working.
- Pick a meeting place in front of your home.
- Make sure your house or building number can be seen from the street.
- Talk about your plan with everyone in your home.
- Learn the emergency fire department phone number.

Smoke detectors are provided and installed for free to all residents. Please call **215-949-9000, ext. 255**.
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2021 Spring Yard Waste Cleanup

The 2021 yard waste cleanup will take place on Saturday, April 17. Please have it out in the same location as your regular trash pickup by 6 a.m. Yard waste must be bagged in 30-gallon biodegradable paper bags or placed in 30-gallon trash containers without lids. Branches must be no larger than 4' in length, bundled, and not to exceed 50 pounds.

PLEASE NO PLASTIC BAGS

Geese Management Efforts Will Continue

In an effort to be fiscally responsible while ridding Falls Township Community Park of Canada geese, the Falls Township Supervisors approved a multi-faceted, year-long geese mitigation plan at a 25 percent savings over 2020.

Stepped up geese management efforts began in 2015 and have significantly reduced the number of geese at the park, Falls Township Parks and Recreation Director Brian Andrews said.

"It's paid dividends at the community park," Andrews said. "It's really made the park a lot safer. We recommend doing this every year."

For 2021, the Supervisors unanimously approved awarding a year-long contract to Geese Police of Philadelphia at a rate of \$1,400 per month for a total of \$16,800 for the year. Previously, the Township contracted with another vendor for a 10-month geese manage-

ment effort, which in 2020 cost \$22,000.

Geese Police of Philadelphia owner Lenny Torro said his crew would visit the park multiple times a day six days a week.

"I don't want to reduce the amount of geese," he said. "I want to rid the property of them."

The company will concentrate its efforts on Falls Township Community's Park's lake, lake perimeter, marshes, creek, canal area, fields, and common ground. Geese Police will employ border collies to chase geese away and will also incorporate other mitigation techniques such as watercraft, noise, lasers, lights, and effigies.

Torro said his goal is to prevent geese from overnighing and push grazers elsewhere, adding that he hopes to see a "nice empty pond in summertime."

New Playground Coming to Mill Creek Manor

Kids living near the Village of Pennbrook will have new playground equipment to climb on and slide down this spring.

The new playground unit at Mill Creek Manor Park is ideal for kids ages 2 to 12.

The Township saved 40 percent with a special offer from Recreation Resource USA for the playground equipment, which includes several sliding boards and plenty of climbing apparatus. Of the four quotes that Falls received, the company came in lowest with its quote of \$59,850.

Parks and Recreation Director Brian Andrews said his goal



was to have the Mill Creek Manor Park playground equipment upgraded in 2021 because of its age as part of Falls Township's playground replacement program.

The playground comes with a 15-year warranty, which covers replacement of broken equipment. The warranty is another bonus since it is sometimes difficult to obtain parts for older playgrounds and repairs can be expensive.

"It's going to save us a lot of money," he said.

In addition to installing a new playground unit, Andrews said the Public Works department would be adding an ADA-compliant walkway leading up to the new unit.

Best Practices for Recycling Material

Municipal and state regulations require that residents, commercial establishments, and non-residential establishments recycle all recyclable materials. Commonly recycled materials include:

- Paper – newspaper, office/copy paper, glossy paper, color paper, cardboard, junk mail, phone books, cereal/cracker boxes
- Plastic – bottles and jugs No. 1-7
- Glass – clear, green and brown containers
- Metal – aluminum, steel, tin, and bimetal cans and containers

Please check with your hauler for a complete list of acceptable recyclable materials.



Acceptable waste is recycled

This question often comes up. People are concerned that not all the materials they put in their recycle bin are recycled. Their concern is that some end up in landfills. This leads some to minimize their recycling efforts. According to several major waste management firms in Montgomery County, all the acceptable recycled materials listed above are being recycled.

You should continue to recycle all the items listed to the left in the first bulleted list.

Things you should not put in your recycle bin

- Foam containers and cups, even if they have a recycle symbol on them
- Cups coated with wax or plastic such as soda cups
- Plastic bags such as grocery store bags (You can often take these bags back to the grocery store.)
- Flexible packaging such as chip bags or juice pouches
- Plastic wrap
- Container caps
- Diapers

Avoid contamination of recycling materials with food or liquids

Materials contaminated with food or liquid cannot be recycled. Here is what you should do:

- Check that the material is recyclable. Look for the recycle symbol on items.
- Rinse jars, bottles, and cans that have visible residue in them. A quick rinse is usually adequate.
- Throw away heavily soiled items.

Supervisors Seek Recycling Grant

If you could spend \$5,200, but know that you would recoup another \$50,000 or more why wouldn't you do it?

The Township Supervisors approved a grant writing proposal that's expected to substantially pay the Township much more than its initial investment. The fiscally responsible board approved a \$5,200 proposal from F.X. Browne, Inc. for completion of the Township's annual Act 101 recycling grant application for 2020.

For 2019, Falls received more than \$50,000, according to Finance Director Betsy Reukauf.

"It definitely pays for itself," Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said. "\$5,200 is a great investment."

Grant amounts are based on total tonnage for residential and commercial properties. F.X. Browne, Inc., as part of its proposal, will obtain valid documentation needed for the application.

The company has submitted the Township's grant applications for 20 years.

Residents and businesses are encouraged to recycle as much material as possible. Every little bit helps increase the



amount of potential grant funds.

Haulers make it even easier to recycle with single-stream recycling, which allows for paper, plastic and cans to be co-mingled in the same container. Recy-

cling materials can be placed in any receptacle, provided it's marked as being recycling and not mistaken for trash. Falls has 22-gallon recycling containers available for purchase at the municipal building.



