

SUPERIOR SCENES

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR NEWSLETTER



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FROM OUR SUPERVISOR

BY KENNETH SCHWARTZ, SUPERVISOR

In 2020 the Charter Township of Superior secured a grant from SEMCOG (Southeast Michigan Council of Governments) for the construction of a non-motorized path on Prospect Road. In 2022, we applied for several grants for the construction of new safety paths. The Superior Township Board of Trustees applied to the following agencies and departments for pedestrian paths improvements in the township:

1. The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG)
2. The State of Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF)
3. The Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Department

Fortunately, the Township was successful with all three applications and will receive as follows:

- Superior Township will receive \$592,150.00 from SEMCOG to extend the Geddes Road path from Andover to Wexford. This improvement alone will give over 2,500 residents safe passage from the Bromley area subdivisions and apartments to the new library branch on Harris. The total cost of the project is \$795,150. The difference will be paid by Superior Township. This is a good investment.
- Superior Township will also receive \$500,000.00 from the State of Michigan and \$250,000.00 from the Washtenaw County Parks to provide a new non-motorized path on Plymouth Road from The Boro restaurant to Dixboro Road. Once completed, residents of the Dixboro area are connected by foot and bicycle to the Washtenaw County Border to Border trail and can travel as far as Ann Arbor and Dexter. The path goes all the way to Hudson Mills Park in Webster Township.



KENNETH SCHWARTZ
SUPERVISOR

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NEWS FROM OUR SUPERIOR CLERK BY LYNETTE FINDLEY, CLERK

Welcome to Spring everyone!!!

I would like to take this opportunity to say that although we are not back to normalcy from COVID-19, I am encouraged to witness the increased activities going on in Washtenaw County.

Events and activities occurring in Washtenaw County and in particular, Charter Township of Superior will continue to be published on our website, Facebook page, and Nextdoor

<https://superiortownship.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/SuperiorCharterMI>

<https://nextdoor.com/agency-detail/mi/superior-township/superior-charter-township/>

Please, with safety in mind, get out and enjoy our spring and summer!



**LYNETTE
FINDLEY
CLERK**

ELECTIONS:

- There are currently no elections scheduled for the Charter Township of Superior in 2023.
- Just a reminder, your polling sites on any election day are open from 7 am until 8 pm.
- The following are the polling locations:

Precinct 1: Dixboro Methodist Church – 5221 Church St. Abundant

Precinct 2: Life Ministries Church- 855 E. Clark Rd. Christian Love

Precincts 3 & 4: Fellowship Ministries – 1601 Stamford Rd.

Precinct 5: Superior Charter Township Hall – 3040 N. Prospect Rd.

- We had a successful and smooth election on November 8, 2022. Of the 12,539 registered voters, 7,332 voted in person. That is 58.47%. And of the 4,019 absentee ballots issued, 3,812 were returned. That is 94.85%!!! Overall, 90.53% of our Township's registered voters participated. Thank you to everyone who voted.
- In the November 8, 2022, election we passed proposal 22-2.

This proposal amended the state constitution regarding election provisions to:

- Recognize fundamental rights to vote without harassing conduct.
- Require military or overseas ballots be counted if postmarked by election day.
- Provide voter right to verify identity with photo ID or signed statement.
- Provide voter right to a single application to vote absentee in all elections.
- Require state-funded absentee-ballot drop boxes, and postage for absentee applications and ballots.
- Provide that only election officials may conduct post-election audits;
- Require nine days of early in-person voting.
- Allow donations to fund elections, which must be disclosed;
- Require canvass boards certify election results based only on the official records of votes cast.

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**NEWS FROM: LISA A. LEWIS
SUPERIOR TOWNSHIP
TREASURER**



**LISA
LEWIS
TREASURER**

Treasurer's Mission Statement

The Charter Township of Superior Treasurer is committed “to provide prompt, courteous, and efficient service to the public.” The Treasurer is committed to handling public funds with the highest degree of integrity and accountability.

A special thanks to all the residents who donated to the Hope Clinic Blanket and Food Drive organized by the Treasurer’s office in 2022. Your caring acts of kindness impacted several families in Washtenaw County.

