

LOCKE TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER
3805 Bell Oak Road Williamston MI 48895

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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 \$75. plus \$50.
deposit. Seating capacity is 100.
Alcohol is not allowed. Tables/chairs
available for loan to township residents.
2017 rentals will be at a new rate - \$100
rent plus \$50 deposit. For information
or rental agreement call the hall office,
517 468-3405. Allow ample lead time
when scheduling your reservation.

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

Treasurer's office hours are:

Tuesday & Thursday 10 am – 4 pm

Wednesday Sept. 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 2016 Taxes,
not exemption, accepted by Sept. 15th.
Forms are at the Locke Twp Hall and
on our website.

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

MEETING DATES for 2016
at Locke Twp Hall, 3805 Bell Oak
Rd, Williamston:

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

[Nov. will be 1st Tues due to election]

Planning Commission meetings are the
3rd Tues of the month at 7 pm.

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!

ELECTION NEWS

Primary Election – August 2nd

General Election – November 8th

Please note that the straight-ticket voting
has been eliminated in Michigan which
may result in longer wait times to cast
a ballot. Registered voters who would
like to be included on the permanent
Absent Voter List may contact the clerk
and you will be mailed an Absent Voter
Application for each election.

INGHAM COUNTY now provides
access to the Smart911 system. Free
sign up, <http://smart911.com>, to provide
house information, special rescue needs,
where your cell phone could be calling
from & much more allowing dispatchers
to provide better responder information/
enable a cell phone text-to-911 feature.

MI VETERAN DESIGNATION
on your driver's license or ID card is an easy and optional way to prove veteran status. Honorable or general discharge veterans may qualify for the designation at any Secretary of State office or when renewing through the mail. The word "Veteran" will be printed in red on the front of your card. Veterans must provide acceptable documentation for eligibility to receive the designation.

DTE ENERGY work crews are in the area to trim/remove trees growing too close to power lines. DTE is committed to providing safe and reliable electricity. Arborist planners wear DTE Energy yellow vests & carry ID badges. If tree work is needed on your property you will be contacted by a knock on your door or a 'Tree Work Scheduled' door card. Ideally, no trees should be planted near power lines.

BUILDING, LAND USE AND
BLAND 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
are 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.

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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 board of appeals
Roger Smith, board of review
Vernon Cobb, board of review
Ron Cole, N I E S A alt. representative
Tom Slider, construction board of appeals
Gerald Neil, construction board of appeals
Rich Westmoreland, const board of appeals
Ken Schmuecker, construction board of appeals
Gerald Alchin, construction board of appeals

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

CONGRESSMAN Mike Bishop
mobile office hours Tues. July 12th
10 – 11:30 am at Locke Township Hall.