

SPRING 2019

# NEW LENOX TOWNSHIP



**MICHAEL HICKEY**  
Township Supervisor

**N**ew Lenox Township continues to operate and serve the diverse needs within the population of our community on a daily basis. Our main goal is to maintain smooth operational services within each department in our office.

### Progress to report:

The New Lenox Township board and its employees continue working together to serve our community with our Guy Sell Senior

Housing facility, the New Lenox Food Pantry, our traditional recycling program as well as the Intergovernmental Agreement with Will County to collect electronic recycling, Maplewood and Marshall Cemetery's management and our Transportation Department.

**SENIOR HOUSING** This is the Township's fifteenth year operating the Guy Sell Senior Housing building which has six 2-bedroom and eighteen 1-bedroom residences. The community room in the basement hosts New Lenox Meals on Wheels and New Lenox Park District classes and is available for public meeting space. 2018 is the fifth year that we are obligated to pay back the non-callable bonds. The Township board has abated the tax guarantee element of the bond issue for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. This is the fifth year that they have been abated. We intend to continue that practice which keeps the obligation from appearing as an additional line item on the tax bill of the residents of New Lenox Township. The rental payments of the residents are used to help pay the bond obligation. Any New Lenox Township resident age 62 years or older is welcome to register for the list of openings as they become available.

The Township operates Maplewood and Marshall Cemeteries. We assisted thirty families with the burial of their loved ones in 2018.

**FOOD PANTRY** The Township Food Pantry started operating when the federal government used to give away surplus cheese and other food items and needed a local distribution site. The program has grown exponentially over the years but continues to operate mainly through donations and with the assistance of many dedicated volunteer workers. The Food Pantry has operated out of its 2,000 square foot building for the past two years. We stock the donated food we receive from our local grocery stores, service organizations, businesses, churches and individuals. The Village, Fire Department, Police Department, Library, New Lenox Grade School District 122, Union School, Lincoln-Way Central, Lincoln-Way West and Providence High School all assist in the community effort.

**RECYCLING** We continue the general recycling program, which has been very successful. Our recycling hours are set as Monday through Friday 1:00pm to 3:30pm and the 4th Saturday of the month from 8:00am to noon. Our Intergovernmental Agreement with Will County provides our residents with a workable method for disposing of electrical components. Will County contracts with a vendor to come to our south parking lot on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. They accept used electronic items with a limit of 2 TVs per vehicle. They stack the recyclables in Gaylord boxes, load them into their truck, clean up the area and leave at 7:00pm. We can NOT store any electronic recyclables on site as they must be received by the truck only during the contracted time. This program serves 80 – 100 cars per night.

**TRANSPORTATION** Our Transportation Department continues to give rides to an average of 800 people a month. Rides can be scheduled Monday through Friday 7:00am – 4:30pm. We stay within New Lenox Township except for doctor appointments in neighboring villages. We purchased a new wheel chair van this year; we are keeping the old wheel chair van as a backup option. The Township now has six vehicles to serve our residents.

I am grateful for the opportunity to work with dedicated employees, generous volunteers and a committed Township board who work cooperatively to meet the needs of the community.

**Michael Hickey, Township Supervisor**

## 2019 Township Board Meetings

Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the New Lenox Township Administrative Office (1100 S. Cedar Road). All meetings open to the public. For more information call 815-485-6431.

**April 11**  
**May 9**

**June 13**  
**July 11**

**August 8**  
**September 12**

**October 10**  
**November 14**

**December 12**



**LARRY WENNLUND**  
Trustee

# New Attack on Your New Lenox Township Government

## From the Desk of the Editor, Township Trustee Larry Wennlund

**T**he attack on the NEW LENOX township form of government continues!!

The Illinois House of Representatives has introduced new bills which would remove the only form of government in Illinois that allows citizens to participate in the governing process by direct vote. Our township government allows citizens to propose laws that directly affect their township and then to vote for or against those proposals. The current bills introduced in the Illinois General Assembly would allow someone to petition for a referendum to dissolve their township and transfer control of its township governmental functions to the county in which the township is located. If House Bill 348 is passed in the House and the Senate, the governor has indicated that he would sign it into law.