Deferment Application deadline for 2023 Summer Property Tax is September 14, 2023

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 Superior Township collected 97.4% of the estimated taxes billed.
 Your Tax Dollars at Work – 2022

Ann Arbor Schools:	\$3,606,950	Washtenaw County:	\$ 5,401,822
Plymouth Schools:	\$363,084	Township Tax:	\$604,022
Ypsi Comm Schools:	\$7,064,061	Fire Department Tax:	\$2,611,896
State Education:	\$4,587,160	Law Fund Tax:	\$2,102,221
Ypsilanti Library:	\$1,026,467	Legal Defense Fund:	\$0
Ann Arbor Library:	\$640,184	Wash Comm College:	\$2,595,685
Washtenaw ISD:	\$4,105,488	Schoolcraft College:	\$2,859
Wayne RESA:	\$228,643		

Frequently asked questions:

- CCW licenses must be registered at Washtenaw County Sheriff’s Office on Hogback Road
- Dog licenses must be renewed at Washtenaw County Treasurer’s Office
- With regrets, this township no longer accepts used batteries; they are accepted at The Washtenaw County Home Toxics Center 705 N. Zeeb Road Ann Arbor, 48103 (734) 222-3950

Save The Date

This Treasurer’s Office along with The Parks Department is delighted to bring back Superior Day! Saturday June 10, 2023, and a rain date of Sunday, June 11, 2023 - 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in Oakbrook Park. We look forward to seeing you.

Enjoy Spring and Be Well!

Wetlands Board
Jim McIntyre

The Importance of Vernal Pools

Whether Mother Nature is ready to admit it, or not, spring weather is right around the corner, and with the warmer weather comes one of the most interesting elements of spring: vernal pools. Vernal pools are temporary wetlands that are an important and unique habitat for a variety of plants and animals. They are called "vernal" because they are typically formed in the spring when snow and ice melt, and the water collects in depressions in the ground. These pools are characterized by their lack of fish and other permanent aquatic predators, which makes them ideal breeding grounds for many amphibians and other aquatic species.

In an urban setting, vernal pools can be especially important because they provide a critical habitat for species that are otherwise challenged by development. Development often leads to habitat fragmentation and destruction, which can make it difficult for many species to survive. Vernal pools, however, are often found in small pockets of undeveloped land or open space that remain in urban areas, providing a crucial refuge for plants and animals.

One of the many benefits to the open space we have in the Charter Township of Superior is the broad diversity of habitats those open spaces support. Our local vernal pools are important habitats for many species of plants and animals, including amphibians, insects, and birds. These pools serve as breeding and nesting grounds for species that are adapted to living in temporary pools of water. Many of these species are rare and endangered, making vernal pools critical for their survival.

As you venture outside for whatever outdoor activities you pursue, be mindful of the plants and animals that call these habitats home. Take a little time to appreciate these ephemeral wetland areas for the unique wildlife they support and for the broader ecological value they represent. While the pools may last for only a short time, their importance to the overall health of our local wetlands can be seen throughout the year.



CHERRY HILL NATURE PRESERVE

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For many years residents of the township have expressed a desire for a youth and senior community center with recreational amenities. After passage of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), funds are now available to partner with Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners to finally build an eastside community and recreation facility.

The proposed community/recreation center will be a County led construction project. The investment in infrastructure and facilities is projected to cost in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000.00 to \$30,000,000.00, and the center should service for many decades to come. The proposed location is on the abandoned Cheney school property. The property is over 25 acres divided in half by Ypsilanti Township and Superior Township. So, this will be a test of the ability of several local governments to come together build a facility that will benefit everyone that lives on the east side of Washtenaw County. We are grateful to County Commissioners Annie Somerville and Crystal Lyte for their support.

The building will front on Clark Road just west of the Green Oaks golf course. The abandoned Cheney schoolhouse will be demolished and replaced with athletic fields. The Community/Recreation center will be a great addition to the community, and in particular the kids, young adults and seniors that live in our township. The center will be staffed and managed by the YMCA with after school academic classes while promoting good health and citizenship.

This will be the last Superior Scenes article that I'll be writing as I have decided to retire this summer. Words cannot express my gratitude to the residents who voted for me three times to be the township Supervisor. The last ten years has been fun and rewarding personally. So, I want to devote a few sentences to the positive changes that have occurred in the township over the last 10 years.

I am very proud of the fact that we have not deviated from the current land use plan and have not approved any new subdivisions in our urban services district. I opposed any new subdivisions since there was an abundance of fully improved lots with new streets, water and sewer available. These were lots in the uncompleted subdivisions that stalled out in the 1990's and 2000's. There were simply no demand for more vacant lots in the township. In the end, the vacant lots were purchased and traded between investors until demand came back. We have now built out all the vacant infill lots except for one phase in Woodside Village off Ridge Road.

