



WAYNE TOWNSHIP

SUMMER 2022 NEWSLETTER

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday	July 7, 2022	7:30 pm
Thursday	August 4, 2022	7:30 pm
TBA	September, 2022	7:30 pm
Monday	October 3, 2022	7:30 pm
Thursday	November 10, 2022	7:30 pm
Monday	December 5, 2022	7:30 pm

FIRE BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday	July 28, 2022	7:30 pm
Thursday	September 1, 2022	7:30 pm
Thursday	September 29, 2022	7:30 pm
Thursday	November 3, 2022	7:30 pm
Thursday	December 1, 2022	7:30 pm

WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD

Supervisor	Dr. Frank Butts	269-782-5250
Clerk	Kurt Reich	269-782-6555
Treasurer	Judith Fusko	269-423-8357
Trustee	Jim Griggs	574-215-4400
Trustee	Frank Maley	269-462-5143

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS

Zoning	Mark Davis	269-414-3159
Building	Scott Saunders	269-999-6475
Electrical	Ron Bellaire	269-663-3429
Plumbing	Dobberteen Ins.	269-651-4567
Mech'cal	Dobberteen Ins.	269-651-4567

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Assessor	Bill Kays	269-621-3604
Cnty Treas.	Hope Anderson	269-445-4468
Bd Comm.	Ryan Laylin	269-414-8370
Cemetery	Tammy Yeager	269-357-4710

WAYNE TOWNSHIP HALL
Voice & Fax Line
269-782-7017

The Township Hall is located at the corner of
Marcellus Highway and Glenwood Road

TOWNSHIP HALL HOURS

CLOSED July 4th and Labor Day, Sept. 5

Treasurer

July 1 – November 30, 2022

Monday – 4 – 6 p.m.
Tuesday – 1 – 4 p.m.

Taxes will be accepted during any of the hours listed above. In addition, the Treasurer's Office will be open for tax collection from 1 – 4 p.m. on the following Fridays: July 15 and 29; August 12 and 26; September 9; and also on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 from 9 am to 5 pm

Clerk

Wednesday – 1 – 4 p.m.

Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector

Thursday – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

IF YOU NEED TAX INFORMATION

Contact the Township
Treasurer at 269-782-7017

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ADDRESS CORRECTIONS REQUESTED

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Check out our website:
www.WayneTwpMI.org

PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Enclose a copy of the tax bill or the perforated top portion of the bill
 - If the tax bill is underpaid, you may be subject to interest charges
 - If paying in cash, please bring the exact amount
 - Make checks payable to "Wayne Township Treasurer."
 - Mail to :**Wayne Township Treasurer; P.O. Box 304; Dowagiac, MI 49047**
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2022 Summer Taxes are due on September 14, 2022

Summer tax bills are due on September 14, 2022. After that date, they are still payable to the Township Treasurer, but interest of 1% per month is added.

Under certain conditions, summer taxes may be deferred until February 14, 2023 with no interest added. Deferred summer taxes paid after February 14, 2023 will have interest added from September.

An "Application for Deferment of Summer Taxes" must be filed with the Township Treasurer before September 14, 2022. A new application is needed each year.

Upcoming Elections

Primary Election
Tuesday, August 2, 7am - 8pm
General Election
Tuesday, November 8, 7 am – 8 pm

Congrats to **CODY WALDSCHMIDT** who was recently named **2021 FIREMAN OF THE YEAR** for the Wayne Township Fire Department.

Wayne Township is an equal opportunity employer & provider

USE YOUR CREDIT CARD TO PAY YOUR TAXES

Credit cards cannot be used at the Township Treasurer's Office, but may be used on your home computer or Smart Phone. Go to **WayneTwpMi.org** and select the "Taxes" button on the tool bar. A large ALL-Paid button will appear. Follow the directions on the screen. There is a service fee charged for the use of a credit card.

NO "Tiny Houses" or RV's Allowed

Wayne Township Zoning Ordinances do NOT permit "tiny houses" or RVs, or any living establishment of under 1,000 square feet to be considered a residence.

WHY DID MY TAXES GO UP SO MUCH?

The amount you pay in taxes is not determined by the State Equalized Value of your property, but rather by the Taxable Value of your property. The taxable value of property is multiplied by the millage rate for each parcel, and determines the total of your property taxes. The taxable value increases each year by the lower of 5% or the cost of inflation as determined by the State of Michigan.

In the past decade, with low inflation, the increases in taxable value have gone up by as little as 0.03% in some years, and by very small percentages in other years. However, the State has determined that the cost of living increase for the 2022 tax year will be 2.3%. It is very likely that the cost of living factor for 2023 may be considerably higher than that.

The Township Assessor has no recourse but to apply the cost of living factor as set by the State.