CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP 2024 SPRING NEWSLETTER

Supervisor: Bryan Roels Trustee: Annette Walters Township Hall: 231-867-3777 Emergency Service: 911

Treasurer: Julie Austin
Trustee: Debbie Zielinski

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Clerk: Kristin Lytle
Assessor: Andrea Roberts

Community Bldg. Rental: 231-867-3991

Burn Permits: (866) 922-2876 or www.michigan.gov/burnpermit

Township Board meetings 1st Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 P.M., in the Community Building
Fire Board meetings 3rd Monday of each month @ 6:30 P.M., in the Martiny Twp. Office Building
TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS ARE MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED

2024 Non-Hazardous Household Clean-Up Day:

There will only be 1 Township Clean-Up Day this year. The Chippewa Township Clean-up Day will be Saturday, May 4th from 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. or until dumpsters are full. The location is the Chippewa Township Community Center located at 10467 19 Mile Road. Township Officials will NOT be helping unload trash. You are responsible for unloading ALL of your trash in a timely manner to help keep the flow going smoothly!! Township Officials will be on-site to direct traffic and oversee drop offs. Only One vehicle unloading at a time so prepare for traffic backups! Please remember that all loose trash must be cut into manageable pieces or placed in trash bags and please bring help to unload large & heavy items. Due to past problems, each property owner is limited to (1) pickup and (1) trailer load. NO building materials. If you are doing any building or remodeling, please rent your own dumpster. This service is provided, free of charge, to the property owners & residents of Chippewa Township only! ***NO EARLY DROP OFFS & NO TIRES ***

CEMETERY NEWS

Please remember that ALL artificial flowers must be in an approved container. This allows the Cemetery Sexton to be able to weed whip around the headstones. All Artificial flowers and trinkets not in a container will be removed. The Chippewa Township Cemetery Ordinance is located on the Township's website, for reference. Go to www.chippewatwp.org, click on the "Community" tab then click on "Cemeteries". All of the Chippewa Township Cemeteries are closed to vehicle traffic in Winter months when there is snow on the ground. PLEASE do not drive into the cemeteries when there is snow on the ground, this includes ALL types of vehicles. Reminder: The week of May 1, 2024, the cemeteries will be cleaned. All artificial flowers that are not in approved containers, faded, etc., and all broken graveside ornaments will be throw away. PLEASE do not throw any waste in the wooded areas, this has been a problem in the past. Dispose of your waste in the appropriate containers.



DID YOU KNOW.... You can skip the line on Election Day and vote by mail? Voting has never been easier or more secure! ALL eligible registered voters in Michigan may now request an Absent voter ballot without providing a reason. ALL voters' and voters' signature are verified whether voting Absentee or voting in person. The Primary Election on August 6, 2024, and the General Election on November 5, 2024. If you have any election questions, please feel free to contact the Chippewa Township Clerk at Kristin@Chippewatwp.org or 231-867-3777.



Have you ever thought about becoming a Firefighter or wondered what firefighting is all about? Stop into the Fire Station on the First Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. The Firefighters will be happy to answer any questions that you might have. We would like to publicly Thank our firefighters. You are heroes! You may not feel like you are, but when others are running out, you are running in. We appreciate your countless hours of training, working long hours, missing family holidays, making sacrifices, all to keep our community safe. THANK YOU to the men and women serving on the Chippewa-Martiny Fire Department as well as local rescue, EMS, and police. You are greatly appreciated! If you are interested in becoming a member of this great Fire Department, you can obtain an application at either the Chippewa Township Hall or the Martiny Township Hall. You can also contact Chief, Brian David or Assistant Chief, Carl Kerns.

Chippewa Township Offices: We are currently in the process of visits with contactors/builders and are hoping to break ground late this Summer or early Fall. We will keep you updated as the project progresses.

2024 Fireworks

The Fireworks display over beautiful Chippewa Lake will be held on Saturday, July 6th at Dusk. Please read the enclosed flyer for upcoming Fireworks events. As always, thank you to Marcia and the hardworking volunteers who dedicate their time and energy to ensure that we are able to enjoy a Fireworks display each year. The Fireworks Committee is always looking for you



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The Mecosta County Commission on Aging is a great resource for those living in our wonderful communities. As well as providing activities and exercise programs for seniors, the Commission on Aging is centrally located to provide the following services to all cities in Mecosta County: Homemaker Aides, Respite Aides, Meals on Wheels, door to door response transportation to medical appointments including dialysis, and Home Maintenance assistance for minor repairs. These programs assist seniors in remaining independent and in their own homes. For more information, please contact the Commission on Aging at 231-972-2884 or

https://www.mecostacounty.org/government/coa.php

TNR Mecosta is a wonderful organization that has been providing their services around Chippewa Township. Their primary focus is to humanely Trap-spay-Neuter-Return (TNR) feral cats. This is a proven method that improves the lives of feral cats and decreases the size of colonies over time. If you would like to learn more about this organization, please visit tnrmecosta.org. or call them at (231)287-5158. You can mail donations to P.O. Box 1445 Big Rapids, MI 49307. If you can't financially donate; TNR is always looking for volunteers.

There are multiple lakes within Chippewa Township. Whether you are boating, fishing, kayaking, etc., please take the time to refresh yourself on the Michigan boating rules and regulations at

https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/things-to-do/boating/rules-and-regs

We want everyone to be safe on our waterways.

It will soon be time to start mowing and trimming our lawns. Please be courteous of your neighbors and keep your lawns mowed on a regular basis. Also, do not throw your grass clippings, old flower pots, & shrubbery, onto other properties. It is getting to be quite the problem in areas around the lake. It is not only unsightly, but unhealthy to our waterways. Also, Please, DO NOT throw yard waste into waterbodies.

Chippewa Branch Library: Tuesday Noon – 5 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. The library has 4 public computers, free Wi-Fi, and lots of books. For questions or library information, please call 231-867-2014.

FUN FUN - Lions Club "Find the Flags" poker run will be held July 6, 2024. Registration is 9am to Noon @ Millett Park. Open to anyone 18 years and older. Docks will be manned starting at Noon. For more information, please contact Bob Roebuck @ 231-972-8885

The Chippewa Lake Community Church is hosting a Free Community Appreciation Luncheon on Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. You can find more information regarding this event as well as the Mobil Food Truck at chippewalakechurch.org.

The Mecosta County Conservation District offers different educational classes throughout the year. They also host tire recycling, hazardous waste collection, seedling sales, and so much more. Please check out their website at: https://www.mecostacd.org/ for the most up to date information.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION:

The Mecosta County Household Hazardous Waste Collection is Thursday, August 1, 2024, from 2 p.m.- 6 p.m., at the Chippewa Hills Intermediate School located at 3226 Arthur Road, Remus, MI. Pre-registration forms is required if bringing over 200 lbs. to the collection site. If you have any questions, please call 231-796-0909 or visit www.mecostacd.org

As always, please feel free to contact Township officials at the office if you have any questions, suggestions, or comments. We can't help if you don't ask. You can find the most up to date information and events at www.chippewatup.org.

Have a Safe and Wonderful Summer! In a world where you can be anything, BE KIND!