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NEWSLETTER OF CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Important Phone Numbers

Main Township Phone Number 734.453.3840 Assessing Department 734.354.3267 **Building Department** 734.354.3210 Clerk's Office 734.354.3228 Community Development 734.354.3270 Fire Department Administration 734.354.3221 Human Resources 734.354.3202 Computer Services 734.354.3255 Park Office at 734.453.3567 Township Park (McClumpha) Reservations for Pavilion or Shelters 734.354.3270 Police Department Admin. 734.354.3232 Public Services Division 734 354 3270 Solid Waste Department 734.354.3270 Supervisor's Office 734.354.3201 Treasurer's Office 734.354.3218 Volunteer Services 734.414.1423 Water Billing 734.354.3270 Water and Sewer Department 734.354.3270

Water/Sewer Emergency

734.354.3250 (Dispatch) (Weekdays after 4:30 pm, Holidays and Weekends)

Trash Complaints 734.354.3270

Road Issues

Road maintenance in Plymouth Township is the responsibility of Wayne County. To report road issues, please contact Wayne County Roads at 1.888.ROADCREW.



Flection 2018 – Make Your Voice Heard!

State Law requires you to be registered 30 days prior to voting for the first time. The General Election is November 6. The last day to register to vote in that Election is October 9.

In addition to Federal, State, and County races, we will be electing four members to the Plymouth District Library, four members to the Plymouth-Canton School Board, and two members to the Schoolcraft College Board.

There will also be a request for a Plymouth Township Public Safety Millage of 1.2 mills, a 0.75 mill request for the Plymouth Area Recreation Authority (PARA) and a 0.49 Headlee Override request from Schoolcraft College.

If you have any questions about voter registration, absentee voting, or anything else related to elections, please call Clerk Jerry Vorva at 734-354-3228 or Deputy Clerk Sandy Groth at sgroth@plymouthtwp.org.

Township Announces Updated Website and Smartphone App

Plymouth Township's website and Smartphone application have a new look and feel, improving the customer experience, transparency, and providing more online services.

The Township worked with vendors for both the website, www.plymouthtwp.org and the "PT Link" app to improve their use and access, adding new graphics and improved pull-down index bars to the website, and updating information on every page.

The PT Link in particular has additional tabs for paying bills online, contacting the Building Department, and linking to the Township's Facebook page. It also maintains the ability for users to make complaints to Township Hall regarding trash pickup, potholes and other issues.

To access PT Link, go to the App Store for your particular Smartphone.

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Community & Environmental News

2018 Fire Hydrant Winterization Program

Plymouth Township's DPW will begin its annual inspection and flushing of more than 2,000 fire hydrants on September 4th. Routine annual maintenance will also be performed on each hydrant. During that process, the DPW workers will "flush" or run each fire hydrant to ensure that it operates properly during an emergency.

Township residents should be advised that as crews flush hydrants there may be some discoloration of the water. If you experience "rust colored" water, simply run the cold water tap for a few minutes to allow the water to clear. Do not wash any light colored clothing until the water is running clear. The rust coloring is caused by a natural build up of minerals in the water system. Some natural mineral deposits are stirred up in the water pipes when fire hydrants are first turned on.

At all times throughout this program, the water system remains secure and the water is safe to drink. If you have any questions about the program please call the DPW at 734.354.3270 ext. 3.



No Water Rate Increase for 2018-19:

Modest Increase in Trash Collection Fee is First in 11 Years

Plymouth Township residents will see no increase in water and sewer rates for 2018-19, and a modest increase in their trash collection fees - the first in 11 years.

The zero increase in water and sewer rates is due to rate increases made last year and savings realized by the Township's withdrawal in 2017 from the Wayne County sewer system.

The Township Board also approved an increase of \$1.25 per household for the Solid Waste Fund, which covers the cost of trash and yard waste pickup, shred days, and the Township's popular Household Hazardous Waste day.

Homeowners Associations Updates

In an effort to keep the lines of communication open with all residents, the Township maintains a database with the latest contact information on all Homeowners Associations in the Township. We ask that the current Presidents or designated contact persons please forward your latest contact information to us in order to keep the database up to date. Please include the following: Name of Association, President's name, address, best phone, and email.

Send your updated information to the Supervisor's Office at sbrams@plymouthtwp.org. In addition, your information is used by the Police Department to provide you association contacts within the department for safety and neighborhood watch programs.

Shred Day with the City of Plymouth Saturday, September 15, 2018, 9 am to 12 pm

LOCATION: Township Hall

The City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township will offer a shred day for residents of both communities on Saturday, September 15, from 9 am to 12 pm (or until trucks are filled) at the Township Hall.

