



## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### MONTH OF MAY

Use the coupon on the reverse side to drop off one pickup load of trash at Autumn Hills.

### MAY 5 SCHOOL ELECTION 7am — 8pm

In Accordance with Executive Orders issued by the Governor, the election on May 5, 2020, will be conducted with special voting and voter registration procedures. Voting in this election will be primarily by mail, with limited in-person voting at the Township office on Election Day.

**Zeeland Public Schools has postponed their proposals until the August 4 election. The only voters that have a proposal in Zeeland Township are those living in the Hudsonville School District.**

On Election Day, voters may apply for, receive, and submit absent voter ballots in person from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following location: Zeeland Township Office, 6582 Byron Road.

### MAY 25 MEMORIAL DAY— OFFICE CLOSED

### JUNE 1 DEADLINE FOR SUMMER P.R.E. EXEMPTION

If you purchased a home after Nov. 1, 2019 you should check if you are receiving this exemption. Residents claiming 100% P.R.E. are exempt from paying 18 mills on their tax bill for Hudsonville and Zeeland Schools Operating budget. Call the office or go to our website: [zeelandtwp.org](http://zeelandtwp.org).

### JULY 1 SUMMER TAX BILLS MAILED

If you do not receive a tax bill, please call the office to verify your mailing address. Farmers wishing to defer the summer tax payment until February need to complete a form for each parcel number every year. Forms are available in the office.

### JULY 4 & 5 INDEPENDENCE DAY—OFFICE CLOSED

### AUG. 15 61<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL DRENTHÉ CHICKEN BBQ

The Drenthe Community Association invites everyone to the Annual Drenthe Grove BBQ on Saturday, Aug. 15. Tickets are \$8.00/dinner. Dinners include a chicken dinner with all the fixings along with hot dogs for the kids. Activities are free and include fire department demonstrations, Ottawa County Sheriff's Department, Critter Barn, hay rides, antique tractor display and more! Tickets can be purchased at the township office. Volunteers needed! Call 772-6701.

### SEPTEMBER 7 LABOR DAY—OFFICE CLOSED

## WHAT'S NEW...

### DON MANNES IS RETIRING!

Don has served as our Township Building and Zoning Administrator for the past 30 years. He has seen us through many changes, much growth and we are so grateful for his service. Don is kindly staying on until we have a replacement up and running, so we don't have an exact end date yet. We do intend to have a public open house at a later date, so look for that information on our website.

### COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATES

The township continues to make some updates to the Community Center. This winter the floors were replaced and the kitchen cabinets were painted. To reserve this building for your next family gathering or event please call the township office at 616-772-6701.

### MASTER PLAN—UPDATE

The Master Plan has been completed, and is available for viewing on our website homepage at [zeelandtwp.org](http://zeelandtwp.org).

The Planning Commission is in the process of updating our zoning ordinances and should be finished this year.

### SPRING/SUMMER PAVING PROJECTS

The Road Committee has approved the following repaving projects for this year. Walnut Creek subdivision (78th Ave, Creek Run, Walnut Trl), Crestline Drive, Fairview Lane, Summit Court, Dover Lane, N Maple Court, S Maple Court, and W Maple Court.

The Township is also planning to construct a new bike path on the west side of 64th Ave., between Prairie Winds subdivision and Byron Road.

### CENSUS 2020

The time is now. Help shape your future, and the community's future, by responding to the 2020 Census. Most households received their invitation to respond to the Census between March 12 — 20. If you have not already completed the census, there is still time. Go to [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov).

### NEW ZCT WEBSITE

You may have noticed that we have a new township website ([www.zeelandtwp.org](http://www.zeelandtwp.org)). The upgrade was needed to make our site more secure, current and user friendly for mobile devices. Residents can use the website to look up their property's tax and assessment information, pay taxes, read township ordinances, as well as download permits and applications.

### SPRINGTIME SAFETY MAINTENANCE REQUEST

Fire Chief Hunderman recommends springtime as a great time to trim trees and landscaping that could hinder fire apparatus from reaching your home. Ensure that your house number is easily visible from the road. If you would like a green reflective address sign they are available from the township for \$20. Inside your home; change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

### PARKS & RECREATION

*VanZoeren Woods* located at 56th Ave. & Riley St. is open for your walking and hiking enjoyment. The park is situated on a beautiful 34 acre parcel with its timbered, gullied, wild flower resources. We will be adding a portable restroom for the spring/summer season for your convenience.

