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ARE HELD THE SECOND
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AT 7:00PM AT THE TOWNSHIP
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CATCH UP ON THE FULL 2022 MEETING MINUTES AT
[HTTPS://WWW.GARDENTWP.COM/2022](https://www.gardentwp.com/2022)



911 Fire Signs Update

Delta County Addressing Committee is in the process of realigning the road systems to fit with Delta County's 911 Grid System. All areas of the County will be affected, including all townships, cities, and villages. This will change some building addresses. The project may take up to a year or more to complete. The County has asked to have the Township hold on putting out any more 911 fire signs until the changes have been made.

The active list of residences in Garden Township missing 911 Fire Signs is with the contractor (Mike Lange Enterprises). We are working on determining how much is in the original funds for Garden Township. Once this is determined we can determine how much of the existing list can be done with the existing funds.

TAXES: The last day to pay your winter 2023 taxes without incurring any interest or penalty is Tuesday, February 14, 2023. The last day to pay your taxes to the township treasurer before they are turned over to the county as delinquent is Tuesday, February 28, 2023. On this last day of February, February 28th, the township treasurer will hold office hours at the township hall from 9am to 5pm. The treasurer will be holding office hours from 9am to 5pm on Monday, December 26 to collect township taxes. Taxes can be dropped off in the drop box by the front door of the township hall.

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS OF GARDEN TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for Garden
Township will be in session on:

DECEMBER 13, 2022 at 10:00 am. at the Garden Township Hall.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS TO CORRECT CLERICAL ERRORS,
MUTUAL MISTAKES OF FACT.

APPROVED VETERANS EXEMPTIONS MUST BE APPLIED FOR ON A
YEARLY BASIS.

Any other questions concerning your assessments please contact Joe Maki, Garden Township
Assessor, at 1- (906) 280-4372

Garden Township now has a Planning Commission

In 2021 and early 2022, the Delta County Board discussed discontinuing zoning for all townships. In response, the Garden Township Board passed an ordinance in April 2022 that created a Garden Township Planning Commission, enabling Garden Township to do its own zoning. The choice appeared to be no zoning or do our own zoning.

Planning Commission members include Chair Frank Williams, Vice Chair Jodi Durrance, Secretary Tracy Waeghe, Tom Lang and ex officio member Janet Feenstra Daasch representing the Garden Township Board. Zoning Board of Appeals members include Dick Seibert, Jodi Durrance, Meghan Kelly and Craig Potvin. The Township Board hired Joseph Maki as zoning administrator.

In July 2022, the Garden Township Planning Commission recommended to the Township Board an Interim Zoning Ordinance. This Interim Zoning Ordinance and several later amendments to the Interim Zoning Ordinance were approved by the Township Board. The zoning ordinance is a temporary zoning ordinance until a Master Plan can be created and used as the basis for the permanent zoning ordinance and all zoning decisions. Visit the Garden Township website gardentwp.com to see fee schedules for zoning permits, rezoning, conditional use, land division applications, boundary line adjustments, and platted lot splits applications. Applications for all items can be obtained from the zoning administrator. The Planning Commission has approximately three years to complete a Master Plan and develop a permanent zoning ordinance based on the Master Plan. We will need the input of our Garden Township residents to determine what vision we want for our township for the next 10 years. The Master Plan is reviewed approximately every 10 years.

At this time, the interim zoning ordinance has a moratorium on all solar and wind applications. The Planning Commission will recommend a temporary solar and wind ordinance be put in place until a Master Plan and permanent zoning are created. In November 2022, the Planning Commission recommended a temporary solar ordinance to the Township Board. At an upcoming Garden Township Board Meetings, the Board will vote on the temporary solar ordinance.



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Any questions, please call (906) 450-1510