

LOCKE TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER
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your key to Township news

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TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday and Thursday 10 am-4 pm
Assessor hours 2nd & 4th Thurs 10-noon
Website - www.locketownship.com
The Hall rental rate is \$100. plus \$50.
deposit. Seating capacity is 100.
Alcohol is not allowed. Tables/chairs
available for loan to township residents.
For information or rental agreement call
the hall office, 517 468-3405. Allow
ample lead time when scheduling your
reservation. Please note that the hall
office is closed Tuesday, July 4th.

PROPERTY TAXES may be paid by
mail or at the Township Hall.

Treasurer's office hours are:
Tuesday & Thursday 10 am - 4 pm
Thursday September 14 9 am - 5 pm
Bring or mail your tax bill with your
payment to ensure proper credit. Paid
receipts sent when payment includes
stamped, self-addressed envelope. Post-
mark is NOT payment date. Debit or
credit cards not accepted. Application
for Deferment of Summer 2017 Taxes,
not exemption, accepted by Sept. 15th.
Forms are at the Locke Twp Hall and
on the Locke Township website.

MEETING DATES for 2017
at Locke Twp Hall, 3805 Bell Oak
Rd, Williamston:

Township Board meetings are the 2nd
Tuesday of the month at 7 pm

Planning Commission meetings are the
3rd Tues of January, March, May, July,
September, and November at 7 pm.

ELECTION NEWS A new voting
system from Dominion Voting is
coming to Ingham County. Locke
Twp has received a precinct tabulator
[\$4338] and an ADA machine [\$2879]
through a grant agreement for State
appropriated funds and Federal Help
America Vote Act funding. Clerk
Turner completed new system training.
**August 8th Morrice School District
Election to be held at the Perry
Township Hall.** Absent voter ballot
applications available from Perry Twp.

WEBBERVILLE 4-H MEMBERS

Ashton Lott, Maci Kubiak,
Elizabeth and Lucas McGoron, Mike
Wilson, and adult co ordinator Christine
McGoron placed flags on the veterans
graves in the Rowley Cemetery. Thank
you to the 4-H Club participation.

Rowley Cemetery has 163 veterans,
Bell Oak Cemetery has 59 veterans,
Brick Cemetery has 1 veteran and
Mt. Calvary Cemetery has 93 veterans.
Retired cemetery flags are available at
the hall office for 25¢ each or 5/\$1.00.



LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

in 2017. Locke Township has
contracted with the Ingham County
Road Department for skip paving and
wedging to portions of Royce, Bell
Oak, and Harris Rds. In addition, the
road work scheduled in 2016 - Donna
Dr, Corey, Scofield, Benjamin and N/S
Lovejoy Roads - will be completed. The
Township cost will be \$85,136 and the
I C R D cost will be \$66,600 for a total
road budget of \$151,736.

The Dietz Road closure for the unsafe
bridge will remain. The I C R D has
applied for Federal and State Local
Bridge Funding. If awarded, the bridge
replacement could be in 2019, at the
soonest.

THE 5TH ANNUAL Locke Township
Block Party will be held on Sunday
August 21st at Jean Roll's Farm, 5950
Morrice Road. The potluck starts at 1,
socialize til dusk, followed by bonfire
and weenie roast. R S V P by the 19th,
517 468-3534. Get [re]acquainted with
your neighbors!

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 [fee]

Clerk Turner and Supervisor Hart attended the Michigan Townships Association Annual Conference in April themed 'Come Together'. The Lansing location offered an opportunity for our officials to ride the C A T A bus for the commute. Officials attended workshops to learn, work and grow together as community leaders.

TAKING PHOTOS on the TRACKS:

TILLEGAL. Photography on railroad tracks is a dangerous trend in Michigan and across the entire country. Trespassing on railroad property by being on train tracks can be fatal. The sound of the train warning isn't always heard until it is too late. Don't risk your life - always be safe.

BUILDING, LAND USE AND LAND DIVISION PERMIT APPLICATIONS are available at the Township Hall or on our website. If you plan to construct, remodel, divide your land, etc., please obtain necessary permits prior to starting your project. If uncertain as to the need for a permit, please call the Township office.

INGHAM COUNTY PLAT BOOKS

Iare available for purchase at the Twp office for \$10. Locke Township Zoning Ordinance books are available for \$8. The Zoning Ordinance may be viewed/printed from the Township website.

CA T A restoration. The Williamston -Webberville Connector will again make 5 trips a day to the Meridian Mall and a stop at Okemos Meijer. This will replace the C A T A Rural Service.

REMINDER that you are responsible for a fire you start! Brush and Bonfire Burn Permits are available thru Northeast Ingham Emergency Services Authority [NIESA], 1296 West Grand River, Williamston, 517 655-3384.

CEMETERY R U L E S. Artificial decorations are not allowed between April 1st & Nov. 1st. Decorations will be removed and may be claimed at the Township hall during business hours. The Township shall furnish a U. S. flag and holder for the grave of each veteran who served in the U. S. armed forces and is buried within one of our cemeteries. The Cemetery Ordinance, with rules and regulations, is available at the Township and on our website.

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Ed Fuller, cemetery sexton

Webster & Griffes, hall snow plowing

Ken Cook, zoning bd of appeals/planning comm

Bob Davis, planning commission

Matt Flint, planning commission

Dean Kitchenmaster, plan comm/bd of review

David Wheeler, zoning bd & const bd of appeals

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 board of appeals

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

THANK YOU to our active duty soldiers and to our veterans. May we have a safe, peaceful world to enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.