



Valley Township



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Message from the Supervisor

I hope everyone is having a good summer. Let's hope the rain gives us a break. I have a couple of things to report and include them here.

Roads:

The Allegan County Road Commission will be continuing to work on Allegan Dam Road through July. Work will also begin on 122nd Ave. where the side of the road has deteriorated. In addition, they will be reworking 36th Street starting at the main highway.

Assessor:

Sherry Burd has ended her term as assessor at the Township. We want to thank her for her service to the township. We have hired a new assessor, Josh Simmons, and Sherry will be showing him the ropes for a couple of weeks.

Fireworks:

The Michigan Fireworks Safety Act has changed and expanded the types of fireworks that are legal for use in Michigan. A complete list of legal fireworks is available on the township website: <http://www.valleytpw.org> then click on Fireworks in Valley Township. Fireworks may be used on the day before, of, and day after a National holiday. Local units have been authorized to regulate the hours on these days. The township Noise Ordinance, which includes Public Nuisance, will be enforced between the hours of 11:00 pm and 6:00 am.

If you plan a fireworks display, you must acquire a permit from the township and have an appropriate stage for the fireworks. Any questions, please contact the township office.

Have a good summer. *W.F. Browne*

General Office Hours

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Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Township Officials

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William Browne - Supervisor
Brandee Ellis - Clerk
Christi Foster - Treasurer
Rose Ann Wendt - Trustee
Harry Smith - Trustee
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Ken Engelking - Building/Zoning
Josh Simmons - Assessor
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Website

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www.valleytpw.org
Find links, permits, contact information, meeting dates and times, minutes, and much more.

Fireworks and Fire Danger

If you plan on celebrating with fireworks, keep this in mind: You will be held 100% responsible in the event of a fire. Depending on the responding fire department, the minimum charge ranges between \$800 and \$1000 and hourly after that. Be sure you have water handy to extinguish any embers or in case a fire breaks out.

Property Taxes

Summer taxes are due no later than September 14, 2015

Payments will be accepted during regular business hours, 9:00am to 3:00pm, Monday - Thursday. If paying with **cash**, you must have the **EXACT AMOUNT**.

The Treasurer, Christi Foster, wants to thank you for your patience. She prefers to be contacted by email if you have any questions or concerns:

christi.foster@live.com

Zoning/Building Permits:

Just a reminder that besides building a home, many projects require permits. Permits are required for public safety and failure to obtain could result in a stop work order or complete removal and fines. All it takes is a call to our new Building and Code Enforcement officer, Ken Engelking, at 269-806-8776 who will assist you in properly completing your project.

Seasonal Residents - Trash Pickup

Chef Container has been selected as the contractor of choice and licensed in the township for your curbside refuse & recycling services. Rates are discounted for our seasonal, as well as, full year residents.

Please call 616-494-0561 to set up your trash service or go online to chefcontainer.com.

Millgrove Cemetery

Christi Foster has taken over the Millgrove Sexton duties. If you need arrangements, please call or email Christi.

christi.foster@live.com or 269-348-8251

Christi has spent time at the cemetery tidying the grounds and kindly asks that you follow the posted rules at the entrance. In addition, Cemetery Ordinance #236 outlines rules such as interment regulations, markers and memorials, and grounds maintenance. Please see our website to read the general rules or download a copy of the cemetery ordinance at: valleytpw.org and click on the Cemetery link on the right side.

New Assessor Information

Josh Simmons - MCAO Assessor

Office Hours: By appointment only

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Josh. He can be reached by cell phone or email. For assessing info see our web site <http://valleytpw.org/assessor.htm>

269-377-6145

Email: jsimmons.assessor@yahoo.com.

Burn Permits:

Burn permits issued by Allegan County Central Dispatch are for brush and leaves only, and considered valid for one day only. Please use the online form located at:

<http://cms.allegancounty.org/sites/Office/CD/SitePages/BurnPermits.aspx> or find the link on our site at valleytpw.org, then click on the Online Burn Permit link. Citizens who do not have access to the internet can still obtain a permit by telephone at (269) 686-5222, but they are encouraged to use the online form if possible.

Fall Clean-Up Scheduled

Thanks to all who participated in our Spring Clean-Up Day on April 25
Next Clean-Up Day Scheduled for **OCTOBER 17** for Valley Township Residents - 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Clean-Up Site is located at 4726 – 118th Avenue
Approx. 1 mile west of DNR office, Round Lake area - south side of road.

Not accepted: Paint cans, yard waste, old cabinet t.v.s, burn barrels, household garbage.

Accepted: Refrigerators, stoves, washers, small appliances, old furniture and unwanted household items, limit of 2 tires (must be on rims)