

# Eveline Township News

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08525 Ferry Road, East Jordan, MI 49727

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## EVELINE TOWNSHIP CLEAN UP DAY 2022

The date for the Eveline Township annual clean-up day is planned for **Saturday, June 18, 2022 from 8 am to 12 noon**. You may check our website at [evelinetownship.org](http://evelinetownship.org) for any changes or cancellations that may occur for this event.

The two drop off sites are:

1. Charlevoix County Road Commission garage, 11705 Shaw Rd, Charlevoix, MI.
2. Ridge Road, behind Whiting Park, Boyne City, MI.

The following items will **NOT** be accepted: items containing refrigerant/Freon, gas or any combustible items, oil or antifreeze, engine or mechanical parts containing gas, oil or antifreeze fluid, no liquid paint and no paint cans, no hazardous liquids, no tires or batteries, no yard waste, lawn clippings, tree branches or brush. Mattress/box springs will **no longer be accepted** at the Township clean-up day. **NO** electronics, computers or printers, TV's, VCR's or radios, telephones, microwave ovens or other appliances, game systems; the above items should not be placed in a landfill.

Please use the local recycling sites, open year-round, for drop off of items such as cardboard, plastics, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, tin cans etc. There are six drop-off sites for recycling in Charlevoix County; call Charlevoix County Recycling at 231-547-7221 for information on drop-off site locations and information on accepted materials.

Household Hazardous Waste recycling, (HHW recycling), is done through the Charlevoix County Recycling Program. The planned dates for the 2022 spring HHW recycling event have been set for June 10 and 11, 2022. **Contact the Charlevoix County Recycling at 231-547-7221** for questions and to **schedule a time slot and location to drop off your hazardous waste**, or you may go to [www.charlevoixcounty.org](http://www.charlevoixcounty.org) to schedule a time slot or for additional information on the 2022 HHW event.

Thank you for recycling and helping to keep our beautiful community clean.

## TOWNSHIP ROAD ENHANCEMENTS ....

Under consideration for continued improvements and possible paving is a 0.92-mile section of Sanderson Road South. This section of road underwent various improvements in the areas of grading and gravel placement, clearing and tree removal, ditching and culvert placement to improve drainage; this work was completed fall 2021.

## Board of Trustees



### **Township Supervisor**

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Township Board of Trustee Meetings are held the Second Tuesday of each month at the Eveline Township Hall, 08525 Ferry Road at 7:00 p.m.

## FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK

### Office Hours

Monday thru Friday, other than holidays. 8:00 to 5:00, with limited availability on Saturdays. Messages and emails are returned within 24 hours. This is an in-home office, so if you prefer to pay your taxes in person, you may do so by calling in advance. On the last day of each tax collection, September 14 for summer and February 14 for winter, office hours are held at the Township Hall from 9:30 to 4:30. In case the date falls on a holiday or weekend, the date will be the next business day. Office hours are also held one day during the last week of the year. The date and hours are reflected on the winter tax bill.

### Timely Payment

U.S. postmark is accepted. Note, after March 1, each year, Taxes due must be paid through the County. Contact the County Treasurer's office at 231-547-7202 for amount due.

### Tax Exemptions Available:

**Disabled Veterans**, full exemption for property owners who are veterans of the armed forces, were honorably discharged and have a 100% disability. Unmarried surviving spouses are also eligible.

**Low Income Homeowners**: homeowners with low income, subject to federal poverty levels and asset levels, may be eligible for an exemption from property taxes. Applies to principal residence only. Both exemptions require an annual application to be filed with the Township Assessor. Contact your Township Treasurer for qualification and application details.

**Address changes and corrections:** Please keep the Treasurer updated on any changes you make to your mailing address, to ensure that tax bills and other correspondence are received promptly. A change will be processed in the Township and County Equalization records by submitting a change request in writing directly to the Township Treasurer. Questions raised after tax bills are issued, such as property valuation or Homestead/PRE status, are handled at either a July or December Board of Review held at the Township Hall. Such changes may result in a change to your tax bill and will be processed within a week of the Board of Review. If the Board of Review results in a change to the prior year, corrections will be processed by the County. Note that many Companies process a check for Escrow Payments through a third-party Service Agency and accordingly your Company's check. Summer bills are mailed on or before July 1, and are due on or before September 14. Winter bills mailed on or before December 1 and due on or before February 14.

Ron Chapman, Treasurer  
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## INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK

A **Drop box** is available at the Township Hall. Residents may drop off items for staff and ballots during elections. It is located on the left side of the front door.

