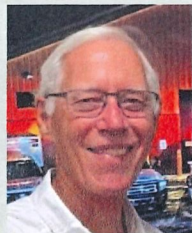


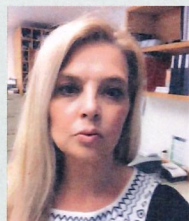
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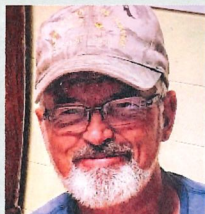
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July 2024

Happy July Hayes Residents!

The time we wait all year for is officially here...sunshine, warm days, and tons of options of things we can participate in each day. Boyne Thunder is coming up, of course, the famous Venetian Festival, local art shows, and the much-anticipated end of summer fair. There are concerts all over our city and nearby others every week, and so many daily events that there is pretty much something for everyone to enjoy all summer long. We know this time of year brings a big increase in visitors as well. We sit in longer traffic, we face emptier shelves at the grocery store, and full restaurants, especially on the weekends.

Even with the slight inconveniences, I realize what a compliment it is that people come from all over to spend their vacations where we are so lucky to live. I get calls from our residents who spend the colder months in southern regions, and they remind me what keeps them coming back to the place they love. They are excited to be back at our lakes, to the open spaces, their summer neighbors and friends, to our close-knit community. We know how special these things are, and how coveted our summers are.

And every season, the warm summer days pass by, the memories are made, and the seasons move us forward. Beauty of our Northern Michigan haven aside, it all comes down to the people. It's the neighbor we sit with and sip cold lemonade in the shade on a warm July afternoon. The friends we look forward to spending a week with each summer swimming, building sandcastles, catching lightning bugs, and belly-lauging by a bonfire before bed every night. It's the Saturday afternoon picnics with people we love, lilacs blowing in the breeze, that almost makes time slow down.

Don't let this beautiful time of year pass you by without soaking in the wonderful music, events, and special moments our community has to offer. Stay safe & savor every moment.

All my best,
Ron VanZee

Property Taxes-What Millages do your tax dollars fund?

It's always important for our residents to understand where their tax money goes. For summer taxes, Charlevoix Schools and Charlevoix County collect funds from their millages. For Winter property taxes, there are many different millages that are collecting, including Petoskey and Boyne School Districts.

Keep in mind; every millage that collects tax-payer funds was on a ballot and approved by voters. When these funds come into the township in the form of property taxes, they are disbursed to the appropriate entities. The monies are collected every year the millage is valid; when their respective timelines are up or certain debts are paid off, the either end or are put back on the ballot for voters to make their decision of support.

To give an idea of how much money is distributed to different entities, here are five local entities that receive millage dollars. Please note that these amounts represent the approximate **total** in millages for 2023 payments. For example, the Charlevoix Library has 3 separate millages, but the amount shown is the total of the three together.

Paid from Hayes Township Property Taxes in 2023:

\$85,000 - Charlevoix Community Area Pool

\$260,000 - County Roads

\$398,000 - Charlevoix EMS Authority

\$415,000 - Library

\$1.1 Million - Char Em ISD

The voters have the power to make the choices on where their tax dollars go. Emergency services are especially important to residents, as shown with the overwhelming support for the Charlevoix EMS Authority millage that had 4 to 1 support.

Hayes Township Park and Recreation Committee invites you & your family to the Hayes Township Community Picnic at Camp Sea Gull



**Saturday, August 3, 2024
from 12-3pm
8580 Boyne City Road, Charlevoix**

Join us for food and fun!

We will have live music from local bands.
Picnic lunch items will be available by donation.