If the New Lenox Township government were dissolved, aside from residents losing all direct control, the county is under no obligation to continue any of the services provided by the township. Some of the services that are threatened are:

- **Senior housing**
- **Bus transportation for seniors and the disabled**  
- Trips to doctors offices, hospitals, and grocery stores
- **Access to low-cost groceries from the township pantry**
- **Direct communication with the township tax assessor**
- **Township clean up and recycling programs**
- **Meals on wheels and other food programs for seniors**

Your township government provides much-needed services to the citizens of New Lenox Township, especially those that are unable to adequately provide for themselves due to age or disability. If House Bill 348 becomes law, we may very well lose these vital services and have no way of recovering them in the future. This proposal is nothing more than larger bodies of government consolidating power under their own roof and creating a void between citizens and their control over local government.

I urge you to contact your State Representative, State Senator, and the Governor's Office to let them know you oppose House Bill 348. The people of New Lenox Township deserve to have direct control over their township government.

**Larry Wennlund, Trustee**



## New Lenox Township Transportation Services

**T**he New Lenox Township board continues to help our residents with physical or age related disabilities with their transportation needs by providing door to door service at reasonable rates.

Our transportation service is provided within the Township Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 4:30pm for all New Lenox Township residents. We can take you anywhere you would like to go within the New Lenox area. If you need to go to the bank, grocery store, hair appointments, or pretty much anywhere you might need to go, we are here to help you. We also will go into Mokena, Frankfort and Joliet (for medical appointments only). Call Debbie for details.

We offer planned bi-monthly mall trips that take place the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Monday of each month. The fare for these trips are \$5.00. Call Debbie Cunningham at 815-485-6431 to reserve a seat.

All services are scheduled through our Transportation Services Manager, Debbie Cunningham, who may be reached by phone at 815-485-6431 or by email at [dcunningham@newlenox.org](mailto:dcunningham@newlenox.org). Transportation Office hours are 8:00am to 3:30pm.

Thank you.

**Kathy Hilton,**  
New Lenox  
Township Trustee  
[khilton@newlenox.org](mailto:khilton@newlenox.org)



**KATHY HILTON**  
New Lenox Township Trustee

### SERVICE HOURS

7:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Monday - Friday

To Schedule a Ride Call  
**(815) 485-6431**  
24 Hours a Day



# New Lenox Township's 32nd Annual **TOWNSHIP WIDE RECYCLE DAY** **MAY 4, 2019**



**TRUSTEE MARTY BOBAN**  
Environmental Chairperson

**Bring this newsletter with you as proof of residency. New Lenox Township will not be providing curbside pickup of any items. Please do not set any items at the curb. No trailers please.**

**Don't throw away those old clothes! New this year, we will collect clothing and shoes to be reused or recycled.**

New Lenox Township is moving in the direction of reuse and recycle. Therefore, we are encouraging residents to donate usable items that can be reused, rather than disposing of them. Please see adjoining information regarding disposal. We will be collecting the below mentioned items ONLY. We will be collecting used electronics on May 4th as well. **PROOF OF RESIDENCY IS REQUIRED.**

**PLEASE DO NOT BRING HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ON MAY 4th.** Collection of household hazardous waste is very costly. New Lenox Township taxpayers already pay Will County Land Use to process this waste. New Lenox Township (in partnership with Will County Land Use, the Village of New Lenox & Sharefest) will be providing a household hazardous waste collection on **Saturday, September 14th, 2019** at the Sharefest event held at Spencer Trail campus located on Spencer Road just north of Laraway Road from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

**Go to [www.willcountygreen.com](http://www.willcountygreen.com) to reserve a time slot on September 14th.**

The below items (in green) will be collected on May 4th from 8:00am to 12:00 noon at the Recycle center located in our Township yard at 1100 S. Cedar Road. Please enter from Otto Drive. Visit our website at [www.newlenox.org](http://www.newlenox.org) for more information.

