GREEN LAKE TOWNSHIP

Green Lake Township, Interlochen, MI Fall/Winter 2019

Newsletter

Welcome Deputy Mark Nofkke

Thanks to the collaboration with Interlochen Center for the Arts, Green Lake Township was able to welcome our new community police officer, Mark Noffke. Deputy Nofkke is an 11 year veteran of the Sheriff's department who will spend about 40hrs per week patrolling our township. He has served on the Northern Michigan Mutual Aid Emergency Response Team for over five years and is also a member of the Grand Traverse Honor Guard. This fall he will lead upcoming trainings for local law enforcement officers on the Interlochen Center for the Arts campus. Mark shares an office with Supervisor Radtke although he will spend most of his time in the community. He is also available to

do seasonal residence checks.

Please see our website for the form:

www.gogreenlake.org



Greetings from Supervisor Radtke

As you can tell by the theme of many of our recent projects and news, collaborations and partnerships are important to me in order to leverage our resources to provide as many opportunities for our citizens as possible. Please watch our website and our area partners' social media sites for upcoming events. A few of our regular events to note are Winterlochen, the Ice Fishing Derby, the Center for the Arts, Library, Chamber and Senior Programs from County Parks. Feel free to contact me with any questions!

Township Office 231.276.9329

Monday-Thursday 8am-5:30pm Closed Fridays

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Township Board

2nd Monday-6pm

Planning Commission:

4th Monday-6:30

Downtown DevelopmentAuthority:

1st Tuesday-9:30am

Parks & Recreation

3rd Wednesday-6pm

Township Board:

Supervisor Marvin D. Radtke, Jr
Clerk Judith Kramer
Treasurer Suzaine Schroeter
Trustee Sherry West
Trustee Paul Biondo
Trustee Pat McDonald
Trustee David Bieganowski



231.276.9329 x101 supervisor@

greenlaketownship.org

Stats

Green Lake Township Emergency Services responded to **514** calls so far through October 2019. Stop in and meet our staff and check our our new equipment if

you are in the neighborhood!



Smoke Detectors are available on a limited basis at the fire department for those residents in need. Contact us for more details.

231.276.6297



EMS Halloween Party

Our annual Halloween Party was a huge success with the largest attendance yet! Thank you to all who came out, volunteered and especially for grants received from DTE Energy and Meijers



9394 10th St. Interlochen, MI 49643



New Pumper/Tanker

The chassis for our new pumper has arrived and production is in progress for our new pumper/tanker. This unit will have the capacity of 3000 gallons per minute

Help Wanted:

EMS/Fire Staff & Volunteer Responders

Applications on our website or contact Director/Fire Chief David Cutway



chief@greenlaketownship.org 231.276.6297



BRAVO 2

Our new ambulance, BRAVO 2 is now state approved and in service. Thank you to all who worked hard to make this happen.

Assessor's Note:

Michigan assessing requirements include routine property visits to verify and update property record information. To do so, Township personnel, the County Equalization staff and the Property Services Division of the State of Michigan will conduct property inspections. These inspections include an outside measurement of the buildings on the property and taking up-to-date photos. The purpose of these inspections is to maintain the integrity of the property tax system. If you do not want an inspection done when you are not home, please contact me and I will honor your request. If you have reached out to me in

the past, there is no reason to do so again. You may contact me via email as well:

assessor@greenlaketownship.org or by mail at 9394 10th street, Interlochen, MI 49643.

I look forward to meeting you, Bill



Clerk's Corner:

A reminder that the State of Michigan now has No Reason Absentee Voting.

If you would like to be placed on our permanent Absent Voter List, please contact the Clerk's office.

We are still accepting applications for full day and half day precinct workers. The application can be obtained in person or by calling the Clerk office.

With the move of the Interlochen Public Library, there have been questions on where precinct number 2 voters will now vote. Voting will remain at the Golden Fellowship Hall (old library).

Election dates for **2020** are March 10th Democratic Primary, May 5th Consolidated Election,

<u>August 4th</u> State Primary and <u>November 3rd</u> State General Election.

