

# Bruce Township Newsletter



## Supervisor's Office

I thought I would touch on the development we have going on in the Township. Currently, we have two subdivisions being developed. Pond Creek Estates which is located at 33 and a half and Van Dyke and Highland Hills on 33 Mile West of Fisher. Lastly Insignia Point will be at 34 Mile East of Campground. All of these fit into our current zoning and Master Plan. In our industrial corridor, we have one 20,000 square foot building being built. With additional buildings having received site plan approval. One that could be 100,00 square feet.

The shared use path connecting two of our parks was just awarded the bid to a contractor. We expect the project to be started in July.

We have a committee made up of township residents exploring the possibilities of turning 143 acres of Township owned property into a park. The committee has been in touch with the Clinton River Water shed to work with them for possible funding.

We know our Township is growing, what we allow and the direction we go is what is important. Sticking to our Master Plan is our top priority.

The staff at the Township including ZBA, and Planning Commission along with the Township Board are the greatest and all work so hard to share with myself the passion to make Bruce Township the best it can be. It is truly an honor to work side by side with them.

## Treasurer's Office

**The Treasurer's Office is committed and looks forward to serving taxpayers with respect, professionalism and a commitment to customer service.**

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2021 Summer tax bill. Please refer to the [back of the bill](#) regarding due dates, payment options and contact information.

Please note to reduce mailing costs, beginning with the 2021 summer tax bill we will no longer be mailing tax receipts. Tax receipts will be given upon request with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

TCF Bank will no longer be collecting tax payments on the township's behalf.

You can confirm your tax payment has been made by checking with your bank first to verify that your check was cashed. If you escrow your taxes, please check with your mortgage or escrow company. As a taxpayer, you are liable for the tax payment. Payments can be made and verified on our website [www.brucetwp.org](http://www.brucetwp.org) under the make tax payments tab. Payments can be made for Taxes and Utilities on the Township website: [www.brucetwp.org](http://www.brucetwp.org)

**SUMMER TAX BILL EXPLANATION:** You can go to our website [www.brucetwp.org](http://www.brucetwp.org) on the Treasure's tab and read the explanation of your summer tax bill.

### Summer 2021 Tax Deferment Applications.

To apply for your Principal Residence: to qualify, total gross household income cannot exceed \$40,000 for the preceding tax year and the applicant must also be 1) at least 62 years of age; or 2) totally and permanently disabled, blind, paraplegic, hemiplegic or quadriplegic; or 3) eligible serviceperson, eligible veteran, or eligible widow or widower. Those that farm Agricultural Real Property may also qualify provided the property is classified or used as agricultural real property, and that the gross receipts of the agricultural or horticultural operations in the previous year (or the average gross receipts for such operations in the previous three years) is not less than the household income for the preceding calendar year.

More information and the deferment applications can be obtained at the Township's Treasurer's Offices. Deferment applications must be filed prior to 9/15/21 with your local Treasurer.

You can contact the Treasurer's office at 586-752-4585.

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## Clerk's Office

Governor Whitmer has called a Special Primary and Special Election to fill the 8<sup>th</sup> District Senate seat vacated by Pete Lucido. There will also be Fire and ALS millage renewal proposals on the ballot. For the exact wording of the millage language, please visit our website at [www.brucetwp.org](http://www.brucetwp.org)

Special Primary Election August 3, 2021  
Special Election November 2, 2021

**Bruce Township offices are OPEN! M-Th 8:30 -4:30**

Face masks are required if you are not fully vaccinated. If you feel ill or show any signs of COVID 19, please do not enter. If possible, please utilize the secure drop box located in the rear of the building for all township documents.

With Independence Day approaching, we pause to appreciate our freedoms and to honor those who helped make them possible. We hope to celebrate our veterans and recognize them in the future.

If you are a veteran, please contact the Clerk's office with your service information. We value our veterans.

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## Fire Chief

The warm weather is near and hopefully everyone had a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend, "We are the land of the free because of the Brave!"

The Fire Department has identified that our aging fleet of ambulances and utility vehicles are in need for replacement and upgrades. The rotation schedule for purchasing has been analyzed and carefully researched and in a joint decision between the Bruce Township Board of Trustees and the Fire Department a decision was agreed upon and approved. The Fire Department will purchase one new 2021 Ford F450 Braun Chief XL ambulance, one that matches our current 2020 footprint which was purchased last year. We will at the same time be re-mounting one of our 2010 Braun ambulance boxes onto the same chassis, the 2021 Ford F450 re-mounting is something which is common for ambulances after 8-10 years of service depending on their condition and use. Upon their arrival they will be placed into service as our front-line transporting vehicles for EMS calls for service. We will also be replacing our 2007 utility vehicle which is used for transporting manpower and equipment to and from emergency scenes with a 2021 Ford F150 crew cab pickup and our 2012 chiefs command vehicle to a 2021 Ford Explorer.

On May 20 th. at the Township Hall several of our firefighters were recognized for their outstanding efforts in care by Beaumont Hospital representatives. These were for stroke recognition and care with a door to needle time of 35 minutes, Phil Ryniak, Mike Alfonsi and Cooper Laurain. For the "stork" award for assistance with a safe newborn delivery were Evan Delmotte, Brandon Kasper, Ron Feltz, Mike Alfonsi and Cara Viaene.

## Building Department

The building department regulates and monitors construction within the township based on local zoning and ordinances and in accordance with the state building code.

Building applications, permits and information are available on our website [www.brucetwp.org](http://www.brucetwp.org)

Please note changes for the building permit application.

Most home renovation projects, new construction, accessory building, sheds, interior remodel, decks, fences, roofs, swimming pools, generators, air conditioners, furnaces, demolitions, etc. require permits.

Permits are required for building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical projects. Please check our website or contact the building department for your project requirements. Building department direct line is 586-258-7053 or [building@brucetwp.org](mailto:building@brucetwp.org)

### **Cemeteries under Township control:**

*Bruce Armada Cemetery* / Armada Center Road, east of Kanie

*McCafferty Cemetery* / Van Dyke north of 34 Mile Road

*Goodrich Cemetery* / Kidder Road north(east) of Van Dyke

Price per grave - \$ 500.00 Bruce Township resident

\$1,000.00 non resident

## Assessing Department

All assessing forms are available on our website. These forms include: (P.R.E.) Principal Residence Exemption, P.R.E Rescind, Conditional Rescission of P.R.E., Property Transfer Affidavit, Poverty Exemption, Disabled Veterans Exemption, Change of Mailing Address request and Parcel Division Application & Guidelines.

Your 2020 taxable value is multiplied by 1.4% to get your 2021 taxable value if there was no change of ownership in 2020 and nothing was added to your property such as a deck, in-ground pool or accessory structures.

The Assessing Department is extension 200. We are happy to help you or answer any questions.

*If you are interested in receiving this newsletter electronically, please send your email to: [newsletter@brucetwp.org](mailto:newsletter@brucetwp.org)*