

HERSEY TOWNSHIP WINTER TAX UPDATE 2017

Here are a few updates from the Hersey Township Board:

- **HERSEY BOARD OF REVIEW:** The Hersey Township Board of Review 2018 will be held at the Hersey Township Hall, Main St. Hersey the week of March 12, 2018. You will be advised in your 2018 Assessment Change Notice which will be mailed in February with specific dates/times. In addition, you will be able to schedule specific appointment times through our assessor (insures information is available for review) as well as "walk ins". Please check our website, the newspaper or posting at the Township Hall for any additional information on dates/times as we approach March. WEBSITE: Osceola-county.org.
- **SCRAP TIRE DISPOSAL INFO:** The tire collection for 2018 dates and times are as follows: May 29 and 30th from 9:00am to 3:00pm, May 31 from 9:00am to 6:00pm, June 1 from 9:00am to noon, June 27 and 28th from 9:00am to 3:00pm, June 29 from 9:00am to 6:00pm, and June 30 from 9:00am to noon at the Middle Branch Township Hall. All tires MUST BE CLEAN and dry. If they are not, they will NOT be accepted. No tire over four feet in height, nor wider than 12 inches. No forestry tires. At this time, we will accept rims, however if that changes in 2018 your township officials will be able to tell you. Business tires will NOT be accepted.
- **FEMA FLOOD MAP UPDATE:** The flood map that was proposed by FEMA in the 2011 timeframe is officially recognized as inaccurate and will NOT be used. FEMA has authorized a new Muskegon River watershed evaluation with different contractors than used before. The process being used is commonly referred to as "watershed discovery" which has a goal of better understanding of flood damage areas, discussion of ideas for mitigation, identification of critical facilities/structures etc. This process will also identify and study contributing streams and lakes. This initial phase and will require additional funding to complete the study/mapping of the flood plain area. The whole process IF approved and funded by the Federal government could take as much as five (5) years to complete. The first steps of obtaining accurate, modern LiDAR measurements from airplane "fly overs" have already occurred and would be used in future maps versus the old topographic maps from the mid 1900's. FEMA Region V has prioritized the Muskegon River Watershed because it was estimated to have some of the greatest flood risks and damages among the watershed areas yet to be analyzed.