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Update

Spring
2019

A LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter. I want to start by thanking all of our sponsors for their support. They make this Newsletter possible by offsetting 100% of the cost of each issue. I encourage all residents to shop locally whenever possible. Keep your hard-earned dollars close to home.

It has been a very busy start to 2019. Let me begin with some updates on the light industrial warehouses I spoke about last year. Currently, two out of the three warehouses have submitted for and obtained approvals through our Planning Board and are poised to begin construction. Additionally, I am excited to announce our fourth and fifth warehouse projects to be located on the Rte. 295 redevelopment corridor. I expect them to submit their applications later in the spring with a plan to break ground in the summer. Please keep in mind these are clean and lucrative tax ratables that do not impact our school population and require minimal services. The Township is working diligently to move these projects along to get shovels in the ground.



In March, Township Committee introduced the 2019 Budget. Our \$8.4 million dollar budget was capped off with a reduction of \$100,000 in spending compared to last year. I am very proud to announce a fourth straight year of a zero percent municipal tax increase. I am not sure where else you could live in New Jersey and not see a tax increase over four straight years. I do know we are alone in Gloucester County! So much hard work, dedication, and commitment from everyone at the Municipal Building go into the fiscal responsibility you see in our Township. I personally congratulate our Township Committee, employees, and especially our department heads for driving results, reducing expenditures, and being creative in how we spend our money—your money. This is a team effort, and after four years of continued results, it's a breath of fresh air to witness government being run efficiently. Highlights from the budget include improvements to our parks, new equipment for Public Works, new vehicles for Construction and Police, a salary increase for our employees, and an increase in the ranks of our Police Department to only name a few.

Speaking of our Police, we will be adding two new full-time officers in 2019. Our ultimate goal is to employ twenty full time officers by year's end. We comfortably believe this number is sustainable and will ensure our town is properly patrolled and protected. Sgt. Dave Forand will be heading up our newly formed Traffic Safety Unit. In our 2019 budget, we have allocated funds to purchase a new stealth vehicle to help combat speeding. This vehicle will be deployed daily to enforce traffic violations. We have vowed to slow folks down driving through our community, and this investment shows only a snippet of our commitment. It is imperative we protect our residents from speeding and distracted driving.

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Office of Emergency Management • 856-423-7688 (non-emergency only)
Director of Emergency Management, Robert DeMarzio

Meetings at the Municipal Building

Township Committee Meetings: Second and fourth
Tuesdays of each month at 7 pm

Agricultural Advisory Commission: Third Monday
of each month at 7 pm

**Combined Land Use Board (Zoning &
Planning):** Third Tuesday of each month at
7 pm (Subcommittee meetings: First Tuesday
of each month, 4:30 pm)

Commission on Senior Services: First Thursday of each month at
11 am (meeting dates are subject to change)

Environmental Commission: First Wednesday of each month at
7:30 pm

Parks & Recreation: First Monday of each month at 7 pm

**Meetings are held at the East Greenwich Township Municipal Building at
159 Democrat Road, Mickleton.*

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Letter from the Mayor...Continued from cover

The County of Gloucester will be constructing a flashing light at the intersection of Tomlin Station Road and Kings Highway this spring. We have experienced some bad accidents at this location over the years, including one with a fatality. It has been a mission of mine to convince the County to put this much needed light in place. Also, the County of Gloucester granted a Community Block Development Grant in the amount of \$50,000 to be spent on making the Hidden Acres baseball field more accessible to those with disabilities. The Township will be building new ramps and walkways, adding much needed dedicated parking spaces, and paving the access road so folks can successfully maneuver throughout the complex. I am so grateful to the County for providing funding for our community. It's great to see this collaboration. Bravo Zulu!

Finally, I am beginning my sixth year as your Mayor. I have really enjoyed serving our community and experiencing the positive impact this group you elected to serve on Township Committee has had on our town. I am proud to be your mayor, and I am proud to be a resident of East Greenwich Township. Please visit our web site at www.eastgreenwichnj.com and sign up for our informational e-mail blasts. *An informed citizenry is the only true repository of the public will.*

Respectfully,

Dale L. Archer, Mayor

East Greenwich Township

Retirement of Township Clerk

Township Clerk Susan M. Costill will retire on May 1, 2019 after 42 years with the Township. She is a lifelong resident of the Township. She began working in the Municipal Court and remained in that office for nine years. She then was asked to take over the position of Township Clerk because her predecessor, Joseph Huff, was retiring. Mr. Huff was in the position for 30 years before retiring at the age of 82. Mrs. Costill remarked, "I always joked with everyone that I outlasted Mr. Huff as far as his length of service with the Township, but there was no way that I would stay here until the age of 82." She also served as Treasurer/Payroll Clerk and Planning Board Secretary. Mrs. Costill stated, "I will especially miss working along with the residents. I have always enjoyed helping a resident with a question or problem because many times when you are dealing with the public, people tend to ignore their issues." Sue is looking forward to spending more time with her family, gardening, and traveling.





