



Cohoctah

Township

WINTER

NEWSLETTER

2015

Township Business Hours

The Township office is in the Township Hall
10518 Antcliff Rd. (Between Cohoctah and
Gannon roads)

Hours are: Tuesday 10:00 to 2:00 pm
 Wednesday 10:00 to 2:00 pm
 Thursday 10:00 to 2:00 pm

Phone 517-546-0655

MAIL DELIVERY ADDRESS:

6950 Owosso Rd. Fowlerville MI 48836

Cohoctah Township Board

Meetings are held monthly, every second
Thursday at 8:00 p.m., at the Township hall.
Public attendance and comments welcome.
Mark Fosdick, Supervisor . 517-223-4813
Brenda Meek, Clerk..... 517-223-1274
Tami Bock, Treasurer 517-546-2510
William Thurner, Trustee.. 517-546-8307
Fred Buckner, Trustee..... 517-404-6623

Planning Commission

The Cohoctah Township Planning Commission
deals with zoning and special uses. It meets on
the first Thursday of every month at 8:00 p.m. at
the Township hall. The public is invited to attend
these meetings. Robert Beach, Chairperson,
517-548-3699.

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Cohoctah Township Zoning Board of
Appeals handles problems with the zoning laws
in regards to individual pieces of property.
Meetings are held as needed and are open to
the public. Notices of meetings are published in
the Livingston County Daily Press & Argus and
are posted at the Township hall. Bill Thurner,
Board Representative, 517-546-8307.

Household Batteries

The Township Hall is a collection site for the
proper disposal of household batteries. You may
drop them off during township business hours.
No appointment needed.

Large-Item Trash Day - May 7, 2016

***The Board will only have ONE large item
trash day this coming year due to less
demand.***

The purpose is to allow only our residents to
dispose of old appliances, furniture and other
items too large for regular trash service. (**Note:**
concrete, rocks, cans of paint, batteries,
barrels and propane tanks cannot be taken.)
We urge the residents to use this large-item day
to clean up the roads and ditches in the
Township. The **Spring 2016 trash day will be
held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 with hours
from 8:00am to NOON** at the Cohoctah
Township Park at Allen and Preston Roads.
Please enter off of Allen Rd. Appliances with
Freon will be accepted but we must charge \$15
for each in order to properly dispose of them.
We will once again be recycling tires so, keep
them separated! In order to make the process
go faster, please try to organize your loads with
the metal items separated from other trash and
put on the back of your load so they can be
taken off first. Call Bill Thurner if you would like
to help, 517-546-8307.

Township Assessor

Allan Berg, Assessor, holds office hours in the
Township hall by appointment. Call 517-546-
4030.

The legal responsibility of paying taxes on the
correct parcel rests with the taxpayer. If you
have moved or if there are errors in your
assessment, descriptions, address or
ownership, it is your responsibility to notify the
Township Assessor.

Permits

Applications for land use, temporary mobile
homes, swimming pools, dog kennels, signs,
home occupation, etc. are available from the
Township office located in the Township Hall or
on line. For more information, call Zoning
Administrator, Todd Thomas 517-861-1789.

4th of July Parade – Monday July 4

The 27th annual Cohoctah parade will be held on **Monday July 4, 2016**. The parade committee is planning many family fun events. **Times to be announced.** Look for more information on the township website this spring and in the Township's summer newsletter.

Volunteers are needed for the parade committee. Help make it a success. The Township is also looking for the names of possible candidates for the parade's grand marshal. Call Karen Thurner at 517-546-8307 to volunteer or for more information.

Street lights

If you see a streetlight in the Township that is out, please report it to the Township Clerk at 517-223-1274. The Township pays a monthly charge whether or not they are lit.

Cohoctah Township Website

Visit the Township's updated website for meeting minutes, Township forms and community updates. It has a link to the Township's zoning ordinance & master plan for easy reference. Our website is www.cohoctahtownship.org. Please let us know if you are looking for information or links that are not currently available. We welcome your suggestions on how we might improve the site.

Cohoctah Township Park

We are appreciative of the residents who came out to our park on Sunday Oct 4 and braved the gray skies to check out the recent improvements for our park's Grand Re-opening and Fall Festival. Residents had the opportunity to check out the new pavilion, network of walking trails and the recently added pedestrian entrances, while enjoying food, music and games. Special thanks goes out to: "Just Around The Corner", a local bluegrass band for volunteering their time and musical talents and to Charlick's Honeybee Haven for donating fresh cider.

Who is Driving the Road Repairs?

Many residents do not realize that local roads, including construction and maintenance are under the jurisdiction of the County. The Township receives no State transportation funds. The Board works with the County Road Commission to set priorities for maintenance but over the past few years the county has had less to spend. Last year we spent money on road paving because the roads needed the work for safety. This is funded through monies in the general budget and funds from the Voter Approved road millage, which was renewed at the August 5, 2014 election. We have more paved roads that badly need work and the Township will be paying to have work done again. Contact the County Road Commission at 517-546-4250 or email them at mail@livingstonroads.org and let them know that our roads need repairing.

Township Hall

The township hall is available for use by residents. For reservations and details call the township office at 517-546-0655.

Cemeteries

Burial sites are available in the Sanford Cemetery (Chase Lake Road) and Boutell Cemetery (Jones Road). To purchase a site, contact Karen Thurner, Sexton, at 517-546-8307.

Our cemeteries have been targets of vandalism numerous times over the years. Please be alert when passing by for any suspicious activity and call Clerk Brenda Meek at 517-223-1274. Meanwhile work continues to restore and improve both cemeteries.

Internet Access

There are a number of internet providers operating in the Township:

Connect Michigan is a non-profit organization, in partnership with the Michigan Public Service Commission. Their web site can show you who offers service in your area:

<http://www.connectmi.org/interactive-map>

Winter Safety Tips

The Livingston County Road Commission offers these safety tips:

1. Do not plow snow from your driveway into or across the road. **(It's against the law!)**
2. Remove snow from around your mail box for mail delivery.
3. Move vehicles off roadsides.
4. Don't pile snow high near intersections and driveways obstructing others' vision.

Thomas Jefferson

"The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government."

Need Help? Call 2-1-1

The 2-1-1 line provides an easy to remember telephone number that connects residents with important community services and volunteer opportunities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Comments and Information

Your comments and information for future newsletters should be sent to:

Bill Thurner,
P.O. Box 274 Cohoctah, MI 48816-0274.
Phone 517-546-8307