

Supervisor's Message

I would like to wish Beaver Township residents a healthy and prosperous 2018. I'm currently working on the 2018-19 budget as well as road/ditching plans for the 2018 construction season. We will see three new miles of asphalt in 2018, one of them being the reconstruction of Garfield Road between Beaver and Seidler. We have some drainage projects already approved for 2018, but will be setting up additional projects. If you have a drainage issue, please call me or the Township Hall. Residents that are concerned about Wind Energy, either for or against need to attend the DTE Open House on March 13 and also the Public Hearing on Wind Ordinance on April 26th at Zion Lutheran School. (More information about these two events can be found on Page 2.)

2018 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Jan. 10, 24	Feb. 7, 21	Mar. 7, 21	Apr. 4, 18
May 2, 16, 31	June 13, 27	July 11, 25	Aug. 8, 22
Sep. 6, 19	Oct. 3, 17, 31	Nov. 14, 28	Dec. 12, 27



General Guidelines—Household Garbage/Trash

The Curb Cart (blue lid) should be placed at the curb NO LATER than 6:00 a.m. on Wed. If you have more waste than what your cart can handle, please bag and place NEXT TO the cart, NOT ON TOP of the cart. The driver can easily empty the cart, then refill it with the other bag and empty again. Please call Republic Services for large item pick up or if you need another cart at 800.438.0966. If any items are not picked up by 5:30 p.m. on your regular pick up day, please call Republic on the same day of your pick up. Trash pickup services for residents on 11 Mile Rd between Beaver and Seidler will remain on Thursdays; however, recycle pickup will follow the dates above.

PROHIBITED ITEMS: Dirt, Sod, Rock, Hazardous Waste, Liquids of any kind including paint, flammable materials such as oil or gas, concrete, hot ashes, yard waste of any kind, large amounts of remodeling or demolition materials, whole tires or any other material determined as prohibited by State statute. Call the Bay County Health Department at 989.895.4006 to dispose of hazardous materials/chemicals.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED

As many Township residents are aware, the Zoning Board has been extremely busy since last fall partnering with McKenna Associates of Northville, MI, a planning and consulting firm. Working together during monthly meetings and beyond, a re-work of Beaver Township's zoning ordinance book has been the focus and much progress has been made.

The first two major additions were a new ordinance addressing solar and wind. The Board has completed these first ordinances and they have been reviewed by legal counsel. A public hearing will be scheduled for April 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Zion Lutheran School gym, 1557 W. Seidler Rd.

DTE WIND ENERGY OPEN HOUSE

DTE Energy is hosting a wind energy educational event "Bay County Open House on Wind Development" on Tues., March 13th from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. at the Forest Edge Banquet Center located at 4618 11 Mile Road in Auburn, Michigan. While DTE Energy does not have a planned wind park in Bay County, this event will be a great opportunity for community members to meet the DTE Renewable Team and have their wind development questions answered. The open house event will be set up in a station format, and each station will be staffed with experts covering various aspects of wind development --from turbine siting to the economic and environmental benefits of wind energy. You are welcome to come by at your convenience between the hours of 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. To RSVP for the event, please visit www.dteopenhouse.rsvpify.com or call (231) 846-8542 before March 9th.

Website

Visit our website at www.beavertwp.com. Find information on tax deadlines, meeting notices, election news, trash pickup and more!

Township Board of Trustees

All meetings will take place at 6:30 pm at the Beaver Township Hall on the second Monday of the month: January 8, February 12, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10.

Board of Review

Tuesday, March 6 – 1:00 pm – organizational Monday, March 12 – 9:00 am-noon & 2:00-5:00 pm Tuesday, March 13 – 2:00 pm-5:00 pm Wednesday, March 14 – 6:00 pm-9:00 pm Tuesday, July 17 – 5:00 pm Tuesday December 11 – 5:00 pm

Zoning Board/Planning Commission

All meetings will take place at 6:00 pm at the Beaver Township Hall on the third Thursday of the month while the Zoning Board is in the process of reworking the Zoning Book. Meetings will occur on the following dates: January 18, February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20.

