

LOCKE TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER
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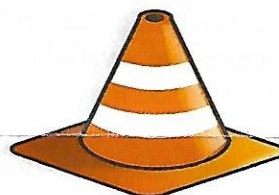
TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesday and Thursday 10 am-4 pm
Assessor hours 2nd & 4th Thurs 10-noon.
Website - www.locketownship.com
Hall rental rate - \$100. plus \$50. deposit.
Seating capacity - 100. Alcohol not allowed. Tables/chairs no longer loaned.
For information or rental agreement call the hall office, 517 468-3405.

PROPERTY TAXES may be paid by mail or at the Township Hall.
Treasurer's office hours are:
Tuesday & Thursday 10 am - 4 pm
Monday September 16 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. Postmark is NOT payment date. Debit or credit cards not accepted. Application for Deferment of Summer 2019 Taxes, not exemption, accepted by Sept. 16th. Forms are at the Locke Twp Hall and on the Locke Township website.

WELCOME NEW APPOINTED OFFICIALS:
David Carlson - NIESA alt. member
Marcy Shepler - Trustee
Sarah Lackey - Zoning Bd of Appeals
We look forward to your application of integrity, values and leadership skills.

MEETING DATES for 2019
at the Locke Township Hall:
Township Board 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm
Planning Commission 3rd Tues of January, March, April, May, June, July, September, and November at 7 pm.

ELECTION NEWS :
Registered voters who would like to be included on the permanent Absent Voter List to receive an Application for each election may contact the Clerk.



LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
in 2019. Locke Township will contract with the Ingham County Road Dept for skip paving & wedging portions of:
Bell Oak Rd, Harris Rd - Herrington Rd
Sherwood Rd, M-52 - Herrington Rd
Dietz Rd, Rowley Rd - Bell Oak Rd
Moyer Rd, Shaftsbury Rd - Webberville Rd
The Township has budgeted \$80,000 and the ICRD will provide \$33,300 for a total road budget of \$113,300.

In addition, 4 miles of road chip-sealing, without charge, will be completed after maintenance paving is done.

The Dietz Road closure will remain. The ICRD has again applied for Federal and State Local Bridge Funding. If awarded the \$1,270,000 bridge replacement could be scheduled in 2022, at the soonest.

CEMETERY RULES. Artificial decorations are not allowed between April 1st and November 1st. The Cemetery Ordinance, with rules and regulations, is available at the Township Hall office and on our website.

Retired cemetery flags are available at the hall office for 25¢ each or 5/\$1.00.

THREE-FOOT RULE FOR passing cyclists now law, requires drivers to pass a bicycle at least 3' to the left, or another safe distance if 3' is impractical. Driver's education classes are required to include at least 1 hour of class time on motorcycles, bicycles, pedestrians and other "vulnerable" roadway users.

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. Pure Michigan state transportation maps are available at the hall office at no cost courtesy of MI Dept. of Transportation.

WAYS TO SAVE ENERGY

1. Unplug things when not in use.
2. Turn water heater down to 120° F.
3. Install a digital thermostat.
4. Switch to LED light bulbs, use a timer.
5. Use microwave/toaster oven, not an oven.

MISS DIG 811 is a free service that will contact utility companies to have underground lines marked. Contact 8-1-1 for major and routine jobs such as installing a fence/deck, planting shrubs and trees, or replacing a mailbox post.

INGHAM COUNTY Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program Applications are available at the Twp Hall for property owners interested in permanently preserving their farmland by selling their development rights. Application deadline is July 31st, 11a.m.

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.

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Ed Fuller, cemetery sexton
Webster & Griffes, hall snow plowing

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Bob Davis, planning commission
Matt Flint, planning commission
Dean Kitchenmaster, plan comm/bd of review
David Wheeler, zoning bd & const bd of appeals
Sarah Lackey, zoning bd of appeals
Roger Smith, board of review
Vernon Cobb, board of review
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