

KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP NEWS

SPRING/SUMMER 2012

1836 E. Parish Rd.
Kawkawlin, MI 48631
(989) 686-8710

Office Hours
M-TH 8:00—12:00, 1:00 - 5:00
CLOSED FRIDAYS

From The Treasurer

Summer tax bills will be mailed out on July 1, 2012 and are due on September 14, 2012. Please call the Kawkawlin Township Office at 686-8710 if you do not receive your tax notice. If you pay by mail or use the drop box and would like a "paid receipt", you must enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. We accept only cash or check for payment of taxes, we do not accept credit cards. Any tax bill (unless deferred) not paid by September 14 will incur a 1% late fee from the 15th—30th, then another 1% every month thereafter. A 3% penalty will be added from Feb 15—28, 2013. As of March 1, 2013 all unpaid bills (except personal property) will be sent to the Bay County Treasurers office for collection. Please remember summer deferrals need to be applied for yearly and completed by September 14, 2012.

May 28 — Office Closed

July 1—Summer Tax Bill Mailed

July 4 — Office Closed

July 17 — Board of Review

September 3 — Office Closed

September 14 — Sumer Taxes Due/Application for Summer deferrals due.

Attention Kawkawlin Township

Residents

The Board has hired a new Assessor, Joan Fackler. The Board has also approved a complete reappraisal of the township. There will be crews going around to do these appraisals so don't get alarmed. This is being done in order to get our records brought up to date. Call the office if you have any questions.

From The Assessor

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's Principal Residence Exemption Affidavit with the Assessor. The residence must be owned and occupied by May 1 and you must be living there for at least 6 months of the year to qualify. 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. If you have a question about anything, please call Joan Fackler, the Assessor, at 686-8710.

From The Clerk

Because of the change in precinct boundary lines everyone will be receiving new voter cards. Just as a reminder July 9 is the last day to register for the August primary and Oct. 9 is the last day to register for the General Election.

Consumers Energy

Consumers Energy has contracted American Energy Services to do inspections on their utility poles. These inspections need to be done on the poles, so this will require their employees walking on private property to get to the poles.



Recycle bins are available for \$3.00 at the Kawkawlin Township Office. We also have rain barrels for \$25.00. 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 recycle date. Yard waste pick-up began April 5 and runs through November 30, 2012.

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

6th Annual KAWKAWLIN DAYS CAR SHOW

Sunday May 20, 2012

Kawkawlin Township Hall

Entry Fee: \$10.00, Registration: Noon—1

Voting: 1—2:30, Trophies: 4 p.m.

Dash plaques to first 60 registered, 1 Best of Show, Top 30 (participant vote), 8 driver ticket awards
50/50 raffle

Proceeds benefit Kawkawlin Park

For more info: Mike Gerish (989) 684-1748

DOG AND 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.

HOUSE NUMBER SIGNS

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. *Make sure emergency vehicles can find your house.*

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT



Hours: Monday - Saturday 9 - 12 & 1 - 5

Burning Permits

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. If the Fire Department receives any complaints a unit will be dispatched to check the complaint out. If the fire fighter determines that the fire is a violation of any of the rules the fire shall be extinguished and this permit shall 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 snow, weeds and debris.

Fireworks

Any person intending to sell, transport, possess, discharge or cause to be discharged any Class 1.3 or Class B fireworks as described by MCLA 750.243a of Michigan PA 328, as amended, must meet all requirements of Michigan PA 328. An application must be filled out and then approved by the Kawkawlin Township Board. There is a \$50.00 permit application fee. Please call or stop by the Kawkawlin Township Office for an application and our fireworks rules/regulations policy.

Millage Renewal

The current fire millage is due to expire in December. There will be a millage renewal request on the August primary ballot. Your continued support for this millage would be appreciated.

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.