

**FIFE LAKE TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2016**  
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**Tax Collection Dates:**

July 8, July 15, July 22, July 29  
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
August 5, August 12, August 19, August 26  
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
September 2, September 9  
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
September 14  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Election News:**

Our State primary is August 2, 2016. Please note the last day to register to vote for the August primary is July 5<sup>th</sup>. Should you have any questions about Absentee Ballot voting or other election questions, please call the Township Clerk at 231-879-3963. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The main election will be the Presidential/State General Election on November 8<sup>th</sup>. This includes all local elections. To find out if you are registered to vote or to see a sample ballot, please go to the State of Michigan Voter Information website. Thank you for voting in our upcoming elections.

**Ambulance Authority Ballot**

The ambulance authority has asked for a .3 millage for operational purposes for the ambulance service. This will be on the August ballot.

**Pugsley Correctional Facility** is scheduled to be closed September 24, 2016. This was totally unexpected, and apparently a decision that was made by our Governor and the head of the Department of Corrections. The closing of this facility will directly impact our Ambulance Authority budget. This board will be taking a hard look at our operational costs and exploring all options.

**MDOT is making progress on M-113**

It is anticipated this project will be finished in the near future.

**Fife Lake Township invited MDOT and Grand Traverse County Sheriff representative Chris Barsheff** to meet with us regarding the intersections at U.S.131 and M-186 and U.S. 131 and Fife Lake Road. As a result of this meeting, the passing lanes at these intersections will be improved in the near future.

**Town Line Road** construction work is scheduled for the first two weeks in August.

**Grand Traverse Rural Fire** has hired a consultant to evaluate our operation. They will be seeking input from the public on this project.

**Boat Access:**

We are still in the process of gathering information to facilitate improvement to our boat access on the south side of the Fife Lake. We appreciate the work of everyone on the special committee that was formed. Information is still being gathered for this site. We are particularly working through a resolution for the boat ramp. The goal being to plan a boat ramp that will serve the needs of boaters with 14 foot boats or less. The DNR has been a great help with this project. Final plans for this area will be resubmitted in the near future.

**Planning:** The planning commission will be reviewing and updating our Master Plan. Meetings are held quarterly, but extra meetings may be held during the master plan process.

**Cemetery News:** The improvements and maintenance in our cemeteries continues, thanks to the dedication of the employees and the Fife Lake/Walton Cemetery Committee. New flagpoles at both cemeteries will be installed soon thanks to a grant from Forest Area Federal Credit Union, and flags donated by the Fife Lake American Legion Post 219.

**Enjoy the summer!**