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Special points of interest:

- Bessemer Township/Ramsay Heritage Committee
- Recycling Hours
- Sewer Back-up coverage
- Water Break Prevention
- Paying for Water Bills
- Garbage Pick-up over holidays

*Bessemer Township/Ramsay
Heritage Committee*

It's official...many enthusiastic and dedicated residents have come together to once again plan 4th of July festivities! Anyone interested in helping out this great cause can attend one of the meetings that are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month or by contacting Dana Cebolski, committee chairperson. Already fundraisers have been underway and profitable. Watch for a Christmas cookie sale in December! Thanks to the committee for their vision and hard work!

GRSWMA Recycling

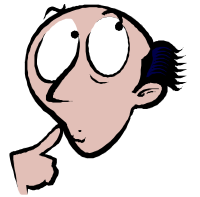


Just a reminder that the Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority is now open again for recycling. Drop off hours are: Monday and Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$55/ton (approx. 3 cents per pound) with a \$2.00 minimum. Please visit the township's website for a listing of acceptable and not acceptable materials for drop off.

Township Website:
www.bessemertownship.org

Important Info

Many insurance carriers offer sewer back-up policies for a minimal fee. The township board is committed to updating and replacing old sewer lines as time and finances allow. Unfortunately unforeseen events happen such as excess rain or spring melting, that may cause problems.



Please remember not to flush certain household items as they can be harmful to our sewer system: **diapers, tampons, grease (any), cleaning wipes** to name a few. Thank you!

Moving & Voting

Just a reminder to make sure you update your address when you move. It is important that you vote where you live! Please stop at the Secretary of State's Office to update your driver's license and/or stop at the Clerk's office to fill out a new application to vote.

Reminder: Board meetings are the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 5:00 p.m..

Prevent Water Breaks

Remember if you are not going to be here during the winter months, to shut off your water at the house or in the basement if available. This will prevent a water line break within the house while you are gone.



Happy Holidays to all!

TOWNSHIP HOLIDAY CLOSURES:

Thanksgiving - Thursday, November 24 & Friday, November 25

Christmas - Friday, December 23 & Monday, December 26

New Year's Day - Friday, December 30, 2011

If a holiday falls on either a Wednesday or a Thursday, garbage pick-up will be noted in the *Daily Globe* newspaper with date or call the township hall.



NOTE: There are special parking regulations during the winter months.



Paying for Water bills and Taxes

To help ease the hardship of paying utility bills all at once, customers can make pre-payments on their bill throughout the quarter.

Also, summer property tax bills are due by September 14th. If paying *after* September 14, **please call the Township Treasurer** to get the correct amount due as the 1% penalty accrues each month or portion of a month until February 14 or until the bill is paid in full. Another 3% penalty accrues on summer and winter taxes for the period of February 15-February 29.



WATER UTILITY BILLS: Water billings are mailed on:

January 1st (period ending 12/31)

April 1st (period ending 3/31)

July 1st (period ending 6/30)

October 1st (period ending 9/30)

[You have 20 days after billing date to pay. 10% penalty will be incurred when past due date.]



NOTE SPECIAL HOLIDAY GARBAGE PICK-UP SCHEDULE:

THANKSGIVING: There will be no garbage pick-up on Thursday, November 24. Pick-up for that day will be on Tuesday, November 22nd beginning at 7:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS: Pick up will be as regularly scheduled. (no changes)

