

KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

SPRING/SUMMER 2016

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Office Hours
Mon—Wed 8:00—12:00, 1:00—5:00
Thur 9—12, 1—4
CLOSED FRIDAY

OFFICE CLOSED

May 30 Memorial Day
July 4 Independence Day
September 5 Labor Day
October 10 Columbus Day
November 24 Thanksgiving
January 16 Martin Luther
King Day
February 20 Presidents Day



**Don't Forget
To Vote
August 2—Primary
November 8—General**

HOUSE NUMBER SIGNS

Make sure emergency vehicles can find your house. If you would like a green reflective house number sign to put on your mailbox you may come to the office and purchase one for \$15.00.

FROM THE SUPERVISOR

Hours: Monday—Wednesday 8–12, 1–5

Smart911.com

Smart911 is a free service provided by Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch to help you plan ahead for any emergency. What if there is a fire, medical emergency, or a child goes missing? When you dial 9-1-1, you're panicked and even the simplest of details like an address or medical notes can be hard to remember. Smart911 is a new service in the community that will allow you to create a Safety Profile at www.smart911.com for your household that includes any information you want 9-1-1 to have in the event of an emergency. When you dial 9-1-1, your Safety Profile is automatically displayed to the 9-1-1 call taker, aiding them in sending help to your location with the most up to date information. Responders can be aware of many details they would not have known previously, and now your Fire Department can arrive at a house fire knowing how many people live in the home and the location of bedrooms. EMS personnel can be advised of allergies or specific medical conditions and police can have the photo of a missing person in seconds rather than minutes or hours. Smart 911 is private and secure, is exclusively used for emergency responses, and only made available to the 9-1-1 system in the event of an emergency call.

Beware of Smombies

Smombies—when you combine a smartphone and a zombie, or rather an unobservant pedestrian. They are everywhere and they make our daily commute even more dangerous than before. Some researchers are now blaming our smart devices for around 10% of pedestrian injuries, with a half-dozen deaths per year. While distracted driving does lead to more severe injuries, incidents involving smombies are becoming more common. If your waiting for the smombie cure or maybe a walking-hands-free app, it might be awhile. In the meantime, try using your smarts when interacting with smart devices and watch where you're going...for your safety and those around you.



FROM THE CLERK

Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 8-12, 1-5

Just a reminder the Primary Election will be on August 2 and the last day to register for the Primary is July 5. The General Election will be on November 8 and the last to register for the General is Oct 11. If anyone is interested in being an election inspector, training will be held on June 22, 1:00 at the BAISD for current inspectors and June 28, 1:00 at the BAISD for NEW inspectors. If interested, please contact the clerk to fill out an application 686-8710.

FROM THE ASSESSOR

Hours: Monday 8-12, 1-5

Another tax season is here. When you get your tax bill, please check it immediately for any errors. Clerical issues can be addressed at the July and December Board of Review. Assessment issues can be addressed by appointment at the March Board of Review.

Make sure you file your *Transfer Affidavit* and your *Principal Residence Affidavit*, when you purchase a new home so that we can make sure you get credit for living at your new residence. If you are buying a home please remember to file a *Home Owners Principal Residence Exemption Affidavit* with the Assessor.

If you are thinking about selling lots or a portion of your property, you **must** file a Land Division Application. Otherwise, the party you are selling the land to will not be able to obtain permits, as this is an illegal split. Also, if you are planning on tearing down a building we require you to purchase a Demolition permit for

\$10.00. This helps us to keep any non-existing buildings off your assessment. Anyone filing for Veterans Exemption, this needs to be done yearly. If you have any questions or concerns please call me at (989) 686-8710 or go to www.michiganassessor.org.

FROM THE TREASURER

Hours Monday-Thursday 9 -12, 1-4

Summer tax bills are due and payable July 1 - Sept 14, 2016. Please call the Treasurers Office at 686-8710 ext 223 if you do not receive your tax notice as the State law says a property owner is responsible for property taxes (including late charges that may accrue) regardless of whether or not a bill was received. When you receive your tax bill, **PLEASE open immediately** and check for errors. Some errors need to be corrected through the Board of Review, which takes place July 19, and once corrected may affect the tax amount on your bill. The sooner these errors are caught the easier they are to correct. If you pay by mail or use the drop box and would like a "paid receipt", we ask that you please enclose a

Stamped, self-addressed envelope. We accept only cash, check or money order for payment of taxes. We do not accept credit cards. Any tax bill not paid by Sept 14, 2016 will have a 1% interest added from the 15-30 and another 1% every month after. You can pay your summer taxes here in the Kawkawlin Office until February 28, 2017.

The last day to apply for Summer Tax Deferral is Sept. 14, 2016.