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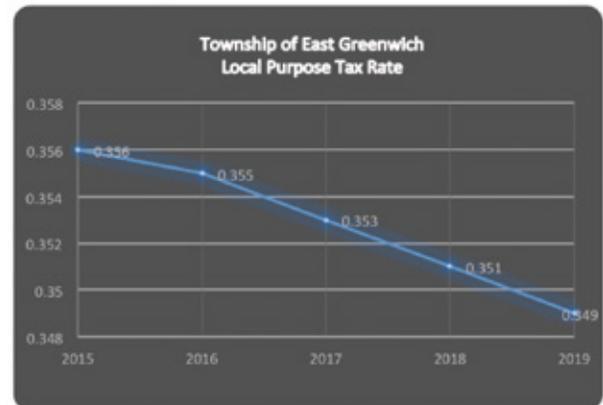
Letter from CFO - Positive Financial Outlook Continues

Mayor Archer and the Township Committee introduced the 2019 Budget at the March 12 Committee meeting. For the fourth straight year, East Greenwich residents will realize a reduction in their municipal tax rate. Throughout the year, the Mayor and Township Committee have worked persistently with Township officials to identify areas where the Township can save without impacting services. Moreover, the quality of municipal services, coupled with the low municipal tax burden, continues to make East Greenwich attractive to new businesses. Several new PILOT agreements are slated to be approved during the 2019 year, bringing in new revenues to the Township. Not only have these efforts been fruitful in minimizing the tax burden, they have provided excess funds to be shifted to several capital projects that we trust will make East Greenwich an even more attractive place to live.

Those projects scheduled to be completed in 2019 include:

- Little League Garage
- Tennis Court Resurfacing
- Beach Volleyball
- Football Field Lighting
- Hidden Acres Park Lighting/Asphalt Improvements
- Municipal Building Improvements
- Road Resurfacing

The Mayor and Committee Members pledge to continue the efforts that have proven successful over the past four years in maintaining the high quality of life in East Greenwich while minimizing the tax burden on residents.



EAST GREENWICH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Anthony Francesco

East Greenwich Twp. Police, 159 Democrat Rd., Mickleton, NJ 08056

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A Letter from Chief Anthony Francesco

On November 1, 2018 I was sworn in as the new Chief for the East Greenwich Township Police Department. For those who may not know me, I would like to take this opportunity to share my professional experience. I started my law enforcement career in October 1989 with the Gloucester County Sheriff's Department. I attended the Camden County Police Academy full-time basic recruit class from January through May of 1990. I worked for the Borough of Paulsboro Police Department from June 1991 until January 2000, where I was assigned to the Detective Unit for a year and served as a D.A.R.E. instructor in the Paulsboro school system. From January to May 1997, I was assigned to the Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office Narcotics Strike Force, and during August and September 1997, I was assigned to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) task force. I attended the Top Gun Narcotics task force school and Drug Investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration, while attached to the Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office Narcotics Strike Force.

In January 2000, I was hired by East Greenwich Township as a patrolman. I again served as an instructor for the D.A.R.E. program within the East Greenwich school system. I served as a detective for 2-1/2 years, served on the Gloucester County SWAT team for 1-1/2 years, and in December 2005, I was promoted to Sergeant and placed in command of squad "D" in the Patrol Unit. I also served as a firearms instructor and a member of the Community Policing Bike Unit. In December 2016, I was promoted to Captain and placed in command of the Patrol Unit and Internal Affairs Unit.

I will be starting a Traffic Unit, with support from the Mayor and Township Committee. There is no question that a systematic and aggressive program of traffic law enforcement will have a desired

effect on accident rates as well as driver behavior. Enforcement action is the principal tool used by the police to reduce the number and severity of accidents. Moreover, since it is the duty of the police to protect life and property, and since traffic violations jeopardize lives and property, the prevention of traffic violations through aggressive enforcement of traffic laws is an appropriate role for the police. In addition, it has shown that there is a strong relationship between traffic enforcement and crime prevention. A department that has an aggressive traffic enforcement program will be in a much better position to detect and apprehend criminals.

Traffic related fatalities are annually ranked as one of the leading causes of death worldwide. The East Greenwich Township Police Department will be dedicated to addressing priority roadway safety initiatives including, but not limited to, speed enforcement, impaired driving, distracted driving, and any other motor vehicle violation which causes a dangerous condition on our roadways. Enforcement of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Laws by the Traffic Unit will be performed in an effort to help prevent future loss of life on our roadways and to improve the overall quality of life in our community. The goal of all traffic enforcement activity is to achieve voluntary compliance with the traffic laws and to eliminate traffic crashes.

On behalf of the East Greenwich Township Police Department, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy year. With the weather warming up and everyone enjoying the vacation season, we encourage everyone to drive safely and report any concerns to the Police Department.

Sincerely,
Chief Anthony Francesco

New Hires

Patrolmen

In January 2019, Michael Ciavirella was sworn in as a full-time officer. Patrolman Ciavirella is a graduate of Washington Township High School and served four years in the United States Marine Corps with the Second Battalion Second Marines as a rifleman in Easy Company. Patrolman Ciavirella is a recent graduate of the Gloucester County Police Academy and is starting his law enforcement career here with the East Greenwich Township Police Department.