I'm also proud how the township went over and above to assist the Ypsilanti District Library to build the new YDL branch on Harris Road. Superior Township took the lead with the water, sewer and road improvements, and permitting. The township also donated the land and considerable engineering efforts to the project. Reports from Lisa Hoenig, the director of the Ypsilanti District Library, is that demand for library services has skyrocketed since opening in November. Please check out the branch located on Harris Road just south of Geddes. I'm sure you'll be impressed with the architecture and the capable staff.

We can't forget that the Charter Township of Superior is the last green speck on the map from the Detroit River to Downtown Ann Arbor. We have preserved over 3,212 acres of farms, open space and environmentally sensitive land. This does not include township park acreage. In 2022, the Board purchased the 301 acre "Rock Property" which we litigated for 14 years to prevent the development of more than 2,000 manufactured homes in the middle of farmland. To see the extent of the Superior Greenway, go to the township website and look for the "Superior Greenway" map. This is your legacy to future generations.

Speaking about unwanted developments, the Salem sewer project seems to have taken a new direction. EGLE is reviewing plans that have Salem Township building a sewage treatment plant on North Territorial and Napier roads; and not a 10.5-mile force main through Superior Township's open farmland on the eastside of the township. However, the Board needs to remain vigilant with latest development and plans.

The township has made strides to improve the Village Green in Dixboro. In conjunction with many other donors, a stage was built on the schoolhouse, along with a new roof, a new front porch and a refurbished copula that houses the old school bell. Sugar maples were planted to replace the century old trees which are slowly fading, and many other small improvements. The Village Green is home to a summer farmers market, music performances, antique car shows and a drive-in movie night in July.

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Superior Township Utilities Department (STUD)**Mary Burton****Residential Cross Connection & Backflow Prevention Program**

As part of the Safe Drinking Water Act EGLE Mandate, the Charter Township of Superior Utility Department will continue with residential cross connection and backflow prevention programs this Spring. We are required to protect the public water supply to the customer's tap and must be compliant.

What is a cross connection? Any arrangement of piping on a plumbing system that could result in backflow of contaminants into the public drinking water supply.

What is backflow? A backflow occurs when a reversal of water flow from a building's plumbing system backs up into the public drinking water supply system. Backflow also happens when plumbing fixtures generate more pressure than the public supply system and pushes water back into the public drinking water supply. Common causes of backflow include irrigation systems, garden hoses that are submerged in swimming pools, utility sinks, buckets, mud puddles, etc.

What to expect? Charter Township of Superior Utility Department Field Technicians will be seen in neighborhoods conducting inspections which may require entering the backyards of properties. All Technicians will have picture identification badges and will be driving official Charter Township of Superior utility trucks. Inspections do not require the resident to be present and will be conducted outside of the home. For more info call the Charter Township of Superior Utility Department at 734-480-5500.

Help is Available!

The Charter Township of Superior Utility Department is a participant in Low Income Household Water Assistance Program

(LIHWAP). The program was designed to assist low-income households with water bill payments. Benefits include up to \$1500 in direct payment assistance for household accounts in arrears. Please call 313-388-9799 today to apply.

The Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund (MIHAF) was established under section 3206 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (the ARPA) to mitigate hardships associated with the coronavirus pandemic by providing funds to prevent homeowner mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosure, loss of utilities or home energy services and displacements of homeowners experiencing financial hardship. The Township has partnered with MIHAF to help eligible homeowners with assistance. For more info, call 844-756-4423 today.

Water Main Break Awareness

With the changing of Winter to Spring and the frozen ground beginning to thaw, the risks for water main breaks increase. Main breaks are not predictable and therefore we rely on the citizens of our community to be the eyes and ears for us. If you see water bubbling up from the ground or in the road it may be a main break. To report a water main break, please call the Charter Township of Superior Utility Department seven days a week, 24 hours a day at 734-480-5500.

Building Department**Bill Balmes**

- The New Library at 1900 Harris is complete and open for business.
- The Ann Arbor Hills Animal Clinic at 5347 Plymouth / Ann Arbor Rd is progressing nicely. They hope to open very soon.
- There is a proposed building project for Huron Dental to be located at the corner of Plymouth / Ann Arbor Rd. and Church. This is just in the planning stages.
- Lombardo Homes is in Final Site Planning for an extension to Prospect Point West. Located at the S.W. Corner of Prospect and Geddes. Planning is for 39 new homes.
- Woodside Village off Ridge Rd. is presently starting construction to phase's 2B & 2C, 58 new homes in all.

