

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP

Keeping in Touch...

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From the Supervisor

Friends and Residents;

This has been a challenging year for Sylvan Township. Recently, our Planning/Zoning Administrator, Carol Konieczki, retired. As you know, this is a critical position. Scott Pacheco is now our Planning/Zoning Administrator; we thank him for being here!

We are still working on updating our Ordinances. This week the modernizing of technology our Board Room is being done. This is being paid for with (ARPA American Rescue Plan Act) Funds.

If you are interested in serving on a Board or Commission, please complete the Declaration of Interest form on our website. Currently, our normal hours are 9 am until noon, Monday through Thursday. If you need to have a discussion with any department head, please call that department and ask for an appointment.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Kennedy

Supervisor

Treasurer's Office - Rod

Tax Payments

rbranham@sylvantownshipmi.gov, ext 117

Tax payments can be made Monday thru Thursday at our office from 9 am until 12:00 noon. To avoid a late fee, summer taxes are due February 14, 2024, by 5:00 pm. In addition, payments (with late fees) can still be made at our office until February 28, 2024. March 1, 2024, they will be turned over to the County incurring additional fees. **It's important to note postmarks are NOT accepted.** Payments can also be made Dec. 1 thru Feb. 14 at CSB

Maple Grove Cemetery Sexton – Larry Doll

ldoll@gmail.com, 734-260-1540

Maple Grove Cemetery is Sylvan Township's cemetery, located on Sylvan Rd, just south of Old US 12. Rights of burial in Maple Grove are available for sale to residents or taxpayers of Sylvan Township. Other considerations such as family ties may also qualify a person to purchase the right of burial at Maple Grove. The cost per lot is \$800.00. If you are interested in purchasing a lot or have any other cemetery-related questions you may contact me at the number or email listed above.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS

- **Kathleen Kennedy, Supervisor, ext 114**
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- **Rod Branham, Treasurer, ext 117**
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- **Amanda Nimke, Clerk ext 116**
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- **Kurt P. Koseck, Trustee**
kkoseck@sylvantownshipmi.gov
- **Sandie Schulze, Trustee**
ssschulze@sylvantownshipmi.gov

NOTE: Regular Board of Trustees meetings are scheduled on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise advertised.

Holiday Observances 2023 Offices Closed

Thur. Nov 23 - Thanksgiving

Mon. Dec 25 – Christmas

Tues. Dec 26 – Additional

Wed. Dec 27 – Additional

Thur. Dec 28 - Additional

Clerk's Office - Amanda

animke@sylvantownshipmi.gov, ext 116

Heading into the 2024 election year we will have three elections, with the Presidential Primary on February 27th, State and Local Primaries on August 6th, and the General Election on November 5th.

With the passage of Proposal 2, voters can vote in-person at regional voting sites for 9-days prior to statewide and federal elections. During early voting, registered voters can vote at the Sylvan Township Hall or the Washtenaw County Learning Resource Center (4135 Washtenaw Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48108). On election day, in-person voting will be at the Sylvan Township Hall.

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Voters can now choose to be placed on a permanent absentee ballot list, which allows a voter to automatically receive an absentee ballot for each election. Please visit our website at sylvantownshipmi.gov, and click on the elections tab to access the form to sign up for the permanent absentee ballot list, and learn more about early in-person and general election information.

On another subject, broadband infrastructure is heading north towards Sylvan Township, and is on schedule to provide service in the fall of 2024.

Visit <https://www.washtenaw.org/2867/Broadband-Task-Force> to view the maps for the roll-out of broadband infrastructure. Use the search tool on the map to find specific information on your address. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Township Assessor – Catherine, assessor@sylvantownshipmi.gov, ext. 111

Notices of Assessment and Taxable Valuation will be mailed the 3rd week in February. The notices include the tentative 2024 assessed and taxable values along with information regarding the March Board of Review. Please review your Notice and contact the assessing office with any questions; you don't need to wait for the Board meetings to call.

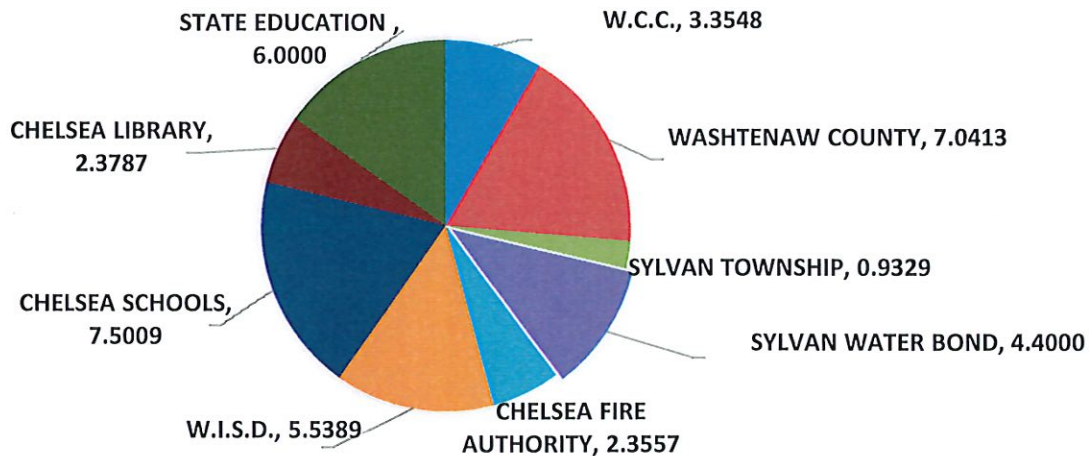
Board of Review appointments will be held on Monday, March 11th and Wednesday, March 13th. The assessor's office has plenty of information available on our website including land sales, property information, sales studies and a link to the state's property tax calculator to estimate upcoming tax bills. After the close of the March Board of Review, the assessed and taxable values are finalized and the taxable values will become the basis for the 2024 tax bills.

There are 2 Property Tax Exemptions that are available to residential taxpayers:

- Hardship or Poverty Exemption (available for qualifying low-income residents)
- Disabled Veteran's Exemption (available for qualifying disabled veterans)

Interested residents should contact the assessor's office at the email or phone number listed above or can review information on the Assessor's page of the Township website. occupied property receiving a Principal Residence Exemption. The township treasurer's office collects the taxes and distributes the money collected to the different taxing authorities.

TAX RATE DISTRIBUTION (2023 MILLAGE RATES)



Zoning and Planning – Administrator, ext 113, spacheco@sylvantownshipmi.gov

Zoning permits are required for all exterior changes to a property, including but not limited to new construction or additions to a residence; accessory structures (barns, garages, sheds); decks, or fences. Additionally, permits are necessary for the demolition of a structure and for new installations or replacements of exterior mechanical equipment such as AC units and generators. Home occupations and other businesses also require zoning approval. The office hours for the Zoning Administrator (ZA) are from 9 AM to 12 PM Mon and Wed. For expedited assistance, you may also email the ZA at any time.

If you are remodeling the inside of your house, you should contact Chelsea Area Construction Agency at 734-475-4420.