# Sandstone Charter Township July 2023 Newsletter

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Hours Monday-Friday 9am – 4pm www.sandstonetownship.org

### **Township Meetings**

Residents are always welcome and encouraged to participate in Township Board and Planning Commission meetings. The Board meetings are typically the second Monday of each month at 6:00pm. Planning Commission meets every other month at 6:00pm. All meeting dates and minutes are listed on our web page.

Sandstone Township would like to thank Keith Acker, who retired May 31, for his 25 years of service. He has been an asset to the township and the community, and will be missed.

#### **New Board Members**

Dwight VanWinkle is our new Township Supervisor. He has been a trustee for 12 years and involved in local government for 29 years.

Steve Noble has filled the vacant trustee position. He is involved with the recycling industry and brings new and creative ideas to the Township Board.

Welcome Phillip Beemer and Philip Moffitt as new members to the Board of Review

#### 2023 Summer taxes

Summer tax bills are due September 14, 2023. Tax payments must be in our office by the due date to avoid late fees. We accept cash or check, and will accept partial payments. There is a drop box by the front door for your convenience. If you attach your whole bill in the drop box we will send a receipt back to you.

Hours for tax collection are Monday – Thursday 9-4 Friday 9-5:30

If you have any questions, please contact the treasurers office at 517-784-4712 ext. 2 or 3

#### **Police**

The Jackson County Sheriff department continues to contract with Sandstone Township to provide police services. For questions or concerns, please leave a message at 517-768-7974 and a deputy will get back with you, as soon as possible. For emergencies call 911. House Watch forms are available at the office. The house watch provides security for your home and property while unoccupied. For more information contact the Township office.

#### **Elections**

Upcoming Northwest Community School bond proposal election August 8, 2023. For more information visit: nwschools.org/2023bond. The clerk's office will be open Saturday, August 5, 2023 9am-5pm.

## **Parma Sandstone Fire Department**

For 2022 we had a total of 938 runs and 424 so far this year. Our fire board meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm, at the fire station, and public is always welcome. The Fire Department is always looking for more personnel to join the department. They also have a cadet program starting at age 15. Burning permits are available outside the door at the fire station. Contact the fire department with questions at 517-531-3030.

### **Township Clean Up Day**

At our spring clean-up we had 26 tons of unwanted trash at a cost of \$6492.44. We also received \$690.60 for the collection of 9,340 lbs. of scrap metal. We collected 676 tires and approximately 150 residents utilized this service.

Special Thank you to everyone that volunteered

#### **Sandstone Charter Township**

Keith Acker (Supervisor) Betty Sue VanWinkle (Treasurer) Chris Crisenbery (Trustee)
Dwight VanWinkle (Trustee) Jeff Hale (Trustee) Nicole Cantrell (Planning Commission Chair)
Julie Pulling (Assessor) Linda Rogers (Deputy Treasurer) Bryan Powers (Building Official)

#### **Parma Sandstone Fire Department**

Mike Hunter, Andrew Raigen, Tait DeVine

#### **Spring Arbor Township**

David Herlein (Supervisor), Mike Archer, Noah Archer, Scott Pelham, Brendan Bush

#### **Volunteers**

Maddy Cotey, Keegan VanWinkle, Jeremy Williams

# Our fall clean-up day will be Saturday September 23 from 8 - 11. Please note the time change due to garbage truck availability. All loose items must be bagged or boxed.

We will have the paper shredder from 9 - 11And electronic recycling from 8 - 11

#### **Assessing**

Julie Pulling is our Township Assessor. She is in the office Monday and Wednesday 9 – 4 and can be reached at 517-784-4712 ext. 6

#### Roads

The township continues to work with the county to repair the roads in our township. It is a never ending, expensive process. If you have road issues, please contact Jackson County Department of Transportation at 517-788-4230, or let us know at the township.

## **Building and Zoning**

Bryan Powers is our Building Official. He can be reached at 517-937-8205 or e-mail <a href="mailto:powersb1820@outlook.com">powersb1820@outlook.com</a> for any building or permit questions. Building forms and permit applications are available from Bryan and also located on our web page.

## Sandstone Township Office will be closed on the following dates

July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>
September 4<sup>th</sup>
October 9<sup>th</sup>
November 10<sup>th</sup>
November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>
December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>

## **Township Board Members**

Supervisor: Dwight VanWinkle 517-784-4712 ext. 1 supervisor@sandstonetownship.org

Clerk: Kimberly M. Britten 517-784-4712 ext. 4 clerk@sandstonetownship.org

Treasurer: Betty Sue VanWinkle 517-784-4712 ext. 2 treasurer@sandstonetownship.org

Trustees: Cheryl Marks <a href="marks@wsdpanthers.org">cheryl Mark

Jeff Hale

Steve Noble snoble@sandstonetownship.org