

# Lake Township Newsletter

On the sandy shores of Lake Huron from Gagetown Road to Oak Beach County Park

Winter Issue

December 2010

## WIND ORDINANCE . . . . .

The Lake Township Planning Commission is currently reviewing and discussing 4 different wind ordinances/drafts. These are, Lake Township's original wind draft, Huron County, Chandler Township, and Riga Township's wind ordinances are being looked at to draft a wind ordinance that will be in the best interest and benefit Lake Township.

## ORV ORDINANCE . . . . .

The use and enforcement of ORV's in Lake Township falls under the jurisdiction of Huron County. The Lake Township Board of Trustees has opted to adopt the County ordinance. Please follow proper licensing, schooling and safety matters. Ride safely. More information can be obtained by visiting [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net).

## PLANNING COMMISSION NEWS...

On September 11, 2010, Gerry Geppert, long-time resident of Lake Township and member of the Planning Commission passed away. Gerry's many years of service and dedication will be missed. His position on the Lake Township Planning Commission was filled by Jeffery Krohn. Mr. Krohn is a Lake Township property owner and life-long resident of Huron County. He resides near Elkton with his wife Stephanie and 2 sons. He looks forward to serving the community.

## MEDICAL MARIJUANA . . . . .

The Lake Township Board of Trustees made a motion at the meeting of September 20, 2010 to put a six (6) month moratorium on any medical marijuana ordinance in Lake Township. The Planning Commission is looking into how the Township should proceed regarding this matter.

## SECURITY. . . . .

Last winter, there were numerous break-ins in Lake Township and the surrounding areas. Please keep this in mind and if you will be away from your property for any amount of time, all valuables should be removed or have a nearby resident check your home.

## NEW WEBSITE . . . . .

The redesigned website is up and running. We thank you for your patience during this time. Visit us online at: [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net)

## KEEP US UPDATED... . . . .

Once again, please remember to fill out a **Change of Address Form** when you move or leave the area for a long period of time. Remember that if we have the wrong address, this will prevent us from sending you important documents such as Assessment Notices, Tax Bills, etc. If you have another residence and will be gone in early March, please make sure the Post Office has a forwarding address when you leave in the fall to ensure that you receive your Assessment Notice. Changes of Address forms are available by calling 989-856-4867 or on our website at: [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net)

## SNOW FENCING.....

Please keep in mind that snow fences put in place in the fall must be removed by May 1<sup>st</sup> per Lake Township Zoning Ordinance. Please contact Arnie Russell, Lake Township Zoning Administrator for further information (989) 856-4867.

## ASSESSOR . . . . .

Jo Wolschlager, Lake Township Assessor is available every Tuesday evening from 7:00 pm to 8:00pm at the Township Hall. She is also available for appointments by calling the Lake Township Hall at 989-856-4867.

## BOARD OF REVIEW . . . . .

Members: Louis Bushey, Bill Osborne, and Len Pilato.

The Board will meet December 14, 2010 at 6:30pm for the correction of clerical errors and mutual mistakes.

The March Board of Review organizational meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of March. Additional dates in March will be scheduled for property owners who wish to protest their assessments. More information will be listed on the website in late February. Please visit [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net) for these dates and times.

## BURNING PERMITS . . . . .

A burning permit is required if you are going to be burning leaves and tree trimmings. Call the Fire Department at **989.856.9198**. Leave your name, address, phone number and scheduled date of burning. **It is illegal to burn garbage pursuant to Lake Township General Ordinance 2005-01. Burning trash is unhealthy and harmful to our environment and your neighbors.** For more information, General Ordinance 2005-01 is posted on our website: [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net)

## 2011 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Our recycling program is being handled by Diva Disposal.

Volunteers are no longer needed. Effective October 1, 2010 the list of acceptable recycle items was updated by Diva. Lists of acceptable items are available upon request at the Lake Township Transfer Station or visit our website at [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net)

Recycling hours are from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on the third Sunday of the month.

Please **DO NOT** drop off recyclables at the Transfer Station on any dates other than the following:

**December 19<sup>th</sup>**

**January 16<sup>th</sup>**

**February 20<sup>th</sup>**

**March 20<sup>th</sup>**

**April 17<sup>th</sup>**

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

**June 19<sup>th</sup>**

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

### TRANSFER STATION HOURS

**Dave Ferris, Attendant**

**November – April**

Sundays 9:00am – 4:00pm

**May – October**

Saturdays & Sundays 9:00am – 4:00pm

### EMAIL UPDATES . . . . .

If you have not already done so, please visit [www.laketownship.net](http://www.laketownship.net) to sign up to receive informational emails regarding Lake Township announcements, meetings, agendas, and newsletters. This form can also be mailed directly to you by calling the office at 989-856-4867.

### MAILING ADDRESS . . . . .

(Name of Official)	Valerie McCallum, Clerk
P.O. Box 429	P.O. Box 1025
Caseville, MI 48725	Caseville, MI 48725

Email: [info@laketownship.net](mailto:info@laketownship.net)

### PORT AUSTIN LIBRARY 989-738-7212

Residents of Lake Township are welcome at the Port Austin Township Library. For general questions or to inquire about their hours, please call the number above.

## TOWNSHIP SCHEDULE

### Office hours

Telephone: 989-856-4867

Fax: 989-856-9710

The Township Hall Offices are open:

Monday thru Friday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and during Supervisor hours (M-W-F 8:00 am to 10:00 am.)

Official's office hours may vary. It is best to call ahead or make an appointment if you need to speak to a Township official.

Township Board Meeting-Township Hall

Time – 7:30 PM (6:30 PM December-February)

Day - Third Monday (March-last Monday.)

### Planning Commission Meeting - Township Hall

Time 7:00 pm

Day – Fourth Wednesday -No meetings Nov. and Dec.

Additional meetings may be scheduled and posted.

Members: Dave Szumlinski, Gordon Krueger, Jeff Krohn, Deb McBride, Dale Hartsell

### Zoning Board of Appeals-Township Hall

Time – 7:30 pm Wednesdays upon appeal application. Members: Louis Bushey, Ric Geilhart, Gordon Krueger, Jeanne Henry, and Robert Hyzer

**Fire Board (CAFPA)** meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the Caseville Fire Hall. Lake Township members: Len Pilato and Russ Mangiapane.

**Construction Board of Appeals** meets upon appeal application. Members: Richard McIhargie, Michael Molascon, Steven Fulgham.

### Township Board

Supervisor – Robert T. Smith

Deputy Supervisor – Patricia Smith

Clerk – Valerie McCallum

Deputy Clerk – Kathleen Bolton

Treasurer – Dorothy Fischer

Deputy Treasurer – Moira Foster

Trustees – Robert Hyzer, Dale Hartsell

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR-ARNIE RUSSELL

BUILDING INSPECTOR-TORY GEILHART

OFFICE SECRETARY-LISA KONKE

*Lake Township would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a joyous holiday season and a prosperous and Happy New Year.*