**Current Election Information** will be available on the **Eveline Township Website:** [www.evelinetownship.org](http://www.evelinetownship.org)

From the home page click the election information button.

Additional Election Information can be found at [www.michigan.gov/vote](http://www.michigan.gov/vote).

Please feel free to contact me.

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East Jordan, MI 49727  
[evelinetwpclerk@gmail.com](mailto:evelinetwpclerk@gmail.com).

### **Eveline Township Hall Addition**

The time has come for the township to add on to the existing township hall. The proposed plan calls for a 20' x 20' addition. The addition will provide for more fireproof storage space. The current fireproof storage space is full. Michigan law maintains retention schedules requiring many hard copy documents to be stored for varying timeframes ranging from months to years, with many hard copy documents requiring lifetime storage. We do not have a final drawing/plan available for review at this point in time therefore a cost estimate for the addition is also not available. Drawings and cost estimate will be made available once completed.

### **Emergency Services**

As you are probably aware, Eveline Township is somewhat unique with respect to Emergency Services, in that we rely on three cities surrounding Lake Charlevoix to provide the services. The cost of these services continues to be the Townships' fastest rising cost. Last fiscal year ending 06/30/21, fire and ambulance expenses were approximately \$244,000, in 2020, \$213,000 and are projected to exceed \$300,000 in 2022. The current levy is .5 mil millage, however, that yields approximately \$145,000 per year. The difference is funded from the general funds of the Township. During 2021 the board has redistricted some of the emergency services to better balance the service as well as the cost. One of the results is a BLS emergency service substation in Ironton, to serve the Northwest side of the Township. We also avoided a 1.5 mil requirement from the newly formed Lake Charlevoix EMS Authority. With that said, it may be necessary for the Board to request additional support from the residents in the form of a .5 mil increase in the Emergency Services millage. In addition, we will continue to monitor the quality and cost of these services.

## NEWS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

### Site Plan/Special Land Use Permit Reviews/Ordinances/Plans and Others

During 2021, the Planning Commission reviewed the following site plans/special land use requests, ordinances, plans, and other items:

- Police Power Ordinance – Short Term Rentals
- Granicus Software for Short-term rentals
- Rezone: Frazier B to A
- Rezone: Logue/Halleck to Farm Forest
- Special Use: Hungry Ducks
- Special Use: Olson – Gun Shop
- Special Use: Schaller (Landscape Logic) – Farming/Agricultural Nursery
- 8530 Ferry Road – Public Input and Future Designs
- Seven Greenbelt Reviews
- Recreation Plan: Completed its efforts to update the Recreation Plan which was adopted by the Commission.
- Master Plan: Completed its efforts to update the Master Plan which was adopted by the Commission.
- Planning Commission Training sessions

### Looking Ahead to 2022

As the Planning Commission looks ahead to its tasks for 2022, items on its list include:

- Waterfront Greenbelts
- Zoning Ordinance Review
- Master Plan and Recreation Plan continued yearly reviews
- Special Use review – Hungry Ducks
- Planning Commission Training Sessions

Chairperson: Kelly McGinn, Vice Chairman Eric Beishlag

Members: Prudence Kurtz, Gary Albring, Lorraine Sims

## Parks and Recreation

We want to hear from you! Eveline Township has four areas for which development/renovation is being considered for public use purposes. We would like to hear from you as to what interest and priority these areas hold for you. Keep in mind that any approved development for the project(s) may not take place all at once, but rather in phases. The timelines for planning and development of future plans may be spread out over several years. The following areas are under consideration for development/renovation:

1. Sweetbrier Lane, Ironton, MI, lots 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Sweetbrier subdivision, a wooded area on Sweetbrier Lane adjacent to the Washington Street road end. This property was donated by the D'Amico family to Eveline Township. This site is being considered for the purpose of developing a hiking/nature trail and does include wetlands.
2. Washington Street, Ironton, MI, road end picnic/beach area. This site is under consideration for a changing room building to further enhance this area for family use.
3. Eveline Township Nature Area on Bracey Road, East Jordan, MI. There is currently a rough-cut walking trail on this site which does include wetlands. Expansion/improvement of the trail is being considered.
4. Former Starr School building/property on Wurn Road, East Jordan, MI, 1/2 acre, at the corner of Wurn and Loomis Roads. This property was acquired by Eveline Township from the East Jordan Public School System, for the purchase price of \$1.00. Two suggestions for possible use of this building are a community center or historical site. The building has fallen into ill repair and will require extensive structural repairs, utility service updates/additions, general repairs to both interior and exterior, and overall general maintenance. The purchase agreement requires this building be used only for public purposes and has a reversion clause that if it ever ceases to be used for these purposes, the building/property would revert back to the East Jordan Public School System.

