



Whitewater Township

News

Spring 2020

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IN A TIME OF CRISIS, WHO WILL LEAD ?

We hope this newsletter finds you and your family doing well. A few short weeks ago, who would have thought that we would be in the middle of a world-wide pandemic and America would be shutting down for weeks! Michigan could be looking at a long recovery period.

These are scary times, indeed. The Coronavirus transformed our lives nearly overnight. Suddenly, we're bombarded with messages: Stay home, shelter in place, avoid sick people, flatten the curve, not enough ventilators, you may be a carrier for days without symptoms. As a community, friends, neighbors, we can all make a difference in how we survive this crisis. Just a few things done differently can make all the difference. Looking out for one another, checking on our elderly neighbors and offering to pick up items at the store for them could be life-saving. Don't sit and watch the news 24/7; turn it off for a while. Go outside and get a start on the spring clean-up in your yard. Maybe start that new book you've been meaning to read, or call an old friend you haven't talked to in a while and get caught up. The important thing is to stay safe both physically and mentally. Focusing on the COVID-19 virus non-stop is not healthy. Remember, this will not last forever. There will be a life after this crisis is over. If you are practicing social distancing, washing your hands, using hand sanitizer and limiting your travels, you are doing all that you can to keep you and your loved ones safe.

Because local governments are deemed as essential, we are still open and operating, with a few exceptions. The Township Board has put several measures into place in an effort to maintain some semblance of normalcy and provide basic services to the community. On 03/24/2020, the Whitewater Township Board voted to close the township hall to foot traffic through the duration of Executive Order 2020-21 and any extensions of the order. The executive order took effect on March 24, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. and continued through April 13, 2020, at 11:59 p.m. On April 9, 2020 EO 2020-21 has been replaced with 2020-42. This extends the duration to April 30, 2020.

For Whitewater Township, various departments continue to be available to serve our residents and taxpayers via phone, email, or advance appointment. We have also made arrangements for those who wish to attend our township board meetings to be able to do so electronically by using the Zoom application. A temporary change in the Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976) allows public bodies to conduct their meetings electronically, while also facilitating public participation. Meeting agendas will indicate how the public can participate. We will also use the township website, www.whitewatertownship.org and the township e-mail list to keep our citizens informed of important changes or developments. Contact the township Treasurer at treasurer@whitewatertownship.org to be added to the mailing list if you are not already receiving notices.

As a community, we will get through this. Stay strong, stay safe, and remember we are here to help. Should you need anything, please reach out.

Whitewater Township Board..... We are here to serve you

TOWNSHIP CALENDAR

Until further notice during the COVID-19 crisis, Whitewater Township will be holding Township Board meetings electronically. Other bodies such as the Planning Commission, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committees (PRAC) and Historical Society may also meet electronically. Call head of time to get details on how to join an electronic meeting.

IF the Stay in Place EO is extended and meetings are cancelled, a notification will be posted on the Township website and emailed to all those on our emailing list.



Memorial Day

The Deal-Ridgeway American Legion Post #289 of
Williamsburg, Michigan, will honor our fallen on May 25, 2020

Ceremonies will be held at the Williamsburg Cemetery, Williamsburg Creek (Church Street near the Methodist Church), and Circle Hill Cemetery, with a luncheon immediately following at the Williamsburg Methodist Church. The Memorial Day Parade is scheduled for **Monday, May 25, 2020**. We will gather at the Fire Station on Old M-72 at 9:00 am and march at 9:30 am. A luncheon will be provided at the Methodist Church in Williamsburg immediately after the parade by the American Legion Post. This is a great event for our community and we welcome your attendance.



If you cannot walk the 1.5 mile parade route, transportation will be available to each ceremony and back to cars parked at the fire station or to the United Methodist Church for lunch. In 2015, the parade and luncheon were the largest turnout ever for the Williamsburg Memorial Day Parade to honor our Fallen. For 2020, please join your friends and neighbors for this patriotic event, and make 2020 our biggest Memorial Day event yet!

Please join us on Monday May 25, 2020 @ 9:00 am



Planning Commission Update

This spring the Whitewater Township Planning Commission (PC) will be working on a variety of long-term projects. These include the five-year review and update of our Township Master Plan, continued review and clarification of our Zoning Ordinance, and, later this summer, an evaluation of Event Barns in respect to the Township Boards Event Barn Survey.



At the request of our township board the next portion of the ordinance under review will be zoning regulation within the Recreational District, specifically the pros and cons of the five-acre zoning requirement. The Recreation District is the area primarily comprised of state land south of O'Dell Road to the township's southern border.