**We will be raffling off fantastic gifts donated by
local stores & vendors.**



Please RSVP to treasurer@hayestownshipmi.gov
(so we can be sure to have plenty of goodies for everyone!)
All proceeds go toward park improvements and amenities

Hayes Township Calendar

July/August 2024

Monday, July 1

Park & Recreation Committee, 6pm

Monday, July 8

July Board of Trustee Meeting, 7pm

Thursday, July 11

Community Coffee, 1pm

Tuesday, July 16

Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

Thursday, July 18

Book Club, 1pm

Thursday, August 1

Community Coffee, 1 pm

Saturday, August 3

Hayes Community Picnic,
Camp Sea Gull, 12-3pm

Monday, August 5

Park & Recreation Committee, 6pm

Tuesday, August 6

Primary Election, Hayes Township Hall,
7am-8pm

Monday, August 12

Board of Trustee Meeting, 7pm

Tuesday, August 20

Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

*All events are held at the Hayes
Township Hall unless otherwise noted.*



On behalf of our Board, we
would like to congratulate:

**FRED & LINDA
SYTSMA**

*Celebrating their 60th Wedding
Anniversary on July 13th*

Part One: Planning Commission Zoning Ordinance Update

This article is part one of a two-part series highlighting local trends, challenges, and considerations the Planning Commission takes into consideration as they update the Zoning Ordinance. These will direct the focus of the discussions and ultimately the recommendations on future planning and zoning actions. Comments have been compiled for space and to avoid duplication. Every member contributed.

The first Hayes Township Zoning Ordinance was adopted in 1974, while the current Zoning Ordinance was enacted in 2009 and updated in 2018. Over the years, our Township and, of course, the world have changed significantly. The Township was once a rural area and vacation homes were modest in scale and not as prevalent. Over time, the focus shifted from rural agricultural to one of predominantly second homes and the Zoning Ordinance was modified on a piecemeal basis. By 2022, the PC recognized that the resulting patchwork quilt of ordinance regulations was due for a thorough review and update.

The PC have worked tirelessly and diligently since then to propose updates to the ordinance to make it more representative of what is needed to address today's planning issues. Among the many challenges we face include factions who bring a single-issue focus to the meetings. It's natural that some members of the public are resistant to or suspicious of change. But just because someone speaks up regularly, loudly and vehemently at meetings doesn't necessarily make him or her an expert on every subject or even representative of the wider opinion of Hayes Township's residents. The negative focus of the comments has made some residents reluctant to express freely their opinions at our meetings, so many property owners share their feedback with us outside of the meetings and PC members take this input into consideration on every decision they make.

As we move forward in completing the zoning ordinance update this year and begin our required review of the Master plan, we are looking into the future to prepare for the challenges ahead. These include the points below: a large surge in the population of our region, access to high speed internet access in our rural areas, and the national attention our specific region has received for a desirable vacation/living/retirement area.

It is estimated that there will be over 5.2 million people in Michigan retiring in the next five years. If only a mere 0.5% of these retirees look to the North to make this area their future home, the population of our region will double. Moreover, the desirability of our area is no longer a national secret. This increases the number of people from other areas seeking to acquire a place of their own here in the future. All of this, combined with the changing dynamics in the workplace as a result of COVID and the availability of high speed internet access even in our rural areas, allows more work-from-home opportunities thereby opening the area to greater employment for those whose career offers that flexibility.

This potential steep growth in population will trigger a growth in demand for more workforce and lower-cost housing to support those who provide the needed services and amenities to the greater population. This, in turn, increases the pressure for more commercial development, whether that be banks, grocery stores or gas stations. All of these pressures will need to be addressed in a way that seeks to direct this development away from sensitive natural resources yet manages the inevitable growth that results.

Part 2 of the Planning Commission Zoning Update of the Zoning Ordinance will be published in the August 2024 edition of the Hayes Township Voice. If you are interested in attending a Planning Commission meeting, please see the calendar for the next scheduled meeting.

★ ★ ★ ELECTION INFORMATION ★ ★ ★

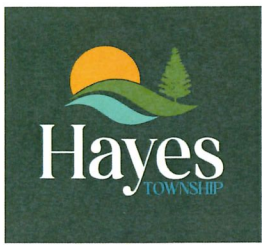
The **Primary Election** is on August 6, 2024.

