Ellsworth Township Newsletter 2021/2022

Website

Ellsworth Township website is now up and running. Go to **Ellsworthtownship.com** and take a peek!!

Ellsworth Township Master Plan

The Ellsworth Township Master Plan was approved at the May 18, 2020 meeting. It is available at the township hall or on the website. Please remember this is a plan to guide the township for future growth and development, and not an ordinance, regulation, or zoning.

Township Hall

Regular meetings are held the 2nd Monday of every month @ 7:00pm. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Any changes to meeting dates or times will be posted at the township hall.

Volunteers Needed

Anyone interested in getting involved with the Township, Trash Committee, Board of Review or Election Workers, you may contact:

Allen Dean: 231.920.5438 or Kim Pendley: 231.797.5931

Fire Department - Don Nixon: 231.797.5339

Tax Payments

Summer Tax Payments are payable July 1, 2021 and due by September 14, 2021 without penalty, 1% penalty added starting September 15, 2021 and 1% per month until paid up to February 14, 2022. Winter Tax Payments are payable December 1, 2021 and due by February 14, 2022 without penalty, beginning with February 15, 2022 please add 3% penalty, postmarks are not honored. The Treasurer, Kim Pendley, will be available at the Ellsworth Township Hall to collect taxes on: Monday, February 28, 2022 from 9am – 5pm. This is the last day to pay before taxes are turned in delinquent on March 1, 2022. March 1, 2022 and after please pay Lake County Treasurer @ 800 E Tenth St. Ste 210, Baldwin, MI 49304

Payments may be dropped off at the Lake Osceola State Bank in Luther until February 25, 2022. Checks or money orders payable to Ellsworth Township Treasurer may be mailed to:

Ellsworth Township Treasurer – 8391 E 4 ½ Mile Rd, Luther, MI 49656. There is also a white Ellsworth Township drop box at the top of the circle drive at this address.

Please remember, payments received between March 1, 2022 and June 30, 2022 will be forwarded to the Lake County Treasurer's Office.

If payments cannot be dropped off or mailed, please call 231.797.5931 for an appointment to pay in person.

Summer Tax Payments

Interest is charged on all summer payment received after September 14th. Interest is charged as follows:

September 15, 2021 @ 1% October 1, 2021 @ 2% November 1, 2021 @ 3% December 1, 2021 @ 4% January 1, 2022 @ 5% February 1, 2022 @ 6%

Lake County Silent Observer Program

To report tips on area break-ins, drugs, robbery, criminal sexual conduct, murder, weapons, or vandalism, you may call 231.745.7581. This number is answered 24 hours a day by the Lake County 911 department. This is a tip line only; **if you need immediate assistance, always call 911.**

Annual Trash Day

The annual trash clean-up will be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021, from 8:00am to 12:00 noon beside the Luther Newkirk Township Hall. Please bring your tax bill or receipt for township or village resident identification purposes. Be prepared to unload your vehicle. (Volunteers to help unload trash are always welcome).

Accepted Items Include: Scrap Iron, Empty burn barrels, Refrigeration units with freon already removed, Auto Batteries, Open paint cans with dried up paints, and Items must be bagged, bundled or boxed. If items are not bagged, bundled or boxed you will be asked to go to the end of the line and not make others wait. Tires will be accepted, 8 tires per parcel and they must be off the rim. (No tractor or semi-truck tires). Items Not Accepted Include: Chemicals, Hazardous waste, motor oil, liquid paint, paint thinners, yard waste and household trash, unbundled shingles, Trailers or vehicles with scrap building materials. If there is a line,

Hazardous Waste

Disposal of Hazardous Waste is October 9, 2021, 9:00am – 12:00 noon, Lake County drop site is at the Wenger Pavilion (behind Jones Ice Cream Parlor) in Baldwin. For more information go to www.mecostacd.org

Permits

Building permits to construct or demolish are required and can be obtained at the Lake County Court House in Baldwin, for more information please call 232.745.2722.

Burn permits can be found online at this website: http://www.dnr.state.mi.us/BurnPermits or call 866.922.BURN (2876)

please try not to block entrances to businesses or property owner's driveways.

ORV Ordinance

For Ordinance information and a map, go to the following website: lectro-roads.com. Other Lake County information can be found at www.lakecounty-michigan.com.

Land Divisions

Under the State Land Division Act you need to contact Linda Monroe, Township Assessor, prior to dividing any land. The minimum division is 1 acre and there is a charge of \$100.00 per split. All property transfers must be recorded within 45 days of the sale.

Annual Rabies Clinic

Clinic information and licenses will need to obtained through the Lake County Treasurer's Office.

<u>Township Phone Numbers</u> <u>County Phone Numbers</u>

Allen Dean, Supervisor231.920.5438	Lake County Treasurer231.745.4622
Linda Monroe, Assessor231.878.9722	Clerk/ Register of Deeds231.745.4641
Brittany Carlson, Clerk231.797.0005	Equalization Dept231.745.2723
Kim Pendley, Treasurer231.797.5931	Building Dept231.745.2722
Patrick Chachulski, Trustee.231.942.6567	Road Commission231.745.4666