The PC will be soliciting input from the public on this matter with a targeted survey later this summer and we would greatly appreciate your participation. We will also be holding a series of Open House events to allow public input on the Master Plan and any other zoning related topic without the typical restriction that accompany our formal PC meetings. Please check the township website for time, date, agenda or topic updates throughout this spring and summer as our schedule will need to remain flexible with current events in our country.

Kimberly Mangus - Planning Commission Chair



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Annual
Spaghetti Dinner
FUNDRAISER



**Saturday September 12th, from 4 - 7 at the
Williamsburg United Methodist Church**

Whitewater Township Emergency Services Auxiliary (WESA) will be hosting the Annual Community Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction. Proceeds will be used in support of Emergency Services. Bring your family and friends to enjoy an evening out while supporting your local Emergency Services personnel. We look forward to seeing you there.

Other WESA Events

June 13 - Clean-up day. WESA will be on hand with refreshments.
October 10 - Halloween at the Park will feature fun, food, friends and campground trick-or-treating.

2020 DTE Proposed Expansion

COVID-19 concerns will likely have a significant impact on everyone's life including those fine people who install the necessary underground infrastructure for the two proposed DTE gas main extension projects in Whitewater Township. If you want to sign up for the service, or have questions, contact one of their marketing specialist team members at gasexpansion@dteenergy.com, by phone at 800-297-6719 or dteenergy.com/switch2gas.

DID YOU KNOW

According to the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD), "There are just under 10 million acres of farmland in Michigan, and the state is home to roughly 47,600 farms. The food and agriculture industry contributes \$104.7 billion annually to the state's economy."

Williamsburg United Methodist Church Strawberry Social

CANCELLED FOR 2020



"Details, Details" . . . From the Clerk



Greetings from the Clerk's Office!

Spring Greetings to Residents and Property Owners!

This may well be the strangest "spring" Northern Michigan has ever seen, with the Stay Home/Stay Safe order in place requiring individuals to remain at home and non-essential businesses to be shut down. But nothing is going to stop Spring from coming to Northern Michigan! It's warming up, robins are back, all the birds are singing, and flowers are poking out of the dirt! Do not despair! Soon, life will begin to return to normal in Northern Michigan!

2020 ELECTIONS UPDATE

May 5 - There will be **no election on May 5th** due to Elk Rapids Schools withdrawing their bond proposal from the ballot.

August 4 - State and Local Primary

November 3 - General Election

While jurisdictions in Michigan who have a May 5 election will be conducting those elections "primarily by mail," it is too early to know whether COVID-19 will impact how ballots are cast in the August primary.

Voters on the Permanent AV list will automatically receive a combined August and November dual Application for Absent Voter Ballot in mid-June. If you wish to vote by absent voter ballot in August or November, give the clerk's office a call or e-mail in June and we will be happy to send you an application via mail or e-mail.

Even though the township hall is temporarily closed to foot traffic, the clerk's office continues to be available to serve the citizens of Whitewater Township by phone, e-mail, and mail. We are open Monday through Thursday 9 am to 5 pm. Deputy Clerk Terese Hooper and we can be reached at 231-267-5141 x24, clerk@whitewatertownship.org, or by mail at P.O. Box 159, Williamsburg, MI 49690. If there's something you have a question about, please contact us. If we don't have the answer, we will point you in the right direction.

Wishing all of you good health and a good spring!

Cheryl Goss

Whitewater Township Clerk



Many Getting Hoodwinked During Coronavirus-related Crisis

Scammers prey on consumers in a time when many people are desperately seeking health and financial assistance. The Federal Trade Commission has received nearly 17,000 coronavirus-related fraud complaints so far with a total reported loss of \$12.78 million. Any unsolicited phone call or visit from someone claiming to work for or with Medicare should set off **an immediate alarm bell**. Scammers follow the headlines, and they know how to trigger a highly emotional reaction especially among the elderly. The FTC is also warning of robocall and imposter scams, which con artists have injected with references to the coronavirus to make things more scary.

In some of these scams, fraudsters offer to help businesses and individuals apply for government assistance payments, either to obtain their personal information or extract a bogus fee for help filing for the relief. Confused and fearful as the country is, these scams are finding victims in every age group. It's targeting everyone. We can expect the scope and breadth of such scams to grow as the government distributes payments to millions of people affected by the crisis, offering a fresh pool of money for scammers to exploit.

