

From the Desk
of the Supervisor

Moffatt Township 2024 NEWSLETTER

A RECAP OF 2024 ELECTIONS

Elections were held on November 5, 2024

Congratulations to the incoming

board members: Supervisor Thomas Spencer, Clerk Allison Chmielewski, Treasurer Kevin Kaczmarek and Trustee's Dennis Wirley and Patrick Jedrzejczyk.

Thank you to our out- going board members. A special thank you to Lenny Mezey, with 20 years serving as a Trustee and Lee Chard who served as Supervisor and also a trustee. Stefanie Kernstock has served the last 4 years as township Clerk which has seen several changes in the election process over this period. Thank you Stefanie.

HALL ADDITION:

With the help of several residents which included long- time resident Alyce Oertel, Dennis and Tammy Spencer, Lee and Marion Chard, Stefanie Kernstock, Rick Kalosis and Tom Spencer, the addition to

the township hall got underway this past spring and should be completed in January. The addition included, doubling the large meeting room, bathrooms, storage and kitchen area along with 2 offices. Thank you to all that helped with this project!

GENERAL INFORMATION:

This past year with the help of Arenac County Road Commission, Township residents David Roberts and Vito Manzella it was finally confirmed that the speed limit in the Forest Lake Subdivision is 25 mph. Once this was confirmed the Township passed a Golf Cart Ordinance which allows Golf Carts to legally travel on roads with speed limits of 30 mph or less. Thank you to those that helped with this project.

FOREST LAKE SPILLWAY:

This project finally got started in July and should be near completion by the end of December. The total cost is estimated to be approx. \$13,000,000. We were very fortunate to receive nearly \$11,000,000 in grant money with the remaining funds coming by way of a Special Assessment to those living in the Special Assessment District.



PARKS AND REC:

We recently traded some fencing that was located at the park and wasn't being used for some picnic tables with the City of Au Gres. This will be a benefit to both groups without a large expense for either party. A plan is in place to have the bathrooms re-roofed and to change the accessibility to them as to make them more user friendly. Parks and Rec have a balance in their account of \$27,476.67 as of 9-30-2024.

SPONGY (GYPSY) MOTH:

The township sprayed approximately 220 acres in May at a cost of just over \$20,000. A survey was recently done at a cost of \$3,850. The report has not been completed as of yet to determine if we will have to consider spraying in the spring of 2025. We currently have \$40,646.00 in our account.

MOSQUITO FUND:

Mosquito spraying in the township cost approximately \$33,000 per year. The current balance is \$178,553.16.

ZONING:

From 10-01-2023 through 09-30-2024 there were 35 Zoning permits issued, 24 Zoning and Blight letters sent and 7 Certified Notices sent during this time period. PLEASE CALL THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR BEFORE STARTING YOUR PROJECT!

ROAD WORK:

Brining roads cost approximately \$13,5000 and roadside mowing approx. \$4800 in 2024. Gravel was put down on Whitetail Dr., Alger Rd., and 9 mile Rd at a cost of \$22, 800. There are 2 paving projects on North Forest Lk Drive to be completed yet this fall at a cost of

\$135,490. The road millage generates approx. \$122,000 per year and the Arenac County Road Commission allows us \$60,000 in cost sharing and \$10,000 in discretionary funds which creates a budget of about \$192,000. We have currently contracted for \$176,590 in road work for 2024.

RECYCLING/SPRING CLEAN-UP:

The 1st Saturday in June the Township continued to hold their Spring Clean-up day. Four 30 yard dumpsters were rented at a cost of \$2700 with that money coming from the General Fund. We also partnered with Arenac County Soil Conservation District at the same time and collected tires and electronics. The cost to residents was \$1 for car tires, \$5 per truck tires and \$5 for large Tv's. Everything else was free.

2% GRANTS:

The township received 2, \$1000 grants from the Saganing Chippewa Indian Tribe this past year.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The fire department contributed \$48,000 towards roofing the existing fire hall. They also received a \$2% grant to go towards a transfer pump.

Raymond Daniels Township Supervisor

