Dexter Township "in the loop" July 25, 2023

A quick update on personnel at Townhall and recycling:

Planning and Zoning Department: since the departure of our Planning and Zoning Director, OHM has been contracted to assist the Township during transition and while we analyze the current needs of our Township.

During this period – the Zoning & Planning Department will be available to residents:

Tuesday – 1:30pm – 4:30pm

Thursday – 9am – noon

Please take advantage of having your questions answered during these times, or simply leave a message and calls will be returned. Call 734-426-3767 x130

Zoning Ordinance Officer - also, since the Monthly Board meeting a new Zoning Ordinance Officer has been hired, below is her contact information and current hours in the office -

Adrianna Jordan 734-426-3767 x 131

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am – 3pm

Feel free to contact her with any Zoning Ordinance questions or complaints.

Recycling Update:

Additionally, a bit of information on recycling within the Township. The WWRA continues to provide the large green recycling bins in the Townhall parking lot. Did you know those bins rotate approximately 20 times per week. Below is a picture to assist in what is accepted into the green recycling bins. Also, please do not leave any material outside of the bins – see the chart below for what is and is not accepted by WWRA. You can access the WWRA website by typing (<u>https://wwrarecycles.org</u>) in your browser.



Two materials not accepted by the WWRA (Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority) include plastic film and styrofoam. For these materials we suggest:

PLASTIC FILM – use the orange bin in the township parking lot to recycle your plastic grocery bags, salt bags, feed bags, and dog food bags and other plastic film, such as the wrapping around toilet paper and paper towel rolls. Film is being collected in support of Chelsea High School and their efforts to win the national TREK competition. Last year they took 3rd place nationally, by recycling 21,000 pounds of film.



A few helpful tips when using the bin:

- Deposit clean plastic materials only NO clothes, shoes, or Styrofoam!
- Bag your bags loose materials in the bin is more difficult to collect. We now have volunteers who empty the bin daily and it is helpful to bag your bags.
- Please do not leave materials outside of the bin we ask that you return when there is room in the bin for deposits. Or volunteer to help move film we can always use another pair of hands & wheels.
- Have the shrink wrap from unwrapping your boat? You can drop that off outside Door #4 at Chelsea High School – (please keep this in mind for next Spring)

STYROFOAM – please do not leave styrofoam in the Township parking lot – this material is not accepted by WWRA, Dexter Township or Chelsea High School. However, Township residents can take advantage of the regularly scheduled collection site in Dexter at the Dexter Mill on Sunday's from Noon – 2pm - they will be celebrating their two year mark on Styrofoam collection – see flyer



JOIN US FOR RECYCLING SUNDAY

(IT'S OUR 2ND YEAR ANNIVERSARY !!!)

EVERY SUNDAY AT THE DEXTER MILL 12NOON-2PM

Please drop off your Styrofoam (Polystyrene) to our group of volunteers. We collect every Sunday and Recycle the product with DART Industries, where they make Picture Frames. The motto is "If You Can Break It, We Can Take It" Styrofoam takes 500+ years to decompose and the chemicals / toxins in Polystyrene leach out into the soil and into ground water. Michigan is home to the ¼ of the worlds fresh water... Please continue to recycle your Styrofoam (polystyrene) and Film Plastic to keep it out of the landfill. See You Sunday! To everyone choosing To Take Time Out of Your Sunday To Recycle These Products, Thank You !!!

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING

We are always seeking helpers to assist us in volunteering on Recycling Sunday. Please stop by and lend a hand or give us a call at 734.476.0956.

WEIGHT COLLECTED TODATE

We have collected over 4,000lbs of Polystyrene since Jan 1, 2023

RECYCLE YOUR FILM PLASTIC

Recycling Sunday or at the Dexter Township Hall DON'T FORGET – MOVIE NIGHT in the Townhall parking lot Saturday, August 19th Starts at 6pm

A food truck will be there An opportunity for residents to review the Master Plan draft Free Popcorn, Free Sno Cones, and more..... Movie starts about 9pm – bring your chair and enjoy! Hope you can join us