

OVERISEL TOWNSHIP NEWS

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TOWNSHIP CLEAN-UP DAY

September 16, 2017

8 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

The Twp. Transfer Station (N. of Sandyview School on 46th St.) will be open for **NO CHARGE** to those who live in the township. For this **one day only**, we will be accepting your regular trash, plus appliances and furniture. (No tires, paint, yard waste, oil or shingles.) Please be prepared to show that you reside in the township. A current driver's license is good.

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2017 FALL LEAF DISPOSAL

From **October 14 to November 25**, an easy to load trailer will be parked at 47th and 142nd. (The old ORC parking lot.) **NO TRASH**. A local resident will be monitoring and emptying the leaf trailer. Consider supporting this composting project and getting rid of your leaves—everyone benefits.

Email:

firechief@overiseltownship.org

Illegal burn fines will be based on the time and material it takes to put out the fire.

WHO TO CALL FOR. . .

Burn Permits-269-686-5222

Cemetery Lots-

Bentheim-

Steve Arendsen-616-836-4101

Overisel-

Ken Kleinheksel-269-751-5785

Property Taxes-

Pat Reuschel-leave a message at home-
(269-751-8623) or twp hall-(751-7030)

Property Assessment-

Lisa Freeman will be available on Tues.
from 9-Noon. 269-751-7030

Voter Registration-

Renee Hop 269-751-7030-(leave a message)

Zoning questions / Building, Electrical,

Mechanical & Plumbing Permits-PCI-

1-800-628-3335



Josh and Ashleigh Kooienga, Chief Horsting accept a \$2,500 check from Consumers Energy Dennis McKee to be used for Gas Meters & Calibration.

Permits (Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical) are **required** for **all** construction (new building, remodeling, furnaces, water heaters, etc.) **New homes on agricultural property need a Special Use Permit** from the Twp Planning Commission. **All AG buildings need a Zoning Compliance Permit.** Permit applications and questions contact Professional Code Inspections (PCI) at 1-800-628-3335.

*If you **remove a structure** from your property, notify the assessor to make an adjustment.

Winter Tax bills will be mailed the week of December 1st. It is often asked what months each tax bill covers. **The tax bills do not cover specific months, but collect different taxes for different entities.** Each tax bill notes the breakdown of what amount goes where. The two tax bills together make up the total annual amount due.

**Summer Taxes due
September 14, 2017.**

ANNUAL BOARD OF REVIEW
Late February you will receive an Assessment Notice. Please review the property value and the Principal Residence Exemption value (PRE). If you feel the information is incorrect, the time to appeal is during March when the Board of Review meets. The Assessment Notice will list the scheduling procedure.

CEMETERY REMINDERS—

****Green pails need to be picked up by October 14.** Any pails left will be stored. There is no guarantee you will get the same one back in the spring.

**We would like to standardize the flower pot holders. We'd like to see only the green metal ones with a handle. They are easiest to trim around. The concrete ones are more difficult to move and break easily when they get old.

**The caretakers are asking if you leave a memory item on the grave, that you please come back in a timely manner and remove the item(s). Caretakers have the authority to remove items that have been there a long time.

Deputy Retamal reminds us to **not text and drive.** Distracted driving is a huge problem. Also, anyone with a level 1 or 2 graduated drivers license may not use a cell phone while driving. (Exceptions are to report an accident, medical emergency, road hazard, or personal danger.) He states that grants are being offered to staff more Road Patrols to discourage distracted driving.

Thank you to Heather Scholten (5 years) and **Jeff Jousma** (4 years) of service on the Overisel Fire Depart.

**TOWNSHIP HALL OPEN EVERY
TUESDAY FROM 9 AM TO 5 PM.**

Inside this newsletter:

- **Free Clean-up day details
- **Fall Leaf Disposal schedule
- **Board of Commissioners statement *against* legalization of marijuana for general use.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

****Oakland CRC , Overisel RC and Bentheim Elementary School have Paper Gators** (located in parking lots). These bins accept newsprint, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, phonebooks, office, school paper, hard and soft cover books. (**NO** plastic, metal, trash, glass, cardboard or paperboard -grocery item boxes.) **Supporting area Paper Gators saves taxpayer money as the *township pays* to recycle paper.**

****Township Recycling Bins are only for recyclables and only for OVERISEL RESIDENTS.** Your tax dollars go to support this. **No garbage or junk** may be left in or around the bins. **All cardboard boxes must be flattened.** This privilege can be terminated if it is abused. See township website for a recycling guide.

****Township Transfer Station** (1/4th mile N of Sandyview School), is open on 1st and 3rd Saturdays, from 8-5. (Closed Jan., Feb., & holidays) Twp. Residents can purchase a "card" for \$15.00 at the Transfer Station. **NO yard waste, asphalt shingles, major appliances (except on Clean-up Saturday), tires or oil base paints.**