Fast Facts From Waste Management...

...on Waste Removal

When should trash be placed at the curb?

Place trash and recyclables out after 6 p.m. the evening before your pickup day. Place containers so they are not blocked by parked vehicles.

What size containers should I use?

Household waste containers should be between 20 and 35 gallons and may not exceed 50 pounds in weight. Use up to 10 sturdy plastic or metal containers with handles and detachable lids. Recyclables should be placed in a recycle bin or can clearly marker as "Recyclables."

How do I dispose of leftover paint?

Evaporate latex paint by air-drying or mixing with kitty litter, shredded newspaper or other absorbent. Bag and put out with your regular trash.

Which wastes are not acceptable?

We do not accept liquid waste of any type, tree stumps or tires. We do not accept HHW of any type, including insecticides, pesticides, gasoline, waste oil, non-latex paints, varnish, thinners, drain cleaner, pool chemicals, car parts or similar materials as part of your regular waste removal services. Hold all Household Hazardous Waste materials for special HHW collection events.

...on Bulk Items

When are bulk items collected?

Larger items are collected on the second pickup day of the week, sometimes by a second crew.

What type of bulk items are collected?

Examples of regular bulk items include furniture, cabinets, washers and dryers.

How much can I discard at once?

The limit is one bulk item per week.

What about refrigerators?

Some items require an appointment, such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and dehumidifiers containing CFCs. To make an appointment, call (800) 869-5566.

...on Holiday Pickups

What if my pickup day falls on a holiday?

If a scheduled holiday (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day) falls on your regular pickup day, trash and recyclables will be collected on your next regular service day.

For more information, call (800) 869-5566 and reference account number 45014766.

Recycling gives materials new life—even enabling them to be used more than once by the same household. For this process to remain circular, every step matters.

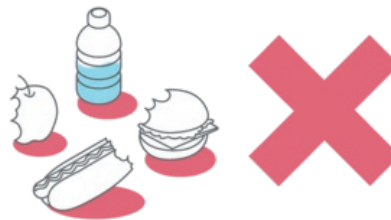


Remember these three rules to recycle right

Knowing these rules and putting them into practice during your recycling journey will help recycle more efficiently. And it will help to ensure everything that makes it into your bin finds a second life.



Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard.



Keep food and liquid out of your recycling.



No loose plastic bags and no bagged recyclables.

For more information, tools and resources to recycling right, visit:

www.wm.com/recycleright

<https://fairlesslandfill.com>

www.facebook.com/fairlesslandfill

Falls Township 2021 Street Sweeping Schedule

Listed below is the Spring 2021 street sweeping schedule. On the date(s) when your street is scheduled to be cleaned, please do not park your vehicle(s) on the street between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. If the street sweeper does not arrive on the scheduled day(s), please keep your vehicle(s) off the street during the above mentioned hours until the sweeper cleans your street.

The schedule was prepared so the sweeper will not be on the same day as the recycling pickup day. However, it was unavoidable to miss every trash collection day conflict with the length and time frame of schedule to be done with all streets prior to the Memorial Day weekend.

If your neighbor is parking his/her vehicle(s) on the street, please ask them to remove the vehicle until the street sweeper has cleaned your street.

<u>LOCATIONS</u>	<u>SWEEPING DATE</u>
Township main roads	March 22-26
Willowood	March 29
Makefield Road Village	March 30
Old Fallsington areas/Fallsington Woods	March 31
Lakeside	April 1
Birch Valley	April 5-6
Rue Court/Amelia Drive & Amelia Turn/ Orchard Drive and Mill Creek Estate	April 7
Penns Place & Decou Village	April 8-9
Fairless Hills-South of Trenton Road, including Fairbridge and Drexelwood	April 12-13
Elderberry	April 14-15
Pennsbury Heights	April 16
Nottingham, Taylor Tract, Penn Village.....	April 19-20
Penns Grant.....	April 21-22
Bristol Road/Lacy Avenue, Reed Avenue, Penn Valley Ext., Wheatsheaf Road, East Tyburn Road, Corbin Lane, Cedar Lane, Lewis Avenue, Ferry Road, East Post Road, Biles Lane, Island Street, Third Street.....	April 23
Thornridge.....	April 26-27
Pinewood	April 28-29
North Park – including Nasturtium Lane and New Pond Lane.....	April 30, May 3
Hedgerow Woods	May 4-5
Yardley Farms	May 6-7
Maintenance Day.....	May 10
Fairless Hills-North of Trenton Road, including Oak Lane, Pennsylvania Avenue, Arleans Avenue and Lebbie May.....	May 11-12
Vermillion Hills	May 13-14
Township Parks/Industrial Parks	May 17-28



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Falls Continues “Live Here, Spend Here”

In an effort to promote existing Township businesses and encourage residents to spend more – or all – of their hard-earned money within Township borders, the Falls Supervisors are continuing with the popular “Live Here, Spend Here” initiative. Spending in one’s hometown not only supports the local business community, but creates jobs, strengthens the local economy and helps lessen the need for municipal taxes.

If each of the 13,000 Falls Township households spend as little as \$20 weekly on takeout dinner, or a gift from a local boutique, we could ensure that more than \$13 million is spent within our Township borders. The more spending our community does within Falls Township, the greater support we provide to our local businesses.

Our local businesses, in turn, give back to our community by:

- Creating local jobs for our neighbors
- Buying supplies and services from other local businesses
- Investing in our community
- Strengthening our local economy
- Generating tax revenue to reduce the need for municipal taxes

To nominate a business to be featured as part of our Live Here, Spend Here effort, email cedc@fallstwp.com.