So over all, things are well with the building department.

Dixboro News**Tom Freeman****North Superior News!**

The Dixboro Farmers' Market continues its 12th season on the Dixboro Village Green every Friday, 3:00 – 6:00 pm from May 26th through October 20th. Along with vendors providing great fresh produce and other foods, the Market includes live music performances and a food truck for the enjoyment of our patrons. Our last market on October 20th will include a celebration of Halloween presented in partnership with Dixboro United Methodist Church featuring Fall Festival Activities 4:30 – 7:00 pm and Trunk or Treat 5:30 – 6:30 pm. There will be food trucks and games for children! Bring your own bag, wear a costume and have fun!

The Charter Township of Superior Parks and Recreation has scheduled a Movie on the Green for Saturday, July 8th. The event will start with games for children, a food truck and a movie starting around 9:15 pm (at dusk). Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and enjoy getting together!

In other North Superior News, construction continues on a new multi-purpose building at Staebler Farm County Park by the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission. Serving as home to the Michigan Folk School, now part of Washtenaw County Parks, the building will provide classroom and programming space, including a teaching kitchen. For more info visit: Washtenaw.org/2427.

WASHTENAW COUNTY 2023 CLEAN-UP DAYS

washtenaw.org/cleanup 734-222-3950 Home Toxics | Electronics | Scrap Metal | Tires | Appliances and more! Accepted items at each event vary. Visit washtenaw.org/cleanup about one month prior to event for more details and a complete list of accepted items. These events are FREE, with a suggested donation.

Five County Clean-Up Day events will take place this year:

- June 24: Northfield Township (Registration opens May 12)
- July 22: Augusta Township (Registration opens June 9)
- July 29: Pittsfield Township (Registration opens June 16)
- August 5: City of Chelsea (Registration opens June 23)
- August 26: City of Ypsilanti (Registration opens July 14)



This year, registration will be required to attend any County Clean-Up Day event. This change will allow us to better serve residents by spacing out event traffic arrival time. This strategy will significantly reduce wait times and reduce carbon emissions caused by idling cars at events.

Registration for each event will open 6 weeks before the event and close 1 week before the event, or when all slots are filled.

NOW HIRING!

THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY HIRING
SEASONAL PARKS MAINTENANCE STAFF

STARTING RATE IS \$17.68 /HOUR

AGES 18+

32 HOURS / WEEK

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT
JUAN BRADFORD, PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR
(734) 480-5502 or jbradford@superior-twp.org

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Parks & Recreation News**Juan Bradford**

Your Parks & Recreation Commission and Staff have been busy the last few months completing the new 2023-2027 Parks, Recreation, & Open Space Plan, which is available for you to view and download on the township website. We have also been preparing for good things to come this year in both programming, and capital improvements to the park system. The additional programming and improvements are made possible through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding that the township received from the Federal Government. The funds are being directed toward the Qualified Census Tract area of the township.

On the programming side, the township is contracting four different non-profit organizations to provide services and opportunities for both youth and adults. Youth Arts Alliance will be providing various art workshops for youths which will include ceramics, music, painting, and more. The Mighty Oak Project / CLR will be providing organized sport camps that incorporate both education and team building. Washtenaw Intermediate School District's Success by Six program will be hosting Be Strong Parent Cafés and Family Workshops to empower caregivers to succeed in the crucial role they play in the safety, education, and social emotional well-being of their children. Last but surely not least, Willow Run Acres will begin working to establish a community farm/garden on three acres at the northeast corner of MacArthur Blvd. and Harris Rd. This will be an amazing addition to this area of the township. To register, or learn more about any of these programs please contact the Parks & Recreation Department.

As for capital improvement projects, I am very excited to announce that we will be making substantial improvements to Fireman's Park. Planned improvements are based on a door-knocking survey that was completed in the surrounding neighborhoods in the fall of 2022. We will be addressing the poor drainage in the park by installing an underground system of drainage pipe, and minor surface regrading. We will also be installing \$100,000.00 worth of new playground equipment! Watch the township website and social media pages for an upcoming playground design day where kids can tell us what features THEY want, on THEIR playground.

Don't forget to check out the 2023 special events flier that is included in this newsletter. We would love to see you at one of the family friendly events. If you would like additional information regarding any of our events, programs, or other matters please feel free to reach out to me at the Parks & Recreation Department at (734) 480-5502, or via email at jbradford@superior-twp.org. You can also find us on Facebook, and the Nextdoor app.

