

# SECORD TOWNSHIP

1507 Secord Dam Rd  
Gladwin MI 48624  
989-426-7445  
989-426-3232 fax

## Garbage Collection

Normal garbage collection is on Mondays from 6am to 8pm.  
Exceptions are holidays and weather conditions.  
Call ahead for large item trash pick up.

### **Republic Waste 1-800-858-0089**

Yard waste is collected on Tuesdays between 6am and 8pm. Yard waste should be in biodegradable paper bags or open containers specifically marked as YARD Waste. Yard waste is defined as leaves, grass clippings, twigs (branches less than 1 inch) and dried lake debris. It is illegal to blow debris into the water!!! We advise you NOT to burn leaves in the ditches due to the eventual run-off that will find it's way to the river and promote weed growth. We also now have natural gas in many areas and the lines run through the ditches. Burning over a gas line is very dangerous. Yard waste is collected April through November.

A recycle container is at the corner of Secord Dam and Lakeshore for Secord residents to dispose of recyclable items.  
See website for list of items taken.

## Telephone Directory

Supervisor Colin Combs 426-4330

Clerk Kathy Wilton 426-0354

Treasurer Jim Cooper 426-2809

Trustee Mickey Hetherington 426-8313

Trustee Martin Holmes 246-3124

Fire Chief Fred Shaver 429-2329

Fire board Chair Martin Holmes 246-3124

Road Chair Gary VanWambeke 426-2099

Zoning Admin Becky Sabourin 426-0339

County Comm. Aultman 426-4821

Assessor Allan Berg 989-734-3555

Fax 989-734-9901

Republic Waste 1-800-858-0089  
Aquatic Nuisance Control 989-345-7574  
[www.aquaticnuisanceplantcontrol.com](http://www.aquaticnuisanceplantcontrol.com)

DNR Burn permits 866-922-2876

Gladwin Road Commission 426-7441  
Health Dept. 426-9431  
Charter Communications 800-846-1820  
Tech support 855-248-7822

*Because the telephone numbers of elected and appointed officials are their home numbers, please limit the calls to normal business hours*

## **Planning Commission**

We on the Planning committee would like to thank all the residents patients as we launch our new Master Plan and zoning ordinances. We want to remind everyone of a few of our ordinances:

- 1 - Any thing you build on your property requires a permit! From a House to a shed, or dog house.
- 2 - Signs in the township require a permit! Only Signs on a Business building are exempt.
- 3 - Burning of leaves in ditches is illegal and you can be fined by the township and the [D.E.Q.](#)
- 4 - Rental Property requires a permit. If you rent you need a permit!
- 5 - The R.V. Ordinance is being revised and will be in effect in 2017

As always we welcome your input, our meetings are the 2nd. Wednesday of each month @ 9:00 A.M. At the Township Hall.

We now have a Lake Committee to assist in weed control:

Jenny Carroll chairperson 426-0452  
Carl Kerr  
Jenny Combs

[Aquaticnuisanceplantcontrol.com](http://Aquaticnuisanceplantcontrol.com)  
989-345-7574

Your planning commission,

Rex Rowe chairperson  
989-426-5242

### **Property Taxes**

Property taxes are billed twice each year, Summer and Winter. Summer taxes are payable to Gladwin County, NOT Secord Township. Secord Township only collects Winter taxes. Please note the mailing address on your bill to assure your payment is mailed to the correct location. Property owners who pay by using e-checks should make sure their property ID is noted on the check. Your Winter taxes are due no later than February 28, 2017. Payments received after that date will be turned over to the County for collection. Postmarks are NOT accepted. For taxpayers wishing to pay in person, the Secord Treasurer will have office hours on the following

dates and times:

Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 10 am to 2pm

Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> 9am to 5pm

Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 9am to 5pm

Other times by appointment.

Dog Licenses: Sexed \$20

Spayed or Neutered \$10.

If you would like a receipt for taxes and/or licenses, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment.

### **Hall Rental**

Rental is limited to Secord Township residents only. Please call Clerk Wilton for prices and to schedule a rental. 989-426-7445

Please remember this is a public building.  
NO SMOKING is allowed in the hall and  
NO ALCOHOL is allowed in the hall or  
on the township premises.

### **Road Committee Report**

#### **Proposed Road Construction Plan for 2017**

Paving 1 mile of Center , Youngs and Beech Roads from M-30 to existing pavement on Center  
UltraThin 1.3 miles West Branch Drive starting at dead end near Pinehurst intersection to  
transition pavement  
UltraThin .12 miles Pinehurst from N. Pinecrest to West Branch Drive  
UltraThin 1.2 miles Pineland from boat launch to transition close to Whispering Pines  
UltraThin 1.0 mile in Four Season Subdivision to include Jennings Terrace, Jennings Terrace Ct.  
and Four Seasons Drive  
UltraThin .5 miles Ridge Road from M-30 to Center Road  
Chip and Seal .75 miles Cedar Lake Road from Park to existing Chip and Seal ( S Curves)

#### **Maintenance Road Schedule for 2017 includes:**

Brining 6 miles of gravel roads with 3 applications  
Crack Seal Sector 3 approx. 8.9 miles to include the following roads:  
Rivers Terrace, Moose , E. Ridge, Blueberry Lane, Deer Lane, Elnor Drive  
Lakeshore, N. South, Redstone, Siesta, Center, Ash, Maple , Grove, Recreation,

Wirtz and Nokomis

**Re-gravel**

Secord Dam Road

Fournier Road

**County Road Project request**

**Primary Road:** Chip and Seal Finkbinder Road which is a main access to Secord Twp.

## **Fire Department News**

2016 was a very busy year for the Secord Fire Department.

As of this writing there have been 120 calls for help that have been responded to and the year is not over.

99 of those calls were rescue runs with 21 fire/mutual aid calls making up the rest.

A new 2016 Ford F550 4x4/Rescue was purchased this summer and delivered in October. It is a combination vehicle that holds rescue equipment as well as the jaws of life and 500 gallons of water with a 750 gallon per minute pump. It has a lower profile for getting into wooded areas and the first day it arrived helped save a 2 year old lost child!!!

A smokehouse was purchased this year also for demonstration and fire prevention training.

Chief Fred Shaver is willing to meet with anyone who would like more information about the fire department or who would like to view the equipment. He is at the station on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month from 1 to 9pm. He will also check fire extinguishers if you bring them to the fire department. We currently have 15 paid-call personnel. You are encouraged to apply for EMR (emergency medical responder) or firefighter if you have the desire to become part of this great fire department. For more information call 989-429-2329

Chief Shaver also reminds everyone to check the batteries in their smoke detectors and CO 2 alarms.

Both could save your life and the life of those you love.