

Welcome to Dexter Township!

MISSION – Dexter Township is a policy-driven, collaborative organization that maximizes its efficiency, equity, and effectiveness to achieve the community’s vision



VISION – in 2031, our township is an engaged community that preserves the natural beauty and ecology of sustainable farms, waterways, open space, and residential areas. We enjoy clean and plentiful water resources, quality roads, communications, and infrastructure that better our daily lives.

On behalf of the Dexter Township Board and the staff at Dexter Township, it is with great pleasure that we welcome you to Dexter Township! Our community is fortunate to have great people, a rich history, amazing year-round recreation and so much more!

We encourage you to attend the Dexter Township Board of Trustees meetings. The Township Board meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Township Hall Board Room. Attending the Board meetings is the best way to keep informed of what’s happening in the Township.

If there is anything that we can do to help as you become acquainted with the Township, please don’t hesitate to call or stop by. We’re happy to answer any questions or address any concerns you may have.

DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL

6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road
Dexter, MI 48130
Phone: 734.426.3767
Fax: 734.426.3833
www.dextertownship.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday
8:30 am—4:30 pm
Fridays By Appointment

DEXTER TOWNSHIP STAFF

Diane Ratkovich, Supervisor

Michelle Stamboulellis, Clerk

Maris Metz, Treasurer

Nick Stamboulellis, Deputy Clerk

Matt Dedes, Deputy Treasurer

Chris Renius, Assessor

David Rohr, Dir. of Zoning/Planning

Mike Zsenyuk, Zoning Officer

Kimberly Jordan, Office Manager

Janis Miller, Recording Secretary



BECOME INVOLVED

Dexter Township offers many opportunities for those that are interested in serving on one of our boards or committees. We value your input and invite you to visit the Township website to learn more about the ways you can support your Township and have a direct impact on your community.

Get to Know Your Elected Officials

THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

The Township Supervisor is typically the “spokesperson” for the township. The image of the township and the ability to satisfy the needs of its residents, is the responsibility of the Supervisor and the Township Board.

The Township Supervisor is the:

- Moderator of the Township Board meetings
- Chief Assessing Officer for the township
- Agent for all legal business for the township
- Chief administrator for the development of the township budget



DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Dexter Township Board consists of seven members. The Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer all have designated statutory duties. The four township trustees do not have statutory duties but do have an equal vote in legislative and government decisions within the jurisdiction of the board. The trustees have a responsibility to attend all board meetings and actively participate in decision-making.

The Dexter Township Board of Trustees meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 7:00 pm. Meetings are held in the Board Room at Township Hall. These are public meetings and residents are encouraged to attend. The meeting packet will be posted on the website prior to each meeting. Packets from previous meetings can also be found on the website.

DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Diane Ratkovich, Supervisor
supervisor@dextertownship.org



Michelle Stambouellis, Clerk
clerk@dextertownship.org



Maris Metz, Treasurer
treasurer@dextertownship.org



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Laura Sanders, Trustee
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Karen Sikkenga, Trustee
ksikkenga@dextertownship.org

Assessing

DEXTER TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR

Chris Renius
734-426-3767 ext. 101
assessor@dextertownship.org

OFFICE HOURS
*Wednesday only
8:30 am —4:30 pm

**Please note that the Assessor is only in the office on Wednesdays. However, he can be reached by email, Monday-Friday.*

WHAT'S A PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE EXEMPTION?

A Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) currently results in a reduction by 18 mills to your tax bill. You must own and occupy your home by June 1 to qualify for a Principal Residence Exemption on your July tax bill, and November 1 to qualify for a PRE on your December tax bill. You may list only one home as your primary residence. Principal Residence Exemption forms are available in the township office or on-line and must be completed, signed and returned to our office for processing.

ASSESSING TERMS

- ASSESSED VALUE 50% of the assessor's estimate of the fair market value of a property.
- STATE EQUALIZED VALUE the "final" assessed value of a property, also equals 50% of the fair market value of a property.
- CAPPED VALUE the previous year's taxable value increased by the amount of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or 5%, whichever is less, plus new construction additions to value.
- TENTATIVE TAXABLE VALUE the lesser of the assessed value and capped value, prior to the certification of the assessment roll. TTV cannot be high than the assessed value, but I can increase even if the assessed value is decreased.
- TAXABLE VALUE the "final" taxable value of a property. Taxable value will be used for the calculation of property taxes owed.
- TRUE CASH VALUE the "usual" selling price for a property.

Zoning – Ordinance Officer

TO REPORT BLIGHT OR ZONING VIOLATION

The Zoning Officer investigates every complaint or report of blight or a zoning code/ordinance violation. The process begins with the completion of the complaint form found on the Township website. You can also fill out the form at Township Hall during normal business hours.

ZONING OFFICER

Mike Zsenyuk
734-426-3767 ext. 131
zoningofficer@dextertownship.org

OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday – Thursday
8:00 am – 3:30 pm



Zoning /Planning

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & ZONING

David Rohr
Director of Planning & Zoning
734-426-3767 ext. 130
dpz@dextertownship.org



The Planning & Zoning Department is responsible for the administration & enforcement of Dexter Township's Zoning Ordinances and Anti-blight Ordinances. Staff review and approve permits and act as the liaison for the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, among others.

