

# Tyrone Township

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SUMMER 2014

## Public Safety Update



The current special assessment that pays for our public safety services will expire on March 31, 2016. The last payment is included in the 2014 winter taxes, which covers the expenses for the year April 1, 2015 thru March 31, 2016. The assessment pays for both fire services and dedicated police service during the most likely crime hours.

Since the public safety assessment was enacted, the township now has secure contracts with three fire departments to minimize the time it takes for a truck to reach your property. This has resulted in better ISO ratings, which impact the cost of your homeowners insurance. For many, the annual cost of homeowner's insurance has been reduced by more than the cost of the special assessment fees.

In addition Tyrone Township contracts for 8 hours per day of dedicated police services. For critical police needs, we experience an average of 20 minute faster response times

with a dedicated officer in the township. In addition, our dedicated officer patrols all roads and subdivisions within the township on a regular basis to prevent crime.

The Public Safety Committee has worked with the Township Board over the last four years to review how we use our fire and policing services.

The protocols for dispatching the fire departments for EMS and traffic accident assistance are continually reviewed for potential savings and fine tuning of the dispatch codes to make sure we're using the fire departments in the most economical way possible.

Over the years, we have been able to reduce the number of unnecessary fire runs. In addition, passage of the Public Safety Special Assessment in 2010, allowed us to work closely with our service providers on a long term basis to get the most economical cost possible.

In order for the township to continue to provide public safety services, we need to renew the special assessment.

The Township Board has decided to place the issue on the ballot for November 4, 2014 to save the voters the cost of holding a special elec-

tion in mid 2015.

The recommendation of the Public Safety Committee is to request a renewal of the current public safety special assessment. The proposal will be to assess up to \$175 for each residential property, \$85 for each vacant parcel and \$300 for all types of commercial property plus \$20 for each occupiable unit on the property pending final ballot language approval.

To provide you with more information, the township will be holding two information sessions in October. Notices will be posted on the website and via email alerts.

### Supervisor:

Mike Cunningham

### Treasurer:

Marna Bunting-Smith

### Clerk:

Keith Kremer

### Trustees:

Cam Gonzalez

Soren Pedersen

Charles Schultz

David Walker



## Property Taxes

Summer taxes are due by 5:00 pm. on September 15, 2014. Winter taxes are due by 5:00 pm. on March 2, 2015.

Postmarked envelopes are NOT accepted.

Payments may also be made during normal banking hours at the Fenton branches of the State Bank, Flagstar, FirstMerit, and Chase Bank. You do not need to have an account to pay at any bank, but you must submit the tax stub with full payment.



**August 5, 2014**  
Primary Election

**November 4, 2014**  
General Election

## Upcoming Elections

To vote in any election, you must be a registered voter. If you will be 18 years old by election day and have not previously registered, you must register at least 30 days prior to the election.

July 7, 2014 is the last day to register for the August primary. October 6, 2014 is the last day to register for the November general election.

To view ballots, voting locations, absentee ballot instructions, and other election info, please visit our website.

**Election Inspectors Needed!** ! If you are interested in being an election inspector, we need you! This is a paid position and is a fun way to meet your township neighbors. Please call Election Coordinator Mary Kuzner at (810) 347-3415 for info.

## Homeowners/Subdivision Associations

Please understand township officials cannot enforce subdivision bylaws or architectural standards, but to help you enforce compliance of standards, your association can be notified of issued building permits.

To be added to this distribution list, please send your association name and email address to Zoning Administrator, Vanessa Bader, at [vbader@tyronetownship.us](mailto:vbader@tyronetownship.us).

## Hartland Road Repairs



No. This is not Hartland Rd.

The Township Board approved the repair of Hartland Road, north of White Lake Rd. Although the township cannot afford to repair the entire road at one time, the Board felt it necessary to repair the worst section this year. Half of Hartland Rd., between White Lake Rd. and the Fenton City border will be repaved this summer.

Another portion of Hartland Road is also slated for repair. A section between Center and Gordon Roads will receive 1,900 tons of gravel for necessary drainage improvements.

## Committees and Commissions

Positions on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals will need to be filled soon. If you're interested in serving on a commission or another committee, please contact Supervisor Mike Cunningham at the township hall to find more information about various positions or submit an application.

Applications may found be on our website.

## BURN PERMITS ARE REQUIRED!



Burn permits are required in Tyrone Township for all open burning. The permit is good for one calendar year and costs \$5.00.

Burning without a permit may result in a \$1,377 fire service fee.

Not following the regulations for open burning—even if you have a permit—may also result in the \$1,377 fire service fee.

