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April / May / June

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Business Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8am-5pm
Wednesday 8am-6pm
Friday Closed

General Office: (810) 686-7580
Supervisor: (810) 564-7070
Clerk: (810) 564-7087
Treasurer: (810) 564-7086
Sheriff Sub Station: (810) 686-8622

Building Dept.: (810) 686-7676
Assessor: (810) 686-7676
Planning/ Zoning: (810) 564-7053
Code Enforcement: (810) 686-7676
Sewer/Water Dept.: (810) 686-7676

From the Desk of…..

Joseph A. Rizk, Supervisor 810-564-7070

I hope that by the time this newsletter is received, you can see the lawn at your house! It has been a long and cold winter.

There have been several comments about trash and recycle pickups throughout the winter. Just a reminder, the trash and recycling must be out by 7:00 a.m. on the day of pickup. There is no schedule that is followed by the company, routes vary, and the drivers are given different routes often. They have cameras on the trucks to verify the time and if trash is at the curb. Emterra established the rules for what they will pickup and how it is to be presented. On windy days, we get complaints that the trash barrels are all over the road after the trash has been picked up. We do have windy days in Vienna Township.

We attempt to keep our residents and businesses as current as possible to changes in the township and the services you are provided. Please contact me if you have ongoing issues. The best results are obtained by asking the right people the pertinent questions.

*****NOTICE REGARDING TRASH/RECYCLING COLLECTION*****

Vienna Township contracts with Emterra Environmental to provide curbside trash and recycling services to our residents. If you have any questions or concerns regarding their service please call 877-609-6753. If your question or concern has not been resolved by Emterra within 24 hours, please call Jennifer at 810-564-7081.

BOARD MEMBERS

Joseph A. Rizk -Supervisor
Cynthia Bryan - Clerk
Cathrine Thompson - Treasurer
Rick Johnson- Trustee
Jeff Thomas - Trustee
Sue Thomas- Trustee
Karin Muron - Trustee

Township Board Meetings

All meetings begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Vienna Township Hall
3400 W. Vienna Road

April 14 May 12 June 9

Check out our website: WWW.VIENNATWPGC.GOV



From the Desk of…

Cathrine Thompson, Treasurer 810-564-7086



It's my pleasure to announce Jennifer Wohlfeill as our Deputy Treasurer! She comes to the Treasurer's office from the building d epartment down the hall, where she has been our building administrator. I am thrilled to have her as my d eputy and look forward to working with Sam Merchant as our new building administrator.

2024 Real Property Tax season is officially closed at the Township office. **Payments for 2024 Real Property Taxes (or prior years) can no longer be paid at the Township office and must be paid at the Genesee County Treasurer's office at 1101 Beach Street, Flint, 48502, (810) 257-3054.**

Personal Property Tax payments will continue to be accepted at the Vienna Township office.

We continue to accept **Personal Property Tax** payments in a number of ways:

- Check & Money Orders are accepted at Vienna Township Hall, drop box and by mail.
- Cash Payments
- Online Payments can be made at www.viennatwpgc.gov. *Convenience fees will apply.*

Property owners recently received an updated property assessment from the Township. These are NOT tax bills but are notifications of changes in property values. Most of these changes equate to very small adjustments in the actual amount of property taxes. If you have questions concerning these changes, please contact the Township Assessor's office at 810-686-7676. At the time of printing the Change of Assessment notice, the tax rates were not confirmed by the County; therefore, the Township does not know what the effect will be to your tax bill.

The 2025 Summer Tax bills will be mailed on or about July 1, 2025 and are due on September 14, 2025. Payments will be accepted without interest through the close of business on September 15th, 2025

As we look forward to sunsh ine, warmer temperat ures, and spring cleaning, keep in mind recycle bins and heavy-duty trash bags are available for purchase at the Townsh ip office:

Recycle Bins: $15.00 for each **Heavy-duty Trash Bags: $25.00/box**

30-gallon, 100ct box (various colors available) or 33-gallon, 80ct box (black only)

CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN UP

Clean up is starting at West Vienna and Pine Run Cemeteries. Please remove grave blankets and wreaths by April 1, 2025.



From the Desk of……

Cynthia J. Bryan, Clerk **810-564-7052**

It's finally Spring, at least I hope! After a long cold and snowy winter, the warmer temperatures, spring flowers and budding trees are always a welcome sight! The winter months also afforded the Clerk's office a little time to catch up on other tasks after a very busy election year.

