

Bath Charter Township Newsletter July 2017

Lindemulder Named Acting Chief of Bath Township Police Department

The Bath Township Board of Trustees appointed Lyle Lindemulder as Acting Chief of the Bath Township Police Department on Monday, June 19, 2017.

Chief Lindemulder has been with BTPD since 1990, serving as a Cadet, Officer, Sergeant and Lieutenant. We are proud and excited for the Department and our community!

Welcome New Employees

Planning Intern: **Ellery Johnson** graduated with a dual degree in Politics and Comparative Cultures from Michigan State University and plans to begin graduate school this fall.

Senior Center Cook: **Jean Wolbrink** is a DeWitt resident, a Senior Center patron for the past couple of years, and brings with her an extensive knowledge of food preparation.

Assessing Administrative Assistant: **Melanie Couzzins** brings a great love for balancing numbers, and excellent customer service!

The Bath Township Fire Department welcomed Firefighters **Michael Merfert** and **Benjamin Graham**, and saw the return of **Michael Hawkins** to it's ranks. Welcome, gentlemen!



Acting Police Chief Lyle Lindemulder

We Want Your Opinion!

Bath Township's Non-Motorized Plan Survey: www.surveymonkey.com/r/8BSV3JB

The Bath Charter Township Planning Department is working on a non-motorized plan to best serve our community. We desire your input and ideas in this public survey to help shape the future non-motorized plan.

Bath Township's Main Street Survey: www.surveymonkey.com/r/8HTCKT8

Bath Charter Township's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is undertaking a study of Main Street in Bath's downtown, and would appreciate hearing your thoughts, opinions, and suggestions on this topic.

Sewer Projects Rate Increase

Much of the sanitary sewer system was constructed in the early 1970's. And the concrete in the pipe is susceptible to corrosion from sulfides generated by the wastewater. Over decades, the corrosion has severely deteriorated much of the pipe – this was the cause of a sewer collapse and sink hole we had at the end of March (and an expensive repair).

The Township has identified pipelining to provide necessary structural support to the worst of the corroded pipes, reconstruction of Lift Station 203, and a number of smaller repairs and pump updates. We intend to use existing cash of \$1.5 million and bonding for up to \$2 million to pay for these projects.

In the near future, the Township Board of Trustees will decide on a sewer rate increase to cover existing operations and financing the repair work. There will be a double-digit increase in sewer rates. It will be significant but really is necessary and is cheaper than not performing the maintenance and repairs.

More details are available on the Township website at <https://tinyurl.com/sewer-repairs>

Celebrating 8 Years!

Bath Anniversary Party
Farmers Market July 20, 2017
3–7 pm

James Couzens Memorial Park
13751 Main Street, Bath

Ice Cream Social • Zucchini 500 Race
Photo Booth • Music Petting Zoo
Community Art Contest • Pet a Goat!
Art Project • Guest Chef

Bath Days Festival
August 4 & 5, 2017
www.bathdays.com

Come Play with US!

Watch our website, www.bathtownship.us, and Facebook, @bathtownship, for news, updates, and fun things to do year round from Parks & Recreation, the Library Center, the Farmers Market, the Senior Center, community activities, and MORE!

Bath Township Needs YOU!

Committee Vacancies: There are currently vacancies on several Bath Charter Township Committees, including: Parks & Recreation Committee, Senior Services Advisory Committee, and the Public Art Committee. Interested residents should complete an Application for Appointment, located at <http://bit.ly/BCTCommApp>, and contact Supervisor Phillips at (517) 641-6728 or jphillips@bathtownship.us.

Volunteers: Bath Township is always looking for volunteers for Parks & Recreation programs, the Library Center, the Farmers Market, and the Senior Center. If you are interested, contact us at (517) 641-6728 or info@bathtownship.us with the area you are interested in and we will refer your interest on to the appropriate Department to make arrangements with you!

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