In January 2019, Daniel Colombaro was sworn in as a full-time police officer. Patrolman Colombaro is a graduate of Lindenwold High School and attended the Camden County Police Academy. Patrolman Colombaro started his law enforcement career with the Magnolia Police Department, where he served for two years in the Patrol Unit. He then served the next six and a half years with the Camden County Metro Police Department where he was assigned to the Detective Unit.



Special Law Enforcement Officers Class 2

In February 2019, Ryan Colone was sworn in as an SLEO2 Officer. SLEO2 Colone is a graduate of Delsea Regional High School. SLEO2 Colone started his law enforcement career with the Glassboro Police Department, where he served for three and a half years in the Patrol Unit and Court Security.

In February 2019, Bryan Highley was sworn in as an SLEO2 Officer. SLEO2 Highley is a graduate of Schalick High School and possesses an Associate's Degree from Cumberland County College. SLEO2 Highley started his law enforcement career with the Wildwood Crest Police Department, serving from May 2018 to October 2018.

Special Law Enforcement Officer Class 1

In January 2019, Steven Schemelia was sworn in as an SLEO1 Officer. SLEO1 Schemelia is a graduate of Schalick High School. SLEO1 Schemelia started his law enforcement career with the East Greenwich Township Police Department in January 2019. He attended the Gloucester County Police Academy four-week SLEO1 recruit class.

Promotions

Captain

On November 1, 2018, Sergeant Brett Pfeiffer was sworn in as our new Captain. Captain Pfeiffer graduated from West Deptford High School and possesses a Bachelor's Degree from Rutgers University. He started his law enforcement career here with the East Greenwich Township Police Department in 2004. In July of 2013, he was promoted to Sergeant in the Patrol Unit and served in that capacity until being promoted to Captain.

Sergeants

In October 2018, Patrolman David Forand was sworn in as Sergeant. Sergeant Forand is a graduate of Paulsboro High School and served in the United States Air Force for four years. Sergeant Forand started his law enforcement career with the South Harrison Township Police Department, serving for one year. Sergeant Forand then served with the Paulsboro Police Department for three years and was hired by the East Greenwich Township Police Department in 2004. Sergeant Forand will be in command of the new Traffic Unit.

In November 2018, Patrolman Michael Robostello was sworn in as Sergeant. Sergeant Robostello is a graduate of Paulsboro High School and possesses a Bachelor's Degree from James Madison University. He started his law enforcement career in 2007 here with the East Greenwich Township Police Department. From April 2013 to January 2016, Sergeant Robostello served with the Greenwich Township Police Department, as a result of police layoffs within the East Greenwich Township Police Department. In January 2016, Sergeant Robostello returned to the East Greenwich Township Police Department. Sergeant Robostello is in command of the K9 Unit and has been working with his K9 partner Kilo since 2014.

In January 2019, Patrolman Joseph Hargraves was sworn in as Sergeant. Sergeant Hargraves is a graduate of Kingsway High School and attended Gloucester County Community College. Sergeant Hargraves started his law enforcement career with the Swedesboro Police Department where he served for seven years. Sergeant Hargraves was hired by the East Greenwich Township Police Department in 2009. He has served in the Detective Unit for three years and is a firearms instructor within the Firearms Unit.



In 2018 the volunteer firefighters for East Greenwich Township responded to 310 calls for service including 79 fires and 67 motor vehicle crashes/EMS assist calls, performed three automobile extrications, and responded to 37 hazardous condition investigations. The volunteers also put in hundreds of hours in training and community service activities.

A recurring question keeps being asked that we would like to take a minute to expand upon. We were recently asked why no one was at the station when they called. This question keeps coming up almost on a monthly basis. We are a 100% volunteer organization as are a majority of the fire departments in Gloucester County. At times there are people at the station who have taken emergency phone calls, but they are typically there taking some time to do maintenance to the building or one of the vehicles. On Tuesday nights we get together as a group to perform weekly training, either with just our station or with one of the neighboring towns. For the past year, usually every other week or so, a “duty crew” gets together on a different night of the week to cook dinner, perform some in-house maintenance activities, and then go out and either perform some training or create preplans to be prepared for an incident in a development or one of the commercial structures in town. Again, they are out doing this on their own time at no cost to the residents. If you see crews out training around your homes, feel free to stop by, watch, and ask questions. Our staff will be more than happy to explain what the activities are all about. Lastly, if you have an emergency, we would like to remind you to please **call 9-1-1 for assistance**. If you do not feel it is a true emergency, you can also reach the Public Safety Telecommunicators (PST’s) at the non-emergency number, 856-589-0911, and they will promptly notify us to make sure you get the assistance you need.