HAVE A SUPERIOR DAY!

News from the Ypsilanti District Library

1900 Harris Road
734-482-4110 x2430

The library is OPEN! YDL's newest branch held its Grand Opening on November 14, welcoming hundreds of excited visitors through the doors for the first time. A week of Grand Opening programs followed, drawing more excited crowds.

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday - Saturday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

In the first three months, the library had over 7,000 visitors and launched many activities for the community. Our first storytime series ran from January 10 - February 16, with weekly sessions for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. Thanks to support from Rotary Club of Ann Arbor, families were able to choose a free book to keep at each storytime. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Day event with Akili Jackson and Anthony Morgan, made possible by the support of the Vera and Joseph Dresner Foundation, was an exciting and inspirational program oriented toward social justice and change.

Walking Wednesdays, 5-5:30 pm through May 17

Join our all-ages walking group. Meet neighbors, make new friends, and enjoy a heart and soul-healthy activity.

Storytimes at YDL-Superior

We offer three storytimes each week. No need to sign up, just drop in! During the spring session, each child can choose a free book, thanks to a generous grant from Rotary Club of Ann Arbor. Attend the storytime matching your child's age and developmental stage:

All storytimes held from 10:30 - 11:00 am. Spring session: March 21 - May 11; Summer Session: June 12 - August 3

- Tuesdays: Baby Storytime
- Wednesdays: Read, Sing Play (Walkers through age 3)
- Thursdays: Discovery Time (Ages 2-4)

Free electronic recycling event:

Saturday, April 22, 10 am - 4 pm

YDL Whittaker

5577 Whittaker Rd.

Celebrate Earth Day by recycling computers, printers, and other household electronics. See the list of acceptable items at acrgreen.org/about. Limited to residents of Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township, and Superior Township. Monetary donations to the Friends of YDL will be accepted to support future programs.

When you arrive, please enter from Veterans Memorial Drive (aka Civic Center Drive). Have your items in your trunk, remain in the vehicle, and only bring what can be unloaded by one person within 5 minutes.

Coming Soon: Summer Challenge

As spring winds down and summer approaches, keep an eye on www.ypsilibrary.org/summer for details on our Summer Challenge, an exciting reading and activity program for all ages. YDL is happy to partner with Food Gatherers to serve free lunches to children ages 0-18. Dates and times will be announced in the Summer issue of the Loop, on the library website, and social media.



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Most of Proposal 22-2 can be implemented with little ease. We are still waiting for the Secretary of State's Office and Washtenaw County Clerk's Office to provide local clerks with the directions for implementing the nine days of early in-person voting. By the way, it is very important to stress that the early voting will not be tabulated until 8pm on any given Election Day when all votes are tabulated.

The Supervisor has mentioned information regarding the proposed East Washtenaw YMCA/ Community Center.

There is a very engaged Community Center Advisory Committee (CCAC) made up of residents and content experts, co-chaired by me and a resident, Debbie Mitchell Covington, who has been working on this initiative since April 11, 2022.

We are at a point where we believe the East Washtenaw YMCA/Community Center will become a reality at the site of Cheney School.

The CCAC has created five working subcommittees. They are:

- Community Engagement
- Facilities
- Partnerships
- Programming
- Resource Development

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Committee to Promote Superior Township

Superior Day is coming...

... and the Committee to Promote Superior Township expects to have two (adjoining) tables.

The first is our Committee table, where we will have information about Superior Places, electronic resources, Township Welcome Packet and links to government services, Township geography & history, Committee interface with the new Superior Township branch of the Ypsilanti District Library, and a give-away yet to be determined.

The second table will feature Superior Township businesses. This is a new foray for our Committee, so it will be relatively simple this year. Our goal is twofold:

- Let residents know that our semi-rural Township has a thriving business community
- Initiate a new forum for businesses to get the word out about their offerings.

This issue of Superior Scenes will publish before Superior Day (June 10). If any Township business out there reads this and would like to provide business cards or literature for distribution at the business table, please reach out to us at C2PST@superior-twp.org or call Township Hall (734-482-6099) to ask for one of our personal phone numbers.

Lastly, the Committee to Promote Superior Township needs your help! ...or at least your mind, with your thoughts, ideas, and creativity. Participation is super easy. We meet exclusively via Zoom, so no one has to engage childcare, transportation, or drive home after dark. Just go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86097674785> on the 3rd Wednesday of any month at 7:00pm and we will be there! You may say a lot, or just listen. All are welcome, and we'd like to meet you!

