

Supervisor Update

Happy spring everyone,

I hope you survived the winter well. You may be aware that Trustee Engelhardt has retired from the Board as of early April. We wish her well in her new endeavors and are extremely grateful for her years of service to the Township. At our April meeting, the Board appointed Patty Lowes to fill the remainder for Engelhardt's term. Patty is accustomed to the Board having attended most Board meetings and volunteering on numerous occasions to help the Township wherever she was needed. We did receive a couple of letters of interest from members of the Township that were willing to fill the remaining time of the vacant position. We are very thankful for their willingness to dedicate their time to help our community. Having to choose a replacement out of great Candidates is never easy!



Robert (Bob) Brown,
Supervisor

We are also in need of Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) members for the Township. The ZBA rarely meets; in fact, the ZBA has never needed a meeting since I have been the Zoning Administrator. Not only is the Township required to establish and maintain a ZBA Board, we also need to be ready if an appeal comes our way. Anybody interested in being appointed, please contact Jodi Hunter or myself.

Now that the snow has left us for a while, ones again it is time to ask that you survey your property and remove any debris such as lumber, appliances, trash, un-operative vehicles, vehicle parts and such, in efforts to protect property values and keep our Community clean and a place we all continue to be proud of. Please never hesitate to contact me with any concerns or questions you may have. Have a wonderful summer. Truly yours,

Robert S. Brown.

Treasurer's Update

Hi everyone,
Taxes for 2016 come out July 1st. We'll have Saturday hours at the Township Hall from 10:00a.m. To 12:00p.m.

If anyone with delinquent summer or winter for 2015 please pay Chippewa County Treasurer. You should call to make sure you have the correct amount with penalty added on. The County Treasurer's number is 635-6308.

Kareen Brown, Treasurer



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Fire Chief Update



Henry Lowes, Fire Chief

Although it seems to be a winter that keeps dragging on, I am sure warmer, dryer weather is coming. Soon residents will be out cleaning yards, and along with that burning the debris piles. I urge you to use caution when burning. A seeming small fire can very quickly get out of hand. If you plan on burning, please consult the DNR burn permit website at www.michiganburnpermits.com. It is updated by 8 a.m. everyday and has important information on open burning. If you have any questions, you can call the local DNR office @ 635-6161.

While the burning of yard waste is ok, Construction materials, uncontained house-hold garbage and small buildings is not. I would also recommended that you have a water hose, a rake or shovel close at hand in case of trouble. A small gust of wind or change in direction can happen quickly, pushing the fire out of your control. Having a cellphone or cordless phone with you can save valuable time if help is needed.

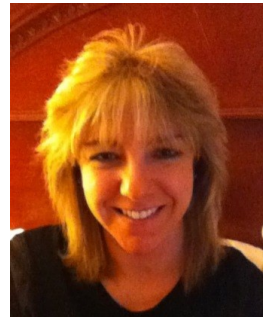
The Dafter Volunteer Fire Department currently has 2 open positions . If you would like to help, or have any questions please contact Chief Henry Lowes at 440-3301. Have a safe and happy summer.

Henry Lowes, Fire Chief

Clerk's Update

Hi everyone! This is going to be a busy year for elections! We have one coming up very soon, and then we have the State primary in August and the Presidential election in November! This year, we are implementing some new technology, specifically e-pollbook. You will see some changes at the polls this year! This will make things more efficient and timely, which will be very nice for our wonderful elections inspectors who put in VERY long days! Have a great spring!

Jodi Hunter, Clerk



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Trustee's Update

Dafter residents it's Spring and Summer is not far behind. As a trustee on your Township Board I have the privilege of serving you. This past year, with no exceptions, I feel this board did it's job with the new appointees and the situations that were before it. This board has to stay within the rules and regulations whether State , Federal or County.