Have you ever considered being a volunteer emergency responder? We are looking for township residents who would be interested in becoming volunteer firefighters. Being a volunteer firefighter is one of the most challenging and gratifying volunteer services. You will be trained to cope with situations which range from alarm activations to home fires and rescue assignments. Once you have been properly trained, your skills may be needed at any time of the day or night, seven days a week, and in all types of weather. As volunteer firefighters in our community, we are here for two basic reasons—fire prevention and fire suppression. These are achieved through education, training, pre-incident planning, and more training. The personal rewards of being an East Greenwich Township Firefighter are broad. You may feel a great sense of accomplishment after controlling a building fire, feel compassion for helping a property owner, or feel fulfillment in teaching fire safety. The bottom line is that we are prepared for one reason, and that is to provide a lifesaving service to our community. If you are interested in learning more about becoming a member, we can be reached by email at recruitment@district19.org or by stopping by the department on a Tuesday night at 7 p.m.

Be safe,

Rob Gould III

Township Fire Chief



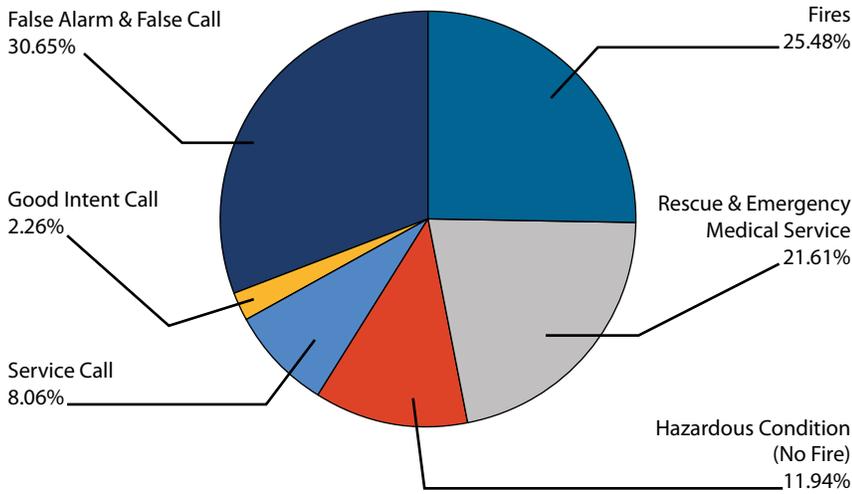
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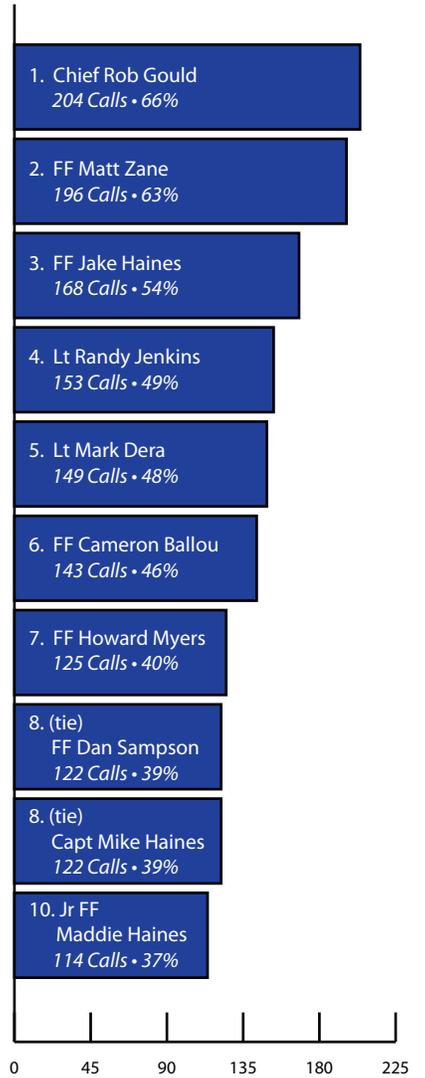
Break down by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 01/01/2018 | End Date: 12/31/2018



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	79	25.48%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Services	67	21.61%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	37	11.94%
Service Call	25	8.06%
Good Intent Call	7	2.26%
False Alarm & False Call	95	30.65%
TOTAL	310	100.00%

East Greenwich Township Fire & Rescue Top Responders 2018



Smoke Alarm Installation and Maintenance NJAC 5:70-4:19

All dwellings built prior to July 1977 must have a D/C (battery operated) single-station device on each floor level. Effective January 1, 2019, 10-year sealed battery-powered, single-station smoke alarms shall be installed and shall be listed in accordance with ANSI/UL 217, incorporated herein by reference. However, A/C powered single or multiple-station smoke alarms installed as part of the original construction or rehabilitation project shall not be replaced with battery-powered smoke alarms. You can no longer replace just the battery; you must replace it with a new 10-year sealed unit alarm.



A single station carbon monoxide alarm shall be installed and maintained in the immediate vicinity of the sleeping areas.

A portable fire extinguisher shall be installed in accordance with the following, the extinguisher readily accessible and not obstructed from view. It shall be within 10 feet of the kitchen and located in the path of egress. It shall be mounted, an approved listed and labeled type with minimum rating of 2A:10B:C, and weigh no more than 10 pounds. The top of the fire extinguisher shall not be more than five feet above the floor.

If you have any questions, please see the handout in the Construction Office or call the office at 856-423-0733.



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APPLICATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED!!!