Clerk News Mary McCarry – Clerk

There will be a Bay City Public Schools special election on Tuesday, May 8 for a sinking fund millage proposal to levy 0.65 mills for a period of 7 years (2018-2024). The Michigan gubernatorial election of 2018 will take place on November 6 to elect the next Governor of Michigan. Nominees will be chosen during the State Primary that will take place on August 7.

Information for voters can be accessed at the Secretary of State website, www.michigan.gov/sos. Simply click on the link "Elections in Michigan" in the left margin.

To register to vote, please stop by the office during regular business hours. Voters may also register to vote by mail, at the county clerk's office, or by visiting any Secretary of State branch office. Military recruitment centers also provide voter registration services. You must be registered thirty (30) days prior to an election to be eligible to vote. The "last day to register" is published prior to each election.

Treasurer News Gary Koch - Treasurer

As of March 1, 2018, all unpaid 2017 taxes must be paid at the Bay County Treasurer's Office, 515 Center Ave., Bay City.

Fire Department News Nick Tomczak – Fire Chief

I would first like to thank the community for coming out to the Benefit Breakfast we had for Firefighter Randy Roth. In spite of the weather, we served over 500 people and raised over \$9000 to help Randy with medical costs.

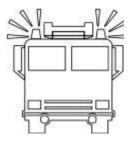
In 2017 we responded to 135 calls for help--96 were medical runs, 9 were car accidents, 20 were fires and 10 were other emergencies. Twenty-one of the runs were mutual aid for neighboring townships.

If you are going to burn any materials, please contact the Fire Chief or Assistant Fire Chief in advance. No man-made materials can be burned (tires, shingles, etc.). While we do not require burn permits, we MUST follow all state bans. Please be sure to check if a ban is in place before burning.

If there is a fire hydrant on or near your property, we ask that you please keep it clear of tall grass, weeds, debris, and snow.

Interested in Being a Firefighter?? You must be at least 18 years of age and a high school graduate or possess a G.E.D. If interested, please contact the fire department.

Reflective Address Signs can be purchased from the Beaver Township Fire and Rescue Auxiliary for \$15. Order forms are available at the township office. Help the Fire Department find you when it matters most!



Parks and Recreation Committee Brett Grzegorczyk – Chair

We are excited to announce that we received a grant from the East Michigan Council of Governments for \$11,870 to fund a new playground for the park. The committee has approved equipment for purchase and the playground will be installed this year. We have an active Gardening and Walking club and are always seeking volunteers for park improvement and community events. For more information, please visit our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/BeaverTownship
Parks andRecreation/ or contact the Township Hall
for updates, meeting times and rental information.

Upcoming Events:

Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, March 31 from noon until eggs are gone

Trunk-or-Treat – Saturday, October 27 from 4 to 7

Upcoming Meetings – held at the Township Hall at 7:00 pm: April 4, May 2, June 6, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7, December 5

Township Assessor News Joan Fackler – Assessor

Hi Everyone! It is that time of year again.

Assessment change notices were recently mailed. Assessments go up and down each year based on actual sales. You pay on the taxable value not the assessed unless there was a transfer on the property the previous year. If you have questions please feel free to call 989-843-6000. No calls can be returned the week of March 12th.

Please make sure if you are splitting your property to get a land division application from the township processed prior to making the sale.

Make sure if your property is your principal residence that your PRE % is at 100% under tax detail on your tax bills. If it is not, please let us know so we can help you get the necessary paperwork in place to get that corrected.

2018 Beaver Township Highlights

Hard surface projects:

- Garfield Road from Beaver to Seidler (Primary)
- Seidler Road from Garfield to Nine Mile (Local)
- Bay/Mid Line from River to Seidler (Local)
 (This is a 4-way cost share between Beaver Twp., Larkin Twp., Bay County Road Commission and Midland County Road Commission)

We have ditching projects already in place on Nine Mile, Eight Mile, and Seidler Roads.



Township Board of Trustees

Supervisor

Steve Gray

Clerk

Mary McCarry

Treasurer

Gary Koch

Trustees

Nick Tomczak William Retzloff

Township Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am—12:00 pm and 1:00 pm—4:00 pm

A drop box is available 24/7.



Beaver Township Hall 1850 S. Garfield Road Auburn, MI 48611