

From your Assessor, Allan Berg

For 2016, we are now finishing the 3rd round of the 20% annual re-inspection project which started in 2014. If you received a letter in April, we have now completed physically visiting your parcel to verify measurement of buildings, measure various items and take photographs.

What does this mean? It means that we are going through our assessing database which already contains building information and we are verifying that it is accurate. It has been many years since this was last done. Any changes to our information will be updated the year following the inspection.

Why do we do this? It is important and it is legally required for us to have accurate records for fair property taxation. Also, many other agencies rely on our information, such as real estate agents, appraisers, banks and other governmental agencies. It is helpful for them and the property owner that it is accurate.

Online Assessment Info: You can visit online at <http://www.assessingoffice.com>

Land Division Applications: If you are selling part of your property or combining your parcels, contact our office for the appropriate forms. Please allow for adequate processing time.

ZONING PERMITS: No building may be constructed, altered, enlarged upon, or moved without a Township Zoning Permit. This permit is required before the County Building and Zoning Department will issue a building permit. Contact your Zoning Administrator, Matthew Bedard, at (989) 595-2842 for information and/or zoning permit application forms, or visit the township website @krakowtownship.org. The current Ordinance Book can be viewed on our website, at the township hall, or at the Posen or Presque Isle Libraries and available for purchase by contacting Clerk, Elaine Misiak at 766-8804.

From Your Treasurer, Diane Mucciante

Winter Tax Bills are due on or before **February 14, 2017** without penalty. The last day that I can accept any payments for 2016 taxes is February 28, 2017. On 12/27/16 and on 2/28/17, I will be available at the township hall from 9:00 am-5:00 pm. to accept payments. Cash payment **must** be exact change.

I can no longer accept a postmark as date of payment. **Please** mail in enough time so that I receive it by 2/14 (7 days). After 2/14/16 a 3% penalty will be added to unpaid amounts.

Please send in your remittance advice with your check number entered and **DO NOT** staple your check to the advice. Any postdated checks will be sent back.

I am not responsible for lost mail so if you don't receive your tax bill or if your check has not cleared after you have mailed your payment; please contact me to issue a new one so that possible late fees may be avoided.

My contact information is as follows:

Diane Mucciante, Treasurer
7624 Grand Point Road
Presque Isle, MI 49777
(989) 595-6615

Diane Mucciante

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Once you have obtained a township zoning permit, you must also obtain a building permit by calling the Presque Isle County Building inspector, Jim Zakshesky, @ (989) 734-2915 for an application form. Forms can also be obtained from your Township Zoning Administrator.

TRANSFER / RECYCLING STATION: Located at 13936 US 23 S., near the 638 Hwy. intersections. For information, call manager, **Fred Barrett @ 595-2628** during open hours, or Diane Mucciante, Treasurer @ 595-6615.

CLOSED ON ALL HOLIDAYS OR WHEN POSTED ON THE ENTRANCE GATE

SUMMER HOURS: (Memorial weekend through Labor Day weekend) **Wed. 1-4, Sat. 10-4, Sun.10-2.**

WINTER HOURS: (After Labor Day through the last Sunday in May) **Wed.1-4, and Sat. 10-4.**

Please note: Raw organic waste must be sealed in leak proof containers. **If you have a large load of material to dispose of, please call ahead to verify that there is enough space available.** Do not leave garbage outside of the gate as this will be considered littering and is subject to a fine. Do not put garbage in or around the recycle bins as this area is for recycling only. Recycling is easier if you rinse your jars and cans immediately after use before any residue hardens. Plastic jugs and cans should be crushed. Removing the ends of cans make them easier to flatten. Rinse and drain soap bottles thoroughly. Only plastic containers with necks for pouring may be recycled.

STREET LIGHTS: Report any township street light outages to the Township Supervisor or Clerk as soon as possible. Do not hesitate to report any unusual activity around township hall, street lights, or the transfer station to a township official. Repairs due to vandalism are billed to the township, and continuous incidents at a specific light may result in a decision by the Township Board to discontinue future repairs to it.

MEETINGS: All meetings are held at the township hall at 12022 Bolton Rd. in Posen, 766-8203

Board of Trustees: Monthly, on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Planning Commission: Quarterly@ 7:00 pm. on the 4th Thurs. of the month and on an as needed basis. Rezoning and Special Use permit requests will be heard on dates and times agreed upon by the Planning Commission Chairperson. A fee will be charged to applicants per hearing. **Recommendations from the Grand Lake and Coastal Watershed Steering Committee, sponsored by NEMCOG,** stressed the need to protect and preserve the woodlands and watershed boundaries within Krakow Township, and to provide awareness to citizens living inland and the water's edge. Reducing chemicals from fertilizers, pesticides, and salt will reduce algae in lake water. Natural greenbelts surrounded by native plants, trees, and shrubs become a buffer against pollutants and limits the amount of run off. Not having grassy, manicured lawn areas is another method of eliminating gourmet feed for ducks and with the use of low maintenance wildflowers and perennials, the geese stay away. Of other interest, a recent aquatic invasive in Michigan's inland lakes is the European Frogbit which resembles a small water lily and can quickly choke shallow ponds, open marshes, ditches, and edges of lakes (*U.S. Fish and Wildlife*).

