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Spring clean-up approved and 1992 budget is unveiled

Scotch Plains will remain the only community in Union County with a spring clean-up. In a split vote, a rarity in this all Republican Council, the Scotch Plains Township Council approved the 1992 Spring Clean-Up by a 3 to 2 vote this past Tuesday evening at the Municipal Building. Not only did the issue divide the Council, but households were reported to be rendered asunder in deciding whether or not the service was worth the additional tax. Case in point was Councilman George Brown, who voted

against the measure while his wife supported it. Also casting a nay was Mayor Irene Schmidt. The affirmative majority of the Council consisted of Alan Augustine, Joan Papen and William McClintock. At the encouragement of THE TIMES, over 400 citizens wrote letters and more than 280 phoned in their opinions. There were only 6 against the clean-up. It was noted that since only 1,728 residents voted in the recent school board and school budget election, the response to the clean-up was very significant.

The clean-up will take place beginning June 1 and will last almost the entire month. It will be handled by Dependable Disposal who submitted the lowest bid of \$179,000. The 1992 Budget was introduced. The Township portion has an increase of about 2 points, going from 1991's \$11,643,745 to 1992's \$12,134, 836. The average Scotch Plains home is assessed at \$113,000 and for that home, the budget represents a tax increase of \$22 for 1992 bringing it to \$838. When the school

and county portion of the taxes are included, the figure comes to \$4,906, bringing the total increase to 5.9%. A public hearing on the budget will be held on

Tuesday evening, May 26, at 8:30 at the Municipal Building at which time the budget will be explained in detail and comments and questions from the public will be heard.

In other business, a \$36,750 in-flow and infiltration study was approved. It will delve into the infrastructure of Scotch Plains' sanitary
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Storage structures and sewers highlight Borough meeting

The passage of an ordinance regulating and prohibiting the use of "mobile storage structures" was severely criticized by Fanwood business owner Charles Price, Jr. at the April 8 Fanwood Borough Council meeting. Mr. Price is the owner of Pets and Their People, located on South Avenue. The ordinance defines a "mobile storage structure" as "any assembly of materials which is so designed, constructed, or reconstructed to make it (i) portable and capable of movement from one site to another; (ii) designed to be used with the purpose of storing tangible property; (iii) not for occupancy by persons, and (iv) having one dimension exceeding ten (10) feet. "The stated purpose of this ordinance is to a) restrict business or commercial uses to permanent structures which comply

with all building codes and regulations within the Borough and the state...and to upgrade safety in the Borough, and b) to improve the appearance of the Borough and, therefore, to protect and perpetuate the health, safety and welfare of its citizens." The ordinance does pro-

vide for the loading and unloading of these structures on industrial, commercial or residential sites so long as such activity does not exceed forty-eight hours. It also allows for their use at construction sites provided a permit is obtained from the Borough. Such a permit
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Local physician chosen as "doctors' favorite doctor"



DR. BRIAN J. CASSIDY

In the April issue of New Jersey Monthly, Dr. Brian J. Cassidy of Fanwood was chosen as a doctor that other doctors in the state would heartily recommend. In a survey in which almost 5,000 New Jersey physicians were polled, Dr. Cassidy was one of the ten top vote-getters in internal medicine. The magazine opined that to be selected by one's peers is certainly something worth noting and those doctors selected should certainly feel honored. Dr. Cassidy was born in Scotch Plains, and both he and his wife, Linda, attended Union Catholic High School. He graduated from Seton Hall and attended medical school at the University of St. George in Grenada. He did his residency at Muhlenberg Hospital in Plainfield. A life member and Trustee of the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, he had been associated with the squad for 17 years. He enjoys spending time with his wife and children, Kevin, aged 3, and Greg, who is 15 months old. They take trips together and one of their favorite vacation spots is Cape Cod. Linda, who is a Registered Nurse, spends
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