



# BEDFORD TOWNSHIP THE TOWNSHIP UPDATE

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**OFFICE HOURS:**  
**8 AM to 5 PM**  
**Monday-Friday**

**TOWNSHIP OFFICES WILL  
BE CLOSED FOR THE  
FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS**

New Year's Day  
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President's Day  
Good Friday (afternoon)  
Memorial Day  
Independence Day  
Labor Day  
Veteran's Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Friday following Thanksgiving  
Christmas Eve  
Christmas Day  
New Year's Eve

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From The

## Supervisor's Desk

By: Greg W. Stewart Bedford Township Supervisor

## "Isn't It a Pity" and Other Quotes!

When I first came on board over three years ago, I was determined to give more time for discussion of the board's ideas and more opportunity for the public to share theirs. Today I see the Board meetings deteriorate into name calling and personal agendas. I know it is hard to watch these meetings, see the dysfunction of the board due to intolerance of other's opinions and personal attacks. Members of the board that where once hopeful that a fresh and open approach would bring us together has turned out to only drive us apart.

To lift and paraphrase Oliver Wendell Holmes, *"the opposite of a civil society is anarchy"*.

A clear vision for Bedford has been clouded and obscured by bickering. Good people with good ideas have been drowned out by the incessant chatter of intolerance. Differences in opinions are now lies; the meanings of words are changed to fit an argument.

Bedford deserves better. I now wish to make a public appeal for civility. We are hurting those that we claim to represent. We are showing contempt for those who strive to make this a better community, we drive away volunteers and those that now hesitate to be exposed to the chaos. Most of all we are destroying the reputation of a great community.

In the past few years the accomplishments of our youth have been overshadowed by the antics of our elders. World class robotics teams and world class compassion shown in times of crisis by our children. I saw firsthand the strength of this community during the water crisis of 2014. People communicating and helping others without question showed how great this community can be. Bedford should be celebrated and yet the best of this community is mostly ignored.

Recently the board has OK'd an exploratory committee that will look at how to better communicate with the citizens of Bedford Township. Once again I am hopeful that this committee sees the need for a positive look at Bedford and looking for ways to celebrate this community. Please let me know your ideas on how to make this a community effort work for us all.

I keep a copy of Rudyard Kipling's poem *"If"* in my office which starts off:

*"If you can keep your head when all about you  
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,  
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,  
But make allowances for their doubting too;  
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,  
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,  
Or being hated, don't give way to hating.."*

*(I highly recommend finding and reading this poem in its entirety)*

There are those that see my manners as weakness, it is not. I will continue to stand for the public's right to speak, the boards right to question the administration but I will also continue to praise in public and reprimand in private, treat all with respect no matter how difficult it might be. I challenge the rest of the board to do the same.

## Bedford is Watching!



# Township Directory

Many people calling the township are finding that they reach a "menu" instead of the telephone receptionist. This is sometimes confusing, so in an effort to help you reach the correct person or department a list of names, titles, extension numbers and the department they work in is listed below. To reach Township offices and staff please call:

**734.847.6791**

and then the extension shown below.

## SUPERVISOR'S DEPARTMENT

Greg W. Stewart.....Supervisor ..... 7321  
Kim Pollins.....Administrative Assistant ..... 7322

## CLERK'S DEPARTMENT .....7323

Trudy Hershberger.. Clerk ..... 7328  
Garnet Francis.....Deputy Clerk ..... 7334  
Nancy Gin.....Administrative Assistant ..... 7320

## TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT..... 7342

Paul R. Francis.....Treasurer ..... 7324  
Krista Jandasek.....Deputy Treasurer ..... 7327  
Cindy Baum.....Administrative Assistant ..... 7352  
Amy Hogberg.....Utilities Clerk ..... 7332  
Pam Andrews.....Part-Time ..... 7339

