

Lake Township News

website: www.laketownship.net

Summer—June 2016

TRANSFER STATION EXPANDED HOURS

In response to several residents' suggestions to have the Transfer Station available in the middle of the week during the summer, we have set up a new schedule which will include WEDNESDAY from 2 PM – 6 PM **Saturday** hours are now **10 AM - 4 PM** and Sunday remains unchanged with hours 9 AM - 4 PM.

We hope that 6 PM on Wednesday will accommodate working people who can make use of the Wednesday "Dump Day" too!

Of course, recycling and the dumping of brush and leaves will also be available. If you want to take some of the compost pile for your own yard, please feel free to come on the days that the Transfer Station is open. On that note, we have, unfortunately, found some people are abusing the compost pile, which is strictly for foliage, by putting other refuse in that pile. Please be considerate. We want to be able to recycle the foliage too!

DID YOU KNOW...

Lake Township is part of the Caseville Area Fire Protection Association (CAFPA). The fire hall is located in the City of Caseville and also serves all of Caseville Township. Our fire personnel are all volunteers. For medical emergencies, we are served by the Elkton Ambulance Service. We currently have two first responders in Lake Township. When on duty, our first responder will be the first emergency personnel to arrive at the scene and will assess the situation and communicate with the ambulance personnel. Our first responders are also volunteers. Police services are handled by the Huron County Sheriff Department and the Michigan State Police.

We would encourage anyone with a desire to serve the community to contact our Fire Chief, Ben Willenberg, for further information and we also want to take this opportunity to acquaint you with our current volunteers serving as volunteer firefighters and volunteer first responders:

Rhonda Jennings—EMT & First Responder
Don Vandeberghe—EMT & First Responder
Dennis Atkins—Fire & EMT
Randy Britt—Fire
Carl Brunni—Fire
Frank Colagiovanni III—Fire
Mike Francavilla—Fire
Michael Goforth—Fire
Mike I Goforth—Fire
Harrison Gunden—Fire

Volunteers—Continued:

Adam Hollingsworth—Fire
Debra Hopkins—Fire
Nora Jacoby—Fire
Terry Jimpkoski—Fire
Anthony Jobses—Fire & EMT
Jim Kish—Fire & EMT
Frank Konke Sr.—Fire
Frank Konke Jr.—Fire
Mark McCrimmon—Fire
Dan McIlhargie—Fire
Joey Sancrant—Fire
Ryan Schultz—Fire
Bill Simmons—Fire & EMT
Aaron Vogel—Fire
Ben Willenberg—Fire & A-EMT

Thank you for your dedication and service to our community.

ELECTIONS

Election time is fast approaching. The Primary Election will be August 2nd, 2016, and the Presidential Election will be November 7th, 2016. If you are unable to vote at the Township Hall on either or both election days, request an absentee ballot in writing, sign it, and mail it to Lake Township, P. O. Box 429, Caseville, MI. 48725. For your convenience, our website has pre-printed requests for absentee ballots which can be downloaded and filled out. The website is www.laketownship.net and the link is on the left hand side of the page under ELECTIONS.

An absentee ballot can be made available to you for any of the following reasons:

- I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day.
- I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.
- I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.
- I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.
- I am 60 years of age or older.
- I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

Remember, voting is a privilege as well as your duty. The University of North Carolina recently posted a thought worth pondering:

"Many people fought for your right to vote. No matter your race, gender, or age, your right to vote came at a price. Honor the sacrifices others made so that your voice could be heard when theirs wasn't."

See you at the polls!

LAKE TOWNSHIP ANNUAL PICNIC...

Mark your calendar for **August 25, 2016 at 5:30 PM** and please join us at our Lake Township annual picnic at the Oak Beach County Park. Bring a dish to pass and your own place setting and beverage (coffee provided) and join us for good food, fun games and conversation. It's a chance to visit with neighbors you know and meet those you don't know!

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Township office hours are Monday—Friday
10 AM - 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 - 4 PM

May thru October—

Wednesdays—2 PM - 6 PM

Saturdays—10 AM - 4 PM

Sundays—9 AM - 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.

Reduce - Reuse - Recycle

MOSQUITOS

We have had some calls regarding mosquito control in Lake Township. As a township, we do not offer a mosquito control program at this time. Mosquito control is usually handled on a county-wide basis through an extra millage. The Michigan State Extension Service offers tips on controlling mosquito populations on your property as well as information on the Zika virus at msue.anr.msu.edu/news/mosquito_season_is_here and msue.anr.msu.edu/news/zika_virus_concerns_for_michigan_residents. Copies of these articles are also available at the Lake Township Hall.

PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE EXEMPTIONS & ADDRESSES

Please check your **tax bill** as soon as you receive it to be sure the Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) and your address is correct. If your PRE is incorrect, it can be corrected at the July or December Board of Review and a new tax bill can be issued. For address corrections, an address change form is available on our website. Click on the **Helpful Links & Information**, 2nd form in the list.

BUILDING PROJECTS...

Before you begin any building, remodeling or demolition project, make sure to contact our Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector, Tory Geilhart, for requirements such as required permits and zoning regulations. Tory is in the office on Monday and Wednesday from 8 AM - Noon. You may also email him at [**zoning@laketownship.net**](mailto:zoning@laketownship.net).

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

Reminder....

For those who have a **security alarm** set up at their house, be sure a local person is listed with the Alarm System company, and that he/she has access to your house in case an alarm is set off. 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.

MEETINGS

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

The **Lake Township Planning Commission** meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 6 PM other than November and December which are held on the third Wednesday at 6 PM

Special meetings may be scheduled at other times. Notices are posted on the Township website and sent out by email