## DO BRING

- Used Motor Oil
- Used Anti-Freeze
- Used tires (4 per household removed from rim) car & light truck – No large truck or tractor tires
- Used automotive batteries
- Used electronics: TVs, computers, keyboards, printers, monitors, microwaves, etc.
- Traditional recyclables: paper, plastic, glass, aluminum, tin, cardboard



## DO NOT BRING

- Smoke detectors
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Aerosols
- Stains/varnishes
- Propane bottles
- Pressurized containers
- Any hazardous materials
- Alkaline batteries

**Note:** Alkaline batteries can be disposed of as normal trash by residents

# New Lenox Township Food Pantry

Trustee Barb Kaupas

## Contact Information:

- We are located at: New Lenox Township Offices, 1080 South Cedar Road, New Lenox,
- Our phone number is 815-717-6221. Ask for Kathie.

## New Lenox Township eligibility requirements:

- You must be a resident (unincorporated/incorporated) of New Lenox Township to be eligible to receive food.
- Upon registration you must provide a current photo id and current utility bill that have matching addresses.
- Once you are registered you are welcome to visit the food pantry once a week.

## Days and times we are open:

- We are open Monday thru Friday.
- Daily hours are: 9:30am to 11:30am and 1:30pm to 3:30 pm.

## Donation information to the New Lenox Township Food Pantry

- The food pantry is a non-profit government agency.
- No property tax dollars are used in the purchasing of food for the food pantry. We depend solely on food donations, cash donations and volunteers to keep our pantry at its best.
- The NL Food Pantry is partnered with Family Services Foundation of New Lenox Township, a 501c3 charity.
- If you would like to make a cash donation, please write check to: Family Services Foundation of New Lenox Township. Please mail to: New Lenox Township, 1100 South Cedar Road, New Lenox, IL 60451. Attention: Food Pantry.
- If you are interested in donating food, volunteering, visiting the food pantry, or any other concerns or questions, please call: Family Services Director Kathie Johnson at (815)717-6221 and/or email me at: [kjohnson@newlenox.org](mailto:kjohnson@newlenox.org).
- Because of our partnership with Northern Illinois Food Bank for every \$1.00 you donate we are able to purchase \$8.00 worth of food from them.

## Items most needed by New Lenox Township Food Pantry

- **Canned Meat:** Chicken, Spam, Salmon, Beef Stew, Corned Beef, Ham, Sloppy Joe Mix
- **Canned Veggies:** Carrots, Peas
- **Canned Fruit:** Applesauce, Peaches, Pears, Mandarin Oranges
- **Canned Soups:** Cream of Mushroom, Cream of Chicken, Beef Soup Broth
- **Saltine Crackers, Salt, Pepper, Flour, Sugar, Baking Soda, Baking Powder**

## New Lenox Township Food Pantry Facebook Page

In an effort to raise public awareness of the New Lenox Township Food Pantry we are happy to tell you we have created our very own New Lenox Township Food Pantry Facebook page. Please visit our page to learn about us.

## Want to get involved?

We are always looking for volunteers here at the food pantry. There are many ways you can volunteer your time here at the pantry. We have over 30 volunteers who choose a day that is most convenient for them to work either 3 hours in morning or 2 hours in the afternoon. Please call Kathie at (815) 717-6221 or email [kjohnson@newlenox.org](mailto:kjohnson@newlenox.org) for more information.

**NOTE:** We also accept Community Service Hours for school, church and court. For children volunteers under the age of 13 years we ask that a parent accompanies them.

