# Tyrone Township Newsletter

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2020 Summer

**FYI—We moved** last November. If you pay your bills using online banking, make sure you update our mailing address. We are getting a lot of late payments.

# **COVID-19 Information**



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, you will notice changes to the way the township conducts business as follows:

- For your safety and the safety of others, we ask that you make all payments by mail, online or place in drop box, near our front door. If you need a receipt please provide us your email address or a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- ♦ If it is necessary to enter the building we strongly recommend that all visitors wear a face mask.
- We have installed plexiglass and/or glass at all counters to provide additional protection for employees and visitors.
- We will be enforcing the 6 ft social distancing requirement and you will notice markings on the floor where to stand.
- All visitors entering the office area will enter through the glass door by the receptionist and exit through the glass door by the Clerk's office. The directions will be clearly marked.
- We request that any business that does not need to be conducted in person be done by phone, email, drop box or US mail.
- ♦ Our COVID-19 policy is available on our website.

### 2020 Property Tax Collections

Summer Taxes are collected from July 1st, 2020 to September 14th, 2020. After 9/14/20 we can collect at the township, but 1% interest is added each month to the balance due through 3/01/21.

#### Payments can be made as follows:

- Drop box at front entrance west side of building.
- By mail -- postmarks are NOT accepted for mailed payments.
- Local banks include The State Bank, & Flagstar Bank, Fenton Branch locations ONLY during regular business hours-- full payment along with the tax payment stub is required.
- Online at our website <a href="www.tyronetownship.us">www.tyronetownship.us</a> follow instructions provided under the orange "Property Search and Bill Pay" button. Fees apply for this service.
- Cashier's department at the township hall. We may have reduced business hours due to Covid-19. Please check our web site.

If you need a receipt please provide a self addressed stamped envelope when using the drop box or mail, online option allows you to print a receipt for your records. If you have an escrow account with your mortgage company, it is your responsibility to confirm that they paid your taxes. Deferments need to be turned in by 9/14/20 - contact our office or website for "Application for Deferment" on summer taxes.

#### Special points of interest:

- Donations accepted for Gleaners Food Bank & the pet pantry at the township.
- Tyrone Historical books sold
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### Michigan Voters: MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

#### 2020 Elections:

August 4, 2020 State Primary Election November 3, 2020 State General Election

With the passage of Proposal 18-3, an unregistered elector (or a registered elector who has moved) who wishes to participate in an upcoming election now has the following options:

- Register to vote in person at a Secretary of State branch office, a designated voter registration agency, the voter's county, city, or township clerk's office or by mail no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election. For the August 4, 2020 election, that date is July 20, 2020. For the November 3, 2020 election, that date is October 19, 2020.
- Register to vote during the 14 days prior to the election, including on Election Day, by applying in person at his or her city or township clerk's office.

Voters who register to vote in person with their city or township clerk during the 14 days prior to the election, including on Election Day, <u>must show proof of residency.</u>

Documents that may be accepted as proof of residency (these items must include the applicant's name and current address):

- ♦ A current utility bill
- Bank statement
- Paycheck
- Government check
- Other government document

To register to vote in Michigan you must be:

- A resident of Michigan and the city or township where you are applying to register to vote for at least 30 days before Election Day.
- A citizen of the United States of America.
- ♦ At least 18 years of age (by Election Day).
- Not serving a sentence in jail or prison.

Tyrone Township maintains a permanent absent voter list. If you are a member of the list, the township will automatically send you an **application** prior to each election. When the application is signed and completed, return it to the township and your ballot will be mailed. If you are a registered voter and want to be added to the permanent list, please contact the clerk's department. Proposal 18-3 eliminated the "reason" for requesting an absentee ballot so any registered voter may vote absentee now.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Secretary of State is mailing absent voter applications to all registered voters in the State of Michigan for the August and November 2020 elections with the exception of those voters on the permanent absent voter list. The local clerk will mail absent voter applications to all voters on their permanent absent voter list.

Tyrone Township has a drop box located outside our front door that can be used to return absent voter applications and ballots. In addition, we will have another box located inside the lobby of the building if you prefer to bring these items into the office. We are requesting that you limit your contact with our employees as much as possible and that you use these drop boxes or US mail to return your absent voter applications and ballots during the pandemic. You can go to mi.gov/vote to track your ballot.

We understand that your right to vote is very important and we are doing everything possible to make sure you have an opportunity to vote that is safe for you and our election staff. We appreciate your cooperation and patience during this difficult time.

Please visit the Michigan Secretary of State Voter Information Center at Michigan.gov/vote to find out if you are registered to vote, obtain a voter registration form, get information on your polling location or view the ballot for the upcoming election.

