

MASTER PLAN UPDATE PROCESS BEGINNING SOON

The Township will be embarking on a five (5) year master plan process soon. Master Plans are required to be reviewed every five (5) years by State Statute. Master Plans are a comprehensive plan for the community which include issues such as land use, transportation, natural features, community services and facilities, recreation and parks. To review our current Master Plan, please go to our website www.brightontwp.com and click "Community" and then click "Master Plan". We are in the process of hiring a consultant to assist us.

We want all citizens to participate! There will be outreach in the form of surveys, meetings, etc. so please stay tuned. You can contact Kelly Mathews, Planner, at 810-229-0562 or e-mail at planner@brightontwp.com for further information. You can also sign up for our upcoming Master Plan updates by going to our website and clicking on "Notify Me" and then News Flash" to be updated when opportunities for engagement are scheduled.

NOTICE OF VACANCY AS CLERK BOLLIN BIDS GOOD BYE

Township Clerk Ann Bollin was recently elected to the office of State Representative and will be stepping down as Clerk leaving a vacancy for the rest of her term ending November 20, 2020. Due to the anticipated resignation mid-term, the Township Board will be responsible for making an appointment within 45 days of her resignation.

Applicants must be a qualified elector (18 years of age, a US citizen and have lived in the Township at least 30 days) and registered to vote. (MCL's 168.11 and 168.342). Interested persons should contact the Clerk's office at 810-229-0560 or clerk@brightontwp.com. for details on how to apply.

Clerk's statutory duties include the following:

- Maintain custody of all township records
- General ledger accounting including preparing warrants for township checks
- Elections
- Board meeting notices and minutes
- Financial statements
- Keeps ordinance book and book of oaths

Clerk Ann Bollin stated "I am so grateful to the residents of Brighton Township for the opportunity to serve as their clerk for 15 plus years. I look forward to my new role of state representative and am committed to serving with integrity and a strong fiscal conscience."

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Regular Board Meetings are held at least monthly and are broadcast live on Cable Channel 15, Comcast, and Cable Channel 99, AT&T. Regular work session meetings are scheduled in conjunction with the adoption of the annual Regular Meeting schedule.

The meetings are held in the lower level of Township Hall. Meeting start time is 6:30 P.M.

2019 NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT, TAXABLE VALUE AND PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION

Please be on the lookout for your 2019 assessment notice, which you should receive at the end of February. The notice will list your 2019 assessed and taxable values as well as the classification of your property. Your current year Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) is also indicated on the assessment notice. If you feel the indicated percentage for Homeowner's Principal Residence is incorrect, please notify the Assessing Department. The dates and times of the 2019 March Board of Review will be listed on the notice. Please note, for residential property, you must appeal to the March Board of Review in order to further appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

If you have any questions regarding your principal residence exemption, assessed or taxable values, please feel free to contact the Assessor's Office at (810) 229-0558.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Taxes are due February 28, 2019. Postmarks are not accepted.

Payments options include cash, checks, and credit cards. Flagstar Bank in Brighton, (Lee Road branch only), is also accepting payments with your original blue tax bill.

Checks: Please include your phone number on your check. Post-dated checks are not accepted and will be returned.

Credit cards: May be used either online or in person at Township Hall. A convenience fee is charged by Point and Pay, the provider of this service.

Online Bill Payments: Bills paid through your on-line banking system may take up to 15 business days to be received. Please allow sufficient time for payment to reach us.

Tax Receipts: If you would like a receipt, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope or email address with your payment.

Summer deferral payments: must be made by **February 14th, 2019** in order to avoid interest charges.



TOP 3 REASONS TO LICENSE YOUR DOG:

- Rabies Control/Prevention
- Reunite lost dog with their owner
- IT'S STATE LAW!

FUTURE ROAD PROJECTS

By state law, all public roads in Townships are under the jurisdiction and ownership of county road commissions. The Livingston County Road Commission is currently in the process of performing engineering design work for two tentatively scheduled projects. Be sure to sign up for periodic updates on these and other projects posted on the Township website through a Newsflash subscription. The two projects are:

- ◆ Pleasant Valley Culvert. The 11-foot culvert spanning the creek adjacent to Lake Moraine was closed by the Livingston County Road Commission in May of 2014 due to extremely poor condition. The Township Board has pledged 50% toward the estimated \$440,000 cost of the construction in order to move this project forward. LCRC has informed us that construction is tentatively scheduled for July 2019.
- ◆ Old US 23. The Huron Valley Federal Aid Committee has allocated federal funds toward the reconstruction of Old US 23 from Spencer Road to Grand River as part of the 2020 Urban Transportation Improvement Program. The funds become available for expenditure in October 2019 with the majority of construction in 2020.

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BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT STATISTICS

NEW DEVELOPMENTS:

Deerfield Preserve (W. side of Old 23 and Hyne): 78 home sites – site is under construction with roads and utilities; no permits to date – plan to get started on a few homes yet this fall; lots are 1/3rd of an acre.

Encore Village (N. side of E. Grand River W. of Pleasant Valley): Aging in place development with 380 apartment units oriented towards seniors and 132 senior units (memory care, assisted living, and senior independent living). This project is in the construction review stage with staff. Potential ground breaking is slated for Spring 2019.



DEVELOPMENTS WHICH RECENTLY HAD SEVERAL HOME BUILDS:

- Huntmore Estates: W. side of Old 23, N. of McClements:** 115 half acre home sites; no lots left
 - Sandila Estates (Hyne, W. of Old 23):** 29 one-acre home sites; 2 lots left
 - Northwinds (Hyne, W. of Old 23):** 50 one-acre home sites; 2 lots left
 - Hillsborough (E. of U.S.23/Maxfield Rd.):** 156 one-acre home sites; 10 lots left
 - Shenandoah Ridge (E. side of Old 23, N. of Hilton):** 16 one-acre home sites; no lots left
- Other older subdivisions have scattered lots available.



As of 10/25/18

LAND USE PERMITS ISSUED:

2016 – 70
 2017 – 87
 2018 – 40 plus 12 condo units

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCIES ISSUED:

2016 – 65 plus 2 condo units
 2017 – 40
 2018 – 5

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TOWNSHIP HALL HOURS

Mondays, Wednesdays,
Thursdays, and Fridays 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM *
Tuesdays 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM *

* Closed daily for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Township offices will be closed on:

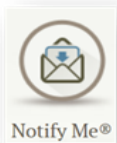
Monday - December 24, 2018
Tuesday - December 25, 2018
Monday - December 31, 2018
Tuesday - January 1, 2019
Monday - February 18, 2019

Visit our website (www.brightontwp.com) for additional holiday closings throughout the year or closing due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstance.

DO YOU WANT TO KEEP ABREAST OF TOWNSHIP HAPPENINGS?

SIGN UP FOR NEWSFLASH!

For those that want to be kept abreast of Township business as it is happening we recommend that you sign up for e-mail notifications via the Township website. Citizens can customize their notifications to their particular interests (e.g. public hearings, scheduled meetings, newsflashes, emergency notifications, etc.) This is the best way to ensure that you are getting the information that you find most useful. Go to www.brightontwp.com to create your account by clicking on the Notify Me button.



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*Regular Meeting Days and Times**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at 6:30 PM
as scheduled with the adoption of the annual meeting schedule.

PLANNING COMMISSION
2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM

**Meetings are subject to change. Contact the Clerk's office at 810-229-0560 for more information.
**Phone messages may be left at (810) 229-0550 for all trustees.*

Please forward newsletter comments to the editor:
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Please be sure to add "newsletter" in the subject line