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MONTHLY MEETING: 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM

2022 Sanitation Rates and Guidelines

If you made any changes to your sanitation services your bill will reflect that change. For those who opted out: your curbside sanitation services will end December 31, 2021. Sanitation Rates for 2022 are as follows:

Yearly \$245 seasonal \$150 and Double \$490

Waste Management honors the following holidays:

New Year's Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

If your pickup day falls on one of the above holidays, pickup will be the next day. If the holiday falls on a weekend there is no change to service. Waste Management does pull their trucks in times of bad weather. When this occurs Waste Management will typically let the local radio stations know. We will also update our facebook page and website to relay that change to you.

Board of Review will be December 14th from 10am to 11am at the Township Office



A Note From The Treasurer: Tax bills are mailed around the 1st week of July and again the 1st week in December. Notify Julie of any address changes so that your tax bills are delivered to the correct address. Also, when you receive your tax bill check it for any errors. If you're bringing your tax payment in and paying with cash, please have exact change if possible. With the Mohawk branch of Superior National Bank closing, having change on hand is not always possible. *There is a drop box to the right of the door where payments can go. If you have any questions please call (906) 337-2302 and when prompted choose option 1 for the treasurer. Leave a message for Julie and please include your phone number. A reminder - we do not automatically send payment receipts, so you will need to let Julie know if you would like a receipt.*

Michigan law holds the taxpayer responsible to know that taxes are paid on time.



A Note from the Assessor:

I will be conducting the rest of the review of all the buildings in the Township starting in the Spring of 2022, as soon as the weather permits. I will be finishing with the Five Mile Point Road (and the roads off of the Five Mile Point Road) and the Cedar Bay Road.

I wanted to address a few misconceptions I ran into while doing the reinspection:

- 1. Buildings under 200 square feet do not require a building permit. This is correct, but the building is still taxable and will be put on your record card as part of your tax bill. Also zoning permits are required for buildings in order to meet setback requirements, etc. Check with the County or their website for zoning information.*
- 2. Storage sheds are not taxable because they are not secured to the ground. This is not true, the only building that would not be taxable, is one that is on skids and has a tongue to pull it around like a trailer (like some ice shanties and deer blinds).*
- 3. Garbage, debris and/or junk in your yard will lower your taxes. This is not correct. Your value is based on your buildings and the building depreciation, not by what you have in your yard. The debris/junk causes problems for yourself and your neighbors. It will also attract reptiles, mosquitoes and rodents around your home. Also, there is the expense of cleaning up the debris/junk if you have to haul it to a landfill/junk yard. The Township has an annual cleanup for \$10 to \$20 a truck load to help keep the cost down for Township Residents.*
- 4. Siding, painting or replacing your roof or windows will cause my taxes to go up. This is not correct. This is considered repair/maintenance and will not make your taxes go up. If you add to your home, as in, an addition, a garage, a fence or a deck, this will add to your tax bill.*
- 5. My taxes are higher than my neighbors. This could be due to a number of different things. When you purchase the home, it uncaps the year following the sale. If your neighbor has owned their house for many years, it would not have uncapped for many years, leading to a difference in the tax bills. Are you getting a PRE (principal residence exemption)? The PRE is an exemption that reduces some of your tax bill if you meet the criteria for the exemption. Check your tax bill to see if the PRE states 100% or 0%.*
- 6. You are not taxed on what your neighbor is building. You are taxed on what you have on your property for buildings and land value, individually. Your neighbor's buildings will not raise or lower your taxes.*

If you have any questions, concerns, or need any forms, please email me at: LKARRIO@GMAIL.COM

Thank you for your cooperation in getting this review accomplished for the upcoming year!

Lisa Kario, MAAO (3)

Allouez Township Assessor

Sewer Maintenance Customers

As of October 1 the sewer rate have increased from \$4.00 per 1000 gallons per use to \$6.00 per 1000 gallons per use. This is 1 of 3 rate increases that will need to take place. In order to qualify for USDA grants and loans we do have to increase our rates. The rates have not increased since 2000 and are considered too low by the federal government.

