

**\*\*\*\*\* Krakow Township News\*\*\*\*\***

**Krakow Township, Presque Isle County, MI  
Summer 2020 Issue**

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**CHECK OUT THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE**  
**@ [www.krakowtownship.org](http://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 have changed our tax collection  
software to stay in compliance and  
coordination with the county and  
state. Your bills and receipts will  
look a little different, but the  
process is the same!**

**A note from your Supervisor, Mike Grohowski**

This year has been very unusual Spring with the virus around us, The Township trustee have been busy maintaining business as usual, wearing masks at all township meeting has become necessary for Township officials and guests.

The gate to the recycling bins and the station has been closed. Throughout the Winter the gate was open all the time and people kept the area clean with no trash left.

When the weather warmed we had people leave two sofas and other trash, forcing the trustees to close the gate. Walking around the gate at any time to reach the recycling bins is ok. The trash clean up cost the Township \$160.00.

I would like to thank all the Township residents for keeping this area clean.

The second leg of the 638 highway project will take place late this summer.

Have a safe and fun summer, help keep our Township clean and litter free.

**Michael Grohowski, Supervisor**

**From your Assessor, Allan Berg**

For 2017, we are now starting the 4th round of the 20% annual reinspection project which started in 2014. If you received a letter in April, we plan on physically visiting your parcel to verify measurements 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.

How does this work? We have mailed a letter to parcels which are to be inspected in a given year. Then, if you wish to opt-out of the inspection, there will be a return form for you to complete and submit to our office. There will also be additional details on the letter we mail out.

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.

**Questions: Email**  
**assessor@assessingoffice.com or our office**  
**at 989-734-3555. Please allow 2 business**  
**days for replies**

**From Your Treasurer, Diane Mucciante**

**Summer Tax Bills** are due on or before **Sept. 15, 2020** without penalty, I will be available at the township hall from 9:00 am-5:00 pm. to accept payments on that day. Cash payment **must** be exact change.

I can no longer accept a postmark as date of payment.

**Do Not** send anything to my office that requires a signature for acceptance. I have a full-time job and our post office is only open 9 til 2 and it is impossible for me to pick up this type of delivery. If you wish confirmation, send using priority mail.

Please send in your remittance advice with your check number and amount 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

Dianemucciante64@gmail.com

*Diane Mucciante 989-464-8659*

**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, Arthur Lewandowski, at (989) 255-8129 for information and/or zoning permit application forms or visit the township website [www.krakowtownship.org](http://www.krakowtownship.org). **A gentle reminder.** All travel trailers must be removed from vacant water front lots by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**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, Mike Libby, @ (989) 734-2915 for an application form. Forms can also be obtained from your Township Zoning Administrator.

**TRANSFER / RECYCLING STATION:** The Transfer Station has been permanently closed. Your recycling can still be brought to the location. Please feel free to walk in your recycling. We have moved the bins closer to the gate to assist you with this.

**POSEN SCHOOL TAXES:** The township was approached by our local Posen School and petitioned to collect Posen School Taxes on our summer tax roll instead of the normal winter collection. This change was requested to save the school system money in funding debt until December. The board has agreed and Posen School taxes will be collected on this tax period and going forward on the summer tax period. These taxes will not be on your winter tax bill. The treasurer can collect these taxes until the warrant expires in March of 2021. Questions need to be directed to Posen School System at 989-766-2471 and speak with Michelle.

**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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 on our website.

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

## **BOARD C**

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

- **Chairperson**, Chad Ennest.....595-3775  
14066 US 23 S. Presque Isle, MI 49777
- **Secretary**, Mitchel Mulka.....595-3919
- **Member**, Bernadette Kenjorski
- **Member**, Marvin Budnick
- **Member**, Michael Rehling

### **ASSESSOR**

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

### **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

- Arthur Lewandowski.....255-8129  
[zoningadmin@krakowtwp.org](mailto:zoningadmin@krakowtwp.org)

### **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

*(meets annually and per hearing)*

- **Chairperson**, Chad Ennest
- **Secretary**, Donna Couture
- **Member**, Michael Smith
- **Member**, Alvin Grundy
- **Member**, Kimberly Wisniewski
- **Alternate**, Marian Smith

### **PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY**

[www.presqueislecounty.org](http://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

- **Supervisor**, Michael Grohowski.....306-1101  
12706 Blemke Rd, Posen, MI 49776  
[supervisor.m@krakowtownship.org](mailto:supervisor.m@krakowtownship.org)
- **Clerk**, Elaine Misiak.....766-8804 12470 N. Grand Lk. Hwy., Posen, MI 49776  
[clerk@krakowtownship.org](mailto:clerk@krakowtownship.org) Deputy Clerk, Delphine Bisson.....595-6825
- **Treasurer**, Diane Mucciante.....464-8659 7624 Grand Point Road, Presque Isle, MI 49777  
[treasurer@krakowtownship.org](mailto:treasurer@krakowtownship.org) Deputy Treasurer, Art Mucciante..... 595-6615
- **Trustee**, Michael Smith.....595-0271 6936 Black Bass Bay Rd., Presque Isle, 49777  
[trusteems@krakowtownship.org](mailto:trusteems@krakowtownship.org)
- **Trustee**, Mitchell Mulka.....766-8153  
9913 Miller Rd Posen, MI 49776

**BOARD OF REVIEW**

*(call for meeting dates and times)*

- **Secretary**, Michael Grohowski..... 306-1101
- **Assessor**, Allan & Jodi Berg.....734-3555
- **Member**, Leroy Flanner, Jr.
- **Member**, Theresa Szczerowski
- **Member**, Arthur Lewandowski
- **Alternate**, Helen Rygwelski

**TOWNSHIP HALL**

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