

Sturgis Township Newsletter

Winter 2017-18



Township Roads Update

In 2017, working in conjunction with the St. Joseph County Road Commission, Sturgis Township was able to improve roads in four subdivisions. Utilizing matching funds made available to the township by the road commission in the amount of \$50,527 and township general funds these subdivisions were re-paved or received a double chip and seal with a fog seal.

For 2018, Sturgis Township hopes to continue and possibly finish our roads project by addressing the needs in our remaining subdivisions. The St. Joseph County Road Commission will provide an updated cost assessment for the project in early 2018.

The township has filed an application for a loan from the St. Joseph County Municipal Revolving Loan Fund. The amount of the loan will be determined by the availability of matching funds from the St. Joseph County Road Commission and the estimated cost of the project. The township board will then determine the amount of general fund monies which the township must utilize to accomplish the roads project.

Mail boxes in Winter– Prepare yours. In most instances where mailboxes are damaged, the snow plow doesn't actually hit the mailbox, but the force of snow thrown from the roadway is enough to knock down a loose mailbox. Damage to posts and receptacles can often be prevented by proper routine maintenance.

If you have questions on what is permitted, please visit the website www.stjoeroads.com/policies

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Property Tax Payment Schedule–

The Treasurer will be in the office from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on these dates:

12/1/2017, 12/15/2017, 12/29/2017

1/19/2018

2/2/2018, 2/14/2018, 2/28/2018

When paying in cash, please have exact change

Township Office Hours

Wednesday- 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Thursday- 9 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Or by appointment by calling the clerk at 651-3676 or 269-625-4504

Township Board of Trustees

Supervisor- George Morse

Home- 269-651-2173
Cell- 269-358-9646

Treasurer- Walt Krzycki

Home- 269-651-6521
Cell- 269-625-2411

Clerk- Michael Bobalik

Home- 269-651-5943
Cell- 269-625-4504

Trustee- Dan Arney

Home- 269-651-8800

Trustee- Judy Pappas

Home- 269-651-8426

Meeting Dates- All at 4 p.m.

January 2, 2018
February 5, 2018
March 5, 2018
April 2, 2018
May 7, 2018
June 4, 2018
July 2, 2018
August 6, 2018
September 4, 2018
October 1, 2018
November 5, 2018
December 3, 2018

Township Planning Commission

Chairperson-Von Metzger

Home- 269-651-1682

Secretary- Zeta Metzger

Home- 269-659-7602

Member- Michael Bobalik

Home- 269-651-5943
Cell- 269-625-4504

Member- Bill Furr

Home- 269-659-3548

Member- Jim Cook

Home- 269-651-5386

Meeting Dates- All at 7 p.m.

January 22, 2018
February 26, 2018
March 26, 2018
April 23, 2018
May 29, 2018
June 25, 2018
July 23, 2018
August 27, 2018
September 24, 2018
October 22, 2018
November 26, 2018
December 2018- NO MEETING

Township Staff

Zoning Administrator-

Randy Schmeling
Cell- 269-625-3260

Zoning Enforcement Officer-

Doug Scott
Cell- 517-320-1246

Assessor-

Dale Hutson
Office- 269-432-2834

Township Inspectors

Building-

Randy Schmeling
Cell- 269-625-3260

Electrical-

Doug Scott
Cell- 517-320-1246

Plumbing-

John Dobberteen
Cell- 269-625-7648

Mechanical-

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City of Sturgis Compost Site

Hours of operation

April-October- Monday and Thursday Noon– 7:30,
Saturday 9:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m.

November- Monday and Thursday Noon– 6:00,
Saturday 9:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m.

*** New passes will be available Spring of 2018

Call or stop by the office for yours.



Since the program's beginning, Sturgis Township has been joined by the City of Sturgis and the townships of Burr Oak, Fawn River, Sherman and White Pigeon and Sturgis Hospital.

Residents can drop off batteries during normal business hours or just leaving the batteries in a container by the front door. To date 4539 pounds of batteries have been recycled.

More details about the program including types of batteries accepted for recycling can be found at: sturgistownship.org and clicking on the link about the battery recycling program.

Westside Landfill Passes

Sturgis Township provides township residents two (2) passes per year at no cost.

Waste Management sends the used passes to the township and the township reimburses the company \$18 for each pass.

2018 Waste Management Westside Landfill Pass

This complementary pass is good for one (1) pickup truck load (or equivalent) of trash or garbage to be taken to Westside Landfill, 14072 M-60, Three Rivers, MI 49093.

Days and Hours:

Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Saturday between 7:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Regulations:

No yard waste (e.g. grass, leaves) or hazardous waste (e.g. paint, oil, varnish, etc.)

Tires and appliances will be accepted as part of any load but there is a limit of any two of these items.

Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and dehumidifiers are NOT accepted.

Tractor tires are NOT accepted.

Sturgis Township residents are permitted two passes annually. To obtain your second pass, please call the township office at 651-3676 or stop in during office hours.



Newsletter Editor

Clerk Mike Bobalik is the editor of the Sturgis Township Newsletter.

Residents- please feel free to offer comments and suggestions for the newsletter.

To do so, please email clerk@sturgistownship.org or call the office at 651-3676

Drop box

The township office will soon have a drop box available to residents.

Items acceptable for use:

- Absentee voter applications when completed and signed
- Absentee voter ballots when completed, signed and sealed
- Communications for township officials and inspectors

The township recommends the drop box **NOT** be used for property tax payments

Garage Sales

Residents are reminded that the township ordinance limits garage sales to two (2) per year

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