*Drenthe Grove Park* offers playground equipment, a ball field, a beach volleyball court, 2 tennis courts, basketball court and shaded picnic areas open to the public. There is also a 0.7 mile paved walkway, fishing pond and a picnic shelter. We are looking into adding pickleball courts as well. To rent the Dozeman Center for your next gathering call the township office at 616-772-6701.



PRSRT STD  
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ZEELAND, MI  
PERMIT NO. 47

6582 Byron Road  
Zeeland, MI 49464

**Supervisor**, Glenn Nykamp  
**Manager**, Tom Oonk  
**Clerk**, Kate Kraak  
**Treasurer**, Melissa Veldheer  
**Trustee**, Ron Brink  
**Trustee**, Chad Overweg  
**Trustee**, Mike Riemersma  
**Trustee**, Jeff Salisbury

**Zoning Adm.**, Don Mannes  
**Assessor**, Steve Hansen  
**Fire Chief**, Phil Hunderman  
**Sexton**, Jim Timmer

### **SHERIFF DEPARTMENT**

With rising temperatures the sheriff's department would like to remind residents to make sure to keep your doors locked on your vehicles, outbuildings, etc. during the overnight hours to deter theft.

The sheriff's department will be placing the speed trailer in various areas of the township to remind drivers to pay attention to their speeds. If you would like to request it be placed at a particular location you can contact the sheriff's department or the township office.

### **CAKES, WINGS AND OTHER THINGS - SEPT 12, 8am-noon**

The annual Shields of Hope fundraiser normally held in May, has been moved to Sept. 12 this year. This event includes a pancake breakfast and several children's activities such as games, face painting and bounce houses. Take an opportunity to bid on silent auction items and then take a scenic flight of the West Michigan lakeshore for as little as \$30 per person and watch a flyover by T-134 Warbirds. The Fire Department, Ottawa County Marine Water Rescue Boat, and AMR Ambulance will be on display. Come out to the Ottawa Executive Airport for fun for all ages and support those affected by cancer! **All profits benefit Shields of Hope. All profits stay local in West Michigan!**

### **YARD WASTE**

Please be advised that Spurt Industries is no longer in operation and Autumn Hills will not be able to accept your yard waste.

### **STREET LIGHTS OUT?**

If you notice street lights that are out please contact the township office at 616-772-6701 and we will submit a request to get it fixed.

### **OPEN BURNING PERMIT**

Open burning is regulated by ordinance in Zeeland Charter Township. Generally speaking, the following types of burning are allowed without

a permit, provided no nuisance is created:

- Campfires and cooking fires;
- Salamanders and other construction heaters;
- Burning barrel fires

There are certain restrictions, so it is wise to check the Burning Ordinance for details.

For most other types of burning, a permit is required, and may be requested at least 24 hours in advance by calling 616-886-6666 (If you don't get an answer, please leave a message).

To access the Burning Ordinance, go to [www.zeelandtwp.org](http://www.zeelandtwp.org) and click on "Departments & Services" > "Fire Department" > "Open Burning."

OTTAWA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## SCRAP TIRE RECYCLING

Saturday, June 6th  
14110 Lakeshore Dr. Grand Haven, MI 49417  
Drop Off Appointments Available from 8 AM to 4 PM  
Choose your time slot and register at [ottawacd.org](http://ottawacd.org) or call (616) 842-5852 Ext. 5

**\$1 per tire. CASH ONLY**  
**Limit 10 tires per person**  
**No tires over 34" diameter**

**Zeeland Township Office**  
6582 Byron Road  
Zeeland, MI 49464  
616-772-6701

**Hours:**  
Mon, Tues, Thurs. 8:30-5:00  
Wed. & Fri. 8:30—noon  
Assessor available on  
Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 —noon

Fire Chief Phil Hunderman  
Burn permits call: 616-886-6666

Township Web Site: [zeelandtwp.org](http://zeelandtwp.org)

Email Supervisor:  
[glenn.nykamp@zeelandtwp.org](mailto:glenn.nykamp@zeelandtwp.org)