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# NEWSLETTER

# NOVEMBER 2022

## What's Happening in OUR Township...

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

At the most recent meeting we reviewed several ideas for community involvement including Adopt-a-family food drive and more, Holiday Party, and a Carnival at the Hall. Our recent Trunk or Treat was very successful with about 250 residents. Working on debt relief and funding opportunities for Water Phase 2. The Board is looking at cost analysis for current assessments, future GAA/Budget. Reviewing previous resolutions, guidelines, policy and staff procedures. Also the checks and balance of all accounts continues. We are reviewing planned expenditures and making sure any expenses stay within the Amended Balanced Budget.

### PLANNING COMMISSION

A special meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 30th at 7:00 pm at the township hall. Members of the commission will be voting on whether or not to allow the use of Economy Efficient Dwellings (Tiny Homes) and manufactured homes as dwellings. The commission will also be voting on whether or not to allow more than one dwelling on a parcel. Finally, the commission will be voting on whether or not to reduce the acreage and road frontage requirements. Residents are encouraged to attend this meeting and the commission welcomes thoughts and comments during the public hearing portion of the meeting.

### GRANT COMMITTEE

The Grant Committee meets twice a month (1st and 3rd Mon) until the end of the year. Searching out Grant funds available to OUR township. Recently sent in a Grant Applications for two AED Defibrillator units for the Twp Hall. Continuing to work on the Strategic Plan. Committee members also continue to look for more grants to apply for funds, either matching or non matching funds for different areas of our Township. Upcoming meeting Nov. 21st, and Dec. 5th, 7pm at the Hall.



## HALL NEWS



Hall recycling is a service provided with minimal cost to residents (included in the budget with curbside services on our winter property taxes). This service includes cardboard, plastics, paper, metal and glass. We've added a separate bin for deposit returnables for cans/bottles as a fundraiser for the Park.



### ADOPT A FAMILY FOOD DRIVE AND WISH LIST:

Food drive for a local family in conjunction with Floyd Elementary School to provide a holiday meal, including turkey and trimmings, gifts from their wish list, cleaning supplies, and more. Residents may drop off donations to the Hall M-F 9:00 am -3:00 PM. For sizes and/or wish list, please call or email the Township Board of Trustees (theboard@leetownship.org)

# ZONING ADMINISTRATION

Residents are advised that there have been some recent zoning changes which pertain to dwellings and signs which simplify the application and approval process. First, the placement and construction of dwellings now requires administrative approval from the Zoning Administrator rather than from the Planning Commission. The construction of residential dwellings are still subject to oversight by the Township Code Authority. Second, placement and construction of permanent signs now requires administrative approval from the Zoning Administrator rather than the Township Code Authority. Application forms are available at the township hall and will soon be available on-line as well.

**Lee Township Board:**  
theboard@leetownship.org  
Supervisor Doug Kruger  
Clerk Laura Dawson  
Treasurer Heidi Pitt  
Trustee Mark List  
Trustee Debra Reiber  
Deputy Supervisor Jasna Appell  
Deputy Clerk Marie Hickerson  
Deputy Treasurer Jessica Barber  
**Next Meeting:**  
December 12, 2022

**State & Local Representatives:**  
Representative John Moolenaar  
Senator Gary Peters  
Senator Debbie Stabenow  
Commissioner Steven Glaser  
County Clerk Ann Manary  
County Treasurer Catherine Lunsford  
County Attorney J. Dee Brooks  
Drain Commissioner Joseph Sova  
County Sheriff Myron Greene

**Trivia Question:**  
What month and year did Lee Twp receive the most snowfall? How many inches?  
1. Jan 2006 - 29"  
2. Feb 1965 - 31"  
3. Jan 1934 - 24"  
4. Jan 1980 - 34"  
5. Jan 1918 - 33"  
**Last months answer:**  
Lee Twp Cemetery

## OTHER NEWS

### TOWNSHIP NEWS:

- Our Park, Manitou Park, and Chippewa Nature Center are now closed
- December 10th will be a holiday resident meet and celebrate the holiday 1-4 pm
- January 8th Fundraising Carnival 1-4 pm Including games for the kids, food trucks, snacks, drinks, and more. Modern Woodmen matching grant up to \$2500 for ADA-compliant Swing for disabled children to be added to our Park Playground.
- If you have a Lee Twp Cemetery deed or document. We'd love to see them. We can update/verify our records if any information has changed (transferred etc.)
- Sponsored by Chelsey Jaskiewicz a Winter Clothing Drive, drop off gently used items to Hall.

### Lee Township Fire Department News: (LTFD)

Lee Township Fire Department is accepting applications for firefighters and/or medical first responders. If you're interested, please contact Daryl Amrozowicz, Chief, at 989-615-0645 with any questions.

**WINTER PROPERTY TAX BILLS WILL BE MAILED EARLY DECEMBER:** Treasurer's office is open Mon-Fri 9 am-3 pm. Extended hours on Wednesday, December 28th, 9 am-5 pm. Last day for winter property tax payments without penalty/interest is February 28th. Board of Review Dates to be posted soon.

**Burning permits** are required any time that snow is not covering the ground. Only brush, grass and leaves may be burned. Tires, furniture, plastic, building materials, household waste are only a few examples of items that are **ILLEGAL** to burn at any time. Burn permits can be obtained online at [www.Michigan.gov/burnpermit](http://www.Michigan.gov/burnpermit) or by calling 866-922-BURN (866-922-2876)

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Columbarium Niches are available for \$225 each and Cemetery Plots 5 for \$2,000 or 1 for \$500, contact the Clerk at Lee Twp Hall for more information.
- How can I get permits and forms? Example: Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Water District 1, Homestead Exemption, Veteran Exemption, Hardship application and more are available. Permits, Forms, Applications, Minutes, and Reports are available at the Township Hall.

*SOUTH ENTRANCE (BACK DOOR) TO THE TOWNSHIP HALL IS OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY FROM 9AM - 3PM. SOME EXCEPTIONS ARE FOR HOLIDAYS AND/OR TRAINING. CALL THE HALL AT 989-832-2874 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND DETAILS.*