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

David Manning.....Finance Director ..... 7325

## PLANNING/ZONING DEPARTMENT ..... 7331

Karen Kincaid.....Planning Department ..... 7337  
Jodi Rector.....Planning Department ..... 7338

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT ..... 7330

Building Department Counter ..... 7343  
Dennis Kolar.....Building Official ..... 7336  
Linda Willing.....Administrative Assistant (PT.) ..... 7330  
Steve Carnill.....Part-Time ..... 7345  
Bernie Zarb.....Part-Time ..... 7346

## ASSESSING DEPARTMENT ..... 7353

Alan Matlow.....Lead Assessor ..... 7329  
Lewis Smith.....Assessing ..... 7349  
Dan Cervi.....Assessing ..... 7326

## ORDINANCE DEPARTMENT

Damon Cecil.....Supervisor/Ordinance ..... 7350  
Shayla Pitzen.....Ordinance Officer.....7341

## TRUSTEE OFFICE ..... 7344

## SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Detective/Sergeant..... 7315  
Detective..... 7316  
Deputy..... 7318

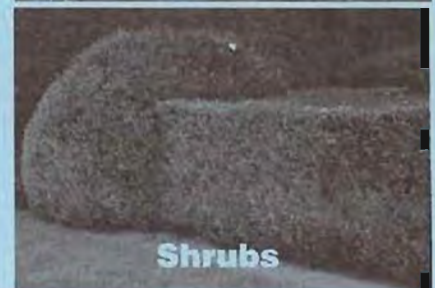
# THE BEDFORD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE Winter Kill

**A**re newly dead branches on some of your woody plants this spring causing you to wonder if you should have wrapped those naked limbs in burlap (or maybe heat tape)? Don't be too quick to blame cold weather. Winter damage to plants hardy for this region is frequently due to other causes. Stressed plants don't over-winter well. The following tips may help prepare them better for next winter:

- Roots freeze faster than branches, so mulch well, especially for the first year or two after planting your tree or shrub.
- Plants take up water until the ground freezes. Water them well until then.
- Know your plants' preferred growing conditions and site them accordingly. Bear in mind winter sun angles and prevailing winds.
- Don't do major pruning in mid-fall. Instead, bring out those clippers in February and March, or after flowering for spring-blooming plants.
- Use plant-friendly products to melt snow and ice rather than salt.
- When buying new plants, look for winter hardiness rated at Zone 5 or colder.
- And spread those roots out when you put that new specimen in the ground. Cut back strangling and dangling roots on pot-bound specimens.



Lawns



Shrubs

Then accept that early or late cold snaps, when trees and shrubs are either not hardened off yet or are emerging from dormancy, may take their toll on flower or even leaf buds. And hope for better luck next year. ■



Now you can access the videos of the Township Board Meetings on the website. On the left side of the home page under Quick Links, "click" on Video of Bedford Township Board Meetings, then "click" on the date you want to view.

Videos on Bedford Website

**www.bedfordmi.org**





## The Clerk's Corner

By: Trudy L. Hershberger  
Bedford Township Clerk

### From time to time I like to list the many services the Clerk's Department offers to Bedford residents.

#### Door-to-Door Soliciting

When solicitors or peddlers knock on your door, the first thing to do is ask **"Do you have a Bedford Township permit to solicit and can I see it?"** If they answer **"No"**, or cannot show the permit to you (*it's yellow in color, listing their name, item being solicited, permit dates, and signed by myself or one of my assistants*), then they are soliciting illegally. In that case, get as much information as possible about their company (*ask for a business card*) then call the township hall, **734.224.7323** during weekday business hours (8 am to 5 pm), or the **Monroe County Sheriff's Department** non-emergency phone number **734.240.7070** if it's after business hours, to report them. The only way we can control or stop these unlicensed solicitors is to ticket and fine them, which will make these persons and/or companies realize they do not have the right to come into our township and bother our residents. By requiring a license, we can control the times during which they can solicit, as well as make sure they are a legal business entity. Solicitors/Peddlers permits are available at my department, following completion of the application and a fee.