East Greenwich is proud to have an organized C.E.R.T team and we are always looking for new members! Applicants must be a resident of EG and at least 18 years of age.

For additional information please contact:

Robert DeMarzio rdemarzio@eastgreenwichnj.com

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- As a member, you will be working with, assisting and supporting East Greenwich Emergency Services.
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CERT Disaster Response

- Respond in period immediately after a disaster
- Assist emergency response personnel when requested
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- Respond after a disaster:
 - Locate and turn off utilities, if safe
 - Extinguish small fires
 - Treat injuries
 - Conduct light search and rescue
 - Help to relieve survivor stress



Would You Need Special Assistance in an Emergency?

Dear Residents,

At a recent Township Committee meeting, I had the opportunity to meet several residents who had a number of questions. Here are examples:

Q: "My loved one has a disability (or access and functional needs). I hate when we lose power because she needs medical equipment that requires electricity. Can you help?"

A: Yes! Through our programs, we can lend a generator, a cooler, or extension cords to residents who have a disability or access and functional needs. If you call 9-1-1, we dispatch our Community Emergency Response Team or ask the Fire Department to assist you.

Q: "How do you know where I live?"

A: Along with most offices of emergency management in New Jersey, we advise residents to register in NJ Register Ready (<https://www13.state.nj.us/SpecialNeeds/>). This database provides New Jersey residents with a disability or access and functional needs and their families, friends, and caregivers with a platform to submit information to emergency response agencies so we can better serve you during an emergency.

Register Ready is 100% **CONFIDENTIAL**, and information is not available to the public. It is held securely and only used for emergency response and planning.

This program is near and dear to my heart. I have personally felt the same stresses that you have when the power goes out and you're worried about your loved one. For three years I was a caregiver for my father, who was very ill and required medical equipment to stay alive and that equipment needed power.

If you need help registering for the program or have questions, do not hesitate to contact me at 856-423-0654 (ext. 107) or email me at RDemarzio@eastgreenwichnj.com.

Sincerely,

Robert DeMarzio, Jr., NJCEM
 Coordinator / 9-1-1 Coordinator
 Office of Emergency Management
 East Greenwich Township



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RECYCLING UPDATE

Spring 2019 Newsletter

Our recycling center, **OMNI Recycling**, has issued new guidelines for acceptable recyclable materials. See below for a list of dos and don'ts.

ACCEPTABLE:

- ✓ Newspaper and paper
- ✓ Cardboard, no waxed cardboard
- ✓ Plastic bottles labeled #1 and #2 on the bottom, no caps
- ✓ Glass bottles and jars, any color
- ✓ Aluminum and "tin" cans



DO NOT RECYCLE:

- ✗ NO hoses or hangers
- ✗ NO needles or syringes 
- ✗ NO food-soiled or frozen food boxes
- ✗ NO plastic bags or wraps
- ✗ NO plant pots, trays, lids or cups
- ✗ NO foil items, bulbs, glassware or window glass 
- ✗ NO shredded paper
- ✗ NO batteries 
- ✗ NO diapers
- ✗ NO plastics with 



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Curbside Collection Information

Bulk trash is collected the first three Tuesdays of each month. Call 856-423-4361 by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday before that Tuesday's pickup and leave your name, address, contact number, and what items you will be placing out. You also have the option to sign-up for bulk trash pick-up on line. Go to www.eastgreenwichnj.com and use the bulk trash portal.

Extra cardboard: If you have extra cardboard that will not fit in your recycling cart, you can break it down, bundle it, and leave it next to your recycling cart. Call 856-423-4361 by 10:00 a.m. the day before your recycling collection day and leave your name, address, contact number, and that you have extra cardboard for pickup.

Metal/e-waste: Metal items and e-waste are collected every Wednesday. Call 856-423-4361 by 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday to be placed on that Wednesday's list.

Yard waste collection: If your trash day is Tuesday or Wednesday, your yard waste will be collected on Mondays. If your trash day is Thursday, your yard waste will be collected on Tuesday. Yard waste collection starts on April 1 and ends November 5. During holidays your yard waste day may be pushed to the following day. You can put your yard waste in the green cart, regular cans, or biodegradable paper bags. No plastic bags will be collected. Also, there is a yard waste dumpster located in front of our Public Works Garage at 96 East Rattling Run Rd. (empty loose into the dumpster; do not include the bag). Do not place limbs or branches in the dumpster.

Limb/branch chipping: Our chipping schedule begins the first week of March and ends the third week of October. Limbs and branches must be placed at the curb with the butt ends facing the street. No brush shall be placed in the street. Every first and third week the Public Works department will work their way through town beginning on Tuesday, continuing until all branches are picked up. Depending on the amount of brush that is put out, chipping may continue into the next week. Limb and branch pickup is for tree and shrub trimming only, not full tree removal.

Leaf collection: From November 1 to December 20, leaves are collected curbside. For collection, please rake your leaves to the edge of your property (not into the street). Do not mix leaves with branches, trash, or garden waste. Leaves may also be deposited in the dumpster located in front of our Public Works Garage at 96 East Rattling Run Rd. (empty loose into the dumpster; do not include the bag). Do not place limbs or branches in the dumpster.



