



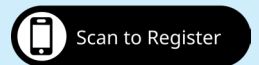
Bath Charter Township Newsletter

Spring 2024



Director of Parks & Public Works Ben Zeeb (left) and Police Chief Gary Smith (right) present a resolution to Total Security Solutions CEO Jim Richards (middle) for their generous donation of labor and materials to the Bath Township Police Department to provide a new safe and secure lobby at the Police Department for Township employees and the public.

Tom King Memorial Junk Day:
April 27, 2024, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
14480 Webster Road, Bath, MI 48808



Registration begins April 1, 2024: You can register by scanning the QR code above, visiting the Township website at www.bathtownship.us, or calling the Township Offices at (517) 641-6728, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Dispose of household items – including furniture, electronics and appliances – at the Township during the annual Tom King Memorial Junk Day. **This is a FREE program to Bath Charter Township residents ONLY.**

Space is limited and registration is required to participate. **There is a two-load limit per address – a truck or utility-sized trailer (4-feet x 6-feet) load equates to one load.** If unauthorized items are mixed in your load, our crews are not obligated to sort the materials and may refuse the entire load.



Township Offices

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www.bathtownship.us

Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Drop Box Available 24/7
Notaries Available

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Building Department

(517) 641-4238
buildingdept@bathtownship.us

Burn Permit

Activation Line
(517) 641-6619

Farmers Market

(517) 281-7402
Fax: (517) 641-4170
farmersmarket@bathtownship.us
Summer Market: May 30 – October 31,
3 – 6:30 p.m. at James Couzens Memorial Park

Fire Department

(Non-Emergency)
Please leave a message.
(517) 641-7811
Fax: (517) 641-6930

Ordinance Compliance

(517) 641-5176
kdouglas@bathtownship.us

Recreation

(517) 641-5167
bathrec@bathtownship.us

Planning & Zoning

(517) 641-5166
mroblyer@bathtownship.us

Police Department

(Non-Emergency)
(517) 641-6271
Fax: (517) 641-8189
police@bathtownship.us

Senior Center

(517) 641-5169
seniorcenter@bathtownship.us

The Township Board meets bi-monthly at 6:00 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Exceptions occur to accommodate holidays.

Agendas are prepared in advance and are available on our website at www.bathtwpmi.documents-on-demand.com/

Meetings are recorded for the purpose of public viewing, and are available in their entirety to the public, via https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_nPUQUu-jH1ARywel3aiA/playlists

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Bath Charter Township Offices, Police & Fire Administrative Offices, and the Senior Center are closed to observe all national holidays. If a holiday falls on a Saturday, the Township will observe the holiday on Friday. If a holiday falls on a Sunday, the Township will observe the holiday on Monday.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Veterans Day
Presidents' Day	Thanksgiving Day
Good Friday	Day-After Thanksgiving
Memorial Day	Christmas Eve
Juneteenth	Christmas Day
Independence Day	New Year's Eve
Labor Day	New Year's Day

Curbside Service for Residents 65+ and/or Disabled

Curbside Registration is LIMITED: Qualified persons may call the Township Offices at (517) 641-6728 from April 1 - 19, 2024 to schedule a pick-up appointment for April 22 – 25, 2023. You will be assigned a pick-up date based on a predetermined schedule and the voting precinct that your residence is in.

Curbside-only service is for residents age 65+, or who are physically disabled and can't bring their materials to the drop-off site.

- **There is a ONE-LOAD limit per address.**
- Items must be placed curbside by 8:00 a.m. on the day of your scheduled pick up. Items can be placed curbside the weekend before your pick-up.
- Crews WILL NOT enter your property to collect items.
- If the weather forecast shows rain, please place a tarp over your items. We will leave the tarp on your property.
- If unauthorized items are placed for collection, our crews are not obligated to sort the materials and may refuse the entire load, leaving it on your property.



REQUIREMENTS FOR DISPOSAL

- Lumber and carpet MUST be cut to four-foot lengths or less
- Protruding nails in lumber MUST be removed or bent down
- Large pieces of glass should be broken into a pail
- Household/residential tires only
- Tires MUST be off rims, free of dirt and water; Up to 10 accepted

Electronics Recycling – Accepted Items

- PC Monitors
- Keyboards
- Hard Drives
- Printers, Fax Machines, and Copiers
- Televisions and other monitors
- Misc. Electronic (stereos, wires, etc.)
- Items not accepted for electronics recycling may still be eligible for disposal as part of this event. Please see Items NOT ACCEPTED during the event.