Vote Spotter - Voters may download an application called "Vote Spotter" to their cell phones or computers. This application provides an overview of how all elected officials voted on House Bills and Senate Bills. This application is very useful if you wish to know how your representatives in Lansing are making decisions for you.



# Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Appointments

Each year we have 2 terms that expire on each of the boards of commissions. If you are interested in getting involved with the township please go to <a href="https://www.tyronetownship.us">www.tyronetownship.us</a> click on the information tab and select job openings. Once there complete the application and send it to <a href="mailto:clerk@tyronetownship.us">clerk@tyronetownship.us</a>



The Historical Society supervises and maintains historical information and artifacts. Anyone interested in information or becoming involved in the history of the community, please call:

Kay Allmand (810)714-1533

#### **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! Black and white, 143 pages. Available to purchase at the township hall for \$15. (Add \$7.75 for postage; however, due to township accounting practices, a check for the postage must be separate.)







Nonperishable food items for humans AND pets may be donated at the township hall. Collection bins are located in the front lobby. Donations are greatly appreciated and help feed hungry people and pets. The Pet Pantry also accepts pet-related items.



## PURCHASE YOUR 2020 BURN PERMIT

Burn permits are required for any open fire and can be obtained at the township hall.

The permit **must be renewed** annually. The cost is \$5.00 and is good from January 1st through December 31st.

Burning without a permit may result in a \$1,433 fire service fee.

Make sure you comply with the Open Burning Ordinance (fire size, wind conditions, fire location, water supply etc.) You may get a copy of the ordinance at www.tyronetownship.us or at the township hall.



### **PASSPORTS**

Tyrone Township is a one-stop passport acceptance facility. Applications and photos are available on site. Appointments are required. We process applications Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.

For requirements visit the U.S. Department of State's website at www.state.gov/travel. Please note payments must be made by separate check or money order for each application.

Beginning Oct. 1, 2021, your driver's license or state ID card must be REAL ID compliant if you wish to use it to fly domestically in the U.S. or enter certain federal facilities. More information is available at the Secretary of State's website; www.michigan.gov/sos

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A RESIDENT



# DOG LICENSE RENEWALS

All dogs in Livingston County must be licensed. Licenses may be purchased at Tyrone Township Hall or Livingston County Treasurers office. Dog licenses should be renewed in the same month that the rabies shot was given. One year and three year licenses are available depending on the expiration of rabies vaccination. Proof of rabies vaccination is required for license renewal. The cost for a spayed/neutered pet is \$10 for one year and \$25 for a three year license. The cost for an intact pet (not spayed/neutered) is \$25 for one year and \$60 for three years.

You also have the option to purchase your dog license online.

Go to https://livingstonlive.livgov.com/miDog License/



## **Livingston County Hazardous Waste**

2020 Event Calendar will be released as soon as Stay At Home Orders have expired and dates have been confirmed . You can receive updates about program events by sending an e-mail with "E-mail" in the subject line to <a href="mailto:solidwaste@livgov.com">solidwaste@livgov.com</a>.



### SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE FOR EMAILED TOWNSHIP NOTIFICATIONS

The Township Board recommends that you sign up for email alerts in order to stay current with Township activities and events. Look for the email button on the Township web site.



www.tyronetownship.us



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



General Office Hours: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Mon. thru Thurs. except holidays.
Services include: Voter Registration and Absentee Ballots, Tax & Sewer Payments, Dog Licenses, Passports, Burn Permits, Notary Services and general information.

Planning and Zoning Administration: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Mon. thru Thurs.
All land use permits will be handled via email. Please visit the website for details under planning and zoning, then read the Land Use Permit Process.

Services include: Land Use Permits, Site Inspections, Planning Department Applications, Zoning Board of Appeals Applications, and all other general ordinance and planning activities.

Assessing Department: 9:00 AM-5:00PM Mon. thru Thurs.

Services include: Property Transfer affidavits, Homestead Exemptions, Board of Review, Assessor's Records, and other general assessing information.

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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 the month at 7:00 pm. Workshop meetings are at 6:00 pm the third Wednesday of the month. 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 the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 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



Supervisor: Mike Cunningham

> Treasurer: Jennifer Eden

Clerk: Marcie Husted

Trustees:

Herman Ferguson Charles Schultz Kurt Schulze David Walker

### **Township Personnel**



**Deputy Treasurer:** 

Joanne Milarch

Planning & Zoning:

Ross Nicholson

Planning & Zoning Admin Assistant:

Karie Carter

Assessor:

Bruce Little **Assistant Assessor:** 

Alexa Huspek

Cashier:

Tammy Dorsch

Deputy Clerk:

Terri Medor

Receptionist:

Marian Krause