#### Passports

From time to time we like to remind residents that our department is a designated passport agency. We have been approved to accept passport applications since 2003. Without going into details regarding costs and the differences between passport books and passport cards, I encourage you to contact my office **734.224.7323**, for information on how to obtain a passport, how long it will take to get one, set up an appointment and any other question(s) you may have regarding this process. I feel this is an excellent way for my department to provide service to our residents over and above the normal services that many clerk's departments offer.

#### Notary Services

The Clerk's Department has three full time employees who are notaries public. We do not charge for our services and either I or one of my staff is available from 8 am till 5 pm, Monday thru Friday to take care of any notary issues you may require.

#### Bedford Township Cemeteries

As many of you are aware, the township owns and maintains four (4) cemeteries. They are **Hitchcock Cemetery** (Lewis Avenue south of Sterns), **Lambertville Cemetery** (Dean and Monroe Roads), **Bedford Memorial Cemetery** (Samaria Road east of Crabb Road), and the newest cemetery is **Bedford Memorial Gardens** (Lewis Avenue south of Samaria Road). We have been selling grave lots in the new cemetery since fall of 2011. For more information and/or details on prices, please call my office at **734.224.7323**, and we will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

#### Special Assessment Districts

If you and your neighbors are interested in a road improvement project in your sub-division, or interested in extending water or sewer lines to include your home, please contact my office to find out how to begin the process of creating a special assessment district. I will be happy to explain the petition process, help you get started, and assist in any way possible with whichever project you are interested in.

#### Community Center & Park Shelter Rental

On behalf of the **Bedford Park Board**, my department handles scheduling of the **Carr and Samaria Community Centers** as well as the scheduling of all of the parks outdoor shelters. For information on costs for rental and availability of either the community centers or shelters, please contact my department at **734.224.7323**.



#### Bedford Township Website

Have you seen the **Bedford Township website**? Go to **www.bedfordmi.org** and you can get information regarding the township and look on the calendar for community service events and park rentals. We put election news, tax and property information and the township update and so much more on the website. If you missed watching the township board meeting on the cable channel, you can go to the website and watch it the next day.

#### Government Cable Channel

If you have **Buckeye Cable** you can view the **Government Channel 11 or 7** with a cable box. We have listed all the township meeting dates and times, township park information, recycling information and the different township board and committee meetings are broadcast live on this channel.

In addition to the services I've listed above, by Michigan Law I have other statutory duties, which include: custody of all records, books, and papers of the township; the responsibility of keeping detailed accounting records and the preparation and maintenance of the journals and ledgers necessary to reflect the assets, liabilities, fund equities, revenues and expenditures for each fund of the township; maintenance of accurate records of township contracts, resolutions ordinances and other special proceedings of the township board; recording and maintaining the minutes of all township board meetings; chairman of the **Bedford Township Election Commission**, and in charge of all elections for Bedford Township. So you see, our department is very busy, trying our best to provide services for residents in our community. Should you ever have any questions or concerns regarding any of the services we provide, please don't hesitate to contact me at **734.224.7323**. ■



# Treasurer's Department News

By: Paul R. Francis, Bedford Township Treasurer



## PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION AT YOUR FINGER TIPS

If you itemize deductions when preparing your 2015 income tax returns, you will need the amount you paid for property taxes during calendar year 2015. Remember: Special assessments for various improvements such as sewer or water lines, drains, roads, street lights, etc. are generally **NOT** deductible for income tax purposes. If you file for a **2015 Michigan income Tax Credit on Form MI 1040-CR or MI 1040-CR2**, the tax amount required for credit calculation is the total 2015 Summer and Winter taxes billed, regardless of when those amounts were actually paid. You can obtain that information in several ways: from your mortgage escrow statement (if you have a mortgage); from the actual paid tax bills, or by accessing the Township website at [www.bedfordmi.org](http://www.bedfordmi.org).

