

**NEWSLETTER**  
**Bearinger Township**  
**December 1, 2011**

*We hope you enjoy the winter season and all the beauty it has to offer.*

**Taxes**

If you have **not** paid your Summer 2011 tax, a past due tax notice is enclosed. Checks can be made payable to Bearinger Township until February 28, 2012. **All payments made on or after March 1, 2012 must be made payable to the Presque Isle County Treasurer and mailed to P.O. Box 110, Rogers City, MI 49779.**

Winter Tax is **due December 1, 2011** but you have **until February 14, 2012** to pay without incurring a penalty. **On February 15<sup>th</sup>, a 3% penalty will be added.** On **March 1, 2012**, all outstanding taxes will be turned over to the County Treasurer.

If you wish to receive a receipt, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your payment. If you are requesting more than 4 receipts, please add additional postage. Otherwise, consider your cancelled check as receipt of payment.

My office hours are from 9-5 Monday through Friday. Payment may be made at my home, however, I would appreciate a call first. **I will be available on December 28, 2011 and February 28, 2012 to receive tax payments in person.**

You may contact me via phone at 989-938-6457 or e-mail: [phelpsfrm@alphacomm.net](mailto:phelpsfrm@alphacomm.net)

**Bearinger Township Assessor**

**Trevor Most**

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**The BOARD OF REVIEW will be held on December 13, 2011 at 9:00 AM, in the Bearinger Township Hall, for **ERRORS AND PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE ONLY.****

**Two additional Board of Review meetings will be held in March, 2012.**

**The following issues will be addressed at the March meetings:**

- 1)The Taxes are too high.**
- 2)To claim a hardship.**
- 3)The tentative taxable value is too high.**
- 4)The valuations are correct, but are higher than other property in the neighborhood or other property similar to the taxpayer's property.**
- 5)The property shouldn't be assessed at all.**
- 6)To check on what the current valuation is.**
- 7)The assessor has the wrong classification on the property.**

**Please call the assessor or a board member for the March Board of Review dates.**

\*\*\*\*\***REMINDER: 2012 is an ELECTION YEAR**\*\*\*\*\*

**Persons interested in running for office in Bearinger Township will need to contact Presque Isle County in the spring to file their paperwork, in order to be placed on the primary ballot in August. I will not be running for re-election as Treasurer and Ted Slawinski will not be running for re-election as Supervisor.**

**The 2012 Presidential Primary will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>. If you need an absentee ballot, please send a written request to the Clerk, Nancy Shutes, at 18439 Iroquois Lane, Ocqueoc, MI, 49759.**

**Township Board Meeting Dates:**

December 13, 2011	August 13, 2012
February 13, 2012	October 8, 2012
April 9, 2012	December 10, 2012
June 11, 2012	

Township Board meetings are held every other month, on the second Monday of the month, at 7:00 P.M. We welcome the public to attend.

**Large Item Trash Day** will be held June 16, 2012 from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Tires and large appliances will be collected at an additional cost. There will be an ad placed in the local newspapers in May with detailed information including the date. This information will also be posted on our website [www.bearingertownship.org](http://www.bearingertownship.org) or you may call a board member with any questions.

**Ocqueoc/Bearinger Township Fire Board** meetings are held quarterly the first Thursday in January, April, July and October at 7:00 PM. The location is the Fire Hall at Town Hall Rd. and US 23. We welcome the public to attend.

**NOTE:** Your local volunteer Fire Department is recruiting new members. For further information please contact Gary Yaklin (Fire Chief) at 989-734-2841.

\*\*\*\*\***BEARINGER TOWNSHIP BOARD**\*\*\*\*\*

Ted Slawinski-Supervisor	989-734-3412
Gale Phelps-Treasurer	989-938-6457
Nancy Shutes-Clerk	989-938-6554
Pat Augustine-Trustee	989-938-6407
Kay Dowker-Trustee	989-733-0665

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