

# ALABASTER TOWNSHIP

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Lorraine Paskiewicz, Treasurer

Jeanne Lutes, Trustee

Joe Czaika, Trustee

Denise Hall, Assessor

Dan Frank, Zoning

## DECEMBER 2020 Year End Comments and Coming Attractions

### **NEW TOWNSHIP WEBSITE**

Check out our new website: [www.alabastertownship.com](http://www.alabastertownship.com)

You will find Board Meeting Minutes, Ordinances, Latest News, Information on the November 3 General Election, and much more.

### **FROM THE TREASURER**

Please keep the top part of your tax bill as your receipt. If you would like a stamped paid receipt, please request it with your payment. If you want your address changed, please contact Lorraine Paskiewicz, Treasurer. 362.6623. REMINDER: Residents are required to purchase a dog license for their dogs. Licenses are available from 12/1/20 until 2/28/21 at the township. Male/female \$10; spayed or neutered \$5.

### **WEDNESDAY IS TRASH DAY**

We still have big trash pickup. You can leave large items, such as mattresses, furniture, carpet, stoves, etc. at curbside. Please call Waste Management (362.9564) to let them know you will have a large item. Curbside recycling pickups will be made on an every other week schedule on Wednesdays, our regular trash day. Extra calendars are available at the township office.

### **CALENDAR - CURBSIDE RECYCLING AND YARD WASTE**

Enclosed is the 2021 Calendar for curbside recycling and yard waste pickup.

### **YARD WASTE COLLECTION BEGINS MARCH 26**

Leaves and grass will be picked up at roadside on alternate Fridays starting March 26, 2021. Material must be in paper bags or clearly marked "Yard Waste" in trash cans. Sticks must be bundled, no longer than 4 feet nor more than 1 1/2 inches in diameter. No plastic bags allowed.

### **ASSESSOR DENISE HALL**

Please call Denise at 989.644.3413 or email her at [denise\\_equitya@yahoo.com](mailto:denise_equitya@yahoo.com) with any assessor questions or concerns.

### **DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW**

December Board of Review will be held Wednesday, December 16th at 3 PM at the Alabaster Township Hall. Mutual mistakes of fact and clerical errors on the property record cards will be corrected at this time.

### **TRUSTEE OPENING**

We have a Trustee position opening in January. Jan Reitz was an unopposed candidate on the November ballot, received votes but is not eligible to serve because she has moved out of the area. The current trustee, Jeanne Lutes, is in office until January 1, 2021. The Board then has forty-five days to fill the vacancy. Please let us know if you are interested. Send letter of interest to the office (1716 S. US 23, Tawas City) no later than January 15, 2021.

#### **REMINDER**

We still have Alabaster Flags for sale for \$30.

#### **ROAD WORK**

The Road Study Committee has met and made recommendations. All roads have been reviewed. Hopefully the heavy truck traffic will be less now that most seawalls have been restored/protected. Potholes are being filled and repaired. The Iosco County Road Commission will be providing recommendations and cost information. Stay tuned.

#### **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR DAN FRANK**

Dan Frank (989.240.0662) is our Zoning Administrator. He handles land use permits. When in doubt with zoning matters, please give him a call.

#### **THANK YOU ALABASTER BIKE PATH SAFETY PATROL VOLUNTEERS**

Our non-motorized path, now running the entire length of the township, provides direct connectivity to the existing paths in Tawas City and on into East Tawas, allowing users to travel through the two cities and out to Tawas Point. Our path is staffed primarily by volunteers. Volunteers sweep, plow snow and patrol. Volunteers use the path and report any issues that need attention. Would you like to join the Bike Path Safety Patrol group? If so, please contact Stephanie Wentworth (362.3193). It is fun and good exercise.

#### **MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM**

The 2020 mosquito season has drawn to a close. It was a good year in spite of a difficult start and a difficult end due to temperature and rain issues. The end of the year report from Advance Pest Management (APM) is available for review at the township.

#### **BENCHES ON ALABASTER BIKE PATH ARBORETUM**

The Alabaster Bike Path Arboretum, part of Michigan's Iron Belle Trail, has started a Memorial Bench Program. The six-foot, high quality steel benches include an engraved plaque, giving donors a permanent recognition of a family member, friend or business. For more information, contact Alabaster Township. Memorial benches represent more than just a place to sit; they also bolster community. The bench provides a tranquil resting spot to take a few deep breaths, smell the flowers, and remember.

#### **CEMETERY LOTS FOR SALE**

The Alabaster Cemetery, established in 1865, is located on Benson Road. Lots are available for sale. Cost is \$250 per single plot for taxpayers/residents and \$500 for non-residents. Contact Jasmine Tubbs, Township Clerk, for more information.

### **HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON**

**Township meetings held the second Monday of the month at 5 PM.**

**Office Hours are 8 – 11 Tuesdays**

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