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# NEWSLETTER

## JUNE 2024



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

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Its been a busy summer, and its definitely getting hot outside. The board met and discussed a playscape area for the little one's ages up to five years of age. Our June 8th Tire Drive was a success collecting 147 tires. Thank you to all the volunteers! Our Park has fresh mulch added to the play area. Exciting news for the "We-Go-ADA-Swing" for wheelchair accessibility swing set is almost finished. There are more projects coming to the Park. If you have any questions or need more information, please stop by the Hall (back door please) or call anyone of the board members. Our next regular meeting is July 8th at 7pm.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

Zoning Ordinances are being amended to better fit Lee Township and the changing times. Economy Efficient Dwellings "Tiny Homes" are now obtainable. These dwellings are between 240-720 square feet. It requires a special land use permit and may only be utilized in certain residential districts; Reduced the acreage of dwellings that can be built on as little as 1/2 an acre in certain districts; We now permit the use of mobile homes as dwellings so long as the mobile home complies with all codes and standards as deemed applicable to said mobile home by the Township Code Authority; We now permit two dwellings on parcels that are greater than two (2) acres in certain districts.

Please contact Russell Babcock, if you are interested in obtaining additional information regarding any of the opportunities. (989) 832-2874, Ext. 4 The Commission will be meeting on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 7:00 pm and would welcome any comments regarding this subject during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

#### UPCOMING 2024 ELECTIONS

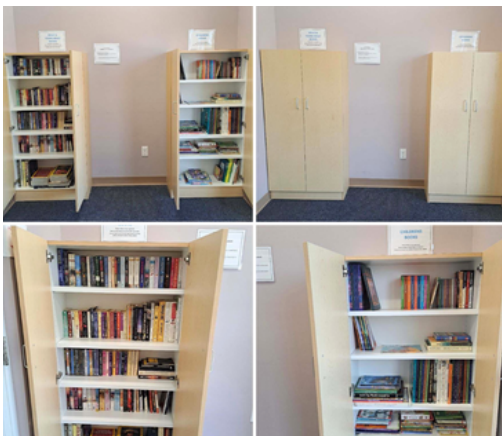


Early Voting will start 11 days prior to Election Day, at the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library

- Aug 6th, 2024 Primary Election early voting starts July 26th.
- Nov 5th, 2024 General Election

For More Information: <https://midlandcountymi.gov/clerk-elections>

#### LEE TOWNSHIP "LIBRARY NOOK"



Library Nook Bookshelves and Books have been provided by an anonymous donation from a married couple who have been lifelong avid readers and longtime residents of Lee Township. We are delighted to share the love of reading with our residents. By the generosity of this couple and the time spent by Wally Nowak of Cabinet Works building these bookcases, we now have our "Library Nook" here at the front (north) entrance of our township hall.

Plus...LEE TOWNSHIP LEARNING & EDUCATION LIBRARY (Located inside where the offices are at the back door)

#### KNOW SOMEONE WITH DEMENTIA?

We now loan DVD's and Books to help understand and navigate the Dementia journey. You will need to sign the DVD/Book out and return to the Hall.

Lee Township Board:  
[theboard@leetownship.org](mailto: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 Lynn Lueder  
989-832-2874 (ext 1, 2, 3,)

Next Board Meeting:  
July 8, 2024  
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](http://www.Michigan.gov/burnperm)  
**it or by calling 866-922-BURN**  
**(866-922-2876)**

**REFUSE & RECYCLE CENTER**  
**OPEN - TUESDAYS 5-8PM &**  
**SATURDAYS 8AM-NOON.**

Lee Township has a HYBRID version for your trash disposal needs. While we have curbside services, we also have the added benefit of taking your trash, recycling, metal repurpose items (used furniture appliances) large items and general trash. We also have a bin for bottles and cans returnable (donation) used for items at our park. Large bin for cardboard and general recycling bin. Please bring your "dump" card with you. Repurpose items are FREE.



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. For more information, contact Lee Twp Hall, 1485 W Olson Rd, Midland. Or call for more information 989-832-2874

## TOWNSHIP NEWS

### PROPERTY TAX BILLS

Summer Tax Bills: Last day to pay without penalty is Sept 16th, 2024  
Winter Tax Bills will be mailed on Dec. 1st, and last day to pay without penalty is the end of February 2025.

Tax payments can be made by mail, drop box, or stop at the hall, (back door) M-Th 9-3pm



Have you heard the Park is getting updated? We are working on a two-year project including another Pavilion, Playscape, Zipline, We-Go-ADA Swing, Multi-purpose court, volleyball, covered benches more! More information to come. Projects starting soon this Spring. Some areas will need to be closed off. Please be patient while progress continues.



Summer is here, time to look at yards! Lee Township does have a Blight Ordinance. There will be letters going out to remind our residents of our ordinance, offer information and potential help to clean up. Everyone has their own idea of what is blight. We are talking specifically about "trash and too many vehicles" If you need information or help in cleaning up, please let us know. Stop by the Hall (back door please) M-F from 9am-1pm. Remember Refuse Center is open Tues 5-8pm and Sat 8am-Noon.

### 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.
- 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 or with Visual Aids \$150 deposit. Application and calendar are on our website.



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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.