

Colfax Township "News"



Colfax Township Hall
Office Hours: by appointment

First Fridays: Join the fun every month at the Village Community Center, 14714 Lincoln Avenue. Bingo, music, fellowship and a delicious meal for \$3 for those 60+, slightly more for younger attendees. Everyone is welcome!

Dec. 2: Family Holiday Gathering at the Betsie Valley District Library on Thompson Avenue 6-7PM. Christmas tree lighting at 7PM. Cookies, hot cocoa and caroling, too.

Dec. 24: Santa will make his final visit on Christmas Eve with goody bags of treats at the Village Christmas tree at 7PM.

Dec. 28: Tax collection at the township hall 9AM-5PM.

Feb. 14: Winter tax due date

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June 9: Township cleanup day 8AM-12PM

June 18: Summerfest at Village Community Center 6PM

Vacant Positions

The township seeks residents for Board of Review, elections, Joint Planning Commission and library board. NO experience necessary! For more information call 378-2334. Some positions include compensation.

Township Hall Drop Box

A different box has been ordered to better meet requirements. We apologize for the delay and hope residents find the drop box helpful when it's finally installed.

Township Hall: 7607 Michigan Ave.
231-378-2144
231-378-4665 (fax)
Hours by appointment
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 68
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Website: www.colfaxtownship.org for updates and general information

Township Board Meetings:
The Board meets at 7:00 P.M. the second Wednesday of each month at the Colfax Township hall. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Joint Planning Commission Meetings:
The JPC meets at 7:00 P.M. the first Thursday of the month at the Weldon Township hall on Thompson Avenue. The JPC was formed in 2011 between Colfax Township, Weldon Township and the Village of Thompsonville. The joint zoning ordinance is on the website.

Officers: **Supervisor** – Ron Evitts
231-378-2334 or 231-383-1749
Clerk – DeAnn Mosher
231-631-9221
Treasurer – Laura Draeger
231-378-2144
Trustee – Shelley Greene
231-378-2334
Trustee – Tom Besey
231-631-9227

Assessor: Gunnar Brow
Michigan Assessing Service, Inc.
10655 Riverside Drive
Honor, MI 49640
231-227-1095
231-227-1109 (fax)
Email: colfaxassessor@hotmail.com

Interim Zoning Administrator: Mark Draeger
P.O. Box 115
Thompsonville, MI 49683
231-378-4135

Contact for land use permits and zoning questions. Zoning violations may result in fines.

Helpful Phone Numbers

- Emergency/ambulance/fire: 911
- Benzie Cnty Sheriff's Dept.: 231-882-4484
- Michigan State Police: 1-800-525-5555
- Benzie County Treasurer: 231-882-0011
- Road Commission: 231-325-3051
- Council on Aging: 231-525-0600
- Thompsonville post office: 231-378-2411
- Betsie Valley District Library: 231-378-2716

More on Recycling

It is important to fill one bin to the top before opening another, flatten cardboard and break up large Styrofoam to continue to have an efficient, cost effective program. Please report full bins to 882-0554. Thank you! Surveillance cameras record activity at recycling sites. Do not leave anything on the ground or put trash or construction material in a recycling bin. This is considered illegal dumping and violators will be prosecuted. Bins are for recyclable items only. For more info visit www.benzieco.net, click on Departments then Solid Waste/Recycling.

Township Cleanup Day

Mark your calendar for this annual event:

- Saturday, June 9, 2018
- 8:00AM - 12:00PM
- Location: Industrial Park Drive at Gallagher Road in the Village of Thompsonville

Accepted items: old furniture, metal, washing machines, etc. **Not accepted:** hazardous materials, appliances with Freon, household garbage, yard waste or tires. *Landlords: please notify tenants.*

Call 378-2334 if you have questions, need help or are able to assist others. We will do our best to coordinate assistance for residents who need it.

2018 Board of Review

The organizational meeting to review the property assessment roll is: Tuesday March 6 – 6:00PM
The 2018 Board of Review meets to review property owner petitions on assessed and taxable values:

- Tuesday, March 13:
2:00PM to 5:00PM and 6:00PM to 9:00PM
- Thursday, March 15:
9:00AM to 12:00PM and 1:00PM to 4:00PM

Form L-4035 Petition to Board of Review is available at www.colfaxtownship.org on the Board of Review page or the State of Michigan website.

Board of Review meetings for mutual mistakes and clerical errors:

- Tuesday, July 17 – 6:00PM
- Tuesday, December 11 – 6:00PM

Recycling News

Residential 2018 Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collections will be held 9:00AM to 1:00PM:

- Saturday, June 16 – Frankfort
- Saturday, August 4 – Honor

Free scrap tire collections (pending funding):

- Saturday, June 16 – Frankfort
- Saturday, July 14 - Thompsonville
- Saturday, August 4 – Honor

Appointments are required for these special collections. Call 231-882-0554 or email benzierecycler@benzieco.net to make appointments with David Schaffer, Benzie County Recycling/ Solid Waste Dept. There may be a small charge per pound for televisions and monitors due to Michigan's e-waste policy. Residents can use any recycling bin in the county for #1-7 plastics, tin/ aluminum, any color glass and jars, paper and junk mail, flattened boxes and cardboard, juice boxes, milk cartons and Styrofoam. Bins in Thompsonville are located at the Village DPW on Thompsonville Hwy (CR669) near the four-way stop.

Other disposal options for Benzie Cnty residents:

- Bay Area Disposal, US31 west of Reynolds Rd, 231-640-2600
- American Waste, Inc., 280 Hughes Dr., Traverse City, 231-943-8088
- Republic Services, 3890 Camp Rd., Manistee, 231-723-4850
- Glen's Landfill, 518 E. Traverse Hwy (M72), Maple City, 231-228-5196
- Wexford County Landfill, 990 N. (old) US Hwy 131, Manton, 231-943-8088