



NEWSLETTER

Summer 2017

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Many questions can be answered at our new and improved website www.coopertwp.org. In addition, please feel free to email or call the office anytime at 269-382-0223.

Township Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 8 am to 4 pm

We will be CLOSED

- July 3&4—4th of July**
- September 4—Labor Day**
- November 10—Veterans Day**
- November 23/24—Thanksgiving**

Any home can have a radon problem!! Get yours checked today.... www.epa.gov/radon!!!



WANT TO GET INVOLVED??

Cooper Township is in need of dedicated residents to serve in a variety of capacities:

1. Volunteer to work the Styrofoam Recycling Days!
2. Fill out an application to be an Election Worker!
3. Serve on one of our Boards:

- Planning Commission
- Zoning Board of Appeals
- Board of Review

Applications for these positions are available on our website or stop in to the office and inquire at the counter. There may not be an immediate need, but we will keep your application on hand and reach out as the needs arise!!

2017 Fall Curbside Bulk Pickup!!

OCTOBER 9—13

ITEMS SHOULD BE PUT OUT TO THE CURB NO LATER THAN SATURDAY THE 7TH OR SUNDAY THE 8TH!!



2017 STYROFOAM DROP SCHEDULE

Township Hall Parking Lot
1590 West D Ave 8am—12pm

September 23



Clean peanuts, egg cartons, to-go food containers, packing blocks, etc. Used oil is no longer accepted.

2017 Summer Tax Bill

Enclosed is your 2017 summer tax bill. Please be sure and review the tax bill due dates. **Interest and penalties are assessed after the due date.**

If you mail your check or pay through your bank with an online payment, please consider confirming, before the due date, that your payment was received by our office. We have had cases of online payments taking up to two weeks before we receive the payment or payments never arriving at all. You can call our office for confirmation of payment or visit our website to access tax information online.

At this time Cooper Township doesn't accept credit or debit card payments. Online payments can be made through Official Payments at www.officialpayments.com. Our jurisdiction code is 7131. Please be aware.....**Official Payments charges a 3% convenience fee for this service.**

2017 Road Projects

As part of our ongoing road maintenance, the Township Board has allocated funds towards the following road projects for 2017. The Road Commission of Kalamazoo County has already begun working on these projects. If you would like to know the dates of construction for any of the following projects, please contact the Road Commission at 269-381-3171 or www.Kalamazooocountyroads.com.

1. Walkers Ridge Road—12th Street to 650' east of Red Rock Trail
2. Red Rock Trail—Walkers Ridge Road to Rolling Meadows Drive
3. Rock Crest Avenue—Rolling Meadows Drive to Hillview Street
4. Hillview Street—Glacier Valley Avenue to Rock Crest Avenue
5. Glacier Valley Avenue—Rolling Meadows Drive to Hillview Street
6. E Avenue—12th Street to 14th Street
7. Fineview Avenue—Douglas Avenue to North Westnedge Avenue
8. 20th Street—G Avenue to McKinley Avenue
9. Solvel Street—G Avenue to Thayer Avenue
10. Tibet Drive—1382' West of Canton Drive to Canton Drive
11. Stoney Hill Drive—Rolling Meadows Drive to 625' East of Rolling Meadows Dr
12. E Avenue, 23rd Street and DE Avenue—Riverview Drive to North Sprinkle Rd
13. Baseline Road—Riverview Drive to 22nd Street and Douglas Avenue to 16th St



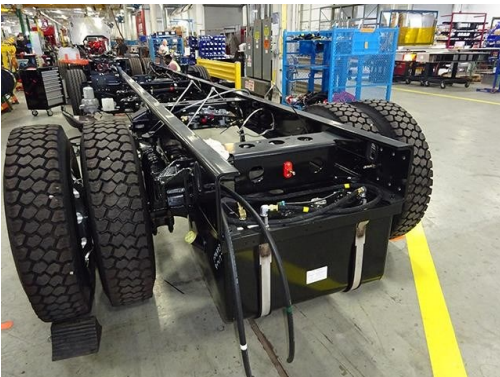
Property Sales and Permits Issued.

You will be glad to know that sale of vacant and improved properties are on an upward swing in Cooper Township! Over the past year we have seen 130 properties sell to new owners with sale prices from \$18,000 to \$460,000 with the average sale price being \$156,250. If you have any questions regarding sales of properties in Cooper township we

have available vacant land sales, county wide agricultural sales from last year as well as current sales of houses in your area.

In addition, we are also seeing an increase in new construction of homes, pole barns, garages, additions and pools. A total of 103 permits were pulled in Cooper Township. Cooper also had 9 wrecking permits pulled to demolish buildings. If you are looking at adding on or building a pole barn / garage or maybe adding a pool please contact SMBA (Southwest Michigan Building Authority) at 269-585-4151 or visit their website www.swmiba.org

Cooper Townships New Firetruck is almost ready!!!



Look for Delivery sometime this Summer!!!

SUMMER REMINDERS!!

1. Your grass must be 8 inches or less in height or the township will mow and bill you on your winter tax bill.
2. Be cautious using fireworks and make sure they're discharged in a safe area and in compliance with state law.
3. Warmer weather brings open windows; try and monitor your noise level, especially between 10pm and 8am.
4. Garage sale advertising signs are only allowed during the time that the sale is actually going on. Signs left up after the end of the garage sale are in violation of the Ordinance and the property owner where the garage sale was taking place will be cited.
5. No open burning other than that which is in compliance with the burning ordinance. Bonfires must be less than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet high. They must be contained in a fire ring or other device designed for recreational burning. Someone must remain with the fire until it is completely extinguished. A water source such as a bucket or hose must be available.
6. Keep grills at least ten feet from structures or combustible materials!!

Planning / Zoning Questions?

Russ Wickland is the Cooper Township Planning/Zoning Administrator. His office hours are Wednesdays from 1-3pm. You can drop in to see him or call the Township Office to make an appointment! Otherwise you can reach him by phone at 269-781-4999.