



# Washington Township

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## Winter 2022 Newsletter



### Washington Twp. Hall

57900 Van Dyke - Washington, MI 48094

Phone: (586) 786-0010

### OFFICE HOURS:

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Monday – Friday

Sam Previti.....Supervisor  
Stan Babinski.....Clerk  
Mike Nicley.....Treasurer  
Dennis Stevenson.....Trustee  
Gary Kopp.....Trustee  
Cindy Olsen.....Trustee  
Dan Detkowski.....Trustee

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Macomb County Sheriff

Emergency.....911

Non-Emergency...(586) 469-5151

### FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR, SAM PREVITI

Dear Washington Township Residents,

The Board and I have accomplished a lot in the past 24 months of being in office. Despite pandemic restrictions, Washington Township has moved forward. Some of the highlights include:

**Sheriff's Dept.:** On April 1<sup>st</sup> I was proud to sign a contract with the Macomb County Sheriff's Department adding (2) additional deputies for Traffic Enforcement and Motor Carrier Enforcement. This is the first increase in police presence in over 12+ years to our Township and has made an immediate impact!

**Fire Dept.:** Acquired land for two future Fire Stations, & purchased new ambulance & new fire truck to ensure the safety of our Township! Exploring building new station #2 to utilize current station as Sheriff's Post.

**Road Paving:** Completed West Road repaving Project this fall! We will begin the repaving of Campground Road with intersection correction at Van Dyke / Campground, along with beginning paving 30 Mile Road.

**Limestone:** Over 3 miles added to 28 Mile Road from Jewell to Hayes & Inwood from Mound to Mt. Vernon!

**Sidewalks:** We continue to fill gaps to make our sidewalks connect to schools, trails, & local businesses!

**Water Main Extended:** Adding water lines along Powell Road & along 31 Mile Road to help with Fire Prevention!

We are bringing Positive Change! I want to continue to hear what your concerns are, answer questions, & work together to keep Washington Township, the 'Jewel' of Macomb County. Thank you to the Board, the staff, and the residents for their perseverance this past year. I look forward to continuing to serve Washington Twp. residents, families, & businesses. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year!

### Sebastian 'Sam' Previti

Supervisor of Washington Township



Sam Previti

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### ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE CODES



**Trash** – All trash, recyclable materials and residential yard waste must be gathered, stored and placed in a closed container or containers sufficient in size and number to store the waste. Under Washington Township's ordinance, place containers at the curb after 5:30 p.m. the day before pick up and removed from curbside by 8 p.m. the day of pick up. For large amounts of waste, order a dumpster through a waste hauler. For large items such as furniture and appliances, single-family residences can call GFL Environmental at 888-877-4996 to schedule a pick-up. Place large items at the curb on your regular, scheduled collection day

**Sidewalks** – As a property owner, you are required to maintain any portion of a sidewalk that may be open to the public located on your property. This maintenance includes keeping the sidewalks free from all defects and maintained in good repair, free from any obstructions encroaching from adjacent properties such as overhanging tree limbs, bushes and the like and especially making sure that you keep a clear and unobstructed site distance of fifteen (15) feet from the area in which a sidewalk intersects with a driveway.

**Snow** – All sidewalks must be free from accumulations of snow, sleet, ice and water. After a snowfall or other precipitation, Washington Township Ordinance requires the removal of accumulations within 24 hours for residential and 48 hours for commercial and industrial properties.

**Sales** - Garage, yard, estate or similar types of sales are permitted for not more than four (4) consecutive days four (4) times per calendar year with the hours of operation only between 8:00 AM-7:00 PM.

**Signs** – Permits are required for any new business signage whether it be permanent or temporary. Offsite signage placed at road intersections or on utility poles advertising for any purpose is strictly prohibited.

**Firewood** – Firewood is permitted on residential lots for personal home heating purposes, only. Washington Township's ordinance requires that firewood be neatly stacked. While not required, firewood should be raised off the ground to prevent animals from nesting under it.