**Kathie Johnson, Director Family Services**

## New Lenox Township continues its partnership with the Lincoln-Way High School Dist. 210 Transition Program

New Lenox Township has worked in cooperation with the Dist. 210 Transition Program to bring in special needs students, who with the assistance of his or her job coach, can work and learn job skills at our Township facilities. This partnership has been working well for several years. Our Township receives part time help that provides maintenance of the community room, senior meals kitchen, and our Food Pantry. It is truly a win-win situation for the Township and the Lincoln-Way High School Transition Program. Our Food Pantry workers help stock shelves and assist in receiving food each morning. Our kitchen workers keep our kitchen clean, neat, and up to health department standards.

The Township is able to provide an atmosphere that can help these students learn a job skill and build self-confidence, while at the same the Township receives the help we need to complete a variety of tasks. Many of these students have since graduated from the program and are now working independently in the work world, thanks in part to the skills that they have learned at New Lenox Township. These are the kinds of programs that we strive to provide to our Township residents.

**Congratulations to all of this year's graduates!**

**Trustee Marty Boban**

# New Lenox Township no longer providing curbside collection of household items

**N**ew Lenox Township will no longer provide a curbside collection of large trash items in conjunction with our annual Recycle Day. The cost of providing a Saturday Township-wide collection has increased three hundred percent in the past five years. The cost of this service has simply become prohibitive for us to continue. New Lenox Township has moved towards a philosophy of reusing and recycling items that might otherwise end up in a landfill. We have reinstituted the electronics recycling, which has proven to be a more widely used service. If you live in the Village of New Lenox, NuWay Disposal is your refuse collection provider. NuWay will pick up most large household items any time throughout the year provided you give them a few days' notice prior to your normal trash collection day. 75% of the residents in unincorporated New Lenox Township also have NuWay as their trash collection vendor. We urge our residents to use the service that NuWay already provides for its customers. For residents who have other trash collection vendors, we encourage you to contact your vendor to arrange for disposal of any large household items. The data collected over recent years has shown that many of the items that were collected on our Clean Up Day were items that could have been recycled or reused. We are asking residents to make every effort possible to keep items that could be reused or recycled out of the landfills. Please visit [www.willcountygreen.com](http://www.willcountygreen.com) for further information on recycling household items. Please take advantage of the other services that we are providing as part of our Recycle Day efforts.

Thank you for your cooperation, and keep recycling, as we try to keep New Lenox Township clean and green.

**Marty Boban, Trustee**

## Senior Citizens and General Homestead Exemption Information

**A**nyone born in **1954** is eligible to apply for the Senior Citizen Homestead Exemption. You do not have to wait until your birthday to apply. The Senior Citizen Homestead Exemption is \$5,000 off of your assessed valuation. If the household income is **\$65,000** or less, you may qualify for the Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze. Applications are available in our office as of April 1st. Just bring your 2018 income tax return with you.

Anyone born in **1953 or before** that has not already signed up for the senior exemption, come into our office as soon as possible and we will process the necessary paper work to get the exemption added to your tax bill. Do not delay as we have a limited time to make corrections on the 2018 tax bills. The tax bills should be in the mail on May 1, 2019.

### **General Homestead Exemption \$6,000 off the assessed value**

- The property must be your primary residence
- The property must be owner occupied

### **Senior Citizen Homestead Exemption \$5,000 off the assessed value**

- The property must be your primary residence
- The property must be owner occupied
- At least one owner will be 65 during the tax year

The 2019 Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze applications for the 2018 income year are mailed out in late March. **They are available in our office after April 1st, if you did not receive one in the mail.** The household income limit is **\$65,000**. Please fill out as much of the information that you can, and then bring the form and all your income information to our office and we will assist you with copies and turn your paperwork over to the Will County Supervisor of Assessments Office for approval. If you think you are

eligible and did not receive an application, we have them available in our office on April 1st. Remember to bring all your income information with you, i.e., your 2018 Federal 1040 income tax return and or your Social Security 1099. If you do not file a 1040, then bring all the income statements you received for 2018 and your Social Security 1099, and we will help you with the completion of the form.