Absentee ballots for those on the permanent ballot list have begun going out.

Vote in person for **early voting** Saturday, July 27th - Sunday, August 4 at the County.

In-person voting at the Hayes Township Hall is **7am-8pm**.

Please contact our Clerk Kristin Baranski at 231-547-6961 with any questions.



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TOWNSHIP OF HAYES PROFIT & LOSS BUDGET OVERVIEW - PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET

	ADOPTED BUDGET	ACTUAL	ADOPTED BUDGET
	JULY 2023-JUNE 2024	JULY 2023-JUNE 2024	JULY 2024-JUNE 2025
Total CHARGES FOR SERVICE	11,200.00	9,128.88	10,500.00
Total INTEREST	2,400.00	2,686.08	2,500.00
Total OTHER	221,030.31	207,738.44	189,000.00
Total STATE REVENUE	192,000.00	187,714.30	200,000.00
Total TAX REVENUE	322,261.00	377,815.53	410,250.00
Total Income	748,891.31	785,083.23	812,250.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Total 101 Township Board	109,764.00	101,461.38	89,720.00
171 Supervisor			
171-702 Supervisor Salary (Supervisor Salary)	32,583.00	32,579.45	33,626.00
171-800 Supervisor Education	500.00	500.00	500.00
171-980 Supv. Equipment / Phone	600.00	600.00	500.00
Total 171 Supervisor	33,683.00	33,679.45	34,626.00
Total 191 Elections	15,000.00	13,826.47	12,500.00
209 Assessor			
702 Salary	34,376.00	34,376.00	35,476.00
800 Services/Education	750.00	766.00	800.00
910 Printing & Publication			1,800.00
850 Telephone	0.00		500.00
980 Equipment	3,800.00	3,686.01	1,000.00
Total 209 Assessor	38,926.00	38,828.01	39,576.00
215 Clerk			
702 Salary	32,583.00	32,487.00	33,626.00
703 Deputy Clerk Pay	17,000.00	16,455.00	20,000.00
800 Services/Education	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
980 Equipment	18,400.00	17,401.52	1,000.00
Total 215 Clerk	70,483.00	68,843.52	57,126.00
Total 247 Board of Review	2,200.00	1,478.73	3,350.00
253 Treasurer			
702 Salary	32,583.00	32,540.00	33,626.00
703 Deputy Treasurer Pay	0.00		1,500.00
800 Services/Education	1,000.00	634.00	750.00
910 Printing/Publication	4,000.00	3,025.82	3,200.00
980 Equipment	2,000.00	1,775.09	1,500.00
Total 253 Treasurer	39,583.00	37,974.91	40,576.00
Total 265 Township Hall	95,710.31	94,075.77	87,000.00
Total 276 Cemetery	6,900.00	4,971.09	26,500.00
HEALTH AND WELFARE			
800 Services			20,000.00
651 Ambulance - Other	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Total 651 Ambulance	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Total 101-336 Fire Protection	69,100.00	65,062.34	80,000.00
Total 412 Zoning & Planning	59,400.00	40,175.06	70,400.00
Total 420 Ordinance Officer	25,550.00	24,269.00	27,500.00
PUBLIC WORKS			
448-800 Spring Clean Up			60,000.00
920 Hall Lot & Street Lights	2,400.00	2,371.70	2,400.00
930 Repair/Maintenance/Brine	56,000.00	52,711.04	60,000.00
Total 446 Roads	58,400.00	55,082.74	122,400.00
RECREATION AND CULTURAL			
Total Hayes Township Park/CSG Expense	62,300.00	52,843.27	78,050.00
Total Other Township Parks Expense	8,700.00	3,952.29	22,000.00
954 Insurance	18,500.00	14,780.00	25,000.00
956 FICA/Medicare	24,000.00	23,920.74	21,000.00
Total UNALLOCATED	42,500.00	38,700.74	48,000.00
Total Expense	748,199.31	685,224.77	811,324.00
Net Income			

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