

# OVERISEL TOWNSHIP NEWS

**APRIL 2011**

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## Vote on MAY 3

Overisel Township Hall (4307 144<sup>th</sup> Ave.)  
Polls open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### ***Hamilton's Ballot:***

- \*\*School board seats
- \*\*Operating millage renewal of 18 mills

### ***Zeeland's Ballot:***

- \*\*School board seats
- \*\*Operating millage renewal of 18 mills

**\*\*Last day to get an application for an absentee ballot is April 30, 2011.**

**\*\*Don't forget you can use the door slot at the Twp. Hall-- it is always available to drop off your ballots.**

## Serving the Township

A **vacancy** was created on the Overisel Township **Board of Appeals** with the retirement of Glen Boerman. **Thanks, Glen** for your service. Please contact Russ Van Dam if you are interested in serving in this position.

**Township Board Meetings.....**Monthly meetings are held at the Overisel Township Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Public is welcome.

## ***2011 Rural Rush for a Cure***

The Hamilton Football Program will present the 2011 *Rural Rush for a Cure*. The 5K run, 5K walk, and 1 mile kids' run will be held on **Friday, June 3**. The 5K run and walk will begin at 6:30 p.m., while the 1 mile run for kids 12 and under will begin around 7:30 p.m. The race will begin near the Overisel Reformed Church and proceed around the block in Overisel. The race will begin on 47<sup>th</sup> Street heading north; then east on 143<sup>rd</sup>; south on 46<sup>th</sup> Street; then west on 142 Ave; finishing the race east on 47<sup>th</sup> Street. **Roads will be closed from 6:15 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Please have your dog(s) indoors or confined.** Once again, the proceeds will benefit the *American Cancer Society*.

## Township Hall Hours

*Every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.* anyone with a question or concern may call or stop by, or you can register to vote or pay taxes. Robert Jones, our assessor, will be there from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.

## **2011 SUMMER ROAD PROJECTS**

Reconstruction will be done on 44<sup>th</sup> St. from 144<sup>th</sup> going north 1 mile.

New culverts will be installed on 144<sup>th</sup> between 38<sup>th</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> Streets.

New asphalt will go on 46th St. between 139<sup>th</sup> and 137<sup>th</sup>.

Resurfacing 4 miles with fog-coat "chip and seal".

Road Mowing and Dust Control will be done along with spot graveling.

### **Fire Dept. News:**

Chief Ron Horsting reports the Overisel Fire Department had a total of 105 calls in 2010. They included the following:

13 downed power lines

3 smoke investigations

12 building fires

1 brush fire

49 Medical emergencies

13 motor vehicle accidents

1 gas leak

1 police assist

2 on stand by's

8 cancelled enroute

\*\* Note that the warning sirens are being tested the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month-April-October at 11:00 am.

\*\***THANK YOU to PHIL BROWER** for his many years of service to our township as a fire captain.

\*\* Keep checking those smoke detectors.

\*\*The Fire Dept. welcomes **Brad Achterhof and Ryan Garvelink.**

**The Fire Dept. is still accepting applications.** Contact Info:

269-751-8314 (messages are checked daily except for Sunday) or

Overisel Fire Dept., 4779 142nd Ave, Holland, MI 49423

### ***WHO TO CALL FOR.....***

**Burn Permits-269-686-5222**

**Cemetery Lots-**

**Bentheim-Steve Arendsen**

616-688-5564

**Overisel-Ken Kleinheksel**

269-751-5785

**Property Taxes-Pat Reuschel**

269-751-8623(home) or 269-751-7030 (both places--leave a message)

**Tax Assessment-Robert Jones**

269-751-7030 Tues., 1pm -5pm

**Voter Registration-Renee Hop**

269-751-7030-(leave a message)

**Zoning questions / Building Permits-**

**Professional Code Inspections-**

**1-800-628-3335**

## **Salem Twp. / Howard Miller**

### **“Home Library” Agreement**

An agreement has been reached stating that patrons of these libraries may choose either location as their ‘home library’.

Your ‘home’ library’ status matters because a patron may only pick up holds at their ‘home library’. They may only place AV materials that their ‘home library’ owns on hold. Lastly, new books are not eligible for hold outside of the ‘home library’ for 6 months.

To make this change a patron must request it. The library staff will change the designation of a patron’s ‘home library’ in the computer record. No sticker or other indicator will be added to the library card.

Overisel Township patrons must still register for their original card at Salem Twp. Library. Patrons may still use their cards at any library within Lakeland Library Cooperative to check out materials that are on-shelf.

All patrons of both of these libraries should now be able to download audiobooks at Lakeland Library’s Website :  
<http://lakeland.lib.overdrive.com>

### **CEMETERY NOTES:**

--Spring clean-up has begun at both cemeteries. All artificial flowers will

be removed when they are no longer presentable as determined by the cemetery caretakers. The caretakers will also remove any unclaimed baskets.

--Effective immediately for all active cemeteries in Overisel Township; the responsibility for pouring/placing the concrete bases for all grave markers will be done through the Township Caretaker who will work with the specific Sexton for placement. Send all foundation requests to:

Steve Arendsen, 4534 39<sup>th</sup> St.,  
Holland, MI 49423, 616-836-4101

### **Computer and Electronics Recycling**

Township residents have new option for recycling anything that “plugs in or runs on batteries”. Located at 725 N State St, Zeeland is a warehouse run by *eWasteNot WantNot* *Computer & Electronics Recycling*.

Free drop offs can be made Wed-Fri 9:00-4:00 pm, or Mon, Tue, Sat by appointment. Small appliances are also welcome (ie. fans, hairdryers, lamps, alarm clocks). This company partners with individuals who are in the 70 X 7 program. This also will help our landfills.

**REMINDER: All township building permits and zoning questions** need to be directed to Professional Code Inspections (PCI). Toll free number is 1-877-628-3335.

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Holland, MI 49423**

**All agricultural buildings need a permit.**

We want to thank all our former Zoning Administrators and Inspectors for their service to us. **Thank you Marvin Brower, Wayne Oosterink, Gary Raak, Shelley Burton and Gord Bosch.**

### **Township Transfer Station**

To use the transfer station, (located 1/4<sup>th</sup> mile north of Sandyview School on 46<sup>th</sup> St) you must buy a “card”.

**The price is \$15.00 per card.**

Township residents can purchase card at the Transfer Station. The charges are based on the volume being dumped. The Transfer Station is open on the first and third Saturday of each month from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. (Closed holidays, Jan. and Feb.) Please be reminded that we cannot accept yard waste, asphalt shingles, major appliances, tires or oil base paints.