# Colfax Township "News"



Colfax Township Hall Office Hours: by appointment

First Fridays: join the fun every month at the Village Community Center on Lincoln Avenue. Bingo, music, fellowship and a wonderful meal for \$3 for those 60+, slightly more for younger attendees. Everyone is welcome! Dec. 4: Christmas tree lighting, cookies, hot cocoa and caroling next to the Betsie Valley District Library on Thompson Avenue 7PM. Note: this is on a Friday, not Saturday as in past years. **Dec. 6:** Community Christmas party at Village Community Center, Lincoln Avenue at 2PM Dec. 24: Santa Claus makes his annual stop at the Village Christmas tree at 7PM and will have goody bags of treats, too! Dec. 30: tax collection at the township hall 9AM-5PM Feb. 14: winter tax due date Feb. 29: tax collection at township hall 9AM-5PM June 11: township cleanup day 8AM-1PM June 20: Summerfest at

#### **Vacant Positions**

Community Center 6PM

The township seeks residents for a number of openings such as the Board of Review, election officials, Joint Planning Commission and a second library representative. NO experience necessary. For more information call 378-2334. Services that township residents expect are provided by residents who volunteer. Can you help?

7607 Michigan Ave. **Township Hall:** 

231-378-2144

231-378-4665 (fax) Hours by appointment

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 68

Thompsonville, MI

49683

Website: www.colfaxtownship.org

### 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.

## 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. Email address: cwtplanning@hotmail.com

**Officers:** Supervisor – Ron Evitts

231-378-2334

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: Christy Brow

Michigan Assessing Service, Inc.

10655 Riverside Drive

Honor, MI 49640

231-499-1671

231-941-4309 (fax)

Email: colfaxassessor@hotmail.com

### Zoning Administrator:

Craig Meredith P.O. Box 115 Thompsonville, MI 49683 231-970-9361 or 378-2377

## Helpful Phone Numbers

- Emergency/ambulance/fire: 911

- Benzie County 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: 231-325-3720

- Thompsonville post office: 231-378-2411

Betsie Valley District Library: 231-378-2716

## **Recycling News**

- Dave Schaffer is the new Recycling and Solid Waste Coordinator for Benzie County following the retirement of Marlene Wood. He may be reached at 231-882-0554 or by email at dschaffer@benzieco.net.
- Residential Household Hazardous Waste. Electronics and Tire Collection will be held or Saturday, July 16 in Honor. Tire collection **only** will be held in Thompsonville on Saturday, August 20. An appointment is necessary for an orderly drop-off process. Call Dave Schaffer to get on the schedule and ask what can be dropped off including number of tires. Also ask about recycling televisions.
- Northern Disposal Transfer Station in Thompsonville that was leased by American Waste is no longer accepting waste. Benzie County does not have a landfill or an operating transfer station. Disposal options for Benzie County residents and businesses are:
- American Waste, Inc., 280 Hughes Dr. in Traverse City, 231-943-8088
- Republic Services, 3890 Camp Rd in Manistee, 231-723-4850
- Glen's Landfill, 518 E. Traverse Hwy (M72) in Maple City, 231-228-5196 or
- Wexford County Landfill, 990 N. (old) US Hwy 131, Manton, 231-943-8088.
- We can be proud that Benzie County is a leader in the state for recycling and continues to be recognized for its model program. Congratulations!!
- Recycling significantly reduces waste sent to landfills AND can save you money. Many households that recycle find they do not need a large container and the expense of a weekly collection. They purchase and fill bags with waste for pickup by American Waste or Republic Services. Contact them at the numbers above to find out where to purchase bags and collection days in your area.
- Clean items acceptable in any county recycling bin include all numbers of plastic and plastic bags, tin and aluminum containers, color glass and jars, Styrofoam (break up large pieces), #6 polystyrene packaging (takeout containers, produce/meat trays, cups, etc.), shredded and mixed paper including junk mail and flattened boxes and aseptic packaging (such as juice boxes and milk cartons).

Everyone is asked to continue using the 24/7 cardboard trailers when you have a quantity to recycle. Students receive money for collected cardboard as part of the "Cash for Cardboard" program. and clean tin and aluminum are among items acceptable in any county recycle bin. Large quantities of flattened cardboard may be dropped off at school trailers including Betsie Valley Elementary School as part of the