

Leighton Links

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Winter 2007 Tax Payments

Payment must be received in our office by Septmeber 14, 2009. We can not accept postmarks!

- Payment Options: Payment may be made at 4475 Kalamazoo Dr. on Tues.-Thurs. from 9:00—4:00. We strongly encourage payment by check or money order in lieu of cash.
- Change in ownership/ mailing address: If you receive a bill for a property that you no longer own, kindly pass it on to the new owner, if possible, or return it to us so that we may redirect it.
- A Mail Slot is available for payments 24 hours a day in the inside door at the township hall.
- I will be available on Friday September 11 from 9:00AM until 4:00PM to pay your taxes.
- I will be in the office until 5:00PM on September 14 to collect your taxes.
- For a receipt by mail, enclose both the top and bottom portions of the bill with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. The top portion of your bill can be your receipt for your record.

Township Facts

Population in 2000 - 3652
Registered Voters - 2850
Road Mileage - 83 Total
Miles

Supervisor's Report Public Land, Facilities, and Recreational Opportunities

For some time now, the Township Board and Planning Commission have been discussing the current availability of and potential future needs regarding public land, facilities, and recreational opportunities within our community. Several issues have been discussed including some *potential* longer range options that might include the development of a facilities and recreation committee for the township, pursuing the creation of a park or participating in regional recreational projects, and even planning for a future expansion or relocation of township buildings.

A critical component to actually pursuing any such action involves the development of an official township facilities and recreation plan. This process not only allows for an intentional and detailed plan to be developed using critical information and professional services, but it is essential to eligibility for any future third party funding requests. This process itself can also be time-consuming and costly.

Before expending further resources toward such a formal plan, the Township Board decided to conduct a short survey of township residents in order to solicit feedback and "take the temperature" of our community regarding the current level of satisfaction with and the perceived need or level of support for pursuing the expansion of community resources. This feedback will provide the Board with vital information regarding these matters and will likely serve to steer the direction taken on this matter, so your input is very important. Please take a moment to complete the enclosed survey and simply return it via mail or directly to the township office by July 31,2009.

Thank you and enjoy your summer! Kevin DeKam

* In an effort to keep our township beautiful, please remove your garage sale *
* signs after your garage sale is completed *

RECYCLE If you experience any problems with recycling, please call 1-877-698-7274 . Make sure that your recycle bags are closed and have the twist ties on.



Leighton Township - Your One Stop Passport Application Center



Passports are now required for ALL international travel . Leighton Township can process your applications quickly and easily and without the worry of traffic or parking problems. Currently, it is taking 4-6 weeks from the date of application to fully process your passport, so don't wait too long if you are making travel plans. Along with processing Passport Applications, Leighton Township now offers Passport pictures at a cost of \$10. Call us at 616-891-8238 if you have any questions.

Check out our website at : leightontownship.org

Leighton Township Directory

Leighton Township Offices are located at: 4475 Kalamazoo Dr., Caledonia, MI 49316

Please note the Phone: 891-8238 Fax: 891-2143

Office Hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9:00 AM -4:00 PM;

We are closed on Fridays from Memorial Day to Labor Day

Township Board meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM

Planning Commission meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM

Zoning Board of Appeals meets as needed

(Note: Please call for an appointment to insure that the person you wish to speak with will be available to help you at a specific time.)

Township Board Members

Supervisor -Kevin De Kam,

Home 891-9198

Clerk - Mary Lou Nieuwenhuis,

Home 877-4340

Treasurer - Char Troost, Home 877-4019

Trustee - Brian Martin, Home 877-4514

Trustee - John Hooker,

Home (269)792-2525

Zoning Permits & Building Inspector

For all zoning & building questions call:

PCI - 616-877-2000

Assessor—Laura Stob—891-8238

Planning Commission

Al Zuidema, Chairman

Scott Chestnut Louis Murray

Harry De Haan Ronald Schrottenboer

Brian Martin David Wright

Zoning Board of Appeals

David Wright, Chairman

John Hooker David Gould

Roger Alderink Robert Skinner

Mary Jane Merren

Important Phone numbers

Ambulance—Fire-Police 911

Township Deputies

John Paul Damveld Randy Beute

Fire Chief

Dave Van Putten

Deputy Chief

Dion Genter

Sexton—Johnny and Jill Hooker

(269)792-2525

Green Lake Sewer Permits/Bills

Payments can be made anytime at the township office during regular business hours. After hours you can use the mail slot in the entry of the township office. Questions about Green Lake Sewer should be directed to Char Troost (616) 891-8238.

Leighton Township Library - 877-4143

Library Board Members

Joanne Campbell-President Denise DeVries

Harvey Haverdink

Faith Miedema,

Frances Beuschel

Michael Mulligan

Allegan County Commissioner

Mark De Young - 269-681-9413

Allegan County Offices

Road Commission -269-673-2184

County Clerk - 269-673-0450

County Treasurer - 269-673-0260

Drain commissioner - 269-673-0440

Health Department - 269-673-5411

Resource Recovery - 269-673-5411

Sheriff Department - Emergency -911

General Information -269-673-0500

Animal control - 269-673-0519

Burn Permits

Can be obtained by calling the Allegan County Burn Permit Line at (269) 686-5222. Permits to burn brush must be obtained on the day the material is to be burned. Be prepared with your name, address, and phone number.

State Legislative Officials

88th District Rep. - Bob Genetski—

Phone: 866-743-3659 Fax: 517-373-8728

24th District Sen. Patty Birkholz -

Phone: 517-373-3447 Fax: 517-373-5849