# Laketon Township

## **Property Taxes—Due Date & Payment Options**

2024 Winter taxes are billed December 1, 2024 and due by February 14, 2025. There are a variety of ways to make your payment:

- In Person—at Laketon Township Hall during normal business hours M—F 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Cash, check, money order or debit/credit cards accepted. *Please be advised debit/credit card payments incur a 3% convenience fee charged by the payment processing company.*
- In Person—at any Choice One Bank during their normal business hours—you MUST have your tax bill with you to make payment at the bank.
- By Mail—send check or money order to Laketon Township Hall, 2735 W Giles Rd, Muskegon, MI 49445.
- After Hours—there is a drop box at Laketon Township Hall for after hours payment drop off. NO CASH payments accepted in the drop box.
- Online—visit www.laketontwpmi.gov and click on the large "Bill Pay" button and follow the prompts. Online payments made by debit/credit cards incur a 3% convenience fee and e-check payments incur a \$3.00 flat fee—fees are charge by the payment processing company.

## Other property tax information

- Laketon Township accepts partial payments—you may make payments towards the total balance due once you receive your bill. If the entire balance is not paid by the due date; interest and penalties will only apply to the unpaid balance!
- State law applies a penalty of 3% to all unpaid 2024 property tax balance the day following the February 14, 2025 due date, as well as applying interest at a rate of 1% per month or fraction of month.
- If you have an outstanding 2024 summer balance due it can be paid at Laketon Township Hall until 02/28/2025, with applicable interest and penalties—call for the correct balance due before making payment.
- State Law requires that on March 1, 2025 all unpaid 2024 property taxes are turned over to the Muskegon County Treasurer for delinquent collection.
- If you have any questions relating to your property taxes and making payments or how your tax bill may be affecting your mortgage escrow payments, please don't hesitate to call the Laketon Township Treasurer's office for assistance! 231-744-2454

#### **TID BITS**

- Twp Hall—Upcoming Holiday Closures: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day 12/24/2024 & 12/25/2024, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day 12/31/2024 & 01/01/2025, Martin Luther King Day 01/20/2025, President's Day 02/17/2025, Good Friday 4/18/2025, Memorial Day 5/26/2025 and Juneteenth 6/19/2025.
- Dog Licenses: Muskegon County Dog Licenses can be purchased all year at Laketon Twp Hall—all dogs are required by law to be licensed when they turn 4 months old and get their first rabies vaccination shot OR within 30 days of acquiring ownership if they over 4 months old. Proof of rabies vaccination is required!
- NON-Motorized Trails:
  The sidewalks and bike paths in Laketon Township DO NOT ALLOW snowmobiles, motorcycles, quads/4 wheelers or ATV's of any kind. Motorized wheelchairs are permitted. k you for respecting the rules for the safety of everyone using these paths.
- MULLALLY PARK UP-GRADES—courts and new parking areas: tennis, pickleball and basketball court construction was finalized in early October! Just a reminder in order to keep these new courts in the best condition possible—NO food or drink inside the fences and NO ANIMALS inside the fences. Please close the gates after entering/exiting the courts! Thank you!





## **Road Paving Project**

Good things happen when citizens, townships and county government entities work together!

Citizens living on N. Weber Rd along with Laketon Township and Muskegon County Road Commission worked together on getting their very old road, which was in very poor condition, repaved this year!

The paving took place in October and the residents showed their excitement and gratitude with some cheerful chalk artwork on the culde-sac end of

the road.

It was a job well done by all! Thank you to the residents for investing in their neighborhood!

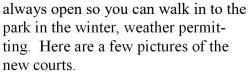


## Mullally Park—New amenities!

In early October this year, construction was completed on brand new courts—1 tennis court, 1 full basketball court and 4 pickleball courts! New parking areas were also installed in front of the courts as well as in front of the bathrooms and football/soccer field.

Players were on the pickleball courts as soon as they opened!! Funding for this project came from federal dollars through the American Rescue Plan Act.

The park is open seasonally from 8 am to dusk. The gates aren't opened in the winter, however there is a small parking area that is





### WINTER: SNOW REMOVAL SAFETY REMINDERS!

- Please be considerate of neighboring properties when plowing snow and where it's piled up.
- Please keep piles of snow far enough back from the road to allow for clear vision of the roadway for the safety of all motorists as well as pedestrians.
- Please—don't plow snow across the road—this can cause traffic hazards.
- Please—don't plow snow into ditches—this can lead to ice blockages and cause spring melt/flooding issues.
- Please—don't plow, shovel or blow snow in such a way as to bury or block access to fire hydrants. If you have a fire hydrant in your yard—any help keeping it clear of snow and ice is greatly appreciated!
- The bike path and sidewalks ARE NOT open to snowmobiles or any other motorized vehicles except motorized wheelchairs.
- Laketon Township maintenance staff remove snow from the bike path & sidewalks in as timely a manner as possible.
- Please do not pile snow on the bike path or in any location where it will block the township snow removal equipment.

THANK YOU and HAVE A FUN, SAFE WINTER SEASON!

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"We are like a snowflake, all different in our own, beautiful way." ~Author Unknown