If you use the township website, click on the Property/Tax Information tab on the right side, then click Tax Information Search under the Current Tax on the left side of the page. The Tax Information Search screen will allow you to search by owner name, address or parcel number. You only need to fill in one of the fields. Then click Search, and the next screen may list several parcels. Click on the parcel you wish and the detailed tax information page will come up. Scroll down for the year and season (*winter and summer*) you need, then click on the plus sign (+) in front of the year. You will see the amount due, the amount paid, date it was paid, a breakdown of what was paid, assessed and taxable values, etc. This information can be printed for your records. If you have any questions or need help with the web page, please call the **Bedford Treasurer's Department** at **734.224.7342**.

## 2016 SANITARY SEWER RATE INFORMATION

Your quarterly sanitary sewer usage bill is comprised of three components: operation and maintenance costs, depreciation, and debt service. The operations and maintenance component is calculated per thousand gallons of metered or estimated water consumption. The depreciation and debt service components are calculated on the single-family residential equivalents basis.

### 2016 Current monthly sewer disposal rates are as follows (*billed quarterly*):

Operations and Maintenance (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$ 4.12
Depreciation (per Residential Equivalent [R.E.I]) .....	\$ 4.33
Debt Service (per Residential Equivalent [R.E.I]) .....	\$ 4.06

### Average 2016 quarterly residential bill, based on a household of three is:

Operations and Maintenance (20,000 gallons) .....	\$82.40
Depreciation (3 months) .....	\$12.98
Debt Service (3 months) .....	\$12.18
Total Average Quarterly Residential Bill .....	\$107.56

## SECONDARY WATER METERS

If you are connected to the **South County Water System** and you are going to water your lawn or fill your swimming pool, you should consider having a secondary water meter installed to monitor the water consumed for non-sanitary sewer purposes. There is a cost for the secondary water meter and installation, but the potential savings in your quarterly sewer usage bill may more than offset this cost. Contact the **South County Water System** at **734.847.0579** for further information and specific details.

## SWIMMING POOL INFORMATION

The **South County Water System** will fill swimming pools located in subdivisions within 300 feet of fire hydrants, or located on section roads within 300 feet of fire hydrants on the same side of the road as the pool. For more information please contact the **South County Water System** at **734.847.0579**.

## PLEASE NOTE: DELINQUENT TAXES

If you are unable to pay your property taxes by **February 29, 2016**, the **Township Treasurer** is required by law to transfer them to the **Monroe County Treasurer's Office** for collection proceedings. In order to protect yourself from the foreclosure process, you need to call the **Monroe County Treasurer's Office** at **734.240.7365** as soon as possible to discuss your specific situation. The **Monroe County Treasurer** can offer suggestions for emergency loans and grants, sources for legal assistance, partial payment arrangements, special resources for veterans and senior citizens, hardship extensions, etc. **PLEASE DO NOT IGNORE DELINQUENT TAXES** and run the risk of losing your home. Help is available for you, but **YOU** must take the initiative and call the **Monroe County Treasurer's Office**. ■





# Bedford Township Fire Department Update



By: Ron Whipple, Fire Chief

**C**OOKING-RELATED FIRES cause over **185,600 structure fires, 80 civilian deaths, 3,875 injuries, and \$481 million annually** in property damage, according to a report issued by the **U.S. Fire Administration**. "Each year, cooking fires in structures generally result in the highest number of injuries," said **Charlie Dickinson, Deputy U.S. Fire Administrator**. "Cooking fires account for a large number of preventable fires and injuries. Simply being more attentive to the use of cooking materials and equipment would greatly reduce these types of fires and injuries."

## Other findings indicate that:

- Cooking fires peak at 6:00 p.m. There is a decrease in cooking fires in the summer when more outdoor barbecuing and family vacationing occur.
- The leading type of material ignited in cooking fires is food, especially fats, oils, and grease.
- Cooking left unattended is the leading factor contributing to cooking fires.
- A smoke alarm was present and alerted the occupants in 45% of cooking fires.