Also, please remember if you are filing for Personal Property Tax Exemption (form 5076) or Disabled Veterans Exemption (form 5107) it must be done annually. We have these forms in the office or they

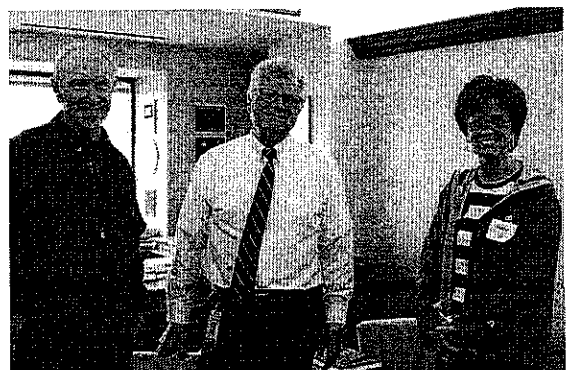
Can be found on our website: www.kawkawlintwp.org or at Michigan.gov.

Dates to remember:

- July 4 - Closed
- Sept 5 - Closed
- Sept 14 - Summer Taxes Due w/o interest
- Oct 10 - Closed
- Nov 24 - Closed
- Jan 16 - Closed
- Feb 14 - Winter Taxes Due w/o penalty
- Feb 20 - Closed
- Feb 28 - Last Day to Pay Summer/Winter Taxes in Kawkawlin Twp.

Capital Conference - Lansing, MI

On April 12 & 13 some of the Board Members attended the MTA Capital Conference in Lansing. The Keynote Speaker was Governor Rick Snyder. A few of the topics discussed at the conference were Medical Marijuana, Dark Stores, Personal Property Tax Changes and State Grants. We were also given the opportunity to meet with Representative Charles Brunner and Senator Mike Green.





FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Hours: Monday-Saturday 9-5

This is a friendly reminder that if you are going to burn any materials at all you must come to the Fire Dept. to obtain and sign for a burning permit (Mon - Sat 9 - 5). If the Fire Department receives any complaints a unit will be dispatched to check the complaint out. If the firefighter determines that the fire is a violation of any of the rules the fire will be extinguished and the permit will be revoked.

This mandate has been in effect since June of 2005.

FIRE HYDRANTS

If there is a fire hydrant located on or near your property we ask that you please keep it clear of tall grass, weeds, debris and snow.

Smoke/CO Detectors

Please remember to change the batteries in your detectors twice a year. A good rule of thumb: change your clocks, change your batteries.

****INTERESTED IN BEING A FIREFIGHTER?***

You must be at least 18 yrs of age and a high school graduate or possess a G.E.D. You must fill out an application and upon approval must be willing to have 12 hrs of documented training during

your first 6 months probation period. If interested, please contact the fire department 686-8710.

MILLAGE RENEWAL

We would like to Thank the residents of Kawkawlin Township in supporting the Fire Department Millage Renewal. The money received from this millage goes towards maintenance, housing and necessary equipment used to keep our firefighters safe. We have recently purchased a new truck that is scheduled to be delivered in early 2017.



DOG/CAT LICENSES

Dog and cat licenses may be purchased at the Kawkawlin Township Office. Please remember to bring your Bay County renewal form along with proof of rabies vaccination.

**BAY COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL
SPRING SCRAP TIRE DRIVE**

Help eliminate mosquito breeding sites in your area. Help clean up our environment!

June 4, 2016

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Bay County Mosquito Control, 810 Livingston Ave, Bay City, MI 48708
(989) 894-4555

10 Car & Pickup Trucks rimless tires accepted, Please no commercial businesses!

2016 Road Projects

Road	Section	Miles	Project	Cost	With Fog Seal
Fraser	Beaver to South of river	2	Single seal/Fog seal	41,302	46,464
Townline 14*	7 to 8 mile	1	Single seal/Fog seal	10,326	11,616
Wetters	Huron Rd to East End	0.9	Double seal	45,000	47,500
Bond	River to Schmidt	0.4	Add aggregate/Double seal	37,248	38,544
Schmidt	Bond to Huron	0.8	Add aggregate/Double seal	80,263	82,844
Mosher	Beaver to Seidlers	1	Add aggregate/Double seal	102,076	104,657
Seidlers**	7 to 8 mile	1	Crush and shape & aggregate		90,347
	Various Roads		350 tons Seal Blend	23,450	23,450
Totals				339,665	445,422

*Our cost of split with Monitor Twp.

**Seidlers Rd cost without cement stabilization and with cement stabilization.

KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS

Dennis Bragiel - Supervisor
Greg Petrimoulx - Clerk
Melissa Klass - Treasurer
Melvin McNally - Trustee
Jack Hetherington - Trustee

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS 7:00 p.m.

June 2, 2016	July - No Meeting
August 4, 2016	September 1, 2016
October 6, 2016	November 3, 2016
December 1, 2016	January 5, 2017
February 2, 2017	March 2, 2017

BOARD MEETINGS

2016			
May 9	7:00 pm	May 24	4:00 pm
June 13	7:00 pm	June 28	4:00 pm
July 11	7:00 pm	July 26	4:00 pm
Aug 8	7:00 pm	Aug 23	4:00 pm
Sept 12	7:00 pm	Sept 27	4:00 pm
Oct 11	7:00 pm	Oct 25	4:00 pm
Nov 7	7:00 pm	Nov 22	4:00 pm
Dec 12	7:00 pm	Dec 27	4:00 pm
Jan 9	7:00 pm	Jan 24	4:00 pm
Feb 13	7:00 pm	Feb 28	4:00 pm
Mar 13	7:0 pm	Mar 28	4:00 pm

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