BE IN THE KNOW ABOUT Superior Charter Township

The latest buzz is:

“Find us on Facebook@SuperiorCharterMI”

That’s right, you can now know about Superior Township places (“Superior Places”), events, library news, closings, weather, and Township office hours plus the latest information from the fire and police departments. It’s a one stop place to get all the Township information you need to be up to date.

<https://www.facebook.com/SuperiorCharterMI> is the place.

Your own photos are welcome when you attend Township events or places. So, get to know your community and the happenings that make it a Superior place to live!

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If you have expertise and would like to become engaged in any of the subcommittee focus areas, please email me at lynettefindley@superior-twp.org

I would like to end my comments with a quote from one of our engaged CCAC members:

“My name is Pastor Harold Wimberly, Senior Pastor of Christian Love Fellowship Ministries Int'l. I have been advocating for some sort of recreational facility in our community here in the Eastern part of Ypsilanti for over 25 years now. I can't begin to share with you how excited I am that it is finally going to be a reality soon.

You may ask why it is so important, well our children and families need outlets within the community and not only that, but this will present opportunities for children and families all over this Township to enjoy the YMCA/Community Center. I strongly feel that bringing all races and economic backgrounds together will truly build a rich community that can learn from one another, because "WE ALL HAVE A PLACE AT THE TABLE"

I am fully confident that the model we are pursuing is doable because YMCA's in other Cities and States are joining together to create similar models. Watching the various parties come together and work to make this a reality does something special for the people of this community and for the other surrounding communities. I pray that people would lay aside personal agendas and see the bigger picture of what this initiative will mean for the children, adults, and seniors that make up the community and beyond. “ Harold Wimberly

Senior Pastor

Christian Love Fellowship Ministries Int'l

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This year a new water well will be drilled, and a new septic system will be installed. Thereafter, a new bathroom and generator. So, if there is another DTE outage, which is more than likely than not, residents will be able to go to the Village Green to fill water tanks to maintain sanitation. The plan has been to have the schoolhouse restored to functional use by Dixboro’s bicentennial in 2024.

There’s much more I’d like to say, but let me leave you with the assurance that your township government will continue to work for you. Superior Township has a good Board of Trustees, an outstanding administrative staff, a phenomenal fire department, utility department, Parks and Recreation Commission with excellent police coverage from the county sheriff’s office which you pay for through your taxes. My wife, Ellen, and I are going away for the summer and when we return in September, I hope to see the Dixboro path under construction and the other projects moving forward.

I want to thank you again for your trust and confidence in me as your Supervisor. I wasn’t perfect but I tried very hard to serve the needs of residents and keep Superior Township a very special place to live.

Let’s keep it that way.



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48198
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In Emergency dial 911

Fire Station #2
Corner of Harris and MacArthur Dial
911 for Emergencies

Parks & Recreation

575 E. Clark Road, Ypsilanti,
MI 734-480-5502

OUR SUPERIOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF VIC CHEVRETTE

I am pleased to write this column and update you on what is happening within your Fire Department. With Spring and Summer approaching, it will be time for yard cleanup. As a reminder, burning of yard waste is restricted in certain areas of the Township. Please see "Burn Permits" for more information. Also, with spring comes test of Tornado Sirens. If bad weather is approaching and Tornado Sirens sound, tune into your local radio station for further information. You may also subscribe to Washtenaw County for Nixel information.

Burn Permits

There are limitations to burning within the Township. There are specific restrictions based on where you live in the Township, size of the lot you have, weather conditions, and type of materials to be burned. All details regarding open burning are found in Superior Township Ordinance 185: Burning Ordinance (http://superior-twp-org/news/ord_185_burning_final.pdf).

The first step is obtaining an application for Open Burning through the Township Clerks Office.

Once approved you will need to notify the Fire Department at (734) 484-1996, prior to any open burning.

The Fire Department has free smoke detector and CO detector to install. You may contact the Fire Department at 734-484-1996 for smoke detector installation.

Child Car Seat Safety Check

The Fire Department offers Child Car Seat Safety Check by one of our Certified Personnel. Please call the Fire Department at 734-484-1996 for an appointment.

Carbon Monoxide Incidents

Over the winter months and lost of electricity, the Fire Department responded to several carbon monoxide calls. It is important to run generators outside the home and not in garages or closed area in the home. Please check your CO Detectors and Smoke Detectors for operation.