The Will County Treasurer's Office mails tax bills out usually by the first of May. When the bills are mailed by the first, then the first installment is due June 1st, and the second installment due date is September 1st. If the bills are not mailed by May 1st, then the first installment is due 30 days from the day of the mailing and the second installment due date remains September 1st. Please read your tax bill to be sure that the exemptions are listed in the calculations.

**The tax bill is the only place where you actually see the exemptions being applied to your property. Please read them carefully, as we only have a limited time frame to make corrections for any missed exemptions.** If you think there is an error, please call the office as soon as possible so we can look into the matter. Our office hours are 8:00 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Thursday and 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Fridays. The telephone number is **815-485-9419**.



**BONNIE LUCKHART HERNANDEZ,**  
**C.I.A.O.**  
New Lenox Township Assessor

# Senior Nutrition Program



**BARBARA KAUPAS**  
Trustee

The New Lenox Township "Meals on Wheels" program is sponsored by New Lenox Township and the Kankakee County Community Services, Inc. For information on how to register, please call (815) 726-0094.

For many seniors "Meals on Wheels" is literally the difference between remaining in their own homes and needing to relocate to a nursing

facility. The nutritious meal, friendly visit and safety check help them cope with three of the biggest threats of aging: hunger, isolation and loss of independence. Research proves that when seniors have the right support, they gain greater quality of life, need fewer hospital stays and live longer. We provide:

- **Menus developed by a Registered Dietitian for healthy nutrition designed for adult appetite.**
- **Meals are low in salt, calorie controlled, individually portioned, tasty and nutritious.**
- **Diabetic desserts are also available.**
- **A complete nutritional analysis is available for you to discuss with your doctor or dietician.**
- **Home delivered meals to homebound seniors in New Lenox Township regardless of income.**
- **Socialization and safety net services.**
- **Nutrition education and senior resource information.**

## "Meals on Wheels" Home-Delivered Meals

The Meals on Wheels Home-Delivered Meals Program is offered to eligible seniors who are:

- **60 years of age and older and a resident of New Lenox Township.**
- **Home-bound due to illness or injury.**
- **Have a lack of accommodations for meal preparation.**
- **Unable to prepare your own meals or lack of support system for meal preparation.**
- **The senior must have a doctor's approval.**
- **Must meet the assessment needs of the Case Coordination Unit of KCCSI.**

## "Meals on Wheels" Congregate Dining Program

The word "congregate" means to come together or assemble in a group. If you are 60 years or older and are interested in getting out of the house and meeting others over a delicious hot lunch, please consider joining us for lunch at the Guy Sell Senior Apartment Complex located at 1090 South Cedar Road in New Lenox. The dining hall is located in the Community Room downstairs in the basement of the building. Lunch is served Monday thru Friday from 11:00am to 12:00 Noon.

To find out more information about the congregate dining program regarding the menus and how to make reservations, please call (815) 485-7187 for more information.

If you are in need of transportation, please call the New Lenox Township Transportation Services at (815) 485-6431 for availability.

**Barb Kaupas, Trustee**

## Medical Exchange Program

New Lenox Township provides a Medical Supplies Exchange Program for residents of New Lenox Township. Medical supplies that are offered for use include but are not limited to: wheelchairs, walkers, canes, crutches, bedside commodes, raised toilet seats, shower chairs. Please call the Township Office for more information. There is no charge for this service.

Anyone who would like to donate medical supplies/equipment is encouraged to donate them for others who are in need. We do not accept hospital beds, motorized scooters, medicines. If you are unsure about the donation of a particular item, please call the office and ask.