## Cooking fires are preventable:

- Be careful when cooking with oil, butter, or other greasy foods that are highly flammable and can easily splatter or spill from pots and pans.
- Use cooking aids to limit grease splattering.

- Do not attempt to extinguish grease-based fires with water as it reacts violently when poured on hot grease or oil.
- Small grease fires can be extinguished by placing a cover on the pan or smothering the fire with baking soda.
- Alcohol, such as wine and liquor, used in food preparation is extremely flammable.
- Loose fitting, long-sleeved clothing should not be worn while cooking, as the cloth may ignite and potentially cause serious injuries.
- Keep an eye on cooking materials at all times. Don't leave the area to talk on the phone or with others.
- Make sure that all dials on stoves and ovens are off when cooking activities have ended.
- Fire extinguishers should be within easy reach of cooks.
- Smoke alarms must be installed and working properly.

The **Bedford Township Fire Department** exists to protect our citizens and their property to the best of our ability. Help us to help you do stay safe by being careful in the kitchen. ■

## Improving Communication Opportunities

By Nancy Tienvieri, Trustee

**T**he Bedford Township Board is taking steps to expand and improve opportunities for the Bedford Township residents to learn more, see more, and be more informed about what is going on in your government as well as in our community. In this age of technology, which is advancing every day, Bedford Township has been on the slow track. We have the hardware, software, and methods in place, but have been very slow in keeping up with how the technology can better serve our residents.

Currently the Township Board is reviewing through an **Exploratory Communication and Cable Committee** the opportunities available to open up avenues to expand communications to the public. Social Media such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and many other systems that this "Baby Boomer" has never even heard of, are great vehicles that we can utilize to reach our stakeholders. Not everyone reads the newspaper, watches the live cable viewing of the Board meetings, or even reads this quarterly Update. We need to have a more daily transmission of news and events coming from Township Hall. The articles you read in this publication are already a month or more old, and articles in the newspaper are dependent on what the local reporter chooses to write about.

Not every household in Bedford has cable television, but for those who do we are hoping to expand that programming as well. Currently we air the Township Board meetings live on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The Planning Commission meetings are also aired live during their monthly meetings. But there is so much more going on in Bedford than just government meetings. We have a fantastic Library that has several special events throughout the year, as well

as offering educational programs and great speakers. We have a great YMCA, excellent Community Education programs, a super Bedford Business Association, and an outstanding Bedford Public School system. Promoting these facets of our community through programming on our cable channel will improve community communication and give cable users a better understanding of what Bedford has to offer. Improved programming on the local channel may allow some of Bedford's "celebrities" and/or future broadcasters to shine.

Of course for those of us who still read the newspaper, this Update and other "old fashioned" forms of media, we are not eliminating the media already in place. We realize many residents have come to rely on what they have always known and done. We realize change and moving forward does not mean forgetting those who like the comfortable way they have always operated. People today do business by check, in person, online and even by using their iPhone. We must learn to keep up with the times even while keeping the traditions we have always known.

Bringing the Bedford community together is the focus of this Communication and Cable Committee. The Committee is comprised of representatives from the various organizations and important parts of our community listed earlier. We have enlisted very talented people who are up to date on the newest methods of communication and technology. As they collaborate together on these topics to bring Bedford into the 21<sup>st</sup> century technology we will find ways to be better informed and connected. Please email me your ideas and comments at [ntienvieri@bedfordmi.org](mailto:ntienvieri@bedfordmi.org). ■





# Election News

By: Trudy L. Hershberger  
Bedford Township Clerk

## ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

If you're a new resident to Bedford Township, have moved, just turned 18 years of age, or haven't voted in several years, you may not be sure if you're registered to vote here. The easiest way to check, if you have a computer, is to go to our website, [www.bedfordmi.org](http://www.bedfordmi.org), "click" on clerk (located on the left side of the page), then scroll to the bottom of the page and "click" on Voter Information Website. This site will give you election information and tell you if you're registered to vote or where your precinct location is. If you do not have access to the web, just call the Clerk's department at **734.224.7323**, we will be happy to assist you. If you find that you are not registered to vote and wish to vote in any of the important upcoming elections this year, Michigan Election Law requires you to do so at least 30 days before an election.