We are now preparing for a May Special Election. Birch Run Community Schools has placed two (2) proposals on the ballot. One is for an Operating Millage Renewal and the other is a Bond Proposal. Complete proposal language can be found on the Vienna Township website, www.viennatwpgc.gov or at the Birch Run Community Schools Administrative Offices located at 12450 Church Street, Suite 2, Birch Run, Michigan.
This Special Election only affects a small amount of Vienna Township voters who reside in the Birch Run School District., primarily voters in Precinct 5 along Willard Road. If you reside in this School District, you should have received a letter containing information regarding the election along with an Absentee Voter Ballot Application form. If you signed up to be on the Permanent Absentee Ballot list last year, you will automatically be sent a ballot. If you wish to vote by Absentee Ballot and did not sign up, you'll need to fill out the form and return it to the Township. The State is eliminating the Absentee Voter Ballot Application and is changing to the Permanent Absentee Ballot. If you wish to automatically receive an Absentee Ballot for all future elections, there is an area that was highlighted on the Application you received that should be checked.

This May Special Election will be held at the Vienna Township Hall, 3400 W. Vienna Rd., Clio, MI on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 with the polls open from 7:00am to 8:00pm. If you're coming to vote in person, remember to bring your driver's license or other acceptable photo identification.

Other than this one, small election in May, I am not aware of any others for Vienna Township this year. I will keep you informed of any changes that could occur. As always, please contact the Clerk's Office with any questions or concerns you may have.

If you're able, get out this Spring and enjoy some of what Vienna Township has to offer such as walking the Bike Path, walking or having lunch at Bridge Park (Butterfly Park) or playing some pickleball at the Senior Center or Sports Complex when completed. Whatever it is, I hope your Spring is wonderful!!

LANDFILL PERMITS

Residents of Vienna Township who pay a garbage assessment on their winter taxes are entitled to free permits for the landfill in Montrose Township. You can obtain a permit ONCE PER MONTH at the Vienna Township Offices.

Landfill OPEN Hours: Residential Drop Off Hours Monday—Friday 7:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. First Saturday of the month through September 7am—12 noon. Trailer must be covered. **Closed on major holidays**, New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day

SOLICITORS, PEDDLERS AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS

Just a reminder that as spring and summer approach, so do Solicitors, Peddlers and Transient Merchants. In Vienna Township any individual or company, excluding non-profit organizations, selling goods door to door **must** have a license/permit issued from Vienna Township. The permit process includes a picture I.D. badge that must be visible and the permit must be shown at your request. It is a thorough application process that requestors of a license go through and this has been implemented for the safety of our Township residents. As of this writing, no licenses have been issued in Vienna Township. Any individual or organization selling goods without a Township License are guilty of violating this ordinance and should be reported to the Sheriff's Department by calling 911.

FROM THE DESK OF……

Michael Mantei, BUILDING OFFICIAL **810-686-7676**

If you are planning any remodeling, repair or doing any miscellaneous building projects please call the Vienna Township Building Department to verify if any permits are required in order to avoid a $1500 fee for work done without a permit. Make sure all permits are pulled by a licensed contractor. Permits are required for your own protection.

The Vienna Township Sanitary Sewer System is maintained by the Genesee County Drain Commissioner's Office division of Water & Waste Services. If you are connected to the sanitary sewer system and have an issue or back-up, please call 810-732-7870 during normal business hours and 810-732-2940 after hours or call 911 anytime.

The Clio Center for the Arts 810-547-7087

The Clio Center for the Arts is excited to announce our Monthly Art Challenge. Each month we will have a different art challenge, these challenges may be for all art forms or geared towards one set art form. Artists may choose to share their monthly challenge art with us or keep it to themselves. Those who share their art will be entered to win a CCA gift basket. Our goal is to inspire artists to try something new and never stop creating.

April Art Challenge: Spring

May Art Challenge: Mixed Media

June Art Challenge: Mythical Creatures

Join our Secret Society of Nerds Who Carry Yarn at the Clio Center for the Arts for some stitching and conversation, all skills levels welcome. Share knitting/crochet projects, chat about patterns, and enjoy the company of fellow fiber enthusiasts. Bring your own supplies and projects, this is a FREE event. Fridays, 11am-12:30pm.

From the desk of…

Scott Mulcahy, Code Enforcer **810-686-7676**

Grass will be growing before we know it so please keep this in mind:

If grass and noxious weeds grow more than 10 inches high the homeowner will be sent a notice stating that if the grass or weeds are not cut to a minimum of four inches or less, within ten days of the postmark on the notice, the township will hire it out to be cut at the homeowners expense. A vegetable garden that is not maintained weed free would also be considered Noxious weeds. Remember, your ditch is part of your property and if you keep it cut and cleaned out the drainage for rain water will flow correctly and help with prevention of flooding.

