

Sciota Township Newsletter

Winter
2015

Sciota Township Board meetings are held at the Sciota Township Hall, 3990 Leland Road, (at Bennington) the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Township residents are always welcome to the Board meetings, and encouraged to attend and provide your Board with input.

Township Board 2008-2012

Phillip Matthews, Supervisor
651-5387

Nancy Koerner, Clerk
651-5540

Eric Schuman, Treasurer
651-5788

William Thelen, Trustee
989-534-1621

Mike Reed, Trustee
517-651-7006

Township Assessor
Diane Dowler
810-635-9596

Board of Review
David White
Vaughn Vondrasek
Clyde Casler

Planning Commission
William Thelen
Floyd Koerner
David White, Chair
Kimberly Palmer

WINTER 2015 TAXES NOW DUE

Unfortunately, it's that time again. Save yourself time and gas, and pay by mail. **Remember, the forms are perforated on the top third. Simply, tear off at the perforation and keep the lower half as your receipt along with your cancelled check.** To pay your Winter Tax Bill, please send your check or money order, made out to "Sciota Township Treasurer", to:

Sciota Township Treasurer
7928 Tyrrell Rd.
Laingsburg, MI 48848-8720

Your township Treasurer will accept tax payments most any time he is home by appointment. **PLEASE CALL** Treasurer Eric J. Schuman at 651-5788 (or email him at sciotatreasurer@aol.com) to arrange a time and day. Some reminders for you:

- You may pay for multiple parcels on one check, as well as adding your dog license fee to the same check
- There is a \$25.00 fee for all returned checks (NSF)
- Please remember, taxes are due and payable ON RECEIPT. The last day to pay without a late fee is February 16, 2016
- Taxes paid February 17, 2016 and thereafter, will have a 3% administration fee added which **MUST** be paid in full
- Taxes paid March 1, 2016 and thereafter, **MUST** be paid to the County Treasurer and will include a 4% administrative fee plus a monthly interest

While the Treasurer is required by law to keep specific office hours pursuant to PA 641 of 2002, he will also be available to collect your taxes most other times too. However, please call first to make an appointment so as to be certain of his availability. **The required dates will be Monday, December 28, 2015 and February 29, 2015 (both days 9am – 5pm), or by appointment by calling 651-5788.**

Please take note that your township board has voted that any taxes not collected in person by, or with a postmark of, February 14 will be charged the 3% administration fee which must be paid in full with your taxes.

ANIMAL LICENSE TIME AGAIN

If your veterinarian is in Shiawassee county, you can purchase your animal license at the time of getting their rabies vaccination, or you can also purchase them when you pay your taxes.

Animal licenses are due by February 29, 2016 for the fees listed below. Stop by whenever the Treasurer is home (your best bet is to call first (651-5788)). After February 29, the license may be purchased at the County Treasurer's office. Delinquent license fees are \$60.00 (non-neutered) and \$20.00 (neutered).

Any animal four (4) months or older **must** have a license.

If you are licensing more than four (4) dogs, you must have a kennel license. Please call Animal Control at (989) 743-2406 for such a license.

Please send or bring with you all proof of current rabies vaccination by an accredited veterinarian, proof of sterilization or neuter if applicable, and the attached form completely filled out. All certificates will be returned to you with the license.\

Feel free to photocopy for additional animals

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Owner's Name:

Telephone

Address

Dog's Name

Sex

Breed

Color

Age

Check the correct line:

Un-neutered(either sex) \$30.00

Neutered \$10.00

2016 Tag No.

WEBSITE SHOWS 15,496 HITS

Our website has over 12,394 hits showing over 3,102 hits in the past year which is almost a 30% increase!

Many items of interest are on the site including winter tax collection hours, meeting minutes, the Assessor's page, as well as clickable links to other websites and forms.

There's also the "Ordinances, Policies, Forms & Fees" page which include our Cemetery Ordinance, Fire Ordinance, Summer Deferment Form, and Hardship Exemption Form among others available and the new fees for cemetery plots, openings and closings, and plot transfers.

PLANNING COMMISSION

MEMBER SOUGHT

Sciota Township is looking for a person to serve on our planning commission. The person must be willing to attend training meetings (paid for by the township) and attend meetings on the first Monday of each month when needed.

Please send letters of interest to Supervisor Matthews at 6401 S. Austin Rd., Laingsburg, MI 48848 by December 9th. The appointment will be made at the December 14th meeting. For questions call Phillip Matthews at 517-651-5387.

The Township Board

Wishes all residents a

Merry Christmas



Happiest of

New Years in 2016