

Boyne Valley Township Newsletter

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December 2019

BOARD OF REVIEW

There will be a meeting of the Board of Review on Wednesday, December 10, 2019, from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Township Hall to correct clerical errors, PRE (Homestead) and Poverty exemptions.

Transfer Station

****REMEMBER**, all trash collected at our transfer station **MUST** be generated in Boyne Valley township. As a tax payer, it is of utmost importance that this rule is followed as your tax dollars fund this service. **DO NOT GIVE YOUR PASS TO ANYONE LIVING OUTSIDE OF BOYNE VALLEY TOWNSHIP.**

The recycle bins are available to all Charlevoix County residents.

Winter (Nov 1 – March 31) transfer station hours are:

Wednesday: 12:00pm – 5:00pm
Saturday: 7:00am – 2:00pm

Payment of taxes can be sent to the Treasurer's Office at PO Box 191, Boyne Falls, MI 49713. **REMINDER:** Please include the **ORIGINAL** top half of your bill with your payment and if you would like a receipt please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. There will be a \$50 service charge for each NSF/Closed account check that is returned by our bank.

Otherwise, if you wish to pay in person any other time, township hall is open Tuesday through Thursday 10:00am until 3:00pm. The treasurer will be available at the township hall on December 23, 2019 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. The hall will also be open on December 30, 2019 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

The drop box is available in our vestibule at all times.

All payments must be made in person or postmarked by February 14, 2020.

Credit Cards

We will now be offering a Point & Pay system to accept credit and debit cards for payment on taxes.

There will be a convenience fee added to your statement from the credit card company or bank for this service.

Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you want a return receipt. Also, if you did not receive a Transfer Station Pass and would like to have one, please let me know and I will send one to you. Partial payment on taxes, will be accepted if you are unable to pay all at once.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

SUPERVISOR, SUE HOBBS	231 549-3130
CLERK, LYNN SPARKS	231 549-3130
TREASURER, MARIE KELENSKE	231 549-3130
TRUSTEE, RANDY MATELSKI	231 549-2249
TRUSTEE, BERNIE KONDRAT	231 549-2576
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, SUE HOBBS	231 549-3130
FIRE CHIEF, JASON JOHNSON	231-549-2000
ASST. FIRE CHIEF, JIM MATELSKI	231 549-2000
CEMETERY SEXTON, DAVID GILLESPIE	231 549-3070
ASSESSOR, KEVIN KELLER	231-818-0006

MEETINGS

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00P.M.
PLANNING COMMISSION
FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00P.M.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Township Office will be CLOSED
Dec 24, 2019 - Dec 29, 2019
and
Dec 31, 2019 – Jan 1, 2020

The office will be open for tax collection on Monday, December 30, 2019

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Office will resume NORMAL office hours on Thursday, January 2, 2020.

Supervisor's Report

BOYNE VALLEY TRAIL

As you have probably noticed, work has finally begun on the Boyne Valley Trail. This 10 foot-wide, non-motorized trail will run from Boyne Falls, through Boyne Mountain, in front of the School, to Boyne City. The majority of funding for the project is from MDOT TAP and MI DNR Recreation grants. Yes, we wish these grants could be used to fix the roads, but it can't. If Boyne Valley doesn't apply for the money, there are a lot of others that will. Our State and Federal tax dollars will go elsewhere. According to the contract with J&N, the work will be completed by June 19, 2020.

ICE SKATING RINK

Trustee Bernie Kondrat will again create an ice skating rink next to the library on the basketball court surface. We hope more children and adults will use it this year. Boyne Mountain has donated a few of their used skates to loan out. Stop in during office hours and we will see if any will fit you.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

Santa will be visiting the Boyne Valley Township Fire Station on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 2-5 p.m. Tasty treats, games, crafts and snacks for the kids, as well as Santa. There will also be a Silent Auction from 2-4 p.m.



AMBULANCE

There will be a public meeting at the Township Hall at 6:30 p.m. on December 10, 2019.

The huge issue that is looming, and we are worrying over for our Township this past year, is EMS Service. I hope most of you watched the television show that aired last October entitled, "What would you do if you called 911 and no one came?" Apparently this issue is nation-wide; how to staff and fund Ambulance Service. We are fortunate in Boyne Valley, our residents recognize how important this service is and have supported the millage in the past to continue to protect the lives of our families and neighbors. What Boyne Valley does not have, and this is the common issue nation-wide, is citizens willing and/or able to go through the required training (which is State mandated and increasing every year).

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Bernie Kondrat will also again turn on the Christmas lights in the Village. It really was festive looking last year when he put the lights up. It had been quite awhile since this was done. Currently we are waiting for Drost Tree service to come with a bucket truck to fix a few that are out.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Boyne Valley Township's Fire and Ambulance Departments are in need of volunteers. In order to have the station manned 24/7 as was planned, we need additional trained personnel. Please contact us at the township hall, 549-3130 or the Fire & Ambulance Station at 231-549-2000 if you are interested.

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