

Bearinger Township



BEARINGER TOWNSHIP BOARD

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A Message from your Supervisor, John Malaski

I would like to keep everyone informed about the improvements your Bearinger Township Board has made over the past year at the Township Hall and properties. Old window treatments were replaced with single unit blinds as the old large units failed and fell off the wall several times. The new asphalt parking lot was sealed in order to protect your investment and insulation in the hall ceiling has been installed in order to save heating costs. Thanks to Trustee Archie Patterson for all his hard work to make this happen. We will be currently working to replace the ceiling lighting fixtures as the old units are failing and it is unsafe to send someone up a 10 ft. ladder to clean out insects twice a month. A small section of Ocqueoc Lake Road was improved along with the Presque Isle County Road Commission's work and the Bearinger Township Cemetery has a new facelift with new cedar posts at the entrance.

Yours sincerely, John G. Malaski – Bearinger Township Supervisor

WINTER PROPERTY TAXES

Payable to: Bearinger Township

Winter 2015 taxes are due as of December 1, 2015 through February 16, 2016 to pay without penalty. Make checks payable to Bearinger Township, c/o Treasurer Emilie Stawiarski, 19223 Ortolan Lane, N., Millersburg, MI 49759-8322. On February 17, 2016, a 3% penalty will be added to any payments received on and after that date. On March 1, 2016, all unpaid tax bills are returned to the Presque Isle County Treasurer's office.

The Bearinger Township Treasurer will be available on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm to receive tax payments at 19223 Ortolan Lane, Millersburg, MI (between Lanes 59 & 60 off of US23) or by appointment by calling 989-938-6490 or 734-730-9192.

The Township Treasurer will also hold office hours on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 19223 Ortolan Lane, Millersburg, MI (between Lanes 59 & 60) from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm or by appointment 989-938-6490. **Payments can be sent via US Mail, UPS, or FED EX to: Bearinger Township Treasurer, 19223 Ortolan Lane, N, Millersburg, MI 49759-8322.** The majority of payments arrive without issue; however, some do not arrive and interest and penalties are not waived unless proof of mailing is provided. The check date is not considered proof of payment nor is past payment history.

If you would like a **receipt of tax payment**, please indicate this with your payment. Your canceled check also serves as proof/receipt of payment.

Bearinger Township Board Meetings

are held at the Township Hall
17034 Town Hall Highway Ocqueoc, MI
2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm
Below is the Township meeting schedule for
2016 along with additional information:

January 12	1:00 pm Township Meeting
February 9	1:00 pm Township Meeting
March 3	7:00 pm Tri-Board Budget Meeting- Ocqueoc/Bearinger Fire Hall
March 8	7:00 am – 8:00 pm Presidential Primary Election
March 10	6:30 pm Township Meeting & Public Hearing 2016/2017 Budget
April 12	6:30 pm Township Meeting
May 10	6:30 pm Township Meeting
June 14	6:30 pm Township Meeting
July 12	6:30 pm Township Meeting
August 2	7:00 am – 8:00 pm State Primary Election
August 9	6:30 pm Township Meeting
September 13	6:30 pm Township Meeting
October 11	6:30 pm Township Meeting
November 8	7:00 am – 8:00 pm General Election
November 10	6:30 pm Township Meeting
December 13	6:30 pm Township Meeting

BEARINGER TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

Rogers City Area Ambulance Services Authority



The RCAA has undergone a management change in 2015, with the service currently managed by the Cheboygan Life Support Systems. This change to CLSS now provides management support at a lower cost. The equipment is owned by RCAA with the same staff now being employed there. This arrangement is providing local residences with top quality EMS services and improved working conditions for the EMS staff. This summer the RCAA board elected Bearinger Township Trustee Archie Patterson as its Treasurer who is updating their record keeping & financial planning processes to improve even more efficiency within the RCAA.

Bearinger Township Cemetery Update



Stawiarski. Hand digging the post holes and installing the new cedar fence cost less than \$500 and should last many years to come.

District Forester Provides Free Landowner Assistance

Presque Isle & Cheboygan Conservation Districts now offer a Forestry Assistance Program to encourage & enable landowners to more actively manage their woodlands through in-office & on-site assistance. Services include identification of forest diseases & insects; advice on planting trees & shrubs for reforestation; windbreaks & wildlife habitat; and recommendations for improving woodlots for timber production, wildlife habitat and recreation. To find out more about these free services, contact Brittany at the Presque Isle Conservation District office at 989.734.4000 or email her at Brittany.vanderwall@macd.org

BOARD OF REVIEW

For: Errors & Principal Residence

At the Bearinger Township Hall
17034 Town Hall Highway
Ocqueoc, MI 49759

Review date is December 10th at 2:00 pm. **Please note:** An additional Board of Review meeting will be held for all other issues in March 2016

Ocqueoc/Bearinger Township Fire Department

Meetings are held every other month beginning in January at 7:00 pm at the Fire Hall, Town Hall Highway and US23. The public is welcome to attend. **Recruiting Volunteer Firefighters and 1st Responders.**

If interested or for more information, please call Fire Chief Gary Yaklin 989.734.2841 or Treasurer Beverly Rossetto 989.938.6258

Change of Address

Remember to update your on-line banking to reflect the correct Treasurer's address.

Submit change of address information to the Township Treasurer by January 1, 2016.
Email: treasurer@bearingertownship.org
Mail: 19223 Ortolan Lane, N., Millersburg, MI 49759 Or include a note with your tax payment.

Message from Bearinger Township Assessor, Joe Lavender

Several laws have changed in the last five years. Filing deadlines for Principle Resident Exemptions (PRE) are now due June 1st and November 1st. Several exemptions for uncappings have occurred for the transfer of property to family members. Be sure to file a Property Transfer Affidavit if your property changes ownership. Forms can be found at www.Michigan.gov/treasury. In the future, there may be property inspections for routine updating of assessment records.

Joe Lavender, Assessor

107 W. State St, Cheboygan, MI 231.420.8420

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