Decisions to have a millage put on the ballot was a very difficult decision to make , however when the decision meant ambulance service to the Township and to our citizens to be covered in this area, the board did not hesitate and the residents were very generous on their decision to pass it. For your info the service came into the Township approx. 54 times as of this date. Important yes, and it will remain important for the Township.

Our fire department is staying with in it's budget and is doing a great job. Our Chief Henry Lowes has a great group of volunteers and while attending a meeting of this dept., I was assured these men and women do know their job and have showed it numerous times. The board makes sure they have the best of the best in equipment for their safety when called out. Just a Thank You to the Department for the everyday on call duty.

This board is always open to any comments that you the residents have. Our meetings have an opportunity for citizens comments, and this is where you may tell the board your ideas or what is on your mind. Join us at our regular sessions on the second Monday of each month (unless posted for different date).

I have asked the editor of the newsletter, Jodi, to place a picture from a few years back of the Dafter Flyers Hockey Team ...from 1974. Just looking back and showing some of what was in the past. They just look so young. I got the picture from Ron Maleport ...it does bring back memories . They did have a good win - loss record also.

Over the next few weeks I will be submitting an application to ask the Sault Tribe for the 2% monies in which they give out. These monies (if we are fortunate to receive) will be used to build a pavilion at and around the ball diamond. Wish us luck.

On behalf of the Township Board, I wish all our residents the best spring and summer. We also ask that you and yours stay healthy and enjoy life. God Bless.

As your Trustee on the Township Board,
Bob St. Peter

Trustee's Update

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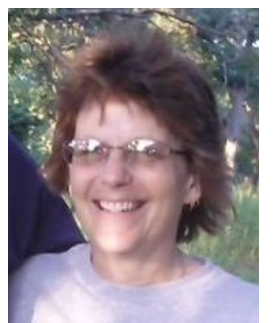
I have the pleasure of being appointed by the Board, to fill a Trustee position. Joyce Engelhardt has resigned from the Board as of April 11, 2016. I look forward to serving the Township and working with the Board.

Kind regards,

Patty Lowes



Robert (Bob) St. Peter,
Trustee



Patricia Lowes, Trustee

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Trustee -Bob St. Peter	906-632-9012	
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Fire Chief - Henry Lowes	906-440-3301	dafterfire@yahoo.com

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The place where people are from both sides of the tracks!



Dafter Township

Congratulations to Joyce Engelhardt on her retirement!

Long time Trustee, Joyce Engelhardt recently announced that she would like to retire from her Trustee position. Joyce is planning to travel in her retirement and enjoying many other extracurricular activities. The Board would like to thank Joyce for her many years of dedicated service to Dafter Township and wish her all the best in her retirement!

We will miss you!

Patty Lowes was appointed at the April meeting to fulfill the remainder of Joyce's term. Patty attends Board meetings regularly and is quite familiar with Board operations. She has volunteered extensively for the Township, and we are delighted that she was willing to serve in this position.



Mark Your Calendar for These Important Dates:

- State Primary Election—August 2—Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Dafter Township Hall
- Township Board Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Dafter Township Hall.
- Spring Clean Up—May 20th -21st and June 3rd-4th— See Coupon in this newsletter



The coupon below provides the first \$15.00 towards charges at Dafter Landfill on May 20-21 & June 3-4

Landfill hours are: Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 P.M. & Saturday 8:00 A.M. To 12:00 P.M.

