



Liberty Township Newsletter Winter 2017

Office Hours Monday & Thursday 8:00am – 4:00pm

WINTER TAXES DUE WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2018
Office will be open from 8:00am – 5:00pm for taxes only

Supervisor - Jim Spink
Dep. Supervisor –
Dave Teriaco

Clerk - Sharon Warblow
Deputy Clerk - Angie Tyler

Treasurer - Gloria Michaels
Dep. Treas. - Linda Danley

Assessor - Bruce Little

Zoning Adm - Dave Teriaco

Trustees: Mark Hubbard
& Mark Smith

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www.libertytpw.us

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libertytpw@comcast.net

Contact the Fire Department
at
517-529-7009 or
Libertyfire.dept@comcast.net

Gloria Michaels –Treasurer

The enclosed winter tax bill is due Wednesday, February 14, 2018. For your convenience, we will be open that day for **taxes only from 8am – 5pm.** Taxes can still be paid at our office until February 28th – with interest added. On March 1st all of our records will be turned over to the Jackson County Treasurer's Office.

If you prefer to pay the enclosed bill before the end of the calendar year, we will be open the last week of the year on Thursday, December 28th from 8am – 4pm only.

Supervisor's Notes

The Planning Commission has been working with Region II on renewing the Master Plan for the Township, throughout the past few months and hope to have this project completed soon.

The Board of Review will meet on December 12th at 10:00am for corrections of clerical errors only. In March, the Board of Review will hear appeals from residents on their assessments. The dates and times for those meetings are as follows:

Monday, March 12th, 2018 - 2:00pm-5:00pm & 6:00pm-9:00pm
Friday, March 16th, 2018 - 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Please feel free to contact the office during regular business hours if you would like to make an appointment for the Board of Review. Walk-ins are always welcome at these meetings as well.

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY
SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2018
8:00AM – 12:00PM

Liberty Township Board Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00p.m.
Please feel free to attend



Sharon Warblow - Clerk

This election year will be a busy one for us at the Township. We will be receiving new voting equipment this year funded through grants at both the Federal and State level. The new voting system has some great new features to assist in maintaining the integrity of our elections. We have received many questions about precinct locations now that the new fire station is complete. Voting locations will NOT be changing in the near future. Our registered voters will continue to vote at the precinct location you always have. If this changes, everyone will be notified by mail prior to the change.

We are always on the look-out for election workers. If you have ever considered being an election worker, this would be a great year to start! Please contact me if you would like to help. There will be plenty of training opportunities available this year.



From The Chief's Desk

The Liberty Fire Department has had another great year with moving into our new fire station and improving coverage and response to our residents and local businesses. Our new Station #1 provides better response times given the location and staffing. We continue to provide coverage from our old Station #2 with an engine and a grass truck. We currently have a roster of 21 firefighters, all of which are medically licensed in the State of Michigan as a medical first responder up to a Paramedic.

Our fire trucks are in overall good condition except for our aging Lead Engine purchased in 1998. Engine #1 is still functional, but it is reaching its planned life span. We have started discussion on options to replace the engine and the jaws of life on it, which is also 20 years old. One of the options discussed is a millage to pay for the new equipment and keep us up to the standards that you as a resident expect. We had a special millage in 1998 to pay for the engine that is now needing replacement. We are one of the very few fire departments in Jackson County without an operating millage.

On a cost saving note to our taxpayers, I am working hard towards an ISO insurance audit in the near future. ISO provides information to your homeowner's insurance company and effects your rates for fire protection. I have high hopes of reducing our rating from a 9, to a class 8b or better in the next year, which means cost savings to you on your insurance rates. This is a lengthy and detailed process that takes time. We do not have a municipal water supply or fire hydrants in the Township, so this dictates a higher rating. We can lower our rating by having up-to-date facilities and fire engines. Our station staffing and increased number of firefighters with high levels of training will also play a huge roll in the process.

Brandon Hughes, Fire Chief
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Always dial 911 for an emergency!