The people being scammed are not stupid people, but neither are the people working hard to steal your money. So, remember, never give out your social security number over the phone. The IRS, Medicare/Medicaid, and your bank will never call you and request your personal information. They already have it. There is no "miracle cure" for COVID-19. If you think something sounds not quite right, ask for a number you can call them back on. If they are scamming you, they usually just hang up. Stay safe, stay smart!

EVERY MICHIGANDER COUNTS - 2020 CENSUS

The census happens once every decade and is a critical tool for counting the U.S. population. The first census happened in 1790, shortly after George Washington was elected president. Today, the census remains a critically important civic duty that determines funding for local communities and essential services, shapes congressional representation, determines legislative districts and much more. In order to show our growth and economic opportunity, it will take participation from all our residents. Let's make sure everyone in **Whitewater Township** is counted. Most households received their invitation to respond to the 2020 Census between March 12 – 20. These [official Census Bureau mailings](#) will include detailed information and a Census ID for completing the Census online. Use your invitation to respond by visiting my2020census.gov to be counted.

BE COUNTED
MICHIGAN2020



Spring Greetings from Whitewater Township Fire Department



2019 was a busy year for the Whitewater Township Fire Department. We had a 65% increase in calls for service in 2019 with a total of 104 emergency responses as compared to 63 calls in 2018. EMS related calls and vehicle crashes remain the most popular call types for our area. Additionally, Mobile Medical Response (MMR) ambulance service responded to 192 calls in 2019. We continue to work together to provide a high-quality emergency service for our township residents and visitors.

In keeping with spring tradition, I would like to remind everyone to practice safe open burning in our township. Whitewater Township follows the Michigan DNR and DEQ regulations for open burning. Small fires for recreation and cooking are allowed without a permit in an approved container. However general open burning requires a permit which can be found online at www.michigan.gov/burnpermit. On the Permission to Burn page, click on the "CAN I BURN TODAY?" link. This will take you to a map of Michigan; be sure to click on Grand Traverse County to see detailed information about each township. If the Burning Permits Issued column says YES next to Whitewater, then you may burn with the restrictions noted. If it says NO, then you may not burn. You may also obtain information by calling 866-922-BURN (2876). Please remember to use caution when burning on windy days and *never* leave your fire unattended.

As we embark on a new year and decade, we will see some exciting changes take place starting with the delivery of a new fire engine later this spring. I hope to update the Fire Department webpage soon with pertinent information on safety, an updated Fire Prevention Ordinance and even some pictures, so keep an eye out for that. If any residents have questions concerning smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, open burning, CPR and first aid classes or any other safety related concerns, please call the fire station at 231-267-5969. If you have any questions about Mobile Medical Response billing, please call 1-800-232-5216.

Thank you and be safe!

Brandon Flynn
Fire Chief



Become a volunteer
firefighter today.

Is there
a **FIRE** in
you?



ZONING ADMINISTRATOR - Bob Hall

Happy spring!

As you anticipate those pending building projects – allow me to introduce myself. My name is Bob, and I've been contracted by Whitewater Township (since August of 2019) to administer the zoning ordinance. Don't let the permitting process intimidate you – I'm here to help, it's my job.

"Garages, Decks, and Pools – Oh my!" They all will require the issuance of a Land Use (zoning) Permit by Whitewater Township prior to construction, and more often than not, will also require a building permit to be issued by the Grand Traverse County Construction Code office. What type of construction project do you have planned?

Most recently the Whitewater Township planning commission has decided that the Master Plan needs reviewed and amended to represent the emerging desires of the Whitewater Township community. Master Planning is intended to project a community vision 15-25 years into the future. Everything from infrastructure, street layout, community development, and zoning plans are included and based upon public input and visioning. All planning commission meetings are open to the public and generally held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Whitewater Township hall – please feel free to join us if you are able.

If you need more information related to planning and zoning, please call me: 231-267-5141 Ext. 21 or email me at zoning@whitewatertownship.org. Although I am only scheduled in the office on Thursdays, I regularly monitor email in order to provide timely responses to help keep you on schedule with your projects.





PARKS & RECREATION NEWS - SPRING 2020



Things are a little uncertain these days with the governor's stay home order in place, but as of this date, Hi Pray Park, Whitewater Township Park, Battle Creek Natural Area, Lossie Road Nature Trail, and Petobego Natural Area are open to activities that comply with social distancing, such as hiking, bird watching, etc. The campground at Whitewater Township Park is currently scheduled to open on May 8. The pavilion at Hi Pray Park generally opens in early to mid-May. Depending on what happens with the stay home order, those dates could change. The latest information about the status of parks will be posted at www.whitewatertownship.org, or feel free to call my office or send an e-mail.

In the meantime, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee and I continue to plan for park improvements that we hope to accomplish in 2020.

At Hi Pray Park, installation of new dugouts at the main field are a priority. Several quotes from downstate or out of state vendors have been obtained but seem pricey. A local welding shop has been approached in hopes that a less costly option can be found for post and roof materials.

Also at Hi Pray Park, there are plans to install a backboard at the tennis courts. If there are any contractors in the community who are interested in submitting a quote for building and installing this item, please contact me for further details.

With respect to the boat launch and entryway improvements planned for Whitewater Township Park, the township's engineering firm, Fleis & VandenBrink, completed the topographical survey earlier this year and is in the process of revising the preliminary site plan. Once the preliminary plan is complete, it will be presented to the township board and public.

I hope everyone finds the opportunity to visit the township parks in 2020. We really do have some wonderful resources right here in our backyard!



Cheryl A. Goss
Parks & Recreation Administrator
(231) 267-5141 x24



Whitewater Township Park



Currently, it is anticipated that the campground at Whitewater Township Park will be open for the 2020 season, and the reservation site, www.whitewatertownshippark.org, has been activated. However, if it comes to pass that the park must be closed for a period of time, full refunds will be issued for all unused time in the park, including the reservation fee.

Pavilion rental for graduation parties, reunions, weddings, etc. is available at both Hi Pray Park Pavilion and Whitewater Township Park Pavilion. The rental fee at Hi Pray Park is \$75. Rental fee at Whitewater Township Park is \$100

Please call 231-267-5141, ext 24, for further information about pavilion rental.



To Book Campground Reservations go to

www.whitewatertownshippark.org

A Visa, MasterCard, or Discover card is needed to complete the transaction.

Supervisor - Ron Popp Supervisor@whitewatertownship.org



Welcome Friends and Neighbors to spring in Northern Michigan!

It sure is nice to hear the birds signing again in what has been a mild winter season. So Far! Snowfall for the year is about 40" less than last year and it even seemed a little warmer, about 23% according to the weather experts. This has allowed Road Commission personnel to recently review some PASER ratings of local roads in an effort to collaboratively update our road plan. An early April meeting with the Commission has been postponed during the pandemic.

Excitement continues to grow as the delivery of the new Pumper/Tanker draws near. Fire Chief Brandon Flynn with other Department personnel, have traveled to the assembly facility in Grayling, as a progress check of the machine. No one is certain how recent events of COVID-19 will affect the original delivery date at this time.

The permitting process for driveway drainage and resurfacing project at the Emergency Services Building had just begun as the Governor announced Executive Order 2020-21, the "Stay at Home Order" bringing any progress to a full stop, for now.

The Planning Commission (PC) is developing a list of Pros and Cons regarding the 5 acre minimum lot size in the RC-1 Zoning District. The RC-1 District is South of M-72 and roughly follows a line near Lackey, Deal, Whitney, and Crisp Roads. If you are unsure what District you live in, contact Mr. Bob Hall in the Zoning Department at zoning@whitewatertownship.org with your name and address, he should be able to answer any questions you have on zoning districts. His normal office hours are on Thursdays 9:00 to 4:00 or by special appointment.

Event Barn Use is another item the PC is working on this year, if you have interest in any Planning Commission business, their regularly scheduled meetings are at the Township Hall, on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning at 7:00 PM. For more information including future agendas and packet information, send an email with such request to any Township Board or Planning Commission Member and your name will be added to the group!

DTE has two proposed natural gas main extension projects in the Township. One will provide service to Ayers, portions of Cram and Palaestrum Roads and the other, much larger project, will connect Watson, Mabel, Deal, and portions of Lackey, Skegemog Point and Baggs Road. Both construction projects are currently planned for 2020.

Thank you to all of the area **Emergency Responders** and East Bay Township Supervisor **Beth Friend** for taking an early leadership role during this period of worrisome times. Their efforts in assembling, distribution, and preparations are now paying huge benefits to us all.

As always, the Township has openings on various boards and committees. To learn more about these opportunities, or for an application, please email me at supervisor@whitewatertownship.org or simply call me at 231-409-5059.

Respectfully,

Ron Popp

Whitewater Township Supervisor



Just a reminder that if the digging is essential, it is necessary to contact MISS DIG 811 to have underground utilities marked to avoid damage or injury prior to an excavation project. MISS DIG can be contacted by [Calling 811](tel:811) or go to at www.missdig.org. A MISS DIG tip sheet on safe digging is available.

IT'S SPRING and THE BEARS ARE BACK!



Black bears are generally fearful of humans and will leave if they are aware of your presence. If you encounter a bear, be SMART and...

- **S – Stand your ground. DO NOT run or play dead.**
- **M – Make loud noises and back away slowly.**
- **A – Always provide a clear, unobstructed escape route for the bear.**
- **R – Rarely do bears attack. If they do, fight back.**
- **T – Treat bears with respect and observe them from a distance.**

Discourage Bears - Do not allow bears to feed at bird feeders. Clean up spilled bird seed and hang feeders at least 10 feet off the ground. If a bear begins using your feeder, take it down for at least two weeks to allow the bear time to leave the area. All wildlife can act unpredictably, and bears are large, powerful animals. Never approach bears. Anyone who is experiencing problems with bears should contact the nearest DNR office for further assistance.



Treasurer's Corner - *Ardella (Della) Benak*

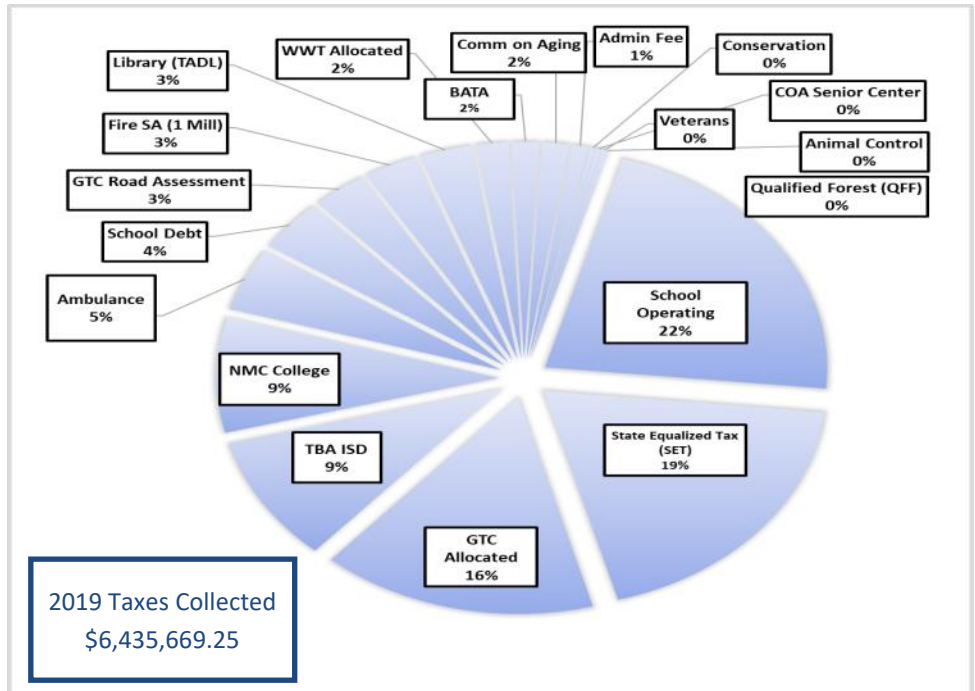
Normal Office Hours at the Township Hall:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, other days by appointment.

Treasurer@Whitewatertownship.org - 231-267-5141 ext. 22



2019 Total Taxes Levied	\$	6,579,278.30
2019 Total Taxes Collected	\$	6,435,669.25
School Operating	\$	1,423,784.17
State Equalized Tax (SET)	\$	1,233,923.14
GTC Allocated	\$	1,016,177.70
TBA ISD	\$	604,512.10
NMC College	\$	554,299.16
Ambulance	\$	305,487.87
School Debt	\$	249,991.71
GTC Road Assessment	\$	202,372.72
Fire SA (1 Mill)	\$	197,475.35
Library (TADL)	\$	193,050.89
WWT Allocated	\$	122,572.30
BATA	\$	102,647.74
Comm on Aging	\$	101,151.03
Admin Fee	\$	63,496.24
Conservation	\$	20,465.42
COA Senior Center	\$	20,197.97
Veterans	\$	16,453.15
Animal Control	\$	7,563.57
Qualified Forest (QFF)	\$	47.02



97.82% of the payments were made at the Township and not turned over to county for collection.

2019 tax season is at a close. Settlement with the County went very well with no corrections or adjustments for our Township! The above graph shows where all the money went that we collected for the 2019 tax year.

The 2020/2021 budget has been completed. The budget process is a lengthy process involving all board members. It is done once a year to plan ahead for the financial well-being and stability of the Township as mandated by state law.

Preparations for the upcoming tax season are underway in the Treasurer's office.

We are looking forward to a busy and productive summer and hoping to see many of you at the Annual Clean-Up Day on June, 13th, provided that it is not cancelled due to the current crisis pertaining to COVID-19. My deputy, Lois MacLean, and I will be the ones greeting you and checking ID's as always. The recycle bins at the township are still available for citizens recycling needs.

At this time I am available by phone or email to answer any questions or concerns you might have.

Whitewater parks are still open to the public, and now that we all have a little more downtime, it would be a great time to check them out.

IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION TO REMEMBER

Summer Deferral Applications can be found on the Township webpage, or a copy can be obtained from the Treasurer's office. If you have had a deferral in the past, one will automatically be mailed to you the first of May.

Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) Affidavits (**Homestead Exemptions**) and **Request to Rescind** are due **NO later than June 1, 2020**. They can both be found on the Treasurer and Assessing webpage tabs and can be picked up here at the township hall.

Important: When you receive your July 1st summer tax bill, please open your envelope even if your taxes are being paid by a mortgage company. The July newsletter will be in with your tax bill and will have important information you are going to want to see. If you receive a tax bill that is not yours, please call us so that we can make sure the correct people get their tax bill. We appreciate your help in this. *Hope to see you at clean up day!* **Ardella M. Benak**



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Visit us on the web at www.whitwatertownship.org
Provide us with your email address and receive Township Updates!
Send request to: Treasurer@whitwatertownship.org

Saturday June 13, 2020

WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP ANNUAL CLEAN-UP DAY

8:00 am to 12:00 pm
at Mill Creek Elementary School on Old M-72



**PLEASE BRING HELP
FOR LARGE ITEMS**

ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED

Wood & Construction Debris (limit of 2 cubic yards)
Household Furniture • Metals • Plastics • Water
Heaters Large Appliances • Titled Junk Vehicles
Tires (\$3 passenger, \$20 Semi, \$30 Tractor Tire)

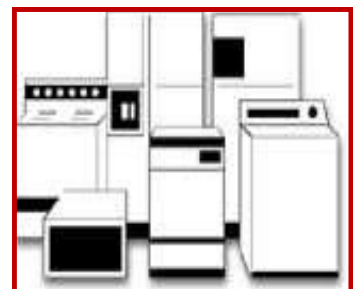
ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

Hazardous Waste • Household Garbage • Brush
Leaves & Other Yard Waste • Concrete

Volunteers are always Appreciated

**Resident
ID Is Required!**

Fire & Ambulance Vehicles will be there.
Bring the kids for a tour !
Coffee, Donuts & OJ will be
provided by the Whitewater Emergency
Services Auxiliary



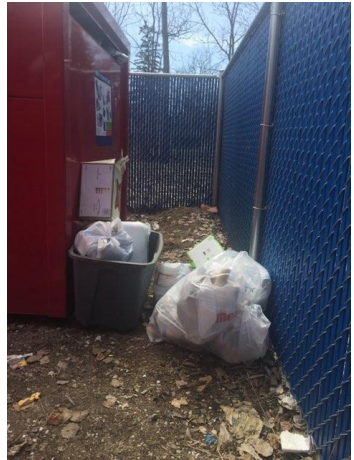
ATTENTION!

Whitewater Township is in danger of losing the recycle bins located behind the township hall on Vinton Road!

Some people are abusing this service by:

- Leaving non-recyclable items.
- Dropping off materials when the bins are already full.
- Allowing paper and other items to litter the area around the recycle bins.
- Dumping household garbage at the recycle bins.

IT'S UP TO EVERYONE WHO USES THE RECYCLE BINS IN WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T LOSE THIS FREE SERVICE!!



These pictures were taken on Monday, 4/20/2020, and show the condition of the recycle bins. When the bins are full, DO NOT drop off your recycle. If we have to install cameras and prosecute the violators, we will!

American Waste provides the recycle bins and empties them twice a week as FREE SERVICE to Whitewater Township. ***They don't have to do this, folks!*** In fact, American Waste just removed the recycle bins in Blair Township due to these types of abuses.