

# KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

## SPRING/SUMMER 2015

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**Office Hours**  
Mon—Wed 8:00—12:00, 1:00—5:00  
Thur 9—12, 1—4  
CLOSED FRIDAY

### FROM THE TREASURER

*Hours Monday–Thursday 9 –12, 1–4*

### OFFICE CLOSED

May 25 Memorial Day  
September 7 Labor Day  
October 12 Columbus Day  
November 11 Veterans Day  
November 26 Thanksgiving  
December 24 Christmas Eve  
December 31 New Years Eve



**Don't Forget To  
Vote  
May 5th On The  
Road Proposal**

Summer tax bills are due and payable July 1— Sept 14, 2015. Please call the Treasurers Office at 686-8710 if you do not receive your tax notice, as the State law says a property owner is responsible for property taxes (including late charges that may accrue) regardless of whether or not a bill was received. When you receive your tax bill, **PLEASE open immediately** and check for errors. Some errors need to be corrected through the Board of Review, which

takes place July 21, and once corrected may affect the tax amount on your bill. The sooner these errors are caught the easier they are to correct. If you pay by mail or use the drop box and would like a “paid receipt”, we ask that you please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. We accept only cash, check or money order for payment of taxes. We do not accept credit cards. Any tax bill not paid by Sept 14, 2015 will have a 1%

interest added from the 15-30 and another 1% every month after.

You can pay your summer taxes here in the Kawkawlin Office until February 29, 2016.

**The last day to apply for Summer Tax Deferral is Sept 14, 2015.**

### **Dates to remember:**

Sept 7 - Closed  
Sept 14 - Summer Taxes Due  
Oct 12 - Closed  
Nov 11 - Closed

### FROM THE SUPERVISOR

**Hours: Monday–Wednesday 8–12, 1–5**

I would like to Thank those that voted for the road millage. This allows the Board to put about an additional \$140,000.00 toward road repair. Most of our roads made it through the winter without any more extreme damage. The Board will be putting \$600,000.00 towards roads this year. If proposal 1 passes or if the State Legislator would put 2015 funding toward roads, we could use our revenues to improve our parks and other programs.

If you are interested in being a member on a Township committee, we are looking for people to form a road committee and a recreation committee. If you are interested please call the Township Office at 686-8710.

*Check out the Township website at [www.kawkawlintwp.org](http://www.kawkawlintwp.org) for further updates or you are always welcome at our Township meetings to discuss any problems.*

### FROM THE CLERK

**Summer Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 8-12, 1-5**

My summer hours from June 1 - Sept 7 will be Tuesday - Thursday 8-12, 1-5. I will be off on Monday's. Please remember to vote on May 5th. If anyone is interested in being an election inspector contact the Clerk's office at 686-8710.

### HOUSE NUMBER SIGNS

*Make sure emergency vehicles can find your house.* If you would like a green reflective house number sign to put on your mailbox you may come to the office and purchase one for \$15.00.

**FROM THE ASSESSOR**

**Hours: Monday 8-12, 1-5**

Another tax season is here. When you get your tax bill, please check it immediately for any errors. Clerical issues can be addressed at the July and December Board of Review. Assessment issues can be addressed by appointment at the March Board of Review.

Make sure you file your *Transfer Affidavit* and your *Principal Residence Affidavit*, when you purchase a new home so that we can make sure you get credit for living at your new residence. If you are buying a home please remember to file a *Home Owners Principal Residence Exemption Affidavit* with the Assessor.

If you are thinking about selling lots or a portion of your property, you **must** file a Land Division Application. Otherwise, the party you are selling the land to will not be able to obtain permits, as this is an illegal split. Also, if you are planning on tearing down a building we require you to purchase a Demolition permit for

\$10.00. This helps us to keep any non-existing buildings off your assessment. Anyone filing for Veterans Exemption, this needs to be done yearly. If you have any questions or concerns please call me at (989) 686-8710 or go to [www.michiganassessor.org](http://www.michiganassessor.org).

**FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Hours: Monday-Saturday 9-12 & 1-5**

This is a friendly reminder that if you are going to burn any materials at all you must come to the Fire Dept. to obtain and sign for a burning permit. If the Fire Department receives any complaints a unit will be dispatched to check the complaint out. If the firefighter determines that the fire is a violation of any of the rules the fire will be extinguished and the permit will be revoked.

This mandate has been in effect since June of 2005.

**FIRE HYDRANTS**

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

**Smoke/CO Detectors**

Please remember to change the batteries in your detectors twice a year. A good rule of thumb: change your clocks, change your batteries.



**INTERESTED IN BEING A FIREFIGHTER?**

You must be at least 18 yrs of age and a high school graduate or possess a G.E.D. You must fill out an application and upon approval must be willing to have 12 hrs of documented training during your first 6 month probation period. If interested, please contact the fire department



**DOG/CAT LICENSES**

Dog and cat licenses may be purchased at the Kawkawlin Township Office. Please remember to bring your Bay County renewal form along with proof of rabies vaccination.

**RECYCLE**



If you did not get your trash, recycle, or yard waste picked up after you had it out on time on your scheduled day, call 1-800-578-2664 the same day or you won't get it picked up until the next recycle date. If you need a list of what is acceptable and what is not, you can go to our website: [www.kawkawlintwp.org](http://www.kawkawlintwp.org) and view the recycle guide located under Residents Information/Recycle Yard Waste Schedule.

**Yard waste pick-up has resumed and will continue through the end of November**

A reminder to anyone who is dumping brush in the Southwest corner of the ball field to be burned, please NO tires or trash of any kind. It is for brush only and twigs/trunks must not be any more than 2" thick. Anyone caught violating these rules may be fined up to \$500.00

**Need to Report a Road Problem?**



The Bay County Road Commission has a new website for reporting complaints or problems. Go to [www.baycoroad.org](http://www.baycoroad.org) and click on the Citizen Connect Cloud in the top left corner to fill out the form. You will receive a confirming e-mail to verify that the BCRC received your request.



## KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS

Dennis Bragiel - Supervisor  
Greg Petrimoulx - Clerk  
Melissa Klass - Treasurer  
Melvin McNally - Trustee  
Jack Hetherington - Trustee

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS 7:00 p.m.

Apr 2, 2015	May 7, 2015
June 4, 2015	July - No Meeting
August 6, 2015	September 10, 2015
October 8, 2015	November 5, 2015
December 3, 2015	January 7, 2016
February 4, 2016	March 3, 2016

### BOARD MEETINGS

2015			
May 11	7:00 pm	May 26	4:00 pm
June 8	7:00 pm	June 23	4:00 pm
July 13	7:00 pm	July 28	4:00 pm
Aug 10	7:00 pm	Aug 25	4:00 pm
Sept 14	7:00 pm	Sept 29	4:00 pm
Oct 13	7:00 pm	Oct 27	4:00 pm
Nov 9	7:00 pm	Nov 24	4:00 pm

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