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 wonderful meal for \$3 for those 60+, slightly more for younger attendees. Everyone is welcome! July 4: Fireworks at Geno's Bar & Grill, Thompson Avenue **Sept. 14:** summer taxes due. Email questions to treasurer Laurie Draeger at colfaxbenzie@gmail.com. **Sept. 29:** 7th annual classic car show at Geno's, Thompson Ave. Fall Festival: October in the Thompsonville Community Memorial Park on Lincoln Avenue. Look for the banner at the pavilion in early October. **Dec. 1:** Holiday Open House 6-7PM at the Betsie Valley District Library on Thompson Avenue. Christmas tree lighting at 7PM. Cookies, hot cocoa and caroling!

Dec. 2: Community Christmas party at Village Community Center, Lincoln Avenue 2-4PM Dec. 24: Santa makes his final visit on Christmas Eve at 7PM with goody bags of treats at the Village Christmas tree.

Opportunities

Want to get involved in your township? Board of Review, elections, Joint Planning Commission and library board positions available. NO experience necessary! Call 378-2334 for info. Most positions are compensated.

Drop Box

Finally, the long awaited box for the hall's south wall is here for your convenience with township-related business.

Township Hall: 7607 Michigan Ave.

231-378-2144 231-378-4665 (fax)

Hours by appointment

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 68

Thompsonville, MI 49683

<u>Website:</u> www.colfaxtownship.org <u>Township Board Meetings:</u>

The Board meets the second Wednesday each month at 7:00 P.M. The public is welcome!

Joint Planning Commission Meetings:

The JPC meets at 7:00 P.M. the first Thursday of the month at the Village Community Center, 14714 Lincoln Avenue. The JPC is a partner-ship between Colfax Township, Weldon Township and the Village of Thompsonville. Email address: cwtplanning@hotmail.com

Officers: Supervisor – Ron Evitts

231-378-2334/cell 213-383-1749

Clerk – DeAnn Mosher

231-631-9221

Treasurer – Laura Draeger

231-378-2144

Trustee – Tom Besey

231-631-9227

Trustee – Shelley Greene

231-378-2334

Assessor: Gunnar Brow

Michigan Assessing Service, Inc.

10655 Riverside Drive

Honor, MI 49640

231-227-1095 (fax: 227-1109)

Email: gpbrow@michiganassessing.com

Zoning Administrator:

Mark Draeger P.O. Box 115 Thompsonville, MI 49683 231-378-4135

Contact for land use zoning permits and questions. Alternate contact: Shelley Greene 231-378-2334.

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

- Benzie Senior Resources: 231-525-0600

- Thompsonville post office: 231-378-2411

- Betsie Valley District Library: 231-378-2716

Board of Review

The 2018 Board of Review will meet, if needed, to correct mutual mistakes and clerical errors on

Tuesday, July 18 – 6:00 PM and Tuesday, December 12 – 6:00 PM November 1 is the deadline for submitting Principal Residence Exemption (homestead) forms. The Board of Review next meets in March 2019 to receive property owner petitions on assessed or taxable values. See township website for BOR info.

Scrap Tire Collections

The Benzie County Solid Waste/Recycling Dept. once again received a grant to collect scrap car and truck tires. No tractor tires. Michigan law allows a person to legally transport up to 10 of their own tires. Sorry, no scrap haulers or dealers.

Appointment required; call 231-882-0554

- Saturday, July 14 – 9:00AM – 1:00PM

Lincoln Ave. (Lindy Rd.) west of stop signal Approach from Thompson Ave. at the old railroad grade in the Village.

- Saturday, August 4 – 9:00AM – 1:00PM Road Commission, US-31 in Honor

Recycling Info

- If you missed the annual cleanup day, residents may arrange for pickup of metal items, vehicle batteries and items containing Freon such as air conditioners, dehumidifiers and refrigerators. Call Mike at 517-358-7529 to make arrangements. There may be a fee for service. This is a business and is not affiliated with the township.
- The next Residential Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection Day is
- Saturday, August 4 9:00AM-1:00PM Road Commission, US-31 in Honor Call 231-882-0554 to make an appointment with Jesse Zylstra, Benzie County Recycling/Solid Waste Dept. Appointment required for orderly drop-off. For more info on items accepted, visit www.benzieco.net, click on Departments then Recycling and Solid Waste. Fee of \$0.30/pound for TVs and computer monitors. Best Buy takes TVs, too. Unused/expired medicines may be dropped off at the Sheriff's Dept. in Beulah (no sharps).
- · Area disposal services:
- -Bay Area Disposal transfer station, US31 west o Reynolds Road, 231-640-2600
- -Padnos Recycling, 3770 Blair Town Hall Rd., Traverse City, 231-947-3747 (call for TV fee)
- -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
- Residents may use any recycle bins in the county Items accepted include #1-7 plastics, tin/aluminum, any color glass and jars (no light bulbs), paper/junk mail, flattened cardboard, juice boxes, milk cartons and Styrofoam. NO illegal dumping!

Millage Renewals

Four millage renewals will be on the August 7 primary ballot. Three county renewals are the Conservation District, the Sheriff's Department Drug Enforcement and the Road Commission for local roads and overnight snowplowing. A fourth renewal is for the Betsie Valley District Library in the Village of Thompsonville. Colfax Township is one of four municipalities in the District.