

Robert W. Hanvey, Supervisor Tammy Beal, Clerk Duane Stokes, Treasurer Les Andersen, Trustee Greg Durbin, Trustee Scott Lloyd, Trustee Dan Lowe, Trustee

The Board of Trustees meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. The Planning Commission meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. The meeting schedule and township financial information is on our website, www.mariontownship.com

FROM TAMMY BEAL, MARION TOWNSHIP CLERK

Elections

The Unofficial Results from the November 6, 2018 General Election are listed below:

Precinct 1	2199 registered voters	1006 people voted plus 507 AV voters (68.8%)
Precinct 2	2393 registered voters	1090 people voted plus 594 AV (70.37%)
Precinct 3	1546 registered voters	663 people voted plus 446 AV (71.73%)
Precinct 4	2231 registered voters	994 people voted plus 580 AV (70.55%)

Community Sales/Shred Event

Saturday, April 27, 2019 is our Mom-to-Mom sale, 9 am-2 pm; contact Kitsey at 517-546-1588 to reserve a spot. We will also have a shredder onsite from 10 am-2 pm. An outdoor community sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 18.

Trunk or Treat

This year's event was again successful! We had almost 200 dressed-up trunk or treaters and 30+ treat givers.

Recycle Bins

Recycle bin is located behind the township hall. Most items are accepted with the exception of plastic bags, waxed cardboard, Styrofoam, and glass. There is no need to separate your materials by type. The township pays by volume, not weight, so PLEASE CRUSH YOUR STUFF before depositing it in the bin. <u>Please, no plastic bags of any kind!</u> Just a reminder: this is a recycle bin, not a rubbish bin!

In the lobby, we have recycle bins for household batteries, hearing aids, prescription eyewear, and cell phones. We collect seasonal items such as used Christmas lights during the holidays, and we have a Gleaners box in the lobby for non-perishable food item donations.

DPW DEPARTMENT

Emergency numbers for municipal water and/or sewer:

Water 888-481-0439

Sewer 517-546-7150, Mon.-Fri., 8 am-4pm (after hours or holidays, call 911)

MARION TOWNSHIP ASSESSING DEPARTMENT:

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (517) 546-1588, or by email at assessor@mariontownship.com

Property Purchased in 2018:

Did you purchase your property in 2018? If so, your Taxable Value will "Uncap" for your 2019 Tax Bill. "Uncap" means the <u>Taxable Value will increase to equal the Assessed Value</u>. Your Taxable Value could rise considerably. This uncapping could cause a <u>significant increase in the property taxes from 2018 to 2019</u>. Taxable Value is the value used to calculate the property taxes for a property. Go to <u>www.mariontownship.com</u> for guidelines on Transfer of Ownership. Look for the link with the

Principal Residence Exemption:

A Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) exempts a residence from the tax levied by a local school district for school operating purposes up to 18 mills. To qualify for a PRE, a person must be a Michigan resident who owns and occupies the property as a principal residence. The PRE is a separate program from the *Homestead Property Tax Credit*, which is filed annually with your Michigan Individual Income Tax Return.

Check your property tax bill in December to ensure you are receiving the exemption if you qualify! It is located on the right hand side of the bill under: <u>Tax Detail: PRE/MBT %</u> (if it shows 100%, you are receiving the exemption).

ZONING DEPARTMENT

From your Zoning Administrator Dave Hamann: Thank you to everyone for filling out the Master Plan survey! The Planning Commission is now working toward completing the draft for the Master Plan. Look for a special meeting to be scheduled in early 2019 to share the draft with all township residents. If you left your email, you will be notified of the date.

All Planning and Zoning information and applications are available online at www.mariontownship.com, select "links" and then select "planning and zoning." If you have questions, email me at za@mariontownship.com or Sandi at info@mariontownship.com

The Planning Commission will be revising the zoning ordinance as it relates to Home Occupations. Contact me if you need to talk about obtaining a permit for your home business.

TREASURER'S OFFICE

For more information from the treasurer's office, please refer to the back of your tax bill.