A full version of our guidelines can be found at www.eastgreenwichnj.com.

Municipal Stormwater Ordinances

Dear East Greenwich Residents and Business Owners:

In accordance with our NJOEP Tier A Municipal Stormwater General Permit, the Township has adopted various Ordinances to regulate the impact of stormwater runoff and pollutants to the environment. As part of our Local Public Education Program, the purpose of this letter is to highlight the requirements and environmental benefits of these Ordinances.

Pet Waste: This Ordinance requires pet owners to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property. It prevents fecal contamination from impacting the local waterways.

Litter: This Ordinance states that it is unlawful to throw, drop, discard or otherwise place litter of any nature upon any public or private property, other than in a litter receptacle. The purpose of the Ordinance is to prevent unsightly and unsanitary conditions and prevent litter from impacting waterways.

Improper Disposal of Waste: This Ordinance states that it is illegal to dispose of waste in any place not specifically designated for the purpose of solid waste storage or disposal. The purpose of the Ordinance is to prevent unsanitary conditions and groundwater pollution.

Wildlife Feeding: Feeding of water fowl on municipal park property is prohibited by this Ordinance. The Township enacted the Ordinance as a method to reduce water fowl population in response to health concerns regarding bacteria which is harmful to human and fish populations.

Yard Waste: Yard waste is regulated via Ordinances which establish the current zone collection system and the methods of collecting leaves, brush, and other yard waste. The purpose of the Ordinances is to keep leaves and grass out of the storm sewer system.

Illicit Connections: This Ordinance makes it unlawful to connect any pipe or device to the municipal storm sewer system that is intended to discard, spill, or dump any material other than stormwater runoff or groundwater (sump pumps) into the system. The purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent pollution and contamination of waterways which receive discharge from our storm sewers.

The transport of pollutants into local water bodies can result in the destruction of fish, wildlife, and habitats; threats to public health; and the loss of recreational and aesthetic value.

We have enacted the above Ordinances to protect our environment, and to keep pollutants that are commonly conveyed by stormwater from adversely impacting our waterways and groundwater supplies. These Ordinances can be found in the section entitled "Township Clerk" under Township Ordinance and Code Book on the official East Greenwich Township website at www.eastgreenwichnj.com.

Thank you for your continued cooperation with our environmental protection efforts.

East Greenwich Township Open Shred Event - Saturday, October 19, 2019

Reduce clutter – clean out and purge your personal records. Protect yourself from identity theft while being green. The East Greenwich Township Environmental Commission and Green Team are sponsoring an open shredding event with funding from the NJ Recycling Tonnage Grant and in cooperation with the Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Robert M. Damminger, Freeholder Director. The Shred Event will be held:

- **Saturday, October 19, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Municipal Building, 159 Democrat Road, Mickleton, NJ 08056**

What to toss: Bills, once payment has cleared your account, bank and credit card statements once they are reconciled (with online banking these statements are available on the institution's web site), and investment statements if you can easily get a copy from your broker or advisor.

What to keep: Tax returns and all documentation for seven years and all documentation of real estate purchase as well as documentation of improvements to the property for as long as you own the property.

Bring your bags and boxes of paper to be shredded. An experienced operator from DocuVault will move the disposal bins to a highly secure, mobile shredding unit where your confidential material will be destroyed as you watch. 100% of the shredded paper will be recycled.

Only paper from residents will be accepted; no businesses. Please, no plastic bags or metal, including three-ring binders and binder clips. Staples and paper clips are OK.

You may also bring electronics to be recycled, but no TVs over 42 inches. If you remove hard drives from computers, we *may* be able to provide onsite destruction depending on DocuVault's truck.

For more information, contact Fred Hills at fred.hills@comcast.net.

East Greenwich Water & Sewer Department's 2019 Flushing Schedule

East Greenwich Township flushes our water system twice a year.

April 22 thru May 31

September 29 thru November 1

We flush between the hours of 10:00 pm to 5:00 am and 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will be a noticeable loss of pressure and some discoloration. Please allow water to run until it clears.

East Greenwich Water & Sewer Department is on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you have a water or sewer emergency after normal business hours please call 856-853-0911. This number is East Greenwich dispatch for non-police and fire emergencies.



CALL FOR ENTRIES

POSTER CONTEST

THEME: "How you can prevent stormwater pollution"

To help spread awareness about Stormwater Pollution, East Greenwich Township Public Works is having its **3rd Annual Stormwater Pollution Contest** with support from East Greenwich Township Committee.



PRIZES FOR EACH GROUP

- 1st Place**
\$50 Amazon gift card
- 2nd Place**
\$25 Amazon gift card

CONTEST RULES:

Who can enter: Any East Greenwich Township resident in one of the following groups:

- Grades K-2
- Grades 3 & 4
- Grades 5 & 6

Why enter: To help educate your community on the effects of stormwater pollution.

