

Lake Township News

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Summer - June 2015

Lighting Ordinance Adopted

Ordinance No. 2015-02 was adopted by the Lake Township Board of Trustees on April 20, 2015. This ordinance came about after several complaints of intrusive outdoor lighting from neighboring properties.

The intent of this ordinance is “to prohibit light trespass and afford the citizens of Lake Township the flexibility to engage in the pursuit of safe, inexpensive lighting practices for the purpose of commerce and private use without impeding upon other citizens desiring a more pristine night time environment free from light pollution, waste, or nuisance while providing for security and productivity.” A complete copy of this ordinance is available at the Township Hall or at www.laketownship.net.

Garage Sale Ordinance

Ordinance No. 2015-01 amends our previous garage sale ordinance. Permits are still required but there is no permit fee. Failure to apply for a permit, on the other hand, will result in a municipal civil infraction and costs. Permit applications are available at www.laketownship.net or at the Township Hall during regular business hours.

Home Security Systems

If you have a home security system that calls 911 in the event of an alarm, you should have a key available locally for the fire department or local police, especially in cases of false alarms. Police response could be hampered by the inability to enter the premises and false alarms that bring out the fire department are not only costly, but could cause a delay to a real emergency.

New Recycling Program

Lake Township residents can now drop off their recyclables **every week** during regular Transfer Station hours. Acceptable items have changed slightly. A list of what is accepted is available at the Transfer Station or at www.laketownship.net. Items do not need to be sorted; just clean, dry and caps removed. 22 gallon recycling bins are also available for \$7.75 at the Transfer Station or the Township Hall.

Lake Township Annual Potluck Picnic Thursday, August 27th

Oak Beach County Park – 4 P.M.

Bring a dish to pass, your own
beverage and utensils.

Personal Watercraft / Boat Hoists

Permits are required from the U.S. Army Corps in order to place personal watercraft hoists, boat hoists or docks in the water. Applications are available at www.michigan.gov/documents/deq/wrd-pcu-ez-boat-hoist_398741_7.pdf or at the Township Hall. Lake Township requires registration of your hoists/docks. Applications for Lake Township registration are available at www.laketownship.net/permits.htm.

Address Update for Winter Tax Bill

If you leave your primary home during the winter months and have your mail forwarded, please contact the Township Hall by phone (989.856.4867), email (info@laketownship.net) or the Treasurer, Dorothy Fischer, at 989.856.3103 to provide your winter mailing address. Tax bills cannot be forwarded. This will ensure you receive your bill in a timely manner.

Lake Township

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Email: info@laketownship.net

Website: www.laketownship.net

Township office hours are M-F 10 AM until 2 PM. Appointments with officials may be scheduled at other times.

Township Officials & Staff:

Valerie McCallum, Supervisor/Assessor

Lisa Clinton, Deputy Supervisor

Dede Russell, Clerk

Maryanne Williams, Deputy Clerk

Dorothy Fischer, Treasurer

Pat Smith, Deputy Treasurer

Dale Hartsell, Trustee

Clay Kelterborn, Trustee

Tory Geilhart, Building Inspector /

Zoning Administrator

Kim Simpson, Secretary/Office Assistant

Dave Ferris, Transfer Station Attendant

TRANSFER STATION HOURS

November thru April—Sundays 9 AM to 4 PM

May thru October—Saturdays & Sundays 9 AM to 4 PM

Located on Sand Road 1/4 mile east of Champagne Road

- ***Absolutely NO Paints or Lacquers and NO Building Materials***

Leaves, grass and tree trimmings are accepted at the Transfer Station during regular hours at no charge.

For a **Burning Permit**, call **989.856.9198** and follow recorded instructions. Burning of trash is not allowed—General Ordinance No: 2005-01.

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The **Port Austin Library**, located at 114 Railroad Street, Port Austin is available to Lake Township residents. For event information and hours, check our their website at www.portaustinlibrary.org.

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Township Ordinances adopted since 2013 are available on the Township website. Older ordinances may be viewed or a copy obtained at the Township Hall during regular business hours.

The **Lake Township Board of Trustees** meets on the third Monday of the month. Winter meetings (December, - March) begin at 6:30 P.M. April—November meetings at 7:30 P.M.

The **Lake Township Planning Commission** meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month other than November and December which are held on the third Wednesday.

Special meetings may be scheduled at other times.

Notices are posted on the Township website and sent out by email upon request.

Zoning Board of Appeals meetings are scheduled as needed.

The **Board of Review** meets in March, July and December.

Persons interested in filling any township positions are encouraged to submit a letter of interest.