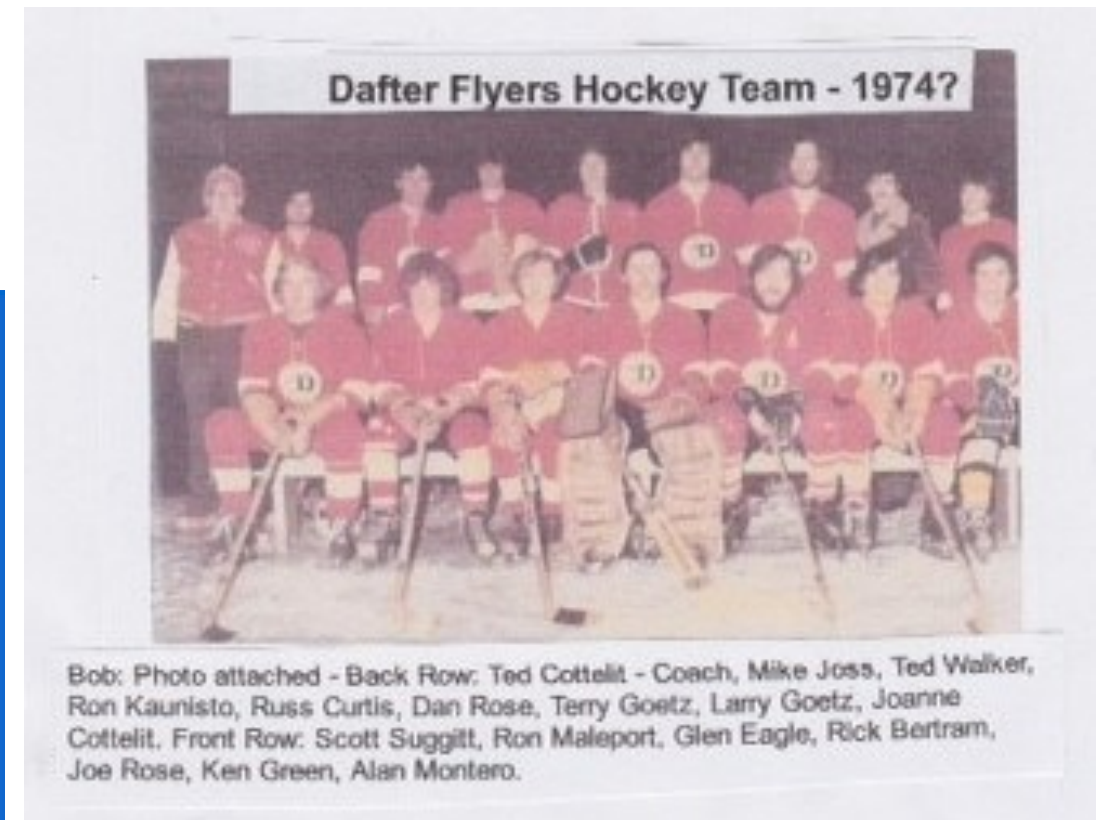
No appliances, tires, or hazardous waste accepted . **All loads must be covered.**

Please cut out the coupon below and bring it with you. One coupon per household.

You must bring your coupon with your address label attached. We can all do our part to keep our Township beautiful. As usual, the Township Board is here to serve you. If you have questions or concerns on anything Township related, please feel free to contact one of the Board Members. Have a beautiful Spring!

Dafter Flyers Hockey Team - Blast from the Past!

Wow! 42 years ago!
Where does time go?
Our Township Clerk wasn't even born in 1974!!
Thank you to Ron Maleport for sharing this!



Bob: Photo attached - Back Row: Ted Cottelit - Coach, Mike Joss, Ted Walker, Ron Kaunisto, Russ Curtis, Dan Rose, Terry Goetz, Larry Goetz, Joanne Cottelit, Front Row: Scott Suggitt, Ron Maleport, Glen Eagle, Rick Bertram, Joe Rose, Ken Green, Alan Montero.

Dafter Township

4171 W. 10 Mile Road
Dafter, MI 49724



DAFTER TOWNSHIP SPRING CLEAN-UP COUPON May 20-21 and June 3-4, 2016

Resident Signature _____

TOWN HALL RENTAL

RESIDENT RATES

Whole Hall—\$100.00

One Floor—\$50.00

NON-RESIDENT RATES

Whole Hall—\$200.00

One Floor—\$75.00

For rental information,
contact Dan Fox at
(906) 440-2144