

KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

FALL/WINTER 2017

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Office Hours
Supervisor, Mon - Wed: 8 - 12, 1 - 5
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Treasurer, Mon - Thurs: 9 - 12, 1 - 4
CLOSED FRIDAYS

OFFICE CLOSED

November 23 Thanksgiving
December 25, 26, 28, 29
Christmas
January 1, 2 New Year
January 15 Martin Luther
King Day
February 19 Presidents Day

FROM THE SUPERVISOR

Hours: Monday–Wednesday 8–12, 1–5

The Medical Marihuana Facilities Act Ordinance was adopted by the Board at a Special meeting held on October 25. The Township will start receiving applications for Medical Marihuana Facilities December 1, 2017. Applications, check list and Ordinance can be found on the web site in the drop down window under Medical Marihuana.

The Road Commission asks that you shake your mail box to make sure that it is in good shape with a solid post and box firmly attached to the post. If a snow plow hits your mail box, please contact the Road Commission at 686-4610 to find out about getting it replaced.

If you have a fire hydrant near your house please try and help keep it from being buried by snow. Plow snow away from it so that if it is needed the fire department can find them.

Get on my Twp. update email list by sending an email to supervisor@kawkawlintwp.org. Check out the Township web site for meeting dates and join us at the Township meetings to see what is going on.

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 CLERK

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

Next year Kawkawlin Township will be celebrating its *Sesquicentennial*—150 year anniversary, and our Fire Department will be celebrating its 70 year anniversary. We are planning a joint celebration on July 20 & 21, 2018. We are currently in the early stages of planning and have several ideas on what we would like to do. If anyone has any ideas on what we could do or would like to help with this celebration, please contact me at 686-8710. I will be sending out more information as the date gets closer.



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 DIVISION ON AGING—KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP HALL SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

Kawkawlin Senior Activity Center: Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 - 12:30,
Lunch served at 12:00. Reservations are encouraged by noon one day in advance. Make reservations by calling 686-5127, Marla Backus.
Wednesday & Thursday Smear & Euchre 9:00,
Wednesday Line Dancing with Milissa, \$3 fee, at 10:00 (advanced) and 11:00 (beginner)
Thursday Bingo 12:30

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

Winter tax bills are due and payable without interest December 1 - February 14, 2018. Remember, if our office is closed, you may use the drop box located just outside the door. 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 December 12, 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 February 14, 2018 will have a 3% penalty added from the 15-30th.

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: Kawkawlintwp.org. or at Michigan.gov.

Dates to remember:

- Nov 23 - Closed
- Dec 25, 26, 28, 29 - Closed**
- Dec 27 - Open 8:00 - 5:00**
- Jan 1, 2, 15 - Closed
- Feb 14 - Winter Taxes Due
- Feb 19 - Closed
- Feb 28 - Last Day to Pay Summer/Winter Taxes in Kawkawlin Twp.



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.



STREET LIGHT OUT?

Call Consumers Energy at 1-800-477-5050 or go to ConsumersEnergy.com. Be ready to give cross streets or address nearest the outage.



TRASH/RECYCLE

If you did not get your trash, recycle, or yard waste picked up after you had it out on time on your scheduled day, call 1-800-578-2664 the same day or you won't get it picked up until the next scheduled date. If you need a list of what is acceptable and what is not, you can go to our website: www.kawkawlintwp.org and view the recycle guide located under Residents Information/Recycle Yard Waste Schedule. If you have a large item to be picked up you need to call ahead and

schedule a pick-up time. **The last yard waste pick-up will be November 24 & 25.**

A reminder to anyone who is dumping brush in the Southwest corner of the ball field to be burned, please **NO** tires or trash of any kind. It is for brush only, and **twigs/trunks must not be any more than 2" thick**. Anyone caught violating these rules may be fined up to \$500.00



NEED TO REPORT A ROAD PROBLEM

Go to baycoroad.org, Citizen Connect and fill out the form .

KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS

Dennis Bragiel - Supervisor
Greg Petrimoulx - Clerk
Melissa Klass - Treasurer
Melvin McNally - Trustee
Kendall MacConnell - Trustee

2017/2018

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS 7:00 p.m.

June 1	July - No Meeting
August 3	September 7
October 5	November 2
December 7	January 4
February 1	March 1

BOARD MEETINGS

June 12	7:00 pm
July 10	7:00 pm
Aug 14	7:00 pm
Sept 11	7:00 pm
Oct 10	7:00 pm
Nov 13	7:00 pm
Dec 11	7:00 pm
Jan 8	7:00 pm
Feb 12	7:00 pm
Mar 12	7:00 pm

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