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NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2023

What's Happening in OUR Township...

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The January 9th meeting was a very busy meeting. Quite a few residents joined us. New policies for payroll. The Board is reviewing previous policies and updating them. Research and discussing with MTA and other townships as well as the State of Michigan are the best way to ensure policies/ordinances are current, and the best for our Township. The board members are learning every day. If we don't have the answer, we'll get the answers. Almost time for the 2023-2024 Budget, and the income and expenditures are being reviewed for short term and long-term budgeting.

GRANT COMMITTEE

The Grant Committee meets twice a month (1st and 3rd Mon) They just applied for a \$30,574 Firehouse Sub Grant. Our Grant committee secured the matching grant for the Family Carnival from Modern Woodmen Fraternal Financial. This grant is for an ADA Swing Set for disabled children and adults at OUR park. Next meeting is Jan 16th at the Hall. 7:00 pm

PLANNING COMMISSION

On January 4, 2023, the Planning Commission had a meeting and had preliminary discussions regarding three proposals. The first involves the utilization of mobile homes as single-family dwellings. The proposal would, in part, require mobile homes to comply with the same codes as all other single-family dwellings in the township. The second would create an Economy Efficient Dwelling District. The purpose of this proposal is to address a concentrated area of the township consisting mostly of existing nonconforming dwellings. Finally, the commission is considering updating Chapter 12 to make the permit process for special uses less burdensome on residents. It is anticipated that these three proposals will be discussed further at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 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: www.leetownship.org/planning-and-zoning. 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: www.leetownship.org/forms-and-permits. Paper copies are available at the hall. The Zoning Administrator can be reached at 989-832-2874 x5 or twpzoningadministrator@gmail.com

HALL NEWS



FAMILY CARNIVAL

Sunday, January 8th the Family Carnival was a huge success! Residents had fun playing the variety of games and bidding on the Silent Auction Items. We had wonderful sponsors who provided silent auction items. Volunteers to provide and run the games. No tax dollars were used for the prizes or any expenses. All expenses were covered by volunteers/sponsors. We raised over \$6,000 and counting. More Donations have arrived. We are pricing the best design for the wheelchair accessible swing set for our Park.

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:
February 13, 2023


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:
Lee Township Solid Waste Station has had a few employees over the years. Which one has not been an employee of the Solid Waste Station?

- Jim Rowe
- Melvin Anibal
- Eva Davis
- Doug Eastman

Last month's answer:
Twp Hall was built in 2015
& Ribbon Cutting June 2016

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

 **WINTER PROPERTY TAX BILL PAYMENTS:** Treasurer's office is open Mon-Fri 9 am-3 pm. The last day for winter property tax payments without penalty/interest is February 28th. (South entrance to Hall is open daily.)

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.)
- **COFFEE HOUR WITH A BOARD MEMBER:** residents are invited to join a member of the Township Board for a free cup of coffee at the Township Hall. The board member participating will depend upon board member availability. A perfect opportunity to get to know your elected officials and to share any thoughts, comments or concerns you may have. Not able to make it during a scheduled hour? No problem! Contact the township hall to schedule an appointment.
- **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)

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:

- In selling property, make sure you divide "split" the property prior to listing the property for sale, gifting or deeding the property. Remember when deeding or a portion of a parcel, you must first contact the township assessor to obtain "begin" the "split" process.
- 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 can I get permits, forms, applications, minutes? Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Water District 1, Exemptions like Homestead, Disabled Veteran, and Hardship. 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.