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# **NEWSLETTER**

# **MARCH 2023**

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



### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The February 13th meeting was a very busy meeting. We are looking to the future of our township, with the proposed budget getting the final adjustments. Income and Expenses are being closely reviewed with some changes coming. Evaluating our recycling to see what we can offer residents. Solid Waste project opportunities. Reevaluating our Park and what our residents have said is needed. We are working with residents on future steps to resolve complaints. Next meeting March 27 th for the Budget starting at 6pm and April 10 th for the next regular Board meeting starting at 7PM.

# NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FORMS:

In 1994 Proposal A capped taxable value increase to either the rate of inflation or 5% whichever was greater. This year is the first year that taxable value has capped at 5% due to a 7.9% inflation rate. This is reflected in your 2023 Notice of Assessment. More information available at the Hall or on our website.

### GRANT COMMITTEE

The Grant Committee meets twice a month (1st and 3rd Mon) Next meeting is March 20 th and April 3rd at the Hall at 7pm. Several Grants are in process for playground equipment.



Such an amazing grant fund for our township. SCBA's or self-contained breathing apparatus are designed for firefighters and professionals for performance and safety. This grant along with 10% funding from the Township will allow us to buy 16 SCBA's for our paid- on-call firefighters and first responders!

## NEED A NOTARY?



Clerk Laura is now a Notary. For the convenience of our residence, she will provide notary services free of charge. Stop in or call Laura for more information.

## PLANNING COMMISSION

On March 15th, 2023, the Planning Commission had a meeting and approved the Zoning change for a residential-ag property to change to commercial located west of Nine Mile on M20. Amendments to some of our current ordinances are being review at each meeting. Next meeting on Wednesday, April 19th, 2023, at 7 pm. As always, the public is encouraged to attend.

#### **ZONING ADMINISTRATION**

The Zoning Administrator would like to remind residents that the zoning ordinance along with the amendments and supplements to the ordinance is available on the Lee Township website under Planning. Also, Residential Site Plan Applications, Site Plan Review Applications, Special Use Permit Applications, Zoning **Board of Appeals Applications** and Zoning Change Applications are available on the website under Forms. Economy Efficient Dwellings (Tiny Homes) require a special use permit. Paper copies are available to pick up at the hall.

Lee Township Board:

theboard@leetownship.org
Supervisor Doug Kruger
Clerk Laura Dawson
Treasurer Heidi Pitt
Trustee Mark List
Trustee Debra Reiber
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989-832-2874 (ext 1, 2, 3,)
Next Meeting:
Budget - March 27, 2023
Board - April 10, 2023

State and Local Representatives:
Representative Dan Kildee
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:

In what year did the Homer-Lee Township sign a five-year contract for solid waste? Was it...

- 1960
- 1979
- 1973
- 1996

Last month's answer: Who served the most years as a Cemetery Sexton? Harry Kruger

For a burn permit. www.Michigan.gov/burnpermit or by calling 866-922-BURN (866-922-2876)

Sign up for the Newsletter at www.leetownship.org, bottom section on the homepage.

### **OTHER NEWS**



#### **TOWNSHIP NEWS:**

- 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.) If you already have a plot, we can list the names to make sure their location prior to needing the space. This will insure you have enough plots for your loved ones. Extra plots you will not use? Stop by the hall for options and more information.
- Volunteer or ask how to become involved in our township. Stop by the Hall for more information.
- 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, glass and a separate bin for deposit returnable for cans/bottles as a fundraiser for the park.

Lee Township Fire Department News: (LTFD) Our own PAID ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT 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.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Residents need to apply for Disabled Veterans Exemptions & Samp; Hardship Applications every year. These can be found on our Lee Twp Website or stop by the Hall for copies.
- Residents need to apply for Homestead (PRE) Exemption after they purchase a home or after a deed, transfer of property, or updating a Trust/Lifelease (Recordable deed). You also need a Property Transfer Affidavit. These can be found on our Lee Twp website or picked up at the hall.
- Columbarium Niches are available for \$250 each and Cemetery Plots 5 for \$2,000 or 1 for \$500, contact the Clerk at Lee Twp Hall for more information.
- How much does it cost to rent the Hall? Our hall seats 200 people, with a choice of round tables or rectangle tables, has a full kitchen, double ovens, lots of supplies, and looks beautiful when decorated for a special event. The rental is \$200 and a deposit of \$50. The application and calendar are on our website.
- Can I rent one of the park pavilions? Yes, there is one for rent, which holds it for you for the day of your event for \$80. Two other pavilions are available on a first come first serve basis. Check the calendar for availability and apply online on our website.