Items NOT ACCEPTED

Please visit Clinton County Waste Management at www.clinton-county.org, for additional resources and special collection events, including items listed below that are not accepted during our event.

- Asbestos (ceiling/floor tiles and insulation)
- Dangerous Items (ex. lumber with nails sticking out)
- Demolition Materials (concrete, brick, block, shingles, and other roofing materials)
- Drums/Barrels (not empty/clean)
- Household Refuse
- Lead Acid Batteries (car batteries)
- Liquids
- Low-Level Radioactive Waste (some household clocks and smoke detectors)
- Medical Waste (sharps materials not properly contained)
- Non-Household Liquid Waste
- Paint Cans (that are not dry)
- Polychlorinated Biphenyls, PCBs (fluorescent light ballasts)
- Radioactive Waste
- Regulated Hazardous Waste
- Septage/Sewage
- Tires on Rims
- Toxic Materials (ignitable, corrosive, or reactive)
- Yard Waste (leaves or grass clippings)

Flowers & Decorations in Township Cemeteries

Please visit the Cemeteries page of our website at www.bathtownship.us for the full version of the Cemetery Rules & Regulations.

It is important that all cemetery rules and regulations be followed in order for the Township to properly maintain our cemeteries and to avoid damage to flowers, decorations, and other items. **Violation tags will be placed on graves not in compliance with any rules or regulations and will be allowed 30 days to correct the violation.** After this time, the Township reserves the right to remove, and dispose of, without notice to the owner any unsightly, deteriorated, neglected, or prohibited items except monuments or markers.

- Grave blankets and other types of winter decorations shall be removed by April 15, 2024.
- Artificial flowers, shrubs, or similar ornamentation shall not be placed on the ground between April 15 and October 15. Artificial flowers may be placed in an urn if they are properly secured.
- Urns must be placed in line with the headstone or placed directly back of the headstone as close as possible.
- Flowers may be planted only within 12 inches of the front of the monument or marker and under no circumstances will such planting be allowed outside the boundaries of the owner's burial space(s).
- The use of glass, plastic or clay containers is prohibited.
- **The use of stone, limestone, woodchips, etc. is prohibited.**
- Structures of wood or other equally perishable materials, fences, curbs, hedges, and copings are prohibited.
- Chairs, settees, and benches on lots are prohibited.
- The planting of trees and shrubbery shall be done **only** after approval of cemetery staff as to species, variety, location, and time of planting.

The Township assumes no responsibility for damage to markers or monuments whatsoever, including regular cemetery maintenance.



Headstone Foundations

Headstone foundations are installed 3 times per year:

May
July
September

For more information on ordering a foundation for this year, please contact the Township Offices.

Upcoming Board of Trustees Special Meetings

April 1 at 5 p.m. - Norm Fasteners

A public Town Hall meeting to discuss the Norm Fasteners project. The developers, LEAP/MEDC, and company executives will be invited to talk about the project. The purpose for this meeting is to provide more information about this project to the public and provide an opportunity for members of the public to have questions and concerns addressed.

April 29 at 6 p.m. - Senior Services Advisory Board & Senior Center

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the direction and mission of both the Senior Services Advisory Board and the Senior Center.

May 6 at 5 p.m. - Park Lake Nature Trail

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss whether or not the Board would like to move forward with this project.

More information regarding the special meetings will be available on the Township website at www.bathtwpmi.documents-on-demand.com.



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ALL SENIORS WELCOME

Changes Are Coming to the Permanent Absentee Application List!

The permanent absentee application list is being phased out with the 2024 elections. In its place will be the permanent mail ballot list. If you select the permanent mail ballot box in the top right-hand corner of your application, you will automatically be mailed a ballot for any election you are eligible to vote in. Selecting this box means you will no longer need to fill out the absentee application to receive an absentee ballot. If you choose not to select the permanent mail box, you can still request an absentee ballot, but will need to request that ballot either online, by mail, or at the Clerk's office by filling out an absentee application for the upcoming election.

Selecting the permanent mail ballot will give you some other options to vote. You may return the ballot by mail, drop box, or to the Clerk's office as an absentee ballot. You may also vote this ballot in person during the early voting period or on Election Day. Simply bring your ballot with you to the polls and cast that ballot.

Recreation Department

Sign up for T-Ball and Little Sluggers through April 26, 2024! Registration can be completed at the Township Offices and registration forms can be found on the Township website at www.bathtownship.us/recreation.

