

Township Office

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Hours: Tuesday 9a-5p

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Burn Permits 269-686-5222

Cemetery Lots
Bentheim - Steve Arendsen
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**Zoning questions / Building,
Electrical, Mechanical,
Plumbing Permits**
PCI - 1-616-877-2000

Property Assessment
Lisa Freeman
assessor@overiseltownship.org
Tuesdays 1-4pm
269-751-7030

From the Treasurer

We have partnered with AllPaid to now accept credit card payments! There is a URL and QR code on the back of your tax bill to the pay link, please ensure Overisel's information is in the upper left corner before paying. There will also be a shortcut on the new website once it launches. AllPaid adds a non-negotiable 2.95% fee on all transactions. You may print the payment receipt AllPaid provides. If you would like the township receipt as well, please email treasurer@overiseltownship.org and I will email you your receipt.

We are now sending newsletters with tax bills. If you are receiving just a newsletter, that means your tax bill has been sent to a mortgage company. If this is incorrect, please contact the treasurer ASAP and I will mail you your tax bill.

You may notice your tax bill is higher this year. The State of Michigan applies a statewide increase every year based on the consumer price index. This year the increase is 3.1%. Additionally the OAISD special education millage increase was voted through. The OAISD millage increased by .2202 mills (6.3164 mills total).

It is the taxpayer's responsibility to ensure the taxes are paid with the correct amount and by the due date. Even one day late, the parcel(s) will accrue interest (summer) or penalty (winter). Taxes may be mailed to the P.O. Box, dropped in the door slot at the township hall, paid in person on Tuesdays 9-5 at the township hall, and now by credit card online. Interest and penalty scale is located on the back of your tax bill.

If you would like a receipt mailed, you must check the mail receipt checkbox on your tax stub. If your tax bill was sent to a mortgage company, you will receive a receipt upon payment.

Information on the tax collection schedule, tax levy, and other tax information is now located on the back of your tax bill.

From the Clerk

May 6, 2025 Special Election Report

The OAISD Millage 1.2425 mill renewal along with a .5 increase through the year 2044 passed, although Overisel Township "no" votes exceeded "yes" votes by one vote, 225 to 224

Zeeland Public School millage renewal passed

To see a complete list of results: www.michigan.gov/sos/elections

If you are interested in working as an election inspector in future elections, contact the clerk by email: clerk@overiseltownship.org

From the Supervisor

It has been a busy 8 months since I have become the Overisel Township Supervisor. My day to day duties have included daily business for the township, answering resident's questions for zoning and building, and addressing concerns.

The recent high winds and tornados near our township kept our fire department busy with a lot of calls. We thank them for their hard work and efforts keeping our residents and neighboring townships safe.

If you have attended any of our township board meetings you would hear the board discussing ways to best use the money collected and we are looking hard at our budget and what our costs are. We appreciate input from our residents on what services are needed and where they would like to see improvements. Please feel free to contact me at supervisor@overiseltownship.org or call and stop by the township office during our office hours on Tuesdays.

Misc Township News

Assessor

Occasionally I am asked, "How much will a new building increase my taxes?" There are several variables that go into this, but a quick estimate can be made using this formula: (50% Cost of New Construction / 1000) x millage rate. Millage rates can be found with a web search "Allegan County millage rates". If you decide to build, Overisel Township contracts with Professional Code Inspectors for permits and inspections. Last year, Overisel had 48 permits, 4 for new homes.

I visit all new construction projects to verify size and completion. If a project is only partially completed by December 31, only part of the total value will be added to the assessment for the following year.

20% annual inspection - thank you for returning the Residential Review forms. I appreciate you for taking time to check the accuracy of your assessment.

Police

Deputy Chen reported 185 calls so far in 2025.

Fire

Corn Hole Fundraiser - Corn hole, ice cream, and raffle prizes
August 14, 6:30pm at The Overisel Reformed Hall (south of Overisel Ref. Church)

Come meet and greet the men and women who work to keep us safe and protect our property. Enjoy some ice cream while you cheer on the scheduled corn hole teams. Prizes for the winning teams (adult and youth) and raffle prizes!

Think you can win? Email FireChief@overiseltownship.org to enter, or message the Overisel Township Fire Department Facebook page. There will be both an adult and youth divisions, if there are enough applicants.

Interested in joining Overisel Fire Department? Please email FireChief@overiseltownship.org for an application.

Chief Kooienga reported 109 calls so far in 2025.

Website

Please be patient as we are working on getting a new website, as our old one was no longer functioning. Currently we have a temporary website but it does not have all the information on it yet. We are hopeful our new website will be launching soon.

Fall Clean-up

Township Clean-Up Day - September 20, 8am-1pm

The township transfer station (N. of Sandyview School on 46th St.) will be open for NO CHARGE to those who live in Overisel 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** embers, tires, paint, yard waste, oil, or shingles. Please be prepared to show ID that you reside in Overisel.

Transfer Station

The transfer station is open from 8am - 1pm 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. It is located ¼ mile north of Sandyview school on 46th.

When bringing trash from burn barrels to the transfer station be sure there are no hot or burning embers still in the trash.

Fall Leaf Disposal

From October 18 - November 22, an easy to load trailer will be parked at 47th and 142nd for leaf disposal, NO TRASH. A local resident will be checking and emptying the leaf trailer. Please support this composting project and get rid of your leaves.

Recycling

Recycle bins are located at the township hall. The "single stream" means no sorting. Glass, paper, metal cans, plastic, flattened cardboard are accepted. NO TRASH.

Please take advantage of the paper gators located at Oakland CRC, Overisel RC, Bentheim Elem. School.

Cemetery Reminders

**Handled pails need to be picked up by October 11. 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, 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.