Burn permits may be obtained at the township hall or on the website.

## 2-1-1 Central Michigan "Get Connected" Assistance

Times are tough. If you or someone you know needs assistance or information on a particular human service issue, call 2-1-1. Central Michigan 2-1-1 is staffed with trained professionals, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to give you the information you need. They can assist you to get help from everything from food and housing assistance, mental health issues, to medical payments.



## Dog Licenses

All dogs in Livingston County must be licensed. Licenses may be purchased at the Tyrone Township hall or Livingston County.

Proof of the rabies vaccination and spaying/neutering (if applicable) must be shown each year as required by state law.

Cost of the license for a spayed/neutered pet is \$10.00 for a one-year license, \$25.00 for a three-year license.

## The Big Red Barrel Project

The Big Red Barrel Program is designed to provide a safe way for residents to properly dispose of unused or outdated medications. This is a "no questions asked" policy and is free.

Barrels are located in several areas of Livingston County. For more information, visit [www.livingstoncountycommunityalliance.com](http://www.livingstoncountycommunityalliance.com).

## Tyrone History Book

Tyrone Revisited, a 143 page book published by the Tyrone Historical Society, is a fascinating account of the historical families, homesteads, and stories that have created our township. Filled with lots of cool old photos! Available to purchase for \$12.00 at the township hall.

### TYRONE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Tyrone Township Historical Society meets the third Monday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Meetings begin at 6:30 pm. at the township hall with a tasty potluck dinner, followed by interesting speakers and programs. Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend and come meet your neighbors.

The next meeting, Monday, July 21, 2014, is the annual outdoor picnic (with grilled food!) and the topic is "One Room School-houses." For more information about the Historic Society, please call 810-629-2031.



## Vehicle Registration Errors

The county and the township have been getting short changed over the years because of errors in our vehicle registrations. Because our zip code is 48430, our county of registration is often recorded incorrectly as Genesee County.

When this occurs, Genesee

County receives the registration fees, instead of Livingston County, which means less funds for repairing our roads.

This is very common and occurs more than you think.

Errors may be made on any vehicle registration: automobiles, boats, motor-

cycles, snowmobiles, commercial vehicles, etc.

Check the county name on your vehicle registrations!

If your registration indicates Genesee County, please contact the Secretary of State office at (517) 335-6579.

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## Meetings

**Township Board** meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. The Board is responsible for the fiscal management of the township and sets township policy.

**Planning Commission** meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. In addition to reviewing applications for land uses within the township, the Planning Commission develops regulations so businesses and residents can peacefully coexist.

**Zoning Board of Appeals** meets on Monday evenings at 7:30 pm when requested. The ZBA is created to provide residents a forum at which they can appeal issues arising from interpretations of the township's zoning ordinance.

## Passports

Tyrone Township is a one-stop passport acceptance facility. Applications and photos are available on site. Appointments are recommended, but not necessary. Walk-ins are welcome. We process applications Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-5:00 pm. For requirements visit the U.S. Dept. of State's website at [www.state.gov/travel](http://www.state.gov/travel). Please note payments must be made by check or money order per application.

## Road Complaints

Please understand that we are ALL aware of the poor road conditions. If you have a complaint regarding township roads, please contact the Livingston County Road Commission at 517-546-4250.

Highways such as US-23 and I-96 fall under the responsibility of Michigan Dept. of Transportation. Report problems to MDOT at 517-373-2090.

If all else fails, contact your State Senator, Joe Hune, at 517-373-2420 or your Representative Cindy Denby at 517-373-8835.

**Livingston County**

**Hazardous Waste Collection**

August 9, 2014 and October 11, 2014

Two free events to get rid of hazardous household waste. Appointments are required and limited, so call early! Call 517-545-9609 for information.

**TV & Computer Collection**

October 4, 2014

A chance to recycle old TVs, computers, cameras, microwaves, etc! Its free and no appointment is necessary! Call 517-545-9609 for information.

## Office Hours and Services

*Not all departments have full time employees. We strongly recommend that you make an appointment or call ahead.*

### General Office

Monday-Thursday 9:00-5:00

Voter registration and absentee ballots, tax and sewer payments, dog licenses, passports, burn permits, notary service, and general information.

### Planning & Zoning Administration

Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:00

Land use permits, site inspections, planning department applications, Zoning Board of Appeals applications and other ordinance and planning activities.

### Assessing

Tuesday 1:00-5:00 and Wednesday 9:00-1:00

Assessor's records, site inspections, assessment appeals and review, and other general assessing information.