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NEWSLETTER

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What's Happening in OUR Township...

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The recent Board meeting was a very productive meeting. We are reviewing next year's road construction, battery recycling and insurance cost. We approved changing our phone system to save more money, purchased some splash pad parts from Midland County Parks and Rec for our Splash Pad. Discussed a new non-paid committee to provide needed support for our DNR Sparks Grant of \$650,000 two-year project. There are many details and requirements with tight deadlines to insure the best use of the funds for our PARK PROJECT. A map and information are available in the Hall. Our next regular meeting is December 11 at 7pm.

CEMETERY NEWS: Winter items are cleaned up by April 1st. Cemetery news—help us keep the cemetery looking good. Watch over your decorative and sentimental items around your loved one's plots. Let's keep in mind the area is mowed and maintained, but some items extend over the area, and make it difficult to maintain. Lee Twp also makes the bases for the headstone, so make sure you call the hall to coordinate before headstones arrive.

ASSESSOR NEWS

You may see the assessor out and about in our Township reviewing the buildings and property changes. It is a state requirement that 20% of our township be reviewed, not counting any properties with building permits. Residents need to apply Homestead (PRE) Exemption after they purchase a home or after a deed, transfer of property or updating a Trust/LIFE lease (Recordable deed). You also need a Property Transfer Affidavit. These can be found on our Lee Twp website or pick up at the hall.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Commission is currently reviewing the existing ordinances in the hope of revising the existing zoning ordinances so that they more accurately reflect the unique characteristics of Lee Township as set forth in the Township's Master Plan. In the upcoming months the Commission will be looking at Chapters 2, 3 and 4. The Commission will be meeting again on December 20th at 7:00 pm. The Commission welcomes public comment.

ZONING ADMINISTRATION

Residents are reminded that the Township Code Authority handles all building, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing permits and inspections. The Code Authority is located at the Midland County Services Building, 220 West Ellsworth, Midland, MI 48640 and can be contacted at (989) 837-6521. The Zoning Administrator and the Planning Commission do not handle building, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing permits. In addition to a building permit, property owners are also required to submit an application for residential site plan for residential projects and site plan review applications for commercial projects. Both applications are to be submitted to the Township Zoning Administrator at the township hall. There is no fee for residential site plan applications. Both applications are available at the township hall and on the township website: <https://www.leetownship.org/forms-and-permits/>. The Township Zoning Administrator can be reached at (989) 832-2874 at Extension 5.



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Clerk Laura Dawson
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Next Board Meeting:
December 11, 2023
7PM at the Township Hall

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

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

REFUSE & RECYCLE CENTER
OPEN - TUESDAYS 5-8PM &
SATURDAYS 8AM-NOON.
For all your recycling, trash, metal,
and with a repurpose area for gently
used items.

THANK YOU, RESIDENTS, FOR
DONATING TO THE REPURPOSE AREA
AT THE REFUSE CENTER, SOME ITEMS
HAVE FOUND HOMES AT THE HALL.
(DESK & CHAIRS)



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



NOTEWORTHY:

Donated Returnable
Bottles/Cans have
purchased another little
gem for our Park. Teeter
Totter Airplane!!!!



2nd Annual Indoor Carnival JANUARY 13th

At the Township Hall. The
Carnival Committee will have
more details soon. Accepting
donations for the Silent Auction.



Lee Township
Fire & Rescue,
(LTFD) Thank
you for all your
service!

Lee Township Fire Department is looking for a few good men and women who like a challenge and wish to serve their community. We provide fire and rescue services to both Lee and Greendale Townships. If accepted into our department, you will be provided firefighter training, as well as medical first responder training. Initial training is arduous, and applicants must be in good physical condition as well as possessing good reading and communication skills. Prior Military firefighter training or firefighter training from other states may qualify you. These are compensated on call positions with benefits, including pension and life insurance. You will be expected to attend on-going training a minimum of once per month and make as many emergency responses as possible. For further information, contact Lee Twp Hall, 1485 W Olson Rd, Midland. Or call for more information 989-832-2874.

TOWNSHIP NEWS

- Hall rentals and Park pavilion rentals are on the rise. Check the calendar on our website, stop by the Hall for more information. PARK PROJECT, adding multi-use court, ADA-accessible playground, zip line, wheelchair-accessible swing, and more! Thank you, "Grant Committee", for working so hard to be awarded two grants!!!!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Refuse & Recycle Center Cards are required at the Center for any services. Please make sure you have the card present to show at the Refuse & Recycle Center. One per household.
- Residents need to apply for Disabled Veterans Exemptions & Hardship Applications every year. These can be found on our Lee Twp Website or stop by the Hall for copies.
- 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 \$50. Two other pavilions are available on a first come first serve basis. Check the calendar for availability and apply online on our website.
- 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. If you have a cemetery plot or columbarium niche, we can add the names, so it is recorded for future needs. We can make copies of Deeds or Documents for the Cemetery as well.
- 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. Rental is \$200 and a deposit of \$50. Application and calendar are on our website.

*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.*