Please submit your comments/suggestions for any or all of the above areas including suggestions for use, priority or importance of developing any or all of these sites. You can contact us:

1. by mail at Eveline Township, PO Box 496, East Jordan, MI 49727
2. by email to [evelinetwpclerk@gmail.com](mailto:evelinetwpclerk@gmail.com)
3. by telephone 231-675-4426

Thank you for your input.

## **SHORT TERM RENTAL LICENSE**

If you are renting your property, please make sure you have an approved township license. There is an annual fee, a license application and property reviews that need to be completed. Approved septic information is also required to protect our water quality. If there is a concern about a neighboring property, please contact the zoning administrator. Any rentals less than 30 days are considered short-term. All licensed rentals have the following information posted at the site:

*Welcome to Eveline Township! Please keep in mind you are among many permanent residents who value their property and have a right to a safe, quiet place to live. Neighbors are provided property owner or manager contact numbers, and should an occasion arise, they may report disturbances to a local hotline. You may be cited for violating any provision of the Short-Term Rental Ordinances which can be found at [www.evelinetownship.org](http://www.evelinetownship.org). Rest assured; it is easy to enjoy the area within the requirements of these ordinances.*

*The dates that fireworks can be used in Eveline Township according to the State Fireworks law. Fireworks are allowed on the following days, after 11:00 a.m.:*

- *December 31 until 1:00 a.m. on January 1*
- *Saturday and Sunday before Memorial Day, until 11:45 p.m.*
- *June 29 to July 4, until 11:45 p.m.*
- *July 5, IF it falls on a Friday or Saturday until 11:45 p.m.*
- *Saturday and Sunday before Labor Day, until 11:45 p.m.*

*Any occupant and/or a guest of an occupant may be cited for a violation of this ordinance, the State Fireworks laws, other local ordinances of Eveline Township, or other state ordinances in addition to any other remedies available to the Township. Quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Only noise commensurate with that of the single-family residential land use is allowed during quiet hours.*

*All garbage shall be located at all times inside a trash receptacle that has a lid or closure.*

The Police Power Ordinance #1008 was effective on November 15, 2019 for all properties, there are no “grandfathered” properties. The township will be allowing up to 80 licenses.

## **Board of Review**

Members: Fritz Healey,  
Nelson McDonald,  
Pat McGinn

You may contact the Assessor,  
Joe Lavender,  
[upnorthassessor@gmail.com](mailto:upnorthassessor@gmail.com) or  
any member of the Board of  
Review

Written communication may be  
mailed to: Board of Review  
PO Box 496, East Jordan, MI  
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Hall: 231-459-4258

**Please check the website for  
March meeting dates.**

## **Appointed Officials**

### **Property Assessor**

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## **Permits and Applications**

Printable permits and application forms are located on the township website ([evelinetownship.org](http://evelinetownship.org)) under the heading - **Forms, Ordinances, Plans, and Maps** - choose **Township Forms** from the drop down menu. After completing the application form, please mail *the application, check for associated fees made payable to Eveline Township, and any additional information requested to:*  
Eveline Township Zoning  
P. O. Box 496  
East Jordan, MI 49727.

## **GREENBELT ORDINANCE – Article 4, Section 4.6**

Any land abutting on lakes, rivers, or streams shall be subject to waterfront greenbelt standards, unless located in either the Village Commercial Zoning District or the Village Mixed Use District AND approved under the Water Quality Protection alternatives in Section 4.6.B. All properties on water frontage must comply. The Greenbelt Ordinance requires natural plantings within 50’ of the shoreline (for Lake Charlevoix, the all-time high-water level of 582.35 feet International Great Lakes Datum of 1985.) The Greenbelt application is also located on the website. Greenbelt permits are required.

## **Land Divisions**

All land divisions must comply with the existing ordinance. Most divisions need to be reviewed by the Township Split Committee. Upon approval, the land division/split can be filed with the county. Please contact the Zoning Administrator if you are considering a land division.

## **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

If you are considering any type of improvement around your home or property that would increase square footage, height, change or increase in use, add a pole barn or addition of a deck, be sure to contact the Zoning Administrator.