Blight around your house or dwelling must be kept in a neat and orderly manner. You cannot allow junk items to accumulate around your house. (See the definitions for blight on our website, section10-32, 10-33 www.viennatwpgc.gov)

Water/ Sewer Department **810-564-7082**



Please visit our website to pay your water/ sewer bill online www.viennatwpgc.gov. There is an added fee for online payments. Residents can now sign up for E-Bill on our website.

All sprinkler accounts are activated as of May 1st. Anyone wishing to not have their service turned on for the year MUST notify us annually by April 10th.

On due dates that our office is closed, we accept payments as "on time" until 5:00 PM the next working day including the drop box. On due dates that our office is open we accept payments in our office until 5:00 PM and in the drop box by 8:00 AM the following morning. For your convenience a drop box is located outside the east entrance to the Township building, by Taxes.

Follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on happenings in Vienna Township!

From the desk of....

Jim Bronson, Fire Chief 810-687-8506

As we welcome the warmer weather and the beauty of spring, it's important to keep safety at the forefront of our minds. Here are some essential safety tips and reminders to ensure a safe and enjoyable season for everyone.

Springtime Safety Tips

- Check Smoke Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Detectors: Ensure all smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors in your home are functioning properly. Clio Fire provides free smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. Please contact Clio Fire Station 1 for more information.
- Outdoor Grilling Safety: With the arrival of grilling season, remember to keep grills at least 10 feet away from your home and any structures. Never leave a grill unattended while in use.
- Yard Clean-Up: Clear away any dry leaves, branches, and other debris from your yard. These materials can easily catch fire and spread quickly. Proper Storage of Flammable Materials: Store gasoline, paints, and other flammable materials in approved containers and keep them in a well-ventilated area away from living spaces.

Open Burning Ordinance Reminder

As a reminder, our community has an open burning ordinance in place to protect the safety and well-being of all residents. Here are the key points to remember:

- Permits: Open Permits are not required; however, you must call the Clio Area Fire Department burn line at (810) 686-5432 and listen to the entire message.
- Prohibited Materials: Burning of household trash, plastics, and other hazardous materials is strictly prohibited.

Supervision: Never leave a fire unattended. Always have a water source nearby to extinguish the fire if needed.

By following these guidelines and being mindful of fire safety, we can all enjoy a safe and beautiful spring season. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the fire department.

Clio Fire is seeking dedicated and compassionate individuals to join our team of volunteer firefighters. As a volunteer firefighter, you will play a crucial role in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. If you are interested in joining our team or would like more information, please contact Clio Fire Station 1, or visit our website at Clioareafire.com

Stay safe and enjoy the season!



From the Desk of.....

Kevin MacDermaid, Assessor 810-686-7676



In order to comply with Michigan State Tax Commission recommendations, the Vienna Township Assessment department will be reviewing 20% of the parcels located within Vienna Township each year. Kevin MacDermaid and/or Ryan MacDermaid will be conducting physical inspections of properties in the Township. This includes measuring the exterior of the house and other structures on the property, taking pictures and interviewing owners to obtain interior characteristics of the structures. At no time will we request to enter your house or any buildings on your property. We will be displaying Vienna Township ID badges. You may also request to view our Michigan Driver's License to aid in identification. Please direct any questions or concerns to the Vienna Township Office.

The Office Of Genesee County Sheriff

The weather is getting warmer and people are out and about, please be cautious of motorcycles, bicycles, and pedestrians when you are driving.

Remember to contact 911 if you see anything suspicious in and around your neighborhood. With the warmer weather we normally see a rise in the number of larcenies from vehicles and vandalism. Deputies patrol Vienna Township 24 hours a day and contacting 911 is the most efficient method to report any emergency.

We have had some residents inquire about the speed limits on unposted roadways. Remember all unposted roadways are 55 MPH with the exception of residential subdivisions and mobile home parks. The speed limit on a roadway within a residential subdivision is 25 MPH and the speed limit within the boundaries of a mobile home park is 15 MPH.

Please do not park on the road or block traffic when doing any kind of lawn maintenance, landscaping and such. Have a safe and great spring.

EMTERRA Environmental USA

VIENNA TOWNSHIP
2025 TRASH/RECYCLING/COMPOST SCHEDULE

You MUST have all materials at the curb BEFORE 7 a.m.

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Trash is picked up weekly on **MONDAY.**
Recycling is picked up every other week on **MONDAY.**
Compost is picked up every other week on **MONDAY March 31 thru November**.

Indicates observed holiday. Garbage will be picked up one day late.