## CELEBRATE THE SEASON

## TOWNSHIP SINGLE WASTE HAULER



**Santa Claus Coming to Town**

Celebrate the season with the community, RWB Parks & Rec, and SANTA & Mrs. Claus! Join us for 2 days of holiday fun! Enjoy music, entertainment, hot cocoa, treats, and more!  
\*Free, family, outdoor events; dress for the weather.

**Romeo Village Tree Lighting and Holiday Parade**  
Thurs, Dec 1st  
Parade 7:00 pm ; Village of Romeo  
Washington St. to Village Park  
Tree Lighting 7:30-8:30pm  
Romeo Village Park

**Washington Holiday Fest**  
Fri, Dec 2nd 7:00-8:30pm  
Washington Township Park

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**  
Saturday, December 10th  
Visit with Santa and other special guests over breakfast! What could be better than yummy food, entertainment, fun activities & SANTA CLAUS?  
Two times available; register now  
Call to register 752.6543  
(4709)9:00-10:00am  
(4710)10:30-11:30am  
\$14 Adults/\$9 Child (2-12 yrs)  
NR \$17 Adults/\$12 Child (2-12 yrs)  
Romeo Masonic Temple



**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
Provider of Waste, Recycling and Yard Waste Services!

**Call Us: (586) 228-1200 or  
Toll Free: (855) WASTE-65**



Priority Waste, offers a veteran's discount of 3%, along with a 3% senior discount that allows residents that have attained the age of 65 to be. To obtain the either or both discounts please contact Priority Waste!



Residential customers may temporarily suspend curbside service due to an extended vacation or leave of 30 days or more by contacting Priority Waste. Forms can be found at:

**[www.PriorityWaste.org](http://www.PriorityWaste.org)**

## WINTER ROADS

1. All township roads are under the jurisdiction of the Macomb County Department of Roads (MCDR).
2. The MCDR must request assistance from Washington Township before the township can assist with plowing.
3. Washington Township may assist in clearing subdivision roads only – this does not include private streets, apartment complexes, or condominium communities.
4. The township does not salt when clearing subdivisions, therefore residents and motorists may still see snow after the township plows.
5. Even in heavy snowfall, the MCDR may choose not to conduct the township to help clear roads. Circumstances like ice or heavy snowpack are better dealt with by the MCDR.
6. There are over 10,000 homes lining residential streets and plows are unable to manually clear driveway or direct plowed snow away from driveways.
7. MCDR will clear main roads first before subdivisions. It may take a day or two after snowfall.

The township will forward all calls for service to the MCDR. If you feel your street has been missed, you may contact them directly at

(586) 463-8671 or visit

[roads.macombgov.org/roads-home-request](http://roads.macombgov.org/roads-home-request)

**November 28 is Last week for yard waste pickup**



## Christmas Tree Pick-up

Pick-up begins the day after Christmas.

Trees longer than 7 feet should be cut in half.

Please remove all tinsel & decorations prior to curbing.

## BUILDING BULLETIN

### Check Your Permit

As the weather gets cooler, homeowners may be getting their last minute remodeling or repair projects done. Some projects require permits. If yours does, keep the following in mind:

- Permits allow the inspector to verify and approve work according to code commission standards.
  - Safeguard yourself by using a qualified state-licensed inspector concerned with meeting the requirements for health and safety standards.
  - A permit and inspection may prevent the need for costly repairs caused by poor labor or from improperly installed parts.
  - The minor fee required for a permit will provide satisfaction of the project, and protect your investment for years to come.
- For information regarding permits, please contact the Building Department at 586-786-0010.

**TWP OFFICES CLOSED DEC. 23<sup>rd</sup> – JAN 1<sup>ST</sup>.**

## KEEP THEM CLEAR

If there's a fire hydrant near your house, do your part to keep it accessible this winter:

