

Austin Township

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SUMMER 2018

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CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

Featured News – Updated bulletins on current/upcoming activities

Calendar – Current events, meetings and when the hall is rented/available

Hall Rental – Under Resident Resources, Hall Rental, link to a fillable Hall Rental Agreement that can be mailed, emailed, or faxed to us for approval

FOIA – Information and fillable forms available

Township Officials – Contact information provided

AND CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:
<https://www.facebook.com/austintownship1896>

2018 Summer Tax Collection Hours

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|-------------|----------|---|---------|
| JULY 3 | 10:30 AM | - | 1:00 PM |
| JULY 12 | 3:00 PM | - | 5:00 PM |
| JULY 26 | 1:00 PM | - | 3:00 PM |
| AUGUST 7 | 10:30 AM | - | 1:00 PM |
| AUGUST 16 | 1:00 PM | - | 3:00 PM |
| AUGUST 21 | 1:00 PM | - | 3:00 PM |
| SEPTEMBER 7 | 10:30 AM | - | 1:00 PM |

LAST DAY TO PAY WITHOUT INTEREST ADDED
SEPTEMBER 14 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Or call for an appointment

Office Hours

1st Tuesday of Month
10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Board Meetings

Second Tuesday of Every Month
7:30 PM

Township Hall
14132 Pierce Road
Stanwood, MI 49346

Interest charges after
September 14, 2018

| <u>DATES</u> | <u>ADD</u> |
|---------------------|------------|
| 09/15 to 09/30/2018 | 1% |
| 10/01 to 10/31/2018 | 2% |
| 11/01 to 11/30/2018 | 3% |
| 12/01 to 12/31/2018 | 4% |
| 01/01 to 01/31/2019 | 5% |
| 02/01 to 02/14/2019 | 6% |

After 2/14/2019 penalties will also be added; contact the Township Treasurer for total amount due.

Original tax bill must be mailed to the property owner; your mortgage company has a copy.

MAIL PAYMENTS TO:

AUSTIN TOWNSHIP TREASURER
P O Box 226
STANWOOD, MI 49346-0226

Or use the Drop Box at Township Hall:
14132 Pierce Road, Stanwood, MI

A stamped, self-addressed envelope **MUST** be included with your payment for a receipt.

WE NOW ACCEPT CREDIT/DEBIT CARD PAYMENTS. AVAILABLE DURING OFFICE HOURS OR BY APPOINTMENT. THERE IS A 3% SERVICE FEE.

MORLEY STANWOOD SCHOOL TAXES WILL BE ON WINTER TAX BILL.

CLERK

With one election completed, we now look to the next two. August 7 is the primary and November 6 is the general election. There are many House of Representative and Senate seats that will be open this year. Also, this is the year to elect new statewide government representatives including Governor. Your vote counts in many ways.

The last day to register or change voting address for the August 7 primary is July 9. October 9 is the last day to register or change voting address for the November 6 general election. So, contact my office to get registered soon.

NEW EMAIL: clerk.austintownship@gmail.com

STANWOOD CEMETERY

Julie Jankowski
231.823.2510

Board meetings are the 3rd Thursday in April and October at 7:00 p.m. and held at the Fire Hall. Meetings will be October 18, 2018 and April 18, 2019.



MECOSTA-AUSTIN FIRE

Ronald Palmer, Fire Chief
231.823.9604

We are always looking for volunteers. Call if interested.
Fire Board Meetings - 3rd Wednesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.



The future of Austin Township with the Mecosta-Austin Fire Department is questionable as of the writing of this newsletter. Mecosta Township decided to not renew the 20-year Agreement. Both townships have agreed to extend the contract another 6 months to work out if 1) Austin and Mecosta townships continue a joint township fire department agreement; 2) Mecosta Township will buy out Austin Township's portion of fire department property; 3) Austin Township will contract with Mecosta Township for fire services; 4) Austin Township will contract with another Township for fire services; or 5) Austin Township could buy out Mecosta Township's assets and create an Austin Township Fire Department.

If you have any questions, thoughts, or comments contact a board member.

Remember to check the DNR site for burning permit information <http://www.dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits/>.
Be safe not sorry.

Supervisor/Assessor

- **Affidavit Land Division and Assessing**
Mailing Address: Kenn Vredenburg
13829 7 Mile Road
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231.250.7341
- **Website Information**
- **Rental of Township Hall**

2017-18 TOWNSHIP PROJECTS

- Add gravel to 7 Mile from Front Street to 170th Avenue
- Contract with Morton Township's recycling program
- Support Walton Erickson and Morton libraries

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2018
Where: Mecosta County Senior Center
12954 80th Avenue, Mecosta, MI 49332
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

www.mecostacd.org/hazardous-waste-collection

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) are materials that, if disposed incorrectly, can cause environmental damage by contaminating ground and surface waters, threatening human health and wildlife.

A pre-registration form is required if bringing over 200 lbs. to the collection site and must be submitted two weeks prior to the collection date. The registration form and list of accepted materials is available at the Mecosta Conservation District, 18260 Northland Drive, Big Rapids, 49307, 231.796.0909, or on their website.

RECYCLE RECYCLE RECYCLE RECYCLE

To avoid long lines and waiting times at Saturday morning recycling, Morton Township is adding a second time to bring your recyclable materials to the Recycling Center.

Beginning Wednesday, May 30th, the Morton Recycling Center will be open from 2:00 - 5:00 PM and every Wednesday until Labor Day. Recycling will continue to be open Saturday mornings from 9:00 - Noon as usual.

Check our Austin Township Website for information on what can be recycled under Resident Resources/Recycling Information.

Recycling Hours:

Wednesday Afternoons From 2:00 - 5:00 pm Until Labor Day
Saturday Mornings From 9:00 - Noon

Austin Township monetarily supports the Recycling Center and it is free to Austin Township residents. Contact Morton Township for a permit.

Green Numbering House Emergency Signs
Can be obtained from Morton Township

http://www.mortontownship.org/sites/default/files/files/911_SIGN.pdf