

# **OVERISEL TOWNSHIP NEWS**

## **AUGUST 2023**

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### **Fire Dept. Invite**

**August 19, 1:00-3:00 PM**

#### **Corn Hole and Ice Cream at The Hall (South of Overisel Ref. Church)**

Come and meet and greet those men and women who work to keep us safe and protect our property. Also come to cheer on the Corn Hole teams that are scheduled. Winning team will get a prize. And did we say ice cream?

The new Pumper that replaces the 1998 Pumper is still in process. We hope to see it later this fall. (Purchased with funds of the American Rescue Plan Act from the Federal Gov't.)

**Needed/Wanted-Overisel Fire Dept. looking for people willing to join OFD. Applications are available at the Twp. Hall or by emailing the Fire Chief at [firechief@overiseltownship.org](mailto:firechief@overiseltownship.org).**

**THANK an OFD member for their service when you see them.**

### **Township Clean-up Day**

**September 16, 2023 8 AM-1 PM**

The Twp. Transfer Station (N. of Sandyview School on 46<sup>th</sup> St.) will be open for NO CHARGE to those who live in the Township. For this ONE DAY ONLY, we will be accepting regular trash plus furniture and appliances (**freon must be removed from refrigerators and air conditioners**). (No tires, paint, yard waste, oil or shingles.)

Please be prepared to show ID that you reside in the township.

### **2023 FALL LEAF DISPOSAL**

**From October 21 to November 25, an easy to load trailer will be parked at 47<sup>th</sup> and 142<sup>nd</sup>. NO TRASH. A local resident will be checking and emptying the leaf trailer. Please support this composting project and get rid of your leaves. Thanks!**

### **Overisel's Current Districts are:**

US Congressional: 04  
State Senate: 20  
State Representative 043  
County Commissioner 01

*From the Assessor-Lisa Freeman*

All townships and cities in Allegan County were audited this year using the 2023 assessment information. An audit is conducted every five years to determine if each unit is complying with the State's standards for assessment administration. For this particular audit, they look at how land values and economic condition factors are calculated and applied as well as review policies the township has in place for handling a variety of situations. Overisel Township was determined to be compliant on how property is valued in the township.

This fall I will send out a *Residential Review* to 20% of property owners in the township. If you receive a *Review*, please look it over carefully for any errors. A stamped envelope is included to return the *Review* to the office. Corrections may be made by writing on the *Review* or emailing or calling the assessor. After the *Residential Review* is mailed, I will conduct a visual inspection by driving to your home. Often, I can update the photo of your property from the road, however, for those of you who have long driveways or a lot of trees, I will take the photo from the driveway. I usually do not get out of my car to take a photo. If you have any questions, or concerns, about this, please contact me.

Office phone: 269-751-7030

Office Hours: Tuesday 1-4:30 (walk-ins welcome)

Email: [overiselassessor@gmail.com](mailto:overiselassessor@gmail.com)

To schedule an appointment: please email me or call the office

All new construction (as well as demolitions and finishing basements) requires a building permit. Applications for Building Permits go to Professional Code Inspectors (PCI).

Phone number is 1-616-877-2000.

**Visit Michigan.gov/vote:**

**\*\*To see if you are registered.**

**ELECTION INFORMATION**

**May 2, 2023, School vote results:**

**Hamilton-Increase millage**

**YES-299 NO-264**

**Zeeland-Operating renewal**

**YES-22 NO-29**

**Zeeland-Sinking fund**

**YES-21 NO-30**

**NOTICE—Rezone and Special Use Permits MUST be in 6 (six)**

***Weeks prior to requested meeting.***

***NO EXCEPTIONS!***

*The Planning Commission meets the third Tuesday of February, May, August, & November. (To build a house on an Agricultural lot, you **MUST** have prior approval from the Planning Commission.)*

**Overisel Financial Reports can be seen at [overiseltownship.org](http://overiseltownship.org) or at the ownship hall.**

**WHO TO CALL FOR. . . .**

**Burn Permits-269-686-5222**

**Cemetery Lots-**

**Bentheim-**

Steve Arendsen-616-836-4101

**Overisel-**

Ken Kleinheksel-616-566-6417

**Property Taxes-**

Pat Reuschel-269-751-7030 (leave a message)

**Property Assessment-**

Lisa Freeman will be available on Tues. from 1-4 PM. 269-751-7030.

**Voter Registration-**

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

**Zoning questions / Building, Electrical,**

**Mechanical & Plumbing Permits-**

PCI-1-616-877-2000

**CEMETERY REMINDERS:**

**\*\*Handled pails need to be picked up by October 15.** Any pails left will be put in the building at the cemetery. In the spring they will be put outside.

**\*\*We would like to standardize the flower pot holders so please use only the metal ones with a handle.**

**\*\*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 are not responsible for items left and have the authority to remove items in a timely manner.**

**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 Planning Commission. **All AG buildings need a Zoning Compliance Permit.** Permit

applications and questions contact Professional Code Inspections (PCI) at 1-616-877-2000. **If you remove a structure, notify the assessor.**

**2023 Completed Road Work**

**New:**

\* 47<sup>th</sup> St N of 146<sup>th</sup>

\*139<sup>th</sup> (45<sup>th</sup>-47<sup>th</sup>) remove old pavement, repaved 1 mi.

**Resurface:**

\*140<sup>th</sup> (43<sup>rd</sup>-38<sup>th</sup>) 2.5 mi.

\*43<sup>rd</sup> (142<sup>nd</sup>-137<sup>th</sup>) 2.5

\*Chip/Seal 45<sup>th</sup> 142<sup>nd</sup> South 1.5 mi.

\*4 Culverts on 43<sup>rd</sup>

\*Allegan Co. repaved 38<sup>th</sup> from 134<sup>th</sup> to 142<sup>nd</sup>

**Tax Bills** are mailed July 1, due September 14, and mailed December 1 and due February 14. If you or your mortgage company didn't get a bill, contact the Twp. at 269-751-7030 and leave a message or email:

[treasurer@overiseltownship.org](mailto:treasurer@overiseltownship.org). **It is the owner's responsibility to make sure their taxes are paid.**

**Recycle Bins** are located at the Twp. Hall. The "single stream" means no sorting. Glass, paper, metal cans, plastic, **flattened cardboard** are accepted. **NO TRASH!** (Please use Paper Gators for paper, located at Oakland CRC, Overisel RC, Bentheim Elem. School. Tax money pays to recycle paper. These groups benefit and no tax money used. A win-win.)

***THANK YOU to Steve Prins for taking the Road Mower Driver job for the Township.***

**See inside for details on:**

**\*\*Township Cleanup Day-note hours!**

**\*\*Fall Leaf Disposal**

**\*\*Who to call.....**

**\*\*Assessing**

**\*\*Cemetery Clean-up**

**Burn Permit reminder**-The permit is only good for burning brush, shrubs, and leaves. It is valid for the day you call it in. You must have a water source nearby. If the burn gets out of control, call 911. **Illegal burn fines** will be based on the time and material it takes to put out the fire.

**Twp. Hall is open every Tuesday from 9-5.**

**Junk Ordinance**-We continue to get complaints about properties that are in violation of this ordinance. Please clean up your property. Vehicles need to be licensed and drivable to be parked on your property. If they are not, they need to be removed or parked indoors.

**Transfer Station is open from 8 AM-1 PM on the first and third Saturday of each month** (closed January and February). You must buy a card which can be bought at the Transfer Station for \$20.00. It is located 1/4<sup>th</sup> mile north of Sandyview School on 46<sup>th</sup>.