



WAYNE TOWNSHIP

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

Monday	December 2, 2019	7:30 pm
Monday	January 6, 2020	7:30 pm
Monday	February 3, 2020	7:30 pm
Monday	March 2, 2020	7:30 pm

FIRE BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday	January 2, 2020	7:30 pm
Thursday	January 30, 2020	7:30 pm
Thursday	February 27, 2020	7:30 pm

WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD

Supervisor	Dr. Frank Butts	269-782-5250
Clerk	Kurt Reich	269-782-6555
Treasurer	Judith Fusko	269-423-8357
Trustee	Jim Griggs	269-782-7890
Trustee	Frank Maley	269-462-5143

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS

Zoning	Mark Davis	269-414-3159
Building	Don Herter	269-363-2847
Electrical	John Peters	269-783-0510
Plumbing	John Dobberteen	269-651-4567
Mech'cal	John Dobberteen	269-651-4567

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Assessor	Bill Kays	269-621-3604
Cnty Treas.	Hope Anderson	269-445-4468
Bd Comm.	Terry Ausra	269-782-5517
Cemet'y Mgr	Michael Krager	269-782-9631

BAD WEATHER? – CALL AHEAD!

If the weather is bad – please call to see if the Treasurer's Office is open before you venture out – I don't open on nasty days!

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269-782-7017

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The Wayne Township Hall is located at the corner of Marcellus Highway and Glenwood Road.

WINTER 2019 NEWSLETTER

TOWNSHIP HALL HOURS

Treasurer

December 1, 2019 – March 2, 2020

Monday – 4 – 6 p.m.

Tuesday – 1 – 4 p.m.

Taxes will be accepted during any of the hours listed above and also during these additional hours:

From 1 – 4 p.m. on the following Fridays:
December 6 & 20; February 14 & 28, and –

Tuesday, December 31 – 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Monday, March 2 – 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

March 3 – June 30, 2020

Tuesday – 1 – 4 p.m.

Clerk

Wednesday – 1 – 4 p.m.

Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector

Thursday – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

IF YOU NEED TAX INFORMATION

Contact the Township Treasurer at
269-782-7017

BIG CHANGES IN MICHIGAN'S ELECTION LAWS

ADDRESS CORRECTIONS REQUESTED

2019 Winter Taxes are due on March 2, 2020

February 14, 2020 is the State mandated due date for Winter 2019 property taxes. The State has offered a provision to allow local units of government to collect until the last day of February without penalty or interest due from the taxpayer. Wayne Township has always chosen to exercise that option for the benefit of our taxpayers.

Between September 17, 2019 and March 2, 2020, late Summer 2019 taxes are payable at the Township Treasurer's office. There is a 1% per month fee added to the Summer 2019 taxes. **You must include the late fee with your payment!** After March 2, 2020, additional interest and fees apply and the tax must be paid to the Cass County Treasurer.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Enclose a copy of the tax bill or the perforated top portion of the bill
- Include the tax parcel ID number to ensure proper credit
- If paying multiple parcels with one check, identify how much should be credited to each parcel ID
- If the tax bill is underpaid, you may be subject to interest charges
- Wayne Township is NOT able to accept payment by credit card
- If paying in cash, please bring the exact amount
- Make checks payable to "Wayne Township Treasurer."
- Mail to : **Wayne Township Treasurer; P.O. Box 304; Dowagiac, MI 49047**

In November, 2018 the people of the State of Michigan passed Proposal 3. The passage of this proposal brought about the biggest changes in Michigan's election laws in many years. The purpose of these changes was to allow more people to vote. While there are some complicated parts, overall more people have voted in areas of Michigan that have held elections since 2018. The Changes in the election laws center around two areas – voter registration and absentee voting.

Voter Registration: The old law required a person to register to vote thirty days before the election. The NEW election law allows a person to register to vote on the day of the election. Up until 15 days before the election a person may register to vote at a Secretary of State branch office, at their County Clerk's office, at their Township Clerk's office, at a designated state agency or by mail. During the next two weeks and on Election Day, a person must register to vote in person at their township clerk's office and have one of the following: their driver's license, a State ID card, a current utility bill, a paycheck, a bank statement, a government check or other government document. Your name and address must be on these documents.

Absentee Voting: Any registered voter may now vote absentee with no reason given. Applications to vote absentee are available at county and township offices or online at Michigan.gov/Vote. Mailed-in applications must be received by 5 p.m. the Friday before the election. Voters can also drop off their application at their township clerk's office by 4 p.m. the Monday before Election Day and pick up their ballot. Ballots in the secrecy envelope must be signed and received by 8 p.m. on Election Day. A voter may request to be put on a permanent absentee voter list by giving their clerk a signed letter requesting this. All voters on this list will automatically be sent an application before all elections.

If you have any questions feel free to call Township Clerk Kurt Reich at 269-782-6555 or visit me at the Township Hall on Wednesday between 1 and 4 p.m.