PULLING A PERMIT

This is a brief explanation of the types of permits you will need before you begin your project. You will find all the forms along with the procedure for pulling a permit on the Dexter Township website @ www.dextertownship.org/permits-forms

MAJOR

- New screened-in-porch w/roof
- Deck with or without screen
- Free standing solar panels
- Pool
- Shed (200 sq. ft. plus, call Chelsea Area Construction Agency)
- New Construction
- Demolition

MINOR

- Screen in existing porch
- Siding, Window/sky light, re-roof, exterior doors
- Solar panel on house
- Interior remodel

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at Township Hall. Members of the public who wish to communicate with the Planning Commission must do so through the Township's Director of Planning/Zoning.



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (ZBA)

The ZBA meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month on an as needed basis. The ZBA addresses issues such as dimension variances. As with the Planning Commission, anyone wishing to communicate with the ZBA must first contact the Township's Director of Planning/Zoning.

Explore Dexter Township

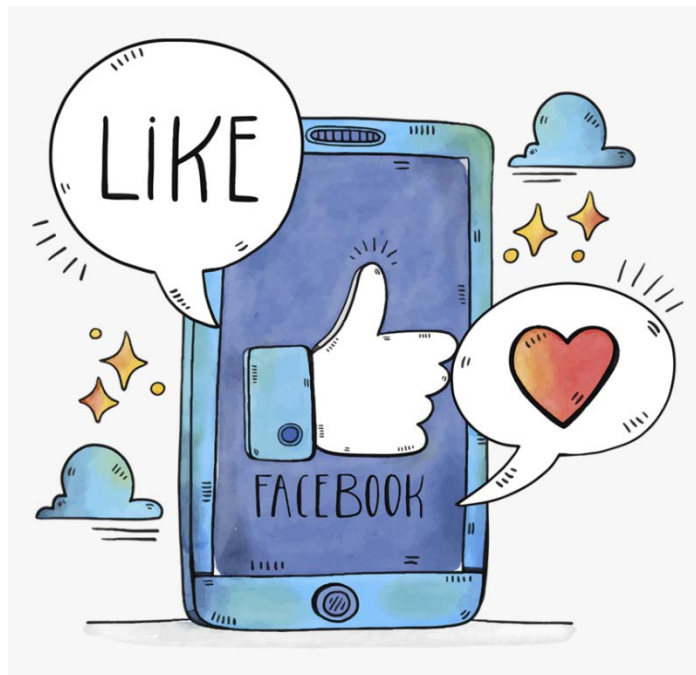
PINCKNEY RECREATION AREA The Pinckney Recreation Area is a great place for backpacking, hiking, fishing and camping. Pinckney has an extensive trail system and a chain of lakes perfect for fishing and water sports.

HUDSON MILLS METROPARK As part of the Huron-Clinton Metro Parks system, Hudson Mills has all the activities you could ask for. You can fish, hike, cross-country ski, rent a canoe and during the summer months, even enjoy a drive-in movie! For golfers, Hudson Mills has an 18-hole golf course. If you run, walk or rollerblade, you'll love the 3-mile paved trail loop. Please note that entrance fees do apply.

WEST LAKE PRESERVE the West Lake Preserve is a fantastic place for birdwatching. As you hike along the 2.22-mile rustic trail, you may see sandhill cranes, wild turkeys and even a bald eagle! The wetland area is home to young reptiles and maturing amphibians including the state-protected, Blanding's turtle.

REICHERT NATURE PRESERVE This 92-acre preserve features rolling wooded terrain, kettle lakes and frontage along Little Portage Lake and Portage Creek. Due to the sensitive nature of the habitats on Reichert Preserve, access is available by written permission only. To request permission, email stewardship@legacylandconservancy.org.

For trail maps, directions, amenities, events, etc., click the links on the Township website, www.dextertownship.org.



<https://www.facebook.com/DexterTownshipMichigan>

Dexter Community Schools

CHAMPION LEARNING DEVELOP, EDUCATE & INSPIRE!

The Dexter Community School District, which includes Dexter Township, has approximately 3,600 students currently enrolled. The Dexter Community School campus straddles Baker Road with Bates school at the approximate center of the district. Students in buildings on the east side of Baker Road are bused to a central road and walk to their respective buildings.

NOTE: Beginning with the Fall 2021 school year, if your child will be riding the bus to and from school, you must register on the Dexter Community School website.

For more information about Dexter schools, contact the Dexter Community School website shown below:

DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

2704 Baker Road
Dexter, MI 48130
734.424.4100

www.dexterschools.org

DEXTER AREA SCHOOLS

Jenkins Early Development Center

2801 Baker Rd.
734.424.4180

Anchor Elementary

7480 Dan Hoey
734.424.4120

Beacon Elementary

7480 Dan Hoey
734.424.4130

Wylie Elementary

3060 Kensington Rd.
734.424.4190

Creekside Intermediate

2615 Baker Rd.
734.242.4160

Millcreek Middle School

7305 Ann Arbor St.
734.424.4150

Dexter High School

2200 Parker Rd.
734-424.4240

Recycling

Dexter Township is committed to recycling! We work in conjunction with Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority to find alternative ways to handle waste and promote recycling. To that end, there are large dumpsters located at Township Hall for you to recycle your paper, metal, glass & plastic bottles.

