

# CLYDE TOWNSHIP NEWS

February 2024

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## *Clyde Township Monthly Meeting Dates :*

- **Fire Dept.** first Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. @ Ruby Fire Hall 4545 Brott Rd.
- **Recreation Commission.** Second Monday of the month. 7:00 p.m. @ Clyde Township Hall
- **Planning Commission.** Second Tuesday of the month. 7:00 p.m. @ Clyde Township Hall.
- **Cemetery Advisory Board** Second Wednesday every other month @ Clyde Township Hall at 9:00 a.m.
- **Clyde Township Board of Trustees.** Third Tuesday of the month. 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.
- All meetings are opened to the public.

### Clyde Township Elected Officials:

**Supervisor:**  
Ernie Manoleas 985-7258

**Clerk:**  
Kathleen Turner 985-7258

**Treasurer:**  
Jessica Compton 985-7258

### Trustees:

Franz Neruda 985-7258

Doug Voight 985-7258

Dave Dortman 985-7258

Bonnie DeShon 985-7258

## PUBLIC HEARING

### RANGER POWER SPECIAL CONDITION USE PERMIT

The Planning Commission is holding a Public Hearing at Blue Water Convention Center on March 11, at 6 p.m. to discuss **RANGER POWER** and the solar farm they want to put in Clyde Township. Clyde residents are invited and will be given time to voice their comments and concerns on this issue. . .

\*\*Mike McGriff, Chair of the Planning Commission

## ELECTION DATES 2024

Presidential Primary February 27, 2024

Primary Election on August 6, 2024

General Election on November 5, 2024

Proposal-2 passed and with that it brings **EARLY VOTING**. The Township is now set up for 9-day early voting. You should have received a postcard stating what this means. If not, the Early Voting starts February 17– 25 at the Township Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. This procedure will be used for the Primary and General Election, as well. It's new. **GET OUT AND VOTE!**

Your Township Clerk  
*Kathleen Turner*

## RETIREMENT NEWS

Building Inspector, **Rod Cowan** has retired after 30+ years. Electrical Inspector, **Mike Davenport** has retired after 30+years, as well. The Township wishes both of them Good Luck with future endeavors.

New Building Inspector, Neil Erickson

New Electrical Inspector, Robert Bennatts

## ORDINANCE OFFICER NEWS

Let's talk about ...**BLIGHT**. Blight is something that has a detrimental effect on property , your neighbor's property and our community , as a whole.

The purpose of this Ordinance (Ordinance No. 66) is to prevent, reduce or eliminate blight in the Township. We desire to avoid personal injury, unsightly property and the devaluation of property values.

### THE DEFINITION OF BLIGHT

1. **BUILDING MATERIALS** Shall mean lumber, brick, concrete, cinder blocks, plumbing materials, electrical wiring or equipment, heating ducts or equipment, shingle, mortar , or any other materials used in building construction.
2. **JUNK** Shall mean, without limitation, cast-off parts of machinery or motor vehicle, tree stumps, uncut and unstacked firewood, broke and unusable furniture, dilapidated fences (cast-off or in place), stoves, refrigerators and other appliances, remnants of wood, metal or other cast-off materials of any kind, whether or not the same could be put to any reasonable use. The accumulation of JUNK, TRASH, or RUBBISH of any kind is prohibited, except domestic refuse stored for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) days in an enclosed container, building or structure in a manner as to not create a nuisance.
3. **JUNK MOTOR VEHICLES** Shall mean any motor vehicle, boat or accessory vehicle which is not currently licensed for use upon the waters or highway or which is inoperative for any reason for a period in excess of sixty (60) calendars days.
4. **TRASH & RUBBER** Shall mean all forms of debris, refuse or household refuse not herein otherwise classified.

Also worth mentioning when talking about clean-up, is to remember that any fallen branches and limbs leftover from the storms on our property is the responsibility of the property owner to clean-up or cut uup. There are a lot of fallen branches still laying on property around the township. Let's get them cleaned up!

\*\*\*If there are any questions about the BLIGHT Ordinance or any other clean-up issues, please call the office 810-985-7258. I am happy to address any matter you may have.\*\*\*

Bonnie DeShon, Ordinance Enforcement Officer

**\*\*\*FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS\*\*\*****From Fire Chief Dortman**

If you are in need of a smoke detector the department has a limited supply offered free to township residents by contacting the Township Office.

Recently the fire department has encountered some long driveways that are very narrow with large trees in close proximity to the drive. We would like to remind residents that our apparatus are nearly 30 feet long and 10 feet wide. Ideally, driveways should be 12 feet wide and free of obstruction that could potentially slow our response. We also ask that your address is clearly marked at the road and if there are multiple residences on a driveway, clearly mark at the house, too.

Finally, the Clyde Township Fire Department is always hiring. We are looking for both fire and medical personnel. All required training is paid for by the Township. If you are a person possibly interested in a career in the fire service, your local fire department is a good place to start. If you would just like to give back to your community we may have a place for you. All information and requirements are listed on the township website under the employment tab.

**\*\*\*TREASURER'S NEWS\*\*\*****From Jessica Compton****July Property Tax Bills**

July tax bills are mailed July 1 and are due September 14th by 5 p.m. without penalty. **Partial payments are accepted on all taxes.** A 3% penalty is added to any unpaid balance on September 15th, with another 1% being added the first of each month thereafter, until the books are closed on March 1st.

**December Property Tax Bills**

December tax bills are mailed December 1st, and are due by February 14th at 5 p.m. without penalty. Effective February 15th, a 3% penalty is on any unpaid balance. February 29th 2024 is the last day to pay Summer or Winter taxes.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:** Payments may be made in person via cash, or credit card, by mail, or by being placed in the after-hours drop box (by check only.) Payment sent via mail are considered on time if postmarked on or before the due date. For all credit cards transactions, the fee is 3%.

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3350 Vincent Road  
Clyde, MI 48049

Office Hours: Monday –Friday  
8:00 a.m.-4:00p.m.

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Website: [www.clydetownshipscc.org](http://www.clydetownshipscc.org)

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CLYDE TOWNSHIP RESIDENT

NORTH STREET, MI 48049

**Building Inspector:** Neil Erickson  
Office hours:

Monday 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.  
810 985-7258 Ext. 208  
810 591-3388 (cell)

**Electrical Inspector:** Robert Bennatts  
810 531-7363

**\*\*\*Supervisor's News\*\*\***

**The Supervisor would like to inform residents not to rake leaves into the ditches and also that the Road Commission does not allow burning leaves in ditches. The Community has had issues on drainage problems. Working at keeping the ditches cleared out can help with this drainage problem and assist with neighbors' properties flooding. The**

**Spongy moth (Gypsy moth) appears not to be a problem this year. St. Clair County will continue to monitor for future problems. Clyde Township is looking for 2 alternates for the Board of Review.**

**Please contact Supervisor Manoleas for more into**

**810 985-7258.**

**WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS**

**MAKE SURE YOU GET A BURNING PERMIT FOR 2024**