## Veterans Affairs

Your New Lenox Township board would like to recognize and extend our deepest thanks and eternal appreciation to ALL of our New Lenox Township Veterans and their families. We are truly grateful for the sacrifices that you have made. Your commitment to our country makes us all appreciate that we live in a community that we love to refer to as: **"THE HOME OF PROUD AMERICANS."**

As one of your Township Trustees, I started and maintain a New Lenox Township Veterans recognition and information site. We would like to be able to recognize as many New Lenox Township Veterans as possible on this site. We do NOT

post names on this site without the permission of the Veteran or the Veteran's family out of respect for the Veteran's privacy. To view the Veterans page, go to [www.newlenox.org](http://www.newlenox.org) and click on the tab on the top right of the menu labeled "More." If you would like to see a current or former New Lenox Township resident who is a Veteran recognized on the site, simply respond to me by the email link provided on the website or call me directly at the Township office at 815-485-6431 and we will get the necessary authorization to get your Veteran recognized.

Thank You.

**Marty Boban, Trustee**

## New Lenox Township Highway Commissioner



**A**s I complete my second year in office I would again like to thank the citizens of New Lenox for giving me the opportunity to serve our community as Highway Commissioner. This position continues to provide new challenges, such as the recent record-breaking low temperatures. This being a spring newsletter I hate to dwell on snow and ice issues but this is our one opportunity to reach all of our constituents.

This winter season the Highway department ventured into an anti-icing program. The evenly spaced wet stripes that appear on the roadways and bridges throughout the county are due to the application of a mixture of salt brine, organic sugars (beet juice) and calcium chloride. The concentrations of each ingredient are established based on predicted weather conditions and pavement temperatures in order to get the most effectiveness while reducing the environmental impacts. The goal of this program is to provide some insurance in potential problem spots and those areas prone to icing, such as bridge decks. Predicted weather conditions dictate when and how this material is applied. Measurable rainfall prior to a snowfall can wash away the material rendering it useless. Hence you may not see applications prior to every predicted snowfall. In addition to the safety component, this program can reduce the volume of salt required following snow removal operations. We anticipate increased use of this procedure in the coming winter season.

Although there has yet to be any physical construction on the Parker and Francis Roads intersection, work has been progressing on the engineering and land acquisition process. At the current time only a few parcels remain to be secured in order for actual construction to commence. In addition, the new pavement alignments require the relocation of several utilities. That work should proceed in the coming season. Actual construction of the roadway improvements and signalization will most likely not begin until the 2020 construction season.

In closing, I would like to remind everyone that as an "open ditch" community our primary concern is to maintain positive drainage of the roadways and shoulders. Please contact our office before placing any pipes, fill in ditches or waterways. Our personnel will be available to offer technical guidance to address these concerns. Please understand that unauthorized work which impedes drainage may be removed by our department.

Thank you for your cooperation, and please feel free to contact my office with any questions or concerns.

**Ron Sly, Highway Commissioner**

## From the Desk of Township Clerk Sue Smith

**C**lerk of the Township is an elected position and is comprised of many duties. The Township Clerk is the Clerk for the Township Board, a non-voting Board Member, except in the case of a tie vote to fill a vacancy on the Township Board. The Clerk is the ex-officio Clerk for the Highway Commissioner. The Clerk must attend, with respect to the sale, purchase, or lease of goods or services by the Township or Road District.

As your working Township Clerk, it is my honor to share with our readers that things are in full swing at the Clerk's Office. It's been a busy year updating the Township Records for the first time in forty years through the Secretary of State's Retention Program.

The Township Clerk is tasked with the responsibility of preserving and maintaining records of the Township. Ensuring the integrity and accuracy of these records is a critical role. Under the Clerk's directive the Township has implemented a retention records program through the Secretary of State's Archives Division. This has been a huge undertaking and I am pleased to report that the ongoing endeavor with the help of Township Staff has been successful! These records include but are not limited to; all local Township ordinances, resolutions and public proceedings.

The Clerk is responsible for all necessary filings with the County Clerk. The Clerk prepares the minutes for all Township Trustee meetings, processes, records and files ordinances and resolutions, and is responsible for arranging for legal advertising of ordinances and official Township documents.

