

# NEGAUNEE TOWNSHIP

## 2018 Spring Newsletter

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### Township Board of Trustees

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## Township Road Improvement Project

By: Gary Wommer

Thank you to our residents for passing the Road Millage in November! Because of that, the summer of 2018 will certainly be a busy one on our Township roads.

We are planning on improving the condition of almost 10 miles of road surface along with the necessary ditching and shouldering that is missing on a lot of them.

This will be a very ambitious project timeline in order to accomplish all the work in the allotted time.

We plan on having all of the road surface paving complete by November 8, but may not have the all the striping and new signage in place by that date.

This project is the largest in terms of miles of road repair ever in our Township and we on the Board of Trustees are excited to finally, after almost 2 years of work, be able to provide smoother roads for our residents.

The road work schedule, once available from the contractor, will be posted on the Township website ([negauneetownship.org](http://negauneetownship.org)) and on our Facebook page.

We Thank You in advance for your patience during this summer's construction and have a FUN & SAFE summer!!



## What's your number?

Is your house number clearly visible? While your mail and friends may be able to find you, it is far more important that you help emergency services find you quickly. Please make sure that the numbers are large enough to be seen. Having them be reflective is preferred to help with locating your home at night. If you

have a shared driveway with another home or have a group of mailboxes together, having additional signs that direct emergency services is very helpful and will allow for a quicker response. Also, having just a name without the numbers can cause confusion to responders, so please provide the numbers in all situations.

## Join the Negaunee Twp Fire Dept

The Negaunee Township Fire Department is currently accepting applications for firefighters and EMS. If you are at least 18 years of age, live within 6 miles of the fire station, and have the drive and desire to help people in times of emergencies, this could be a great fit for you. Helping the community in this capacity not only fills a very important need, but it is extremely rewarding as well.

All training is paid for by the Department. All the Department asks in return is that you give us a commitment and become one of the individuals who have served the department since day one!

Become one of us! It's training and knowledge you will take with you the rest of your life!

For more information:  
[http://negauneetownship.org/fire\\_department.php](http://negauneetownship.org/fire_department.php)

Email: [NTFDRecruitment@gmail.com](mailto:NTFDRecruitment@gmail.com)



### 2018 Election Dates

#### & Registration Deadlines

State Primary—August 7th

Register by July 9, 2018

State General—November 6th

Register by Oct 9, 2018



## News from the Township Assessor

Your Township Assessor is Susan Bovan and the Assessing Assistant is Tiffany Filbrandt. Susan is in the office the day of the township monthly board meeting and by appointment. Susan's number is 906-387-1010 or 906-362-0228. Tiffany can be reached in the office during normal office hours or at 906-475-7460.

### Principal Residence Exemption (PRE)

A PRE is an exemption from the 18 mills of school operating tax if you own and occupy your home. The 18 mills of school operating is currently collected on the summer tax bill. If you reside at your home and currently are not receiving this exemption, you need to file a PRE Affidavit with your assessor. Please visit Negaunee Township's website and download the form, or come into the office to pick up the form, complete it and return to: Assessing Dept, 42 M-35 Negaunee, MI 49866. Make sure you complete the entire form or it may be returned to you, thereby delaying the exemption.

### Board of Review alternate members sought

If you are interested in becoming a Board of Review member, please come into the Township office and pick up an

application to complete and return.

The Board of Review meets a minimum of (3) days in March and (1) day in both July & December. The statutory duties of the board of review is to receive and review the assessment roll as well as to listen to protests and decide on the validity of the protests during the March session. The July & December sessions are specific to correcting clerical errors, granting Disabled Veteran Exemptions or Poverty Exemptions and approving prior year PRE's. You can call the township assessor if you have any specific questions regarding this topic.

### Disabled Veteran Exemption

If you are a disabled veteran you may be exempt from property tax if you meet the requirements. In order to be eligible the disabled veteran must have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States. They must be a Michigan resident and meet the following criteria:

- (a) Has been determined by the United States Dept of veterans affairs to be permanently and totally disabled as a result of military service & entitled to veterans benefit at the 100% rate.

- (b) Has a certificate from the United States veterans administration, or it's successors, certifying that he or she is receiving or has received pecuniary assistance due to disability for specially adapted housing.
- (c) Has been rated by the United States department of veterans affairs as individually unemployable.

**NOTE:** The un-remarried surviving spouse of the disabled veteran is eligible for the exemption based upon the eligibility of their spouse: therefore the spouse must also be a Michigan resident. The exemption will continue only as long as the surviving spouse remains un-remarried.

The disabled veteran exemption forms are available on the State Tax Commission website, on Negaunee Township's website or by coming into the township office. This exemption can be granted only by the Board of Review, which meets in March, July or December.

*Susan is in the office the day of Township monthly board meetings or by appointment*

**The Negaunee Township Planning Commission is seeking submissions for a Township Flag.**  
Suggested themes are:

- ~ The Water Tower ~ Iron Industry Museum ~ Carp River Falls ~ Old & New 510 Bridges
- ~ Carp River Forge ~ Rock cliff on IOHT between Smith Paving & Morgan Pond

Please submit designs to the Zoning Administrator by June 30, 2018. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.