When: Entry deadline **June 14, 2019**

How: Poster can be mailed or dropped off to the Township Clerk's office at:
159 Democrat Rd, Mickleton NJ 08056.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Artwork must be original and hand-drawn
2. Poster size no smaller than 11" x 17" and no larger than 18" x 24"
3. Each poster must be clearly labeled on the back with the following information: Contestant name, grade level, address and phone number
4. Poster must use the theme: "How you can prevent stormwater pollution."
5. Winning posters will be selected on June 25, 2019

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THINGS YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT WATER WASTE

9 Things You Can Do to Save Water in the Bathroom:

1. **Check your toilets for leaks.** Put a little food coloring in your toilet tank. If, without flushing, the color begins to appear in the bowl, you have a leak that should be repaired immediately.
2. **Stop using the toilet as an ashtray or wastebasket.** Every time you flush a cigarette butt, facial tissue or other small bit of trash, you waste five to seven gallons of water. **Please do not flush rags or wipes down your toilet. They can clog your sewer line and cause a backup into your house.**
3. **Put plastic bottles in your toilet tank.** To cut down on water waste, put an inch or two of sand or pebbles inside each of two plastic bottles to weigh them down. Fill them with water and put them in your toilet tank, safely away from operating mechanisms. In an average home, the bottles may displace and save ten or more gallons of water a day.
4. **Take shorter showers.** Long, hot showers can waste five to ten gallons every unneeded minute. Limit your showers to the time it takes to soap up, wash down and rinse off.
5. **Install water saving shower heads or flow restrictors.** Your local hardware or plumbing supply store stocks inexpensive water saving shower heads or restrictors that are easy to install.
6. **Take Baths.** A bath in a partially filled tub uses less water than all but the shortest showers.
7. **Turn off the water after you wet your toothbrush.** There is no need to keep water pouring down the drain. Just wet your brush and fill a glass for mouth rinsing.
8. **Rinse your razor in the sink.** Fill the bottom of the sink with a few inches of warm water. This will rinse your blade just as well as running water. And far less wastefully.
9. **Check faucets and pipes for leaks.** Even the smallest drip for a worn washer can waste 20 or more gallons a day. Larger leaks can waste hundreds.

Size of Leak		Waste Per Month @ 60 psi
1/4 inch		400,000 gallons
1/8 inch		100,000 gallons
1/16 inch		25,000 gallons
1/32 inch		6,000 gallons
A dime has about 11/16 inch diameter		

6 Things You Can Do to Save Water in the Kitchen and Laundry:

1. **Use your automatic dishwasher only for full loads.**
2. **Use your automatic washing machine only for full loads.**
3. **If you wash dishes by hand, don't leave the water running for rinsing.** If you have 2 sinks, fill one with soapy water and one with rinse water. If you have only one sink, gather washed dishes in a dish rack and rinse them with a spray device or pan full of hot water.
4. **Don't let the faucet run while you clean vegetables.** Just rinse them in a stopped sink or a pan of clean water.
5. **Keep a bottle of drinking water in the refrigerator.** Running tap water to cool it off for drinking is wasteful.
6. **Check faucets and pipes for leaks.** Leaks waste water 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and often can be repaired with only an inexpensive washer.

10 Things You Can Do to Save Water Outside:

1. **Water your lawn only when it needs it.** A good way to see if your lawn needs watering is to step on the grass. If it springs back up when you move, it doesn't need water. If it stays flat, get the sprinkler.
2. **Deep Soak your Lawn.** When you do water, do it long enough for the moisture to soak down to the roots where it will do the most good. A light sprinkling can evaporate quickly and tends to encourage shallow root systems.
3. **Water during the cool parts of the day.** Early morning generally is better than dusk since it helps prevent growth of fungus.
4. **Don't water the gutter.** Position your sprinklers so water lands on the lawn or garden, not on paved areas. Also avoid watering on windy days.
5. **Plant drought resistant trees and plants.** Many beautiful trees and plants thrive with far less watering than other species.
6. **Put a layer of mulch around trees and plants.** Mulch will slow evaporation of moisture and discourage weed growth too.
7. **Use a broom, not a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks.**
8. **Don't run the hose while washing your car.** Clean the car with a pail of soapy water. Use the hose just to rinse it off.
9. **Tell your children not to play with the hose and sprinklers.**
10. **Check for leaks in pipes, hoses, faucets and couplings.** Leaks out-side the house may not seem as bad since they're not as visible. But then can be just as wasteful as leaks inside. Check frequently and keep them drip free.

Message from East Greenwich Superintendent of Schools

Welcome to the Spring 2019 message from our school district to all the stakeholders in our community. There would be little to no dispute in stating that our mission remains to provide the best academic program for our students in a safe and secure environment while maintaining a fiscally responsible environment for all stakeholders. That stated, let me take a moment to address all these points.

Recently the New Jersey Department of Education released to the media a school report card which provides a percentile ranking for schools. This ranking is a weighted score that includes student proficiency, student growth, absenteeism, and minority and economically disadvantaged criteria, making comparisons to other specific school districts difficult this year. I am proud to report that our district achieved a percentile ranking of 86.85, which means less than 14 percent of all the school districts in the state surpassed this score. Even with this high achievement, we will continue to look for ways to not only improve our scores, but individualize our program so that student growth in all areas and for all students is increased.