The Township Clerk annually, at the time required within the Property Tax Code, must certify the amount of taxes required to be raised for all Township purposes.

The Clerk may administer oaths and take affidavits in all cases required by law to be administered or taken by Township officers. The Clerk also serves as F.O.I.A. Officer for the Township.

The Clerk as of January 1, 2019 in accordance with new legislation (now Public Act 100-0983) has an added responsibility. This new law requires Township Clerks to "attest" the signatures of Supervisors on all payouts from the Township and Road District treasury (including payments for cemetery purposes).

This is an excerpt of the responsibilities of the Township Clerk.

With professionalism and integrity, I am here to serve the Township Citizens of New Lenox.

Respectfully,  
**Sue L. Smith,**  
**New Lenox**  
**Township Clerk**  
**815-485-6431**



**New Lenox Township**

1100 S. Cedar Road  
New Lenox, IL 60451

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**The New Lenox Township Newsletter is a public information service for Township residents.  
Free copies are available at the Township Administrative Office.**

## New Lenox Township to accept latex paint on Recycle Day

**N**ew Lenox Township in partnership with Sharefest will be accepting good usable latex (water based) paint on **May 4th from 8:00am to 12:00 noon** at our township yard at 1100 South Cedar Road. Please enter from Otto Drive.

Please note that this is the only date and time we will accept latex paint. It is unlawful to drop off paint or any other items at our site. We the Township by law cannot dispose of latex paints.

Your usable latex paint will be used by volunteer service organizations here in New Lenox to provide a fresh coat of paint for residents that might not otherwise be able to get a paint job done at their home. Seniors will benefit from this service more than any other residents. Other service organizations have used this paint for a variety of projects as well.

We can accept containers up to 5 gallons in size. If you have a container of good latex paint that has a gallon or two left in it, we will then add other similar paints and blend enough paint to create a full 5 gallons to be used on jobs here in New Lenox. Your participation in this paint "exchange" is greatly appreciated. Please use the following guidelines for properly disposing of unusable latex paint, as we will have to reject paint that is considered unusable.

We ask that you bring us only good usable latex paint that you would use yourself. If you are unsure if your paint is good, it probably isn't and should be disposed of by you the resident. Today's standards allow residents to dispose of latex paint legally by mixing unusable paint with oil dry, kitty litter, newspaper, sawdust or cloth. Leave the cans open to the air until the paint becomes a paste-like consistency. The paint can then be disposed of as normal trash. If your paint is already dry or a paste-like consistency, please dispose of this paint as regular trash, and do not bring it to us.

**We cannot accept unusable paint, paint from commercial users, semi-solid paint, rusted containers, paint that does not have a legible label on the container, or any other paints or solvents. Please do not bring any oil based paints or stains as we cannot accept these hazardous paints.**

Thank you for following these guidelines and helping us make this service a huge success. A big thanks also goes out to Sharefest for all of the help. This program cannot succeed without their support.

Please help us keep New Lenox Township clean and green as we move towards a goal of recycling and reusing items as opposed to putting those items in landfills. Thank you.

**Marty Boban, Trustee & Environmental Chairperson**

**Supervisor**

Michael Hickey

**Town Clerk**

Sue Smith

**Assessor**

Bonnie Hernandez

**Highway Commissioner**

Ron Sly

**Trustees**

Marty Boban • Barbara Kaupas  
Larry Wennlund • Kathy Hilton

**New Lenox Township Administrative Office**

1100 S. Cedar Road • New Lenox, IL 60451

**Business Hours**

Monday - Friday

Administrative Office 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

4th Saturday of the Month 9:00 am - Noon

Assessor 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

**Township Phone Numbers**

Township Administrative Office: 815-485-6431

Assessor's Office: 815-485-9419

Highway Department: 815-485-6484

Dial-A-Ride: 815-485-6431

Township Fax: 815-485-2544

Please visit our website: [www.newlenox.org](http://www.newlenox.org)

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