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SUPERVISOR:

Bob Bouwens reports on his work to develop a plan for improvements to the community building kitchen and entryway. He is now working on planning for the work within our budgeted resources and financing capabilities. More information to come.

He informed us that Newaygo County has offered to give Pettibone Park to the township. Because of its complex title history, the Township Board has decided to obtain a title search with title insurance before going forward. We expect to know by January 2025.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission is expected soon to release its findings and recommendations to the Township Board concerning keeping of chickens in some areas that are not zoned for that activity.

They are also going to review and update our rental agreement for Community Building rentals to the public.

We are reminded that Special Event Applications are to be submitted at least 90 days prior to your event.

TREASURER:

Kathy Way advises us that **all 2024** taxes must be **RECEIVED** by **February 28, 2025.** Allow sufficient mailing time to be delivered by February 28, 2025.

Payment of property taxes may be made in person, mail, drop off box at her door or by credit card at www.allpaid.com or call 1-888-604-7888 and use PLC#6870.

Office dates and hours this season are December 31, 2024, and February 28, 2025, from 9am-5pm. Additional days, and times are flexible for taxpayer convenience. Call Kathy at 231-745-4233 for appointment.

DOG CLINIC: The Dog Clinic this winter is set for January 18, 2025, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm. at the fire station.

Barb Todd from Country Vet will be there with vaccinations for our dogs and cats.

FIRE & MFR DEPARTMENT:

We expect delivery of our new 2024 Ford F550 Mini Pumper Quick Attack fire truck by the end of November. This unit can help enhance response times and outcomes.

The department hosted a haunted fire station for Halloween festivities. All enjoyed the well-attended event. Watch their Facebook page Lilley Station 17 for a possible Christmas season event.

Are you looking for a way to help in our community? We are looking for new recruits for fire and medical first responders. These are paid on-call positions. All training, education and supplies are provided.

There is also a bonus program for new recruits and current members who complete various training classes. Contact an officer for more information on opportunities for you. Anyone in our coverage area is welcome to join.

TRANSFER STATION:

<u>Hours</u>: Wed & Sat 9-1, Sun 9-5 Closed on holidays *** NEW!

New recycling containers with easier access are now in use on a newly extended cement pad.

See Jeff Ford for information on recycling and hazardous waste disposal.

Recycling helps keep our transfer station operating costs down. It helps everyone. Thank you for recycling!

BOARD OF REVIEW:

Date for the December Board of Review is yet to be determined and will be announced on the website – Lilleytownship.org.

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BUILDING & ZONING:

Lilley Township is a **Zoned Community**.

Zoning ordinance copies are available on our website <u>lillleytownship.org</u> and in the clerk's office for \$20.00 each. The zoning fee schedule is also available.

<u>Permits are required **PRIOR**.</u> to starting your project or land use.

See Jeff or Madalyn Wroblewski, Zoning Enforcement Officers to obtain necessary permits.

CLERK:

Fran Nelson informs us that over 400 voters cast ballots at our township on election day. The county clerk reported a total of all ballots for Lilley at 504, which includes early voting for Lilley at the county clerk's office. Our total participation in this election was 74% of 680 registered voters.

Our board members have all been reelected for new 4-year terms.

Voters approved the Bond Proposal for Baldwin Schools to make repairs, additions, and improvements.

We extend our sincere appreciation to all our election workers. They do such an important job for us extremely well.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Recently we were visited by Newaygo County Register of Deeds Stewart Sanders. He informed us of a <u>free fraud alert notification</u> if any documents are recorded in your name. This sign up is available on the county register of deeds website page.

Various groups and individuals use the Multi-Purpose Building regularly in addition to all our boards and elections.

The exercise room is available for our public and has handicap adaptive equipment. Please see Clerk, Fran Nelson to register for key access.

Board Meetings are the 2nd Monday monthly at 7:00 pm at the Multi-Purpose Building.

We are encouraged to attend. Bring your ideas, questions, and comments.