

LOCKE TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER
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PROPERTY TAXES may be paid at the township hall during office hours Also, Thu. December 29, 2016 9am-5pm
Tue. February 14, 2017 9am-5pm
Tue. February 28, 2017 9am-5pm
Bring/mail your tax bill with your check to insure proper credit. Credit cards are not accepted. Payment must be received by 5 PM on due date, not the post mark.



THANK YOU TO PAUL GRIFFES for 21 years of dedicated service to Locke Township – six years on Planning Commission and 15 years as Supervisor. Paul represented the residents interests and upheld the public trust with his leadership skills, professionalism and wealth of knowledge.

ELECTION RESULTS
August 2, 2016 Primary Election
1363 registered voters / 245 voted
November 8, 2016 General Election
1399 registered voters / 1095 voted
Registered voters who wish to be on the permanent Absent Voter list may contact the clerk.

WELCOME TO NEW ROLES:
Dorothy Hart, Supervisor after serving thirty years as Clerk. Glenda Turner, Clerk after serving twelve years as Deputy Clerk. Re-elected Trustees Larry Schulz and Karen VanDooren.

FOR SALE. Retired cemetery flags, 12" x 18" w/3/8" wood staff, which are in fair condition after flying in our cemeteries. Flags may be purchased for 25¢ each or 5 for \$1.00.

TOWNSHIP HALL INFORMATION.
Township hall office hours are:
Tuesday and Thursday 10am - 4pm
Assessor hours: by appointment
The hall rental rate is \$100 rent plus \$50 deposit. Hall seating capacity is 100. Alcohol is not allowed. Tables and chairs are available for loan to township residents. For information or rental call the office at 517 468-3405. Allow ample lead time when scheduling a reservation.

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES for 2017. All meetings are held at the Locke Township Hall, 3805 Bell Oak Road, Williamston.
Township Board meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 PM.
Planning Commission meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of Jan, Mar, May, July, September and November at 7 PM.

The 6th Annual Locke Township Block Party will be held Saturday, August 19, 2017 at Jean Roll's, 5950 Morrice Road starting at noon. Potluck at 1:00 pm, socialize till dusk. Get [re]acquainted with your neighbors!

CEMETERY REGULATIONS.
Artificial decorations may be placed on gravesites from Nov. 1st to Apr 1st. Decorations remaining after Apr. 1st will be removed/disposed of by the caretaker. The Cemetery Ordinance is available on our website to review rules / regulations.

DTE ENERGY is in the process of installing Advanced Metering at no charge. This new technology upgrade is for use of energy efficiently, effectively. A meter reader will continue until the area installation is complete.

BUILDING PERMIT, LAND USE PERMIT AND LAND DIVISION PERMIT applications are available at the Township Hall or on the Township website. If you plan to construct, remodel, divide your land, etc., please obtain the necessary permits prior to starting your project. If uncertain as to the need for a permit, please call the Township office 517 468-3405.
Building permits & plumbing, electrical and mechanical [trades] permits issued:
2014 27 building permits / 59 trades
2015 50 building permits / 47 trades
2016 34 building permits / 43 trades [to date]

RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES
Regg cartons - Locke Township Hall
single stream recycling sites:
Williamston Transfer Station
M-F 9 am-4 pm 2450 E. Gr. Ri.
Morrice Transfer Station
Tu 8-4/Th 10-6/Sa 8-4 1470 W Britton
Plastic bags: Walmart or Meijer
Used oil and car batteries: TSC [fee?]
Computers/printers/and some electronics:
Best Buy, Staples

INGHAM COUNTY PLAT BOOKS
are available for purchase at the Twp office for \$10. Locke Township Zoning Ordinance books are available for \$8.

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Christine McGoron, deputy clerk/website

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Paul Griffes, NIESA rep
Ken Cook, zoning bd of appeals/plan comm
David Wheeler, zoning board of appeals
Bob Davis, planning commission
Matt Flint, planning commission
Dean Kitchenmaster, plan comm/bd of rev
Roger Smith, board of review
Vernon Cobb, board of review

Tom Slider, construction board of appeals
Gerald Neil, construction board of appeals
Rich Westmoreland, const board of appeals
Ken Schmuecker, construction bd of appeals
Gerald Alchin, construction board of appeals
Chase Lawn Care, hall/cemeteries mowing
Webster & Griffes, hall snow plowing

If you would like to be considered for a vacancy or short term task force contact Supervisor Hart.