



Colfax Township Hall
Office Hours: by appointment

First Fridays: Join the fun every month at the Village Community Center, 14714 Lincoln Avenue.

Bingo, music, fellowship and a delicious meal for \$3 for those 60+, slightly more for younger attendees. Everyone is welcome!

Dec. 1: Family Holiday Gathering at the Betsie Valley District Library on Thompson Avenue 6-7PM. Christmas tree lighting at 7PM. Cookies, hot cocoa and caroling, too.

Dec. 24: Santa makes his final visit Christmas Eve with goody bags of treats at the Village Christmas tree at 7PM.

Dec. tax collection: Date/hours are TBD, will be after Christmas and posted at the hall and on the website as soon as they are set.

Feb. 14: Winter tax due date

Feb. 28: Tax collection at the township hall 9AM-5PM

June 8: Township cleanup day 8AM-12PM

June 17: Summerfest at Village Community Center 6PM

Drop Box

Resident feedback has been positive. Using the box located near the hall's back door will save you a stamp unless a postmark is needed.

Vacant Positions

The township board seeks residents (including Colfax side of the Village) for Board of Review, elections, library board and Joint Planning Commission. **NO** experience necessary!! Positions are compensated except library board. For more information call 378-2334.

Township Hall: 7607 Michigan Ave.
231-378-2144
231-378-4665 (fax)
Hours by appointment

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 68
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Website: www.colfaxtownship.org for updates and general information

Township Board Meetings:

The Board meets at 7:00 P.M. the second Wednesday of each month at the Colfax Township hall. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Joint Planning Commission Meetings:

The JPC meets at 7:00 P.M. the first Thursday of the month at the Village Community Center, 14714 Lincoln Avenue. View the joint master plan and zoning ordinance on the township website.

Officers: **Supervisor** – Ron Evitts
231-378-2334 or 231-383-1749
Clerk – DeAnn Mosher
231-631-9221
Treasurer – Laura Draeger
231-378-2144
Trustee – Shelley Greene
231-378-2334
Trustee – Tom Besey
231-631-9227

Assessor: Gunnar Brow
Michigan Assessing Service, Inc.
10655 Riverside Drive
Honor, MI 49640
231-227-1095
231-227-1109 (fax)

Email: gpbmichiganassessing@yahoo.com

Zoning Administrator: Mark Draeger
P.O. Box 115
Thompsonville, MI 49683
231-383-1262

Email: gtaipc zoning@gmail.com

Contact Mark for land use permit applications and zoning questions. Applications are also on the website under Documents and Forms. Zoning violations may result in fines.

Helpful Phone Numbers

- Emergency/ambulance/fire: 911
- Benzie County Sheriff's Dept.: 231-882-4484
- Michigan State Police: 1-800-525-5555
- Benzie County Treasurer: 231-882-0011
- Road Commission: 231-325-3051
- Council on Aging: 231-525-0600
- Thompsonville post office: 231-378-2411
- Betsie Valley District Library: 231-378-2716

More on Recycling

The new, smaller red bins are more efficient because they are emptied onsite into a compactor truck. Please fill one bin to the top before opening another, flatten cardboard and break up large Styrofoam. Report full bins to 882-0554. Thank you!

Do not put trash or construction material in a bin or leave anything on the ground. This is illegal dumping and violators will be prosecuted. For more info visit www.benzieco.net, click on Departments then Solid Waste/Recycling.

Township Cleanup Day

Mark your calendar for this annual event:

- Saturday, June 8, 2019
- 8:00AM - 12:00PM
- Location: Industrial Park Drive at Gallagher Road in the Village of Thompsonville

Accepted items: old furniture, metal, washing machines, etc. If we again have someone collect Freon items such as dehumidifiers and AC units, it will be stated on postcards mailed to property owners and on the website. **Not accepted:** yard waste, hazardous materials, household garbage or tires. *Landlords: please notify tenants.*

Call 378-2334 if you have questions, need help or are able to assist others. We will do our best to coordinate assistance for residents who need it.

2019 Board of Review

▪ Preliminary Board meeting to review and correct errors in the tax roll to comply with the General Property Tax Act (may receive/consider written protests for assessment change but is not required to receive/hear taxpayers at this meeting):

Tuesday March 5 – 6:00PM

▪ Board of Review meets to hear and review taxpayer appeals of assessed and taxable property values:

Tuesday, March 12:

2:00PM to 5:00PM and 6:00PM to 9:00PM

Thursday, March 14:

9:00AM to 12:00PM and 1:00PM to

4:00PM

Submit appeals on Form L-4035 Petition to Board of Review. Form is available at the meetings or through the State of Michigan link on the township website/Board of Review page.

▪ Board of Review meets, if necessary, for mutual mistakes and clerical errors:

Tuesday, July 16 – 6:00PM

Tuesday, December 10 – 6:00PM

Recycling

Dates and locations for residential 2019 household hazardous waste, electronics and scrap tire collections were not finalized in time for this newsletter. However, tentative dates are June 15 and August 17, plus July 13 for tires only.

Township and county recycling websites will be updated when finalized.

Appointments are required for these collections. Call 231-882-0554 or email Jesse Zylstra, Benzie County Recycling/Solid Waste Dept. at benzierecycler@benzieco.net for appointments.

There may be a small charge per pound for TVs and monitors due to Michigan's e-waste policy. Residents can use any recycling bin in the county for #1-7 plastics plus the hard "clamshell" type, tin, aluminum, clear/color glass and jars, paper, junk mail, flattened cardboard, juice boxes, milk cartons and Styrofoam. Bins in Thompsonville are at the Village DPW on CR669/Thompsonville Hwy. near the four-way stop.

Other disposal options:

-Bay Area Disposal, US31 west of Reynolds Road, 231-640-2600

-American Waste, Traverse City, 231-943-8088

-Republic Services, Manistee, 231-723-4850

-Glen's Landfill, Maple City, 231-228-5196

-Wexford Landfill, Manton, 231-943-8088