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Alone, we can do so little; together we can do so much!

# Walton Township

## Township Board and Staff

*Supervisor-Doug Thering*

*Treasurer-Christina (Tina) Heisler*

*Clerk- Erin Cummings*

*Trustee-Richard Heisler*

*Trustee- Bob Starkweather*

*Assessor-Patti Ostrowski*

*Sexton-John Ostrowski*

*Transfer Station Attendant- Dave Soblesky*

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## Treasurer Office and Collection Dates

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

**OPTION 1**-Independent Bank (**CHARLOTTE BRANCH ONLY**) accepts payments during bank hours from 12/1/2025 through 3/2/2026. You must present the original tax bill (salmon). The bank will provide you a receipt of payment.

**OPTION 2**-Mail your taxes to Walton Township at PO Box 306, Olivet MI 49076

**OPTION 3**- In Person payment can be made during the following office hours: Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 8am-12pm, Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> 8am-12pm, *Saturday*, February 28 8am-12pm, and Monday, March 2 8am-5pm.

*The Treasurer's Office is located at 3236 W Baseline Hwy, Olivet MI 49076*

To reduce mailing and postage costs, receipts will no longer be sent. If a receipt is requested, please provide a self-addressed stamped envelope or an email address.

## Did You Know...

Townships are a product of Michigan's early history. Historians believe American township government was modeled after the English system of government. Settlers in New England developed small communities that delivered local services, while a county served as the administrative arm of government. When the Erie Canal opened, many New Yorkers migrated to Michigan and brought their form of government with them.

While you might hear local units in Michigan referred to as "cities and towns," that's incorrect. Michigan does not have towns—it has townships, cities, and villages, with townships governing 96 percent of Michigan's land area outside of cities. In fact, in Michigan, if you do not live in a city, you live in a township.

Michigan is one of 20 states that currently have some form of township government. In Michigan, it is often difficult to discern the differences between townships, cities, and villages. (Information provided by MTA)

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# Clerks' Corner...

Join the TEAM-Become a Poll Worker in Michigan- Election Inspectors i.e. poll workers, are hired, paid, and trained local government workers who assist with running local elections in compliance with Michigan Election Law.

Eligibility requirements to serve as an election inspector in Michigan are as follows:



- You must be at least 16 years of age.
- You must be a registered voter in Michigan if 18+ years of age. Individuals aged 16 – 17 must be a Michigan resident.
- You must not have a felony or election crime conviction.
- You must not be an election challenger, a candidate, a member of a candidate's immediate family, or a member of the local board of canvassers.
- You must affiliate with a political party. Party registration is not a requirement. Michigan law requires that election inspectors disclose political affiliation to ensure balanced staffing. Affiliating as "independent" or "unaffiliated" is not a legal option for an election inspector.

While not a requirement, Michigan election clerks are seeking individuals with the following skills to serve as election inspectors:

- Organization
- Management and supervising
- Customer service
- Project management
- Familiarity with technology, such as operation of computers and software.



***If you or someone you know are interested in becoming an Election Inspector, please contact Erin Cummings at 269-317-2101 or by email at [walton.clerk@gmail.com](mailto:walton.clerk@gmail.com)***

## SEEKING TWO BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBERS

Walton Township is seeking 2 dedicated individuals to serve on the Board of Review for a two-year term (ending 12/31/2027). This is a valuable opportunity to contribute to your community by helping ensure that property assessments are fair and equitable.

### **Responsibilities include:**

- Attending Board of Review meetings (held in March, July, and December).
- Reviewing property assessment appeals and ensuring compliance with state property tax laws.
- Collaborating with other board members to make informed decisions.

### **Ideal Candidates:**

- Resident of Walton Township.
- Detail-oriented and willing to learn about property assessments and tax regulations.
- Available to attend required meetings and training sessions.

If you're interested in making a difference in our community, print and complete an application on our website at <https://www.waltontwpmi.com/board-of-review-application>, email to [waltontownshipsupervisor2025@gmail.com](mailto:waltontownshipsupervisor2025@gmail.com) or mail to Walton Township PO Box 306 Olivet MI 49076

Walton Township Board Meetings are typically held the second Tuesday of each month at 6 pm from November to March and 7 pm from April to October. Meeting date changes will be posted on the Township website. For a full schedule, visit <https://www.waltontwpmi.com/board-meetings>