IMPORTANT!!! PLEASE USE THE SMALLER, WHITE BINS TO RECYCLE YOUR STORE PLASTIC BAGS AND ALL FLEXIBLE PLASTIC. DO NOT PLACE THESE TYPES OF PLASTICS IN THE GREEN DUMPSTERS.



WESTERN WASHTENAW RECYCLING AUTHORITY

8025 Werkner
Chelsea, MI 48118
734.475.6160

www.wwrarecycles.org

Find WWRA on Facebook
www.facebook.com/wwrarecycles

Public Safety



DEXTER AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT

8140 Main Street
Dexter, MI 48130
Phone: 734.426.4500
dafd@dexterareafire.org

Chief Robert Smith
chief@dexterareafire.org

The DAFD operates out of 3 stations that protect a combination of residential, commercial, and rural areas. We have 11 full-time firefighter and 18 paid-on-call firefighters. The Dexter Area Fire Department protects all of the City of Dexter, Dexter Township & Webster Township.

WASHTENAW COUNTY SHERIFF

Dexter Township is just one of the 25 communities served by the Washtenaw County Sheriff.

2201 Hogback Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
Phone: 734.671.8400

www.washtenaw.org/1124/Sheriff

Jerry L. Clayton—Sheriff — 734.973.4613
Mark Ptaszek—Undersheriff—734.973.4621

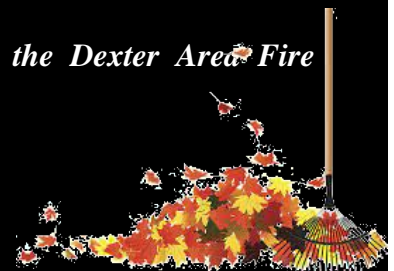


WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU BURN

****YOU MUST OBTAIN A PERMIT FROM THE DAFD BEFORE YOU BURN****

- Only natural materials may be burned. (brush, leaves, logs, weeds, stumps etc.).
- Processed lumber cannot be burned. (Plywood, treated lumber, railroad ties, etc.).
- No trash or manmade debris is to be burned.
- All open burning must be attended and controlled for the duration of the fire.
- No burning after dark or before dawn. (camp fires are permitted with a permit)
- Campfires must be kept to minimum size.
- Hint: if the fire makes black smoke, you are probably burning something illegal.
- The Michigan Department of Natural Resources regulates all open burning per Public Act 451 of 1994.
- The Michigan Department of Natural Resources or the Fire Chief may issue a ban on open burning when conditions are to dry.
- You are liable for your open burn, if it gets out of control you will be responsible for all damages occurred. Please use extreme caution.

Burn permits are available online or may be obtained at no cost by calling the Dexter Area Fire Department at 734.426.4500 between 7:00 am—7:00 pm, 7 days/week.



Elections

ELECTIONS

Elections in Dexter Township are run by the Office of the Township Clerk.

There are three polling locations in Dexter Township. Precincts 1 & 3 are located in Township Hall and the Precinct 2 is located at the Dexter Fire Substation #2 on North Territorial Road. To find out which your precinct, a precinct map can be found @ www.dextertownship.org/clerks-office.

Dexter Township is always in need of election workers. We depend on these dedicated individuals to make sure we meet all the state and federal election requirements and run an efficient, successful election. Training is required so contact the clerk's office for more information.

VOTER'S REGISTRATION

Have you updated your current voter's registration? If your address has changed, your voting precinct may have as well. You can register to vote or update your current voter's registration at any Secretary of State office or by visiting the Michigan Voter Information Center @ <https://vote.michigan.gov>.

CLERK'S OFFICE

Michelle Stambouellis, Township Clerk
734-426-3767 ext. 110
clerk@dextertownship.org

Nick Stambouellis, Deputy Clerk
734-426-3767 ext. 111
deputyclerk@dextertownship.org

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)

Request for public record must be made in writing and once received, a response must be furnished within 5 business days unless unusual circumstances exist.

Property Taxes

TAX COLLECTION

- Summer taxes are mailed to residents the first week of July and are due by September 14.
- Winter taxes are mailed to residents the first week of December and are due by February 14.

Property taxes can be paid in-person at Township Hall during regular business hours, excluding holidays. Payments can also be mailed to Dexter Township or deposited in the blue drop box outside the main entrance at Township Hall.

Tax payments can also be made by electronic check or credit card via Point & Pay at 1-844-368-5911. Please note that add'l. fees do apply with online payments.



TREASURER'S OFFICE

Maris Metz, Treasurer
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treasurer@dextertownship.org

Matt Dedes, Deputy Treasurer
734-426-3767 ext. 121
deptreasurer@dextertownship.org