OVID TOWNSHIP

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SUMMER TAX COLLECTION

Payments are to be mailed to the following address:
Nancy A. Price, 312 East Central Road, Coldwater,
MI 49036 or you can use the drop box located at 312
East Central Road. Please make check payable to
OVID TOWNSHIP. Receipts will be provided with
both types of payments only if a self-addressed
stamped envelope is included with the tax payment.
Ovid Township does not accept credit/debit cards.
PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
SEPTEMBER 14TH OR THEY ARE
CONSIDERED DELINQUENT. NO SUNDAY
OR HOLIDAY PAYMENTS.

You can call 517-238-4435 for an appointment or feel free to just stop by.

Hours to pay taxes in person at my home as 312 East Central Road will be from 9:00 am to 5:00pm:

September 14, 2013

All tax information is available on-line and updated daily at www.ovidtownship.org

APPLICATION FOR DEFERMENT OF SUMMER TAXES

If you meet one of the following requirements:

- 1. Have a total gross household income that did not exceed \$40,000 for the preceding tax year, and
- * 62 years of age or older, including the unmarried surviving spouse of a person who was 62 years of age or older
 - * Paraplegic, Hemiplegic, or Quadriplegic
- * Eligible serviceperson, eligible veteran, or eligible widow or widower
 - * Blind Person
 - * Totally and Permanently Disabled
- 2. Agricultural real property, if the gross receipts of the agricultural or horticultural operations in the previous year, or the average gross receipts of the

operations from the previous three years, are not less than the household income of the owner in the previous year or combines household incomes in the previous year of the individual members of a limited liability company that owns the agricultural real property. A limited liability company may claim the deferment under this section only if the individual members of the limited liability company qualified for the deferment under this section before the individual members formed the limited liability company.

If you meet one of the above requirements and want to defer your summer taxes until February 14, 2014, please go to our website at www.ovidtownship.org and go to forms for the application or call 1-517-238-4435 for an applications to be mailed to you. The intent must be filed before September 15, 2013 to be eligible for the deferment.

FIREWORKS

The Coldwater Lake Association will again sponsor fireworks on the sandbar on Coldwater Lake. The display date is Saturday, July 6th with a rain date on Sunday, July 7th.

TOWNSHIP ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Russ Jennings Ofc. 517-238-5999 Fax 517-238-9631

Russ is available on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00am to noon at the Township Hall, 381 S. Angola Road.

Zoning permits are required on all construction including accessary buildings whether permanent or portable, and fences. For shed under 100 sq. ft, please contact our Zoning Administrator.

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ROAD PROJECTS AND DUST CONTROL

The seal coating project for this summer will be:

Dubendorf Rd. (Wood-Quimby)
Fiske/Dubendorf Rd(Fenn-Quimby)
Wood Rd (Coldwater Twp.-Central)
Fillmore Rd (Behnke-Bethel Twp)
Otis Rd (Centennial-School)
Quimby Rd (Dubendorf-Central)

The Township will again be using S & M Liquid Tire Fill Inc. for the dust control application on our local gravel roads and private drives. We will coordinate the road blading with the Branch County Road Commission prior to the dust control application.

West Channel Drive Project

This drive is scheduled for double chip-seal for 2013. This project is in cooperation with Algansee Township in order to complete the improvement for all the affected residents along West Channel Drive. We do not have a schedule yet as to when with project will start. Reed & Assoc. Land Surveyors will stake the east side of West Channel Drive (road right-of-way) prior to the start of this project. Notice will be sent to the property owners along West Channel Drive as to their responsibility for the costs of connecting their existing concrete or asphalt drive to the new road surface prior to the start of this project.

LOCKWOOD CEMETERY

A large rock has been placed in the cemetery and will be stenciled, painted, and sealed to complete the engraving on the landscaped rock for signage in this cemetery.

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Randy E. Heller Family for their donation of this rock.

We would also like to extend again, a sincere thank you to George Baker, Cemetery Sexton for all of his hard work in transporting, landscaping and placement.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS

Sue Miller, Supervisor	517-279-0014 or		
	517-238-4457		
Judy Sabaitis, Clerk	517-238-9308		
Nancy Price, Treasurer	517-238-4435		
Ron Sampsel, Trustee	517-238-2173		
Larry Omo, Trustee	517-238-4322		

If you have and questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Board Members at their respective telephone numbers listed above.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

Township Board meeting are held the second Monday of each month at 7:30pm at the Ovid Township Hall located at 381 S. Angola Road. All meetings are open to the public.

AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL ON THE MARBLE-COLDWATER LAKE CHAIN

In recent years, Eurasian milfoil and other aggressive-growing plants have infested the Marble-Coldwater Lake Chain. Left unchecked, these plants have the ability to spread rapidly and can limit recreational use and degrade fisheries. The control of invasive aquatic plants will be the main topic of discussion at a public hearing scheduled for July 20th at the Coldwater High School. The hearing will be held to get public input on an invasive plant control program on the Marble-Coldwater Lake Chain.

Currently, some residents on the lake chain are paying assessments for treatment to control plant growth. However, a more expansive program is going to be needed to effectively control the spread of these plants. To address this issue, several lake residents requested that the Marble-Coldwater Lake Board evaluate options for a more comprehensive project. The lake board includes representatives from the four townships bordering the lake chain, the county drain commissioner, a county commissioner. and a lake resident representative. At the hearing in July, treatment options and costs will be presented to lake residents and, based on comments received from lake residents, the lake board will consider moving forward with a project. Prior to the hearing, all lake residents will be mailed a written notification of the hearing date and information regarding the proposed scope and cost of the program.