- ed to 5 banker boxes on each trip.
- » Residents can make multiple trips throughout the morning.
- » Paper to be shredded shall be limit- » Documents can be in paper bags or boxes when brought to shredding.
 - » Documents in plastic bags must be removed.

Residents participating must also provide proof of City or Township residence which can be done with a driver's license, voter ID card, water bill, or property tax bill.

Township Continues Sewer Manhole 'Uncovering' Program

The township is continuing our community-wide program to uncover and restore to grade more than 300 buried sanitary sewer manholes that are covered up and inaccessible.

Manholes are a critical component of the sanitary sewer system as they provide the only means of access to the sewer line for maintenance, clearing blockages, and repairs.

Our DPW crews need immediate access to all manholes so we can investigate and fix sewer lines that may be clogged or damaged. Nobody wants to see basements flooded, or giant sinkholes in the middle of our neighborhoods as we have seen in other communities.

All buried manholes will be raised to surface grade for full and permanent exposure and accessibility. Homeowners with a buried manhole(s) on their property will be notified by letter at least two weeks in advance of the uncovering and adjustment work.

Residents with questions regarding the project can contact the DPW at 734.354.3270 Ext. 3.

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Curbside Yard Waste Collection

It's that time of year again! Leaves will start to fall and soon residents will have multiple yard waste bags or containers at the curb for collection. Here are a couple of reminders to help make sure your yard waste gets picked up on your scheduled collection day:

- Yard waste containers must have a capacity between 20 and 35 gallons, not weigh more than 50 pounds when filled, and be clearly marked yard waste.
- 30 gallon paper yard waste bags can be used but make sure the filled bags do not exceed 50 pounds.
- Plastic bags may NOT be used for yard waste.
- Place yard waste containers on the opposite side of the driveway as your trash.
- Brush and branches must be less than six (6) inches in diameter, only three (3) feet in length and tied in bundles with string or twine. No more than 50 pounds per bundle.
- Plymouth Township's seasonal yard waste collection continues through the week of January 7, 2019.

Curbside Recycling Tips

Plymouth Township provides curbside recycling, which helps reduce landfill use and helps the environment. We need your help in making sure your recyclables are collected properly and read for pick-up. The Solid Waste Department page on the Township website (www.plymouthtwp.org) provides a comprehensive list of acceptable items.

- All recyclables must be placed inside the cart in order for them to be collected. Additional carts are available for a fee; please contact the Solid Waste Department at 734-354-3270 ext. 4 for information.
- Place trash containers at the curb on one side of your driveway and place yard
 waste and the recycling cart on the opposite side of your driveway. Be aware
 of parked cars and overhead trees that could block access to the automated
 recycling trucks.



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www.plymouthtwp.org

Our website has all the info you need on Township officials, public safety info, meeting agendas and minutes, public hearings and notices, events, and more.

Check out on Facebook:



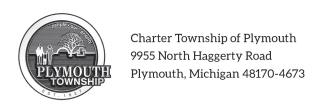


Sign up for Plymouth Township e-News!

Get all the latest news delivered right to your inbox! These short periodic digital newsletters will give you timely information on the latest Township news including community events, trash pick-up, public safety, Township meetings, hearings, notices, and more.

Visit www.plymouthtwp.org, and click the envelope icon in the upper right corner of the home page.

For more information visit: www.plymouthtwp.org



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Community Calendar

SEPTEMBER

3 Labor Day (Township Offices Closed)

4 Special Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm

Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, 6pm

7-9 Plymouth Fall Festival, Downtown Plymouth

17 Downtown Development Authority Meeting, 4pm

11 + 25 Board of Trustee Meetings, 7pm

14 Last Day to pay summer taxes without interest

19 Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

OCTOBER

4 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, 6pm

9 + 23 Board of Trustee Meetings, 7pm

13 Fire Safety Open House, 10am-3pm

17 Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

NOVEMBER

Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, 6pm

4 Daylight Savings Time Ends

12 Veteran's Day Observed (Township Offices Closed)

13 Downtown Development Authority Meeting, 4pm

13 + 27 Board of Trustee Meetings, 7pm

TBD Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

Thanksgiving Day (Township Offices Closed)

23 Friday after Thanksgiving (Township Offices Closed)

Contact your Plymouth Township Board of Trustees

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Reminder On Lawn Sign Placement

Due to a decision by the U.S. Supreme Court, Plymouth Township urges you to place lawn signs on private property – not at street corners or the easement area between the street and sidewalk.

Signs that are removed by Township staff will be taken to the DPW Yard at 46555 Port Street for a few days for retrieval.



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For more information visit: www.plymouthtwp.org