Lilley Township Newsletter



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SUPERVISOR:

Bob Bouwens reports on his work with an architect to develop a plan to improve the community building kitchen and entryway. The goal is to make changes and updates to separate the kitchen prep area from the dining walkway area.

He will be getting recommendations from a kitchen planner to complete a plan to submit to the township board.

The building and kitchen are long overdue to receive updates, and these would also meet the Commission on Aging standards to bring in meals.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

We are reminded that Special Event Applications are to be submitted at least 90 days prior to your event.

The Planning Commission recently recommended the approval of a new cell tower on M37 near 18 Mile. The Township Board approved the project. This should improve service between our township and the Baldwin area.

TREASURER:

Kathy Way advises us that **all 2023** taxes must be **RECEIVED** by **February 29, 2024**. Allow sufficient mailing time to be received by February 29, 2024.

Payment of property taxes may be made in person, mail, drop off box at her door or by credit card at www.allpaid.com or call 1-888-604-7888 and use PLC#6870.

Office dates and hours this season are December 29, 2023, and February 29, 2024 from 9am-5pm. Additional days, and times are flexible for taxpayer convenience. Call Kathy at 231-745-4233 for appointment.

DOG CLINIC: The Dog Clinic this winter is set for January 20, 2024, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm. at the fire station.

Barb Todd from Country Vet will be there with vaccinations for our dogs and cats.

FIRE & MFR DEPARTMENT:

Are you looking for a way to help in our community? We are looking for new recruits for fire and medical first responders. These are paid on-call positions. All training, education and supplies are provided with hourly pay for class hours.

There is also a bonus program for new recruits and current members who complete various training classes. Contact an officer for more information on opportunities for you. Anyone in our coverage area is welcome to join.

Recently the department secured a 10K grant to purchase 4 new radios for the department. Our thanks to Judy Hoving, Kathy Way, and Randy Price for their work on this.

BITELY BOYS:

We are informed that as of this writing, they plan on holding Thanksgiving dinner from 12-2pm and have yet to determine their plans on Christmas dinner. We hope to learn more soon.

They have been serving these dinners for almost 20 years as their thank you for the community's support of their fund raising activities that support such events as the children's Christmas.

Our thanks to the Bitely Boys for their good work in our community.

TRANSFER STATION:

Hours: Wed & Sat 9-1, Sun 9-5Closed Christmas and EasterOther holidays 1-5

Paint cans are accepted if filled with kitty litter or floor dry if not completely dried out. Please break down cardboard boxes before depositing them into the recycling unit. See Jeff Ford for more information on hazardous waste disposal.

We appreciate all you do to keep our transfer station costs down. It helps everyone. Thank you for recycling!

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BUILDING & ZONING:

Lilley Township is a **Zoned Community**.

Zoning ordinance copies are available on our website <u>lillleytownship.org</u> and in the clerk's office for \$20.00 each. The zoning fee schedule is also available.

Permits are required **PRIOR** to starting your project or land use.

See Jeff or Madalyn Wroblewski, Zoning Enforcement Officers to obtain necessary permits.

BOARD OF REVIEW:

Date for the December Board of Review is yet to be determined and will be announced on the website – Lilleytownship.org

CLERK:

Fran Nelson informs us that under Prop 2 of 2022, there are now 9 days of early voting required. Due to the extensive costs of equipment and personnel, the board approved her recommendation that we contract with the county to conduct the early voting in the 2024 elections. Questions on early voting may be directed to the Newaygo County Clerk 231-689-7235.

This will not change absentee voting or inperson voting on election days. These will continue to be conducted by Fran, her deputy Diane and our election workers as usual at the Multi-Purpose building.

TOWNSHIP BOARD:

Various groups and individuals use the building regularly in addition to all our boards and elections. The exercise room is available for our public and has handicap adaptive equipment. Please see Clerk, Fran Nelson to register for key access.

Board Meetings are the 2nd Monday monthly at 7:30 pm at the Multi-Purpose Building.

We are encouraged to attend. Bring your ideas, questions, and comments.