Parks and Recreation Update:

Thanks to a partnership with North Woods Disc Chuckers, the township will be adding a disc golf course to the township recreation offerings. This course will be designed by Avery Jenkins on the land near the airport at Memorial Park. The Disc Chuckers raised the matching funds to funds that the township allocated to pay for the course. Our plan is to have the course completed and open to the public by summer of 2020.





Senior Programming from County Parks: Art With a Heart

Wednesday (except 1st Wednesday of the month) 10:00 a.m. Free

Bring your own project materials.

Euchre

Tuesday 3:30 p.m. \$1

 Snacks and refreshments provided by Friends of the Interlochen Library.

Hobby Group

Thursday 1:30 p.m. Free

Bring your current crocheting, knitting or art project.

Line Dancing

Tuesday (Line dancing moved to Redeemer Fellowship Center US31/Rogers Road)

10:30 a.m. Tips appreciated

 First half-hour of class for beginners; last hour all levels. Led by Jacquie Gwyn

Mah Jongg

Tuesday 12:30 p.m. \$.50

Come and play this fun Chinese tile game. Lessons are available.

Open Activities

Thursday 11:00 a.m. Free

Join others for various card and board games.

Wii Bowling

Thursday 1 p.m. Free Virtual bowling game

Judith L. Kramer, Clerk

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PLANNING & ZONING REMINDERS

We are pleased to be working together to help our community understand the regulations pertaining to the Zoning Ordinance.

To help with some of the questions that are often posed to the office, here are some FAQs answered below. Please remember there are many additional elements related to Land Use Permits which are not spelled out in this segment.

In simplified terms, all things that touch the ground and use-related topics require Land Use Permits. Fees vary depending on the project, not all projects have a fee. Many projects require additional other agencies' approvals.

For residential projects, setback requirements are typically 35 feet from a front yard property line (not necessarily the road), 15 feet from the side and rear yards unless a body of water which requires not less than 50 feet. Additional requirements may also apply. Commercial, Industrial, etc. districts may have different requirements.

Below is a partial list of some of the projects that require a Land Use Permit. Some require additional other agencies' approvals.

Deck / porch Shed Gazebo
Detached garage Pole barn
Carport / Lean-to Fencing

Parcels without a principal structure may be limited to no more than one, (300) square feet accessory structure.

Once an application is submitted for a Land Use Permit, the Zoning Administrator will do a site visit to measure the staked project to ensure compliance before issuing a permit.

Please contact our office with any questions and remember we are always here to help!

Alycia Reiten and Mary Jo Barck

Tidbits from the Treasurer's office

HOLIDAY HOURS: All Township offices will be closed December 23rd. thru January 1.



Treasurer's Office will be open for tax payments from Monday, December 30th. 9:00-5:00.

TAX PAYMENT HOURS: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. There is a drop box in the door for before and after hours. You will need your own envelope.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS: There is a fee of 2.65% charged by the credit card company and 1% for debit cards. Card payments can be made online via our website at www.gogreenlake.org by phone 231-276-9329 or in person.

ACH: Forms are available in the treasurer's office if you would like your taxes automatically taken out of your checking or savings accounts.

ESCROW: If there is a number after Mort Code in the upper right corner of your bill, your tax bill has been sent to your mortgage company.

CASH: It's always welcome but we ask that you please try to have as close to the correct amount as possible.

POSTMARKS: Are accepted as date of payment.

RECEIPTS: Please send a self addressed stamped envelope if you would like a receipt mailed to you.

DEFERMENTS: Applications are available in the Treasurer's office. Your income must be below \$40,000 to qualify, the property must be your Principal residence, you must be 62 years of age or older OR Paraplegic, Hemiplegic or Quadriplegic, Eligible Serviceperson, Eligible Veteran, Eligible Widow or Widower, Blind, Totally and Permanently Disabled. You may also qualify if you own and are actively working on your agricultural real property for income.

Sue Schroeter and Tina Lentz