## ELECTION INSPECTORS

I would like to thank all of our election inspectors for their hard work and willingness to be an important part of the election process. They attend training classes, arrive on time and work the long hours of Election Day, without complaint. Our inspectors do an outstanding job in performing the many election duties assigned them, especially when you consider that Bedford Township is the largest voting bloc in Monroe County, with the most precincts (14). While the task seems overwhelming, our inspectors/chairmen do an amazing job. **In this newsletter on page 7, is an application to become an election inspector.** If you are interested in the job, we would be glad to have you apply. You would be paid for this responsibility, and be required to attend an election training class (also paid time). For big elections,

like the upcoming August and November Presidential, we need a minimum of 90 inspectors to properly hold an election, so if you have an interest in this, please fill out the form on page 7 and return it to our office.

## MAY 3, 2016 SCHOOL ELECTION

The **Monroe County Intermediate School District (ISD)** has decided to hold an election on **May 3** for the renewal of a county wide technology millage. Both the schools and the ISD will have information for voters regarding this issue.

## AUGUST 2, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION

The August Primary Election is next, with the possibility of several local and county ballot proposals being decided at this election. Also on the ballot will be candidates for federal, state and local offices. A primary election does not elect candidates; it merely narrows the field of candidates in both parties to the number of offices up for election. For example, Bedford Township has four (4) trustee positions. This election will narrow the field of candidates for both the Republican and Democratic candidates to a maximum of 4.

## NOVEMBER 8, 2016 GENERAL ELECTION

This will be a very big election, based on the political rhetoric we've been hearing for the last few months. The last two General Elections have had high voter turnouts (+80%), the highest we have had in many years. Voters will be electing a President, a Congressman, a State Representative, County officials, Local officials (*Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, 4 Trustees, & 5 Park Commission members*), and 4 School Board members. ■

# Bedford Park Board News

By: John Mohr, Connie Velliquette, Garnet Francis, Sally Dunn, and Michele DeLaney

- The **Bedford Township Park Commission** along with **Bedford's Best Baseball** would like to thank the following individuals and companies for their support with the remodeling of the concession stand bathrooms at **White Park**. The bathrooms were in much need of repair as there were holes in the walls, leaks, and areas where animals were able to get into the ceiling. We appreciate the generous donations of monies from the following companies for this project; **American Real Estate, Arctic Café, Dundee Manufacturing Company, Graphic Signs, Heidtman Steel, Sidelines** and **TFS Total Fixture Services**. We would also recognize the following individuals for their donation of time: **Pete Davis** who was the supervisor and coordinator of this project, **Kevin Flowers**, who completed outside work and finished the light room, **Dave Garno** for the walls and diamond plating, **John Decker, Jr.** and **Jason Valdez** for demolition, **Gary Harrell** for the dividers and painting. Again, thank you all sincerely for your time and support for this project for our

Thank you

community. We apologize in advance if we have missed anyone.

- In addition, we wish to thank all of the young men (*Eagle Scout applicants*) who, with our support, have built benches, planted trees, built and placed birdhouses, built a bridge at Indian Creek, and purchased and placed dog bag dispensers at our parks. These joint ventures allowed them to achieve Eagle Scout status and helped our board make our parks a better place to be. It's truly, a win-win situation. We are very proud of these young men for their achievement, and thankful we were able to help them reach their goal.
- We have scheduled our **Annual Fireworks display** for **Friday, June 24, 2016**, at the **Bedford Community Stadium** with a rain date of **Saturday, June 25**. Mark your calendars to come join us in Bedford's celebration of our country's birthday!
- We will have a booth at the **Bedford Trade Fair** again this year (*March 12-13, 2016*), we hope you will come and visit us (*in the new gym, along the north wall, next to the Fire Department, Township Board and Beautification booths*). We'll have info about our parks, handouts/maps regarding our trails, and an opportunity to win **Pickleball equipment** (*in honor of our new pickleball courts at White Park*). ■