Student safety has and will always be a primary focus in our district. We continue to have the total support of our police department in providing a cost effective way to maintain having a school resource officer in each of our schools. Additionally, through a business partnership with Allegion plc and Sielox LLC, both our schools are being retrofitted with an electronic locking system for all classrooms that will exponentially increase security in the event of an emergency. These locks, in addition to a crisis lockdown alert status system, are only the first in a series of additional measures being installed to assist in providing a safe learning environment for all our students, staff, parents, and all stakeholders who use our facilities.

Lastly, I am pleased to report that the Department of Education is making an attempt to provide additional funding for our grossly underfunded school district. As you will recall, last year we received an additional ~\$400K in funding and this year again we received an additional ~\$400K in state aid. Please recall that in the previous two years, even though we are underfunded, the district did not raise the budget to the allowable cap as both the Board and district administration recognize the burden school taxes place on all residents. Even though our local taxpayers pay 77 percent of the cost for our district, this year, through the hard work of our local township administration, you will actually see a small reduction in the taxes you pay to the East Greenwich School District. I urge you again to contact your local state representatives and request that they continue to provide our district with additional funding. Also, please stay abreast of all the talk regarding the consolidation of school districts as all independent consolidation reports show that costs are not reduced.

As always, thank you for your support of our school district and, whether you directly use our services or support our school by living in East Greenwich, never hesitate to contact me with any questions or thoughts on how we can improve our quest for excellence.

Sincerely,
James J. Lynch, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Curriculum and Instruction

The East Greenwich School District has made Writing its priority focus this year. Writing Matters, a district writing committee comprised of teachers from all grade levels K-6, special area teachers, and administrators was established in 2017-18. The committee established district goals and expectations for writing in the classroom, including what it takes to create good writers, and what it is looking for in resources, assessments, and everyday curriculum delivery. Teachers in grades K-6 piloted two programs this past fall: Scholastic Traits and Being A Writer, and in the spring are piloting: Lucy Calkins Units of Study and School-wide Writing Fundamentals. The teachers are excited to start the 2019-2020 school year with a new writing program.

Kimberley Chiodi, Ed.D., Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Jeffrey Clark School

The students of Jeffrey Clark School are excited for the start of spring! They have had a wonderful school year so far with assemblies addressing African American Women in History, Chinese Acrobats, and Mindfulness. Many trips are planned this spring to take learning outside the walls of the school. They include the Please Touch Museum, The Adventure Aquarium, The Academy of Natural Sciences, the theatre, Soupy Island, and more!



Beginner registration is underway and an open house is scheduled for parents of incoming Kindergarten students. This event will take place on the evening of April 25 starting at 6:30 at the Jeffrey Clark School. For more information on Beginner registration, please contact Mrs. Ann Elliott, Registrar (856) 423-2945.

Jessica Mahoney, Jeffrey Clark Principal

Samuel Mickle School

Samuel Mickle School celebrated Read Across America with many special activities. During March, our students participated in reading, writing, and drawing activities, and they also had guest readers during their library classes. Thank you to the family members who joined us as guest readers!



We are proud of our families' generous donations to the **Pennies for Patients** drive. Our school raised **\$6,893.60!** Thank you for supporting our development of charitable, empathetic students.

On Wednesday, March 13, the East Greenwich Education Association hosted Multicultural Night. Staff and families set up cultural displays in the hallway and local vendors donated food for all to enjoy. The Community Bollywood Dance Project, South Pacific Island Dancers of Paulsboro, and the Cummins School of Irish Dance performed traditional dances for a packed audience. All in attendance enjoyed this celebration of our community's cultures.

Andrea Evans, Samuel Mickle School Principal

East Greenwich Senior Services



The East Greenwich Commission on Senior Services invites the East Greenwich seniors 55+ to join them in Senior Activities. Fill in the registration form below and deliver to East Greenwich Township, 159 Democrat Road, Mickleton, NJ 08056 or EastGreenwichSeniorServices@eastgreenwichnj.com.

Seating is limited.

*Please notify if you must cancel.

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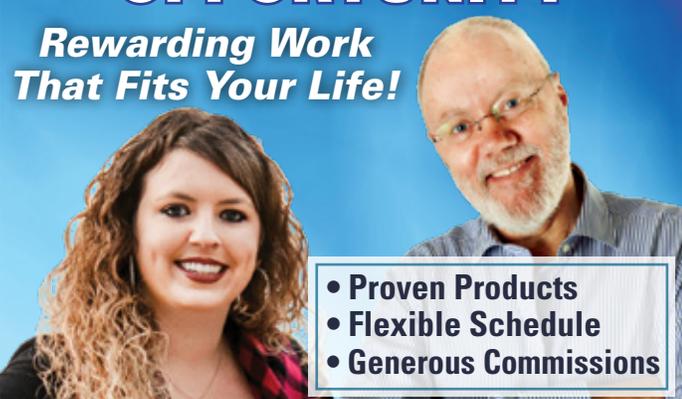
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3. Tai Chi six week series beginning June 6, 2019, 11:00 AM

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