

***** **Krakov Township News** *****

**Krakov Township, Presque Isle County, MI
Winter 2009 Issue**

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CHECK OUT THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE
@ www.krakowtownship.org
 for all township information and services.

DID YOU KNOW THAT?..... you can change your tax bill address, access your tax history, legal property description, tax bill amounts, taxable and equalized values for the current and previous two years and more by visiting the Presque Isle County website
 @ www.presqueislecounty.org ?

From Your Supervisor

The following are some of the recent accomplishments of your Township Board:

- The Posen Fire and Rescue is receiving two new fire trucks, which were mostly funded by grants.
- Beegan Road, Outer Drive, and Hodgets Drive have been paved at no additional cost to the tax payers.
- Much needed repairs were made to the township hall and transfer station.
- The Township Board is nearing completion of the Township of Excellence Program, which has resulted in many newly adopted board policies which were very much needed and will help us operate more efficiently.
- The Board adopted a ten year Road Paving Plan in conjunction with the Presque Isle County Road Commission.
- The Board created a Restricted Road Fund as well as a Restricted Building Fund.
- The Board authorized a minimal fund balance.
- Our web site is always improving. (Your suggestions are always welcome.)
- An advisory committee has been formed to research options for developing a 5.75 acre township owned parcel on the corner of Outer Drive and Hodgets Drive. **Members are needed!** Applications can be found on our website or by contacting any Township Board member.

Like everyone in the state of Michigan, the Krakow Township Board is well aware of the existing economic status. The Township Board is still financially sound and, as always, will strive to make the Township of Krakow a welcoming, vibrant community, governed by the best practices to deliver quality programs and services. A special welcome to our newest appointed committee members; George Kukenbaker is now a member of the Board of Review, and Julia Dullac and Dennis Fauver are new Zoning Board of Appeals' members. Thank you for this commitment. Also, our appreciation goes out to the Grand Lake Sportsman Club and Presque Isle County Road Commission for the many improvements that were done at the Fletcher Gilchrist Park on Grand Lake.

A CENSUS will be taken in 2010. Government monies are distributed according to population.
MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE COUNTED!!!

From your Assessor

Assessing Office Phone Call Procedure:

If a taxpayer has a question about their assessment, taxable value, principle residence exemption, record card, agricultural exemption, land division, or anything related to assessment administration, leave a voicemail. We generally return messages the same or following business day unless otherwise noted on our answering system.

Principle Residence Exemption Affidavits: Submit a copy of your driver's license or a copy of your Michigan ID card showing proof of residency at the time of submitting your affidavit to expedite your application.

Online Assessment Info: You can visit online at <http://www.assessingoffice.com> for access to property assessment records. To view information, create an account and follow the online instructions. Viewing of your own property record card is free, while there is a nominal fee to access other taxpayers' record cards.

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

From Your Treasurer

Winter Tax bills are due on or before February 17th 2010. I am available almost anytime to accept payments in my office at 6430 Black Bass Bay Rd. Presque Isle. However you may want to call first. Wednesday, **February 17th, 2010**, is the **last day** to pay your 2009 taxes **without interest or penalty**. **March 1st, 2010** is the **last day** to pay before they become **delinquent**. On **February 18, 2010**, a **3% penalty** will be added to all unpaid tax bills, and **also** on that date, and on the 1st day of each month thereafter, **1% interest** will be added.

I will be available in my office on December 30th, 2009, and on February 17th and March 1st, 2010, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. to accept tax payments.

FYI:

Tax inquiries and address changes can be made via presqueislecounty.org, or by calling the Equalization Dept.@ (989) 734-3810, or by contacting me.

The new Consumer Price Index (CPI) has been announced at .997%. What does this mean to you? Since values increase annually by either the rate of inflation (a.k.a. CPI) or 5% (whichever is less), this means that most taxable values will be going down ever so slightly this year since there has been a negative increase in the CPI (or a negative rate of inflation).

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 Dept. will issue a building permit. Contact your Zoning Administrator for info and/or zoning permit application forms, or visit the township website @krakowtownship.org. The current Ordinance Book is on our website and can also be viewed at the Posen and Presque Isle Libraries, and can be purchased by contacting Clerk, Elaine Misiak.

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., Presque Isle.

Closed on all holidays. For more info, call attendant, Fred Barrett, during open hours @595-2628.

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. Posen, MI

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

Planning Commission: Quarterly, in March, June, Sept. and December at 7:00 pm. on the Thursday following the Board of Trustees meeting. 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.

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.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- **Supervisor**, Kevin Przybyla.....595-6697
15748 Long Lake Hwy., Alpena, MI 49707
supervisor@krakowtownship.org
- **Clerk**, Elaine Misiak.....766-8804
12470 N. Grand Lk. Hwy., Posen, MI 49776
clerk@krakowtownship.org
Deputy Clerk, Delphine Bisson
- **Treasurer**, Karen Romel.....595-3355
6430 Black Bass Bay Rd, Presque Isle, MI 49777
treasurer@krakowtownship.org
Deputy Treasurer, Evelyn Budnick
- **Trustee**, Richard Biermacher.....595-6346
6770 Grand Pte.Rd., Presque Isle, MI 49777
trustee@krakowtownship.org
- **Trustee**, Roger Witherbee.....595-3919
15660 Long Lake Hwy., Alpena, MI 49707
trustee@krakowtownship.org

BOARD OF REVIEW

- **Chair**, Supervisor Kevin Przybyla.....595-6697
zoningadmin@krakowtownship.org
- **Member**, George Kuckenbaker
- **Member**, Richard Bannasch
- **Member**, Betty Ann Schellie
- **Alternate**, Leroy Flanner

TRANSFER STATION

Fred Barrett595-2628

TOWNSHIP HALL

12022 Bolton Rd, Posen, MI 49776

(989) 766-8203 www.krakowtownship.org

PLANNING COMMISSION

- **Chairperson**, Carolyn Barrett.....595-3826
15516 E. 638 Hwy., Presque Isle, MI 49777
- **Secretary**, Roger Witherbee.....595-3919
- **Member**, Alvin Grundy
- **Member**, Sally Mulka
- **Member**, Carl Clarke
- **Alternate**, OPEN**

ASSESSOR

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

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

- Kevin Przybyla.....595-6697
15748 Long Lake Hwy., Alpena, MI 49707
zoningadmin@krakowtp.org

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

- **Member**, Karen Romel.....595-3355
- **Member**, Dennis Fauver
- **Member**, David Sedlow
- **Member**, Alvin Grundy
- **Member**, Julia Dullac (Chair/Secretary TBD)

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