# State of Michigan Election Inspector Application

(Complete in your own handwriting and return to your local City/Township Clerk)

## Personal Information

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #'s Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered in ☐ City or ☐ Township of \_\_\_\_\_ Pct # \_\_\_\_\_ Ward # \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

Political Party Affiliation (REQUIRED; must be a recognized state party & may not be Independent):

☐ Republican ☐ Democratic ☐ Libertarian ☐ U.S. Taxpayers ☐ Green ☐ Natural Law

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or election crime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

## Education and Experience Information

Education Background (include highest grade completed or degree held) \_\_\_\_\_

Employment Background (include current or last place of employment and type or work performed)

Languages other than English that you speak (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate your computer experience (data look-up, database processing, creating .pdfs, etc.):

1 = not experienced, 5 = very experienced

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

Past experience as an election inspector, if any (include name of jurisdiction) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have transportation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will you work at any polling place? ☐ Yes ☐ No If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

## Signature and Certification

I CERTIFY THAT I am not a member or a known active advocate\* of a political party other than the party identified above. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\* A "known active advocate" of another political party is defined to mean a person who 1) is a delegate to the convention or an officer of another party; 2) is affiliated with another party through an elected or appointed government position or; 3) has made documented public statements specifically supporting by name another political party or its candidates in the same calendar year as the election at which the person will serve as an inspector. "Documented public statements" means statements reported by the news media or written statements with a clear and unambiguous attribution to the applicant.

ANY FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS APPLICATION WILL DISQUALIFY THE APPLICANT.

Approved by State Director of Elections (June 2015)

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**BEDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS  
2016-2017 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

Bedford Township Board .....	Meets 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month
Beautification Committee .....	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month
Board of Review .....	Meets in March and possibly in July and December
Board of Zoning Appeals .....	Meets 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of each month
Fire Advisory Board .....	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of even numbered months • Fire Station • 7016 Lewis Avenue
Bedford Library Board .....	Meets 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of each month
Housing Commission .....	Meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. • Ivor Lindsay • 8745 Lewis Avenue
Planning Commission .....	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month
Park Commission .....	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of each month
Downtown Development Authority .....	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 3:00 p.m.
Temperance Action Committee (TAC) .....	Meets 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of Each Month • Ivor Lindsay • 8745 Lewis Avenue
Lambertville Pride Committee .....	As Needed
Samaria Heritage Committee .....	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month • Samaria Hall (Park) at 6:30 p.m.

- All meeting times are at **7:00 p.m.** unless otherwise stated.
- All meetings are held in compliance with the **Open Meetings Act of 1976**. Meetings are normally held at the **Bedford Township Hall • 8100 Jackman Road • Temperance, MI 48182** unless otherwise indicated. Meetings are subject to change of date, time and place, pending notification.
- The **Library Advisory Board** meetings are held at the **Bedford Township Branch • Monroe County Library System • 8575 Jackman Road • Temperance, MI 48182**.
- **Bedford Township Housing Commission** meetings are held at the offices of the **Ivor J. Lindsay Senior Housing Complex • 8745 Lewis Avenue • Temperance, MI 48182**.
- The **Township of Bedford** will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services for individuals with disabilities attending Township meetings upon one week's notice to the Township of Bedford. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township of Bedford in writing. *Please address all correspondence to: Greg W. Stewart, Supervisor • 8100 Jackman Road • P. O. Box H • Temperance, MI 48182.* You may also contact **Supervisor, Greg W. Stewart** by calling (734) 847-6791, ext.7321.

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