Zoning Board of Appeals: Annually for organization, and as needed to hear appeals. Appeals will be heard on dates and times agreed upon by the ZBA Chairperson. A fee will be charged per hearing.

Board of Review: July, December and March of each year. Call for dates and times, or visit our website.

Meeting and public hearing changes and cancellations: are posted at the township hall and/or published in a local newspaper, and/or announced on radio station WATZ 99.3 FM and TV Channel 11 WBKB-TV.

If you need more info regarding meetings, please call Clerk Elaine Misiak @ 989-766-8804.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- **Supervisor**, Michael Grohowski.....595-6295
14837 US 23 S. Presque Isle, MI 49777
supervisor.m@krakowtownship.org
- **Clerk**, Elaine Misiak.....766-8804
12470 N. Grand Lk. Hwy., Posen, MI 49776
clerk@krakowtownship.org
- Deputy Clerk, Delphine Bisson.....595-6825
- **Treasurer**, Diane Mucciante.....595-6615
7624 Grand Point Road, Presque Isle, MI 49777
treasurer@krakowtownship.org
- Deputy Treasurer, Art Mucciante..... 595-6615
- **Trustee**, Michael Smith.....595-3619
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trusteems@krakowtownship.org
- Trustee**, Mitchell Mulka.....766-8153
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mitchmulka@hotmail.com

BOARD OF REVIEW

(call for meeting dates and times)

- **Secretary**, Michael Grohowski.....595-6295
- **Assessor**, Allan & Jodi Berg.....734-3555
- **Member**, Leroy Flanner, Jr.
- **Member**, Theresa Szczerowski
- **Member**, Arthur Lewandowski
- **Alternate**, Nancy Schellie

TRANSFER STATION

Fred Barrett, Manager.....595-2628

TOWNSHIP HALL

12022 Bolton Rd., Posen, MI 49776
(989) 766-8203
www.krakowtownship.org

PLANNING COMMISSION

- **Chairperson**, Open
- **Secretary**, Open
- **Member**, Alvin Grundy
- **Member**, Sally Mulka
- **Member**, Wayne Tugetske
- **Member**, Mitchell Mulka

ASSESSOR

- Jodi and Allan Berg.....(989)734-3555
P.O. Box 25, Rogers City, MI 49779
assessor@assessingoffice.com

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

- Matthew Bedard.....595-2842
17645 US 23 S., Presque Isle, MI 49777
zoningadmin@krakowtwp.org

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

(meets annually and per hearing)

- **Chairperson**, Leonard Zielinski
- **Secretary**, Donna Couture
- **Member**, Alvin Grundy
- **Member**, George Heinzl
- **Member**, Michael Smith
- **Alternate**, Marian Smith

PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY

www.presqueislecounty.org

- Treasurer..... (989)734-4075
- Equalization.....734-3810
- Clerk.....734-3288
- Register of Deeds.....734-2676
- Road Commission.....734-2216
- Building and Zoning..... 734-2915

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CHECK OUT THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE

@ www.krakowtownship.org

for all township information and services. There is a quick link for Taxes and contacting the treasurer on the tax page.

We are in need of individuals to serve on Boards and/or Commissions. These have minimal meetings and are a wonderful way to help your township.

A note from your Treasurer, Diane Mucciante

Once again, we are heading into the fall/winter of Northern Michigan. We have the election behind us and now it is time to look forward and work together to make our township the best that it can be.

The winter taxes are now due. I can collect thru 2/14/2017 without a penalty. Payments received after 2/14 will have a penalty due. As of 3/1/2017, I can no longer accept any payment for the 2016 tax year. Postmarks cannot be accepted as the date of payment for this reason. Please make sure that you allow ample time for the payment to reach me.

It is important that you do not staple or attach your check to the remittance advice as this significantly slows the process down. It is fine for you to combine all your vouchers on one check. If you have any questions, you can easily contact me through our tax information page on the township website.

I wish everyone a safe and wonderful holiday season and from the entire board, we thank you for your confidence in and allowing us to serve as your Board of Trustees..

Diane Mucciante