

KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP NEWS

FALL/WINTER 2011

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

Winter tax bills will be mailed out on December 1, 2011 and are due on February 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 self-addressed, stamped envelope. We accept only cash or check for payment of taxes, we do not accept credit cards. All tax bills not paid by February 14 will have a 3% penalty added from the 15—28. As of March 1, all 2011 and prior taxes (except personal property) must be paid to the Bay County Treasurer.

December 1—Winter tax bill mailed

December 13—Board of Review

December 30—The Treasurers office will be open until 2:00

February 14—Winter taxes due. The treasurers office will be open until 5:00.

February 15-28—A 3% penalty will be added to any unpaid balance

March 1—All 2011 and prior taxes must be paid to the Bay County Treasurer's Office



From The Assessor

Another tax season is here starting on December 1, 2011. **When you get your tax bill, please check it immediately for any errors.** Clerical issues can be addressed at the 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 **Homeowner'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 Tom Boetefuer, the Assessor, at 686-8710.

From The Supervisor

On August 14 I attended a wind summit at SVSU. This summit was very informational. I was told that if Kawkawlin Twp. is interested in being looked at as a potential wind farm area there are some things that we can do to increase our chances of being chosen. On the average it takes about 4 years to put a farm together, with zoning, planning and easements required. To help speed this up a township should have these in place and have an area where these farms would be accepted. Kawkawlin Twp has a wind power ordinance in effect and our zoning allows them in Agricultural zones. If there are any land owners interested in trying to secure a wind farm in Kawkawlin Twp please contact me at 686-8710.



Please remember to come out and vote on November 8 for the school election.



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.

RECYCLE

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.

November 17 & 18 will be the last days for yard waste pick-up

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



Meeting Dates

Township Board meetings are held the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and the last Tuesday of every month at 4:00p.m.

Office Closed

November 24 - Thanksgiving Day

December 26 - Christmas

January 2 - New Year's

January 16 - Martin Luther King Day

January 24, 25, 26 - Winter Conference

February 20 - Presidents Day

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

Dick Sabias - Zoning/Building Inspector
Bill Rosenbrock - Electrical Inspector
Del Bedford - Plumbing Inspector
Tom Boetefuer - Assessor

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