Bath residents age 4 and 5 before or on April 30, 2024 are eligible to participate in T-Ball. T-Ball is recommended for ages 4 and 5 without previous experience. Players who are age 5 will be considered for Little Sluggers baseball IF they have completed a year of T-Ball. Little Sluggers is recommended for ages 5 and 6 (by January 1, 2024). Players who are age 5 should have at least one year of T-Ball prior to registering for Little Sluggers. Because those who are age 7 qualify for U8 Baseball, if you wish to continue in this league a parent must contact the Recreation Coordinator prior to registering for permission to participate.

Solicitors and Peddlers

If you ever have questions regarding solicitors and peddlers, or to see if there is a permit on file for someone that comes to your door, please feel free to contact the Clerk's Office or the Bath Township Police Department.

Solicitors/peddlers must apply for and receive a permit through the Bath Charter Township Clerk's office. As a part of that permit process, individuals may be required to submit fingerprints and a criminal background check is conducted.

Peddling, soliciting or vending may take place within the Township only between 9:00 am and 8:00 pm.

Solicitors and peddlers with permits are prohibited from:

- Threatening or annoying residents or in any way engaging in conduct which is or would tend to create a nuisance.

- Engaging in business without carrying the license issued.
- Conducting business within any Township park or upon any property owned or controlled by the Township without specific approval of the Township Board.
- Obstructing any street, alley, sidewalk, driveway or other place.
- Entering the premises of a private residence to solicit or peddle when the occupant has displayed a "no soliciting", "no peddlers", "no solicitors", "no salesperson," "no trespassing" or similar sign on the premises.

Bath Township's Peddlers and Solicitors Ordinance, as well as the Permit Application, can be viewed on the Township website at www.bathtownship.us.

Burn Permits

Bath Township residents should be reminded that:

- 1) Open burning shall be permitted in all areas zoned Rural (R) on parcels greater than two (2) acres at any time during the calendar year with a permit.
- 2) Open burning of yard waste (except lawn clipping) shall be allowed by permit in Rural (R) zoned parcels of two (2) acres or less and all residential zoned district within the township from October through April 30. Such burning shall be prohibited at all other times, except that the Fire Chief, at his/her discretion, may extend each of the designated time periods for open burning of yard waste for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) days.

Other things to remember are:

- 1) All burning must be done during daylight hours. The fire must be completely out before dark.
- 2) Fires must be in an area away from tall grass, trees, shrubs, etc.
- 3) Fires must be a safe distance from all buildings. A safe distance is determined by the weather conditions and the material to be burned. Example: Cardboard gives off firebrands (sparks) that can carry in the wind for a long distance.
- 4) If, after you have received your permit and before you start burning, there is a significant increase of wind velocity (10 mph and above) all permits are voided.
- 5) If your fire should get out of control, please call 911 immediately.

Take Back Meds at the Bath Township Police Department

The Bath Township Police Department is a drop-off location for the Take Back Meds Program.

The program is a joint effort between local pharmacies and law enforcement, as well as government agencies to provide residents with safe, convenient access to proper medicine disposal.

Disposing of your medicines at our Police Department will ensure that your medicines will not be stolen from the garbage, will not enter our environment, and deters abuse and overdoses at home.

How to Prepare the Medication for Drop Off

Bring medications in their original container. Do not remove the name of the medication. Pharmacy staff must be able to see the medication type so it can be properly sorted. Black out ALL identifying personal information on the prescription label.

Accepted at our Police Department Drop Box

- Pain Relievers
 - Vicodin, Hydrocodone, Demerol, Oxycodone, Fentanyl
- Anxiety Medication
 - Valium, Xanax, Zoloft, Prozac
- Sleep Aids
 - Ambien, Lunesta, Sonata
- Behavior Modification Medication
 - Ritalin, Methylphenidate, Adderal
- Cough Medication
 - with Dextromethorphan
- Illegal Drugs
 - Marijuana, Heroin, Cocaine



For more information, please visit www.clinton-county.org/196/Waste-Management, or contact the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at (989) 224-5186.

**Apply for Appointment to a
Township Committee!**

**Visit 'Boards, Commissions, &
Committees' on the Township
website for more information.**



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RECEIVE A WEEKLY EMAIL

Send your name and email to Kristi at kcolby@bathtownship.us or call (517) 641-6271

BATH TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT