



Humboldt Township—Champion, Michigan 49814—Winter 2020

Township update

HUMBOLDT TOWNSHIP BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS & EVENTS

Meetings

Humboldt Township Board Meets 2nd Monday of each month
 Planning Commission Meets 4th Monday of each month
 Fire Department Meets 1st Wednesday of each month at Fire Hall



Upcoming Events

Senior Lunch Potluck or donation. Held 2nd Wednesday of each month 12 PM
 Christmas Party CANCELED

- All Meeting times are at 7PM unless otherwise stated
- All meetings are held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act of 1976. Meetings are held at the Humboldt Township Hall 244 County Road FAF, Champion, MI 49814 unless otherwise indicated. Meetings are subject to change of date, time, and place, pending notification.
- The Fire Department meetings are held at the Humboldt Township Fire Hall 15350 US Hwy 41, Champion, MI 49814
- The Township of Humboldt will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services for individuals with disabilities attending township meetings upon one week's notice to the Township of Humboldt. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township of Humboldt in writing. Please address all correspondence to: Sarah Etelamaki, Clerk—244 County Road FAF, Champion, MI 49814



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 Chris Grund Treasurer
 Jeff Ogea Trustee
 Pete Koski Trustee
 Jackie Solomon Assessor
 Howard Robare Zoning Administrator

OFFICE HOURS:
 8:30AM TO 2:30 PM
 MONDAY-WEDNESDAY
 TREASURER HOURS:
 10AM-12PM-TUESDAY &
 THURSDAY

Township Offices Will Be
 Closed for the Following
 Holidays

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Eve

Supervisor's Scoop

Summer has ended and looking forward to the winter season. This past summer was a busy time for the Township Board. Several projects were being worked on, and are about complete. Some residual landscaping still has to be completed in the spring.

Also, this was an election year and all incumbent board members were retained.

Looking forward to serve Humboldt Township and also praying in 2021 that Covid-19 will be something of the past.

On behalf of the Township Board, we wish you a *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

-Tom Prophet-



We regret to inform you that the annual Christmas Party and Sleigh Rides for 2020 have been canceled due to the on going Covid-19 pandemic! We wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season.



Planning Commission's Press Release

It's hard to believe another deer season and Thanksgiving are already in our rear view mirrors. We all wait for the day when we can say the same for the COVID virus and resume so much of what we all miss.

The Commission was able to hold some meetings during 2020 and as a result we forwarded a draft revision of the Cemetery Ordinance for Township Board consideration and we are working out some changes requested by the Board. Look for its adoption in 2021.

For the Township to be eligible for State of Michigan Financial Grant Assistance with Recreation facility development, the Township needs to have a State reviewed Recreation Plan every 5 years. Our current plan is 5 years old and the Board has accomplished significant completion of the plans 2015-2020 Action Plan. Accordingly the Planning Commission has begun its update of the plan. Most importantly we need to hear from YOU the Township residents as to what you think is priority recreationally here in Humboldt Township. If you see us, share your thoughts, or drop a text or email or hand written note to the hall. Holding a public workshop won't be possible until we ride out COVID so we urge you to get your input to us any way you can.

We will all surely miss the Township holiday events, but the Planning Commission wishes you all a safe and healthy Holiday Season!

Clerk's Corner

Happy Holidays everyone! I am looking forward to ringing in the new year in a few short weeks. I hope everyone has been staying healthy and happy. I extend a grateful *thank you* for voting me in for a second term as your township clerk! It has been very rewarding to work with the other members on this board and to accomplish many positive changes for the township. It was so wonderful to see so many of our residents exercise their right to vote in the November election. I think it may have been the highest numbers we have seen here! I also extend a huge THANK YOU to the election inspectors that work the polls for all of us, especially in this chaotic year. They truly deserve extra praise. Merry Christmas!

-Sarah Etelamaki-

Exciting events in the Township!

You may have noticed and enjoyed the incredible new improvements to the park that were completed this summer! The board is very proud and excited about the changes that have taken place over this crazy chaotic time. Along with the new playground equipment, there were also upgrades to the baseball field, which included re-doing the entire outfield, and landscaping outside the fence. The basketball court located at the ball field was also finished with a concrete court that will hold up for many years to come. There was also a roll-out dock that was put in at the Fish Lake Access Site so that kids can enjoy fishing throughout the summer. Here are some pictures of the projects.



Humboldt Township Park 2020

Basketball court located at the baseball field.

After the snow is gone, please take a ride with the kids and enjoy the new playground space! Host a get-together under the new pavilion, fish in the lake, and renew the joy inside you!

Treasurer's Topic

Hello To All- First of all, thank you to those who voted for me, I look forward to serving as your elected Treasurer. I'd like to pass along some information regarding the upcoming tax season. Office hours will still be 10-noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but always feel free to call and leave a message with any concerns you have. I will be sure to contact you as soon as possible. Also, we will no longer automatically send a paid receipt back to you. If, however, you have a need for one, please provide a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment, and a receipt will be sent to you. Stay healthy and Happy Holidays to you all.

Respectfully,
Chris Grund