### **Monthly Rubbish Drop off**

Neg Twp provides a once a month drop off for large rubbish items.

This service is on the 3rd Wednesday of each month between the hours of 9am & 4pm.

To be eligible, your garbage account must be current. You must obtain a ticket from the office before dumping. ONE load per month per household.

Items not permitted: construction materials, tires, refrigerators, yard waste, air conditioners, paint or hazardous waste.

### **REMINDER:**

As of March 1st, all UNPAID 2017 Summer & Winter Real Property Taxes were turned over to the Mqt County Treasurer's Office and Neg Twp is no longer able to accept payments. You must contact the Mqt Co Treasurer's office to find out what is outstanding & all payments must be submitted to their office. Their phone number is: 906-225-8425

All Personal Property Taxes are due to the Negaunee Township. If you have any questions regarding these outstanding taxes, please contact the Treasurer's office at 906-475-7460.

## **From the Supervisor—Bill Carlson**

As we begin the new fiscal year for Negaunee Township, we are encouraged by the new construction which will be ongoing. The major project which many know about is the new power generation project (UMERC) To those of you who use Co Rd 492 as the route into or from Marquette you might plan another route as the roadway will have traffic which will require stop & go control by our Sheriff Dept to allow traffic to safely enter and exit the construction site. This project will continue throughout the year with tentative completion by January 2019.

We are also expecting a trade school for carpenters and Millwrights, which will be located across from tractor Supply next to Shunk Furniture.

These projects along with residential building permits and our upgrade to our road system will keep our township very busy.

With the busy year ahead I would encourage all of you to consider coming to our monthly Board Meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month to meet with us and keep us advised of your needs.

If you'd like to meet with me personally, I am usually in my office at the township from 9:30—1:00 each day and will always make time for anything you may wish to discuss or assist you in any way.

### **Community Center Board Summer Project** by: Patti Lafond

This will be an exciting summer for recreation in Neg Township. A new soccer field will be built along with green space for a future baseball field. We will also be eliminating the road that currently runs between Waara 2 and the temporary soccer field and making a new road that goes around Waara 2 to the new soccer field.

Construction will begin in May, with completion in July. This is a project that has been in the works for over 5 years and will add to the recreation opportunities and safety of our township residents and surrounding communities.



# Garbage Ordinance Change

On June 16, 1988, all townships in Marquette County entered into an agreement with the Marquette County Landfill to collect solid waste within their jurisdiction and to deposit the solid waste into the Marquette County Landfill.

Negaunee Township then enacted an Ordinance (GRB-01) to provide for the collection and disposal of solid waste within the township.



We contract with a certified hauler to collect all residential solid waste they generate, with an annual contract.

Our garbage fund, by law, is managed so that the fund does not make a profit. Each participant, therefore, pays an equal amount.

When increases or decreases in fund balance occur, the likewise goes back to each of the participants.

On March 29, 2018, the Negaunee Township Board voted to amend the Garbage Ordinance (GRB-01) to eliminate the provision for "Seasonal" properties.

By eliminating the "seasonal" provision language in the ordinance, each residence in the township pays a fair share of the contracted price.

# Apply to be an Election Inspector

Negaunee Township is always looking for individuals to assist with the election process. An Election Inspector is a voter registered in the State of Michigan who has received Certification to work an Election Day at an assigned polling location.

Interested individuals must fill-out an Election Inspector Application and complete a training course which takes approximately 2 hours. Courses are currently scheduled for May and June 2018 in Marquette County. Once the training is successfully completed, individuals will be certified to work elections for a period of two years.

Inspectors are responsible for a complete and accurate audit at the end of Election Day, as well as other assignments including:

- Distribute ballots, provide instructions to voters, verify and review the list of qualified voters in the precinct.



- Set up / break down the polling location, seal ballot containers & process paperwork.
- Ensure all voting is conducted in a legal manner and all votes are tallied and accounted for through an auditing procedure at the close of the Election Day.

An Election Inspector Application Form can be found online at [www.negauneetownship.org / Docs & Forms / Clerk Forms / Application Inspector](http://www.negauneetownship.org/Docs%20%26%20Forms/Clerk%20Forms/Application%20Inspector).

Complete the form and mail or return in person to: **Negaunee Township Clerk, 42 East State Highway M-35, Negaunee, MI 49866.**

Applications are kept on file and applicants notified when Election Inspector training dates are specifically scheduled. Should you have any questions, please contact the Township Clerk's Office at 906-475-7869.



**MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY DUAL STREAM RECYCLING SCHEDULE**

HOURS OF OPERATION: 7 A.M - 3 P.M. MONDAY - FRIDAY

600 COUNTY ROAD NP

MARQUETTE, MI 49855

PHONE: (906) 249-4125 FAX: (906) 249-9377

WEBSITE: WWW.MCSWMA.COM E-MAIL: MQTCORECYCLING@GMAIL.COM OR LIKE US ON FACEBOOK

**2018 FIBER & RIGIDS SCHEDULE**

JANUARY								FEBRUARY								MARCH							
	SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA		SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA		SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA
<i>FIBER</i>		1	2	3	4	5	6	<i>FIBER</i>					1	2	3	<i>FIBER</i>					1	2	3
<i>RIGIDS</i>	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	<i>RIGIDS</i>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	<i>RIGIDS</i>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<i>FIBER</i>	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	<i>FIBER</i>	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	<i>FIBER</i>	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<i>RIGIDS</i>	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	<i>RIGIDS</i>	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	<i>RIGIDS</i>	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<i>FIBER</i>	28	29	30	31				<i>FIBER</i>	25	26	27	28				<i>FIBER</i>	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

APRIL								MAY								JUNE							
	SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA		SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA		SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA
<i>RIGIDS</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	<i>RIGIDS</i>			1	2	3	4	5	<i>RIGIDS</i>						1	2
<i>FIBER</i>	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	<i>FIBER</i>	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	<i>FIBER</i>	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>RIGIDS</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	<i>RIGIDS</i>	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	<i>RIGIDS</i>	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<i>FIBER</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	<i>FIBER</i>	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	<i>FIBER</i>	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<i>RIGIDS</i>	29	30						<i>RIGIDS</i>	27	28	29	30	31			<i>RIGIDS</i>	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

JULY								AUGUST								SEPTEMBER							
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<i>FIBER</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	<i>FIBER</i>	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	<i>FIBER</i>	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<i>RIGIDS</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	<i>RIGIDS</i>	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	<i>RIGIDS</i>	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<i>FIBER</i>	29	30	31					<i>FIBER</i>	26	27	28	29	30	31		<i>FIBER</i>	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
																<i>RIGIDS</i>	30						

OCTOBER								NOVEMBER								DECEMBER							
	SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA		SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA		SU	M	T	W	TH	F	SA
<i>RIGIDS</i>		1	2	3	4	5	6	<i>RIGIDS</i>					1	2	3	<i>RIGIDS</i>							1
<i>FIBER</i>	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	<i>FIBER</i>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	<i>FIBER</i>	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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**NOTICE**

**EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018:**

**PLEASE REMOVE GLASS FROM YOUR RECYCLING BIN**

**PLEASE PLACE GLASS IN YOUR WASTE RECEPTACLE**

**THANK-YOU, MCSWMA 249-4125**

## **2018 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule**

Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority collections are held from May through October only. There are no collections during the winter months. All sites are open to any Marquette County resident with only Household Hazardous Waste. The collections are held at one of the two following locations:

*The City of Marquette Rubbish/Compost Site is located at the intersection of McClellan Ave and Pioneer Rd*

*The West End Transfer Station is located in West Ishpeming (The north side of U.S. 41 west of Ishpeming just west of the DNR field station).*

### **MAY**

<b>MAY 2, 2018</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>MARQUETTE RUBBISH/COMPOST SITE</b>
May 16, 2018	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	West End Transfer Station

### **JUNE**

<b>JUNE 6, 2018</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>MARQUETTE RUBBISH/COMPOST SITE</b>
June 13, 2018	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	West End Transfer Station

### **JULY**

<b>JULY 11, 2018</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>MARQUETTE RUBBISH/COMPOST SITE</b>
July 18, 2018	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	West End Transfer Station

### **AUGUST**

<b>AUGUST 8, 2018</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>MARQUETTE RUBBISH/COMPOST SITE</b>
August 15, 2018	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	West End Transfer Station

### **SEPTEMBER**

<b>SEPTEMBER 12, 2018</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>MARQUETTE RUBBISH/COMPOST SITE</b>
September 29, 2018	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	West End Transfer Station

### **OCTOBER**

October 3, 2018	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	West End Transfer Station
<b>OCTOBER 10, 2018</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>MARQUETTE RUBBISH/COMPOST SITE</b>

For a list of acceptable materials or more information concerning hazardous waste disposal visit our website at [www.mcswwa.com](http://www.mcswwa.com) or contact us at (906) 249-4125.

**NO LATEX PAINT WILL BE ACCEPTED**

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# Surplus Office Equipment Sale

We will be having a Surplus Office Equipment sale on **Thursday June 7, 2018** in the conference room at the Township Office. The hours will be from **9am—3pm**.

**All items are priced to sell!** The following is a list of some of the items available:

- (1) wood bookshelf
- (2) 4 drawer file cabinets
- (2) 2 drawer file cabinets—std width
- (1) 2 drawer file cabinet—30" wide
- (1) typewriter
- (3) laser desktop printers
- (1) inkjet desktop printer
- (2) Sharp laser printers (floor)

Assorted butterfly clips, binder clips, phones, mini recorders, digital scale, expandable file folders, data binders, prong fasteners, legal file folder frame, computer keyboards, calculators, book ends, stacking trays and more!!

