



# Newsletter

## Winter 2021

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Supervisor Brian Shelby  
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Treasurer Susan Burek  
Trustee Linda Adams  
Trustee Deborah Fuqua-Frey  
Trustee David Hall  
Trustee Christopher Ortiz

### From the Supervisor

- Talladay Road is scheduled to be re-graveled from Rawsonville to Whitaker Road in Spring 2022.
- Investigating the possibility of creating an in-house Building Department rather than outsourcing.
- The Township Board lowered water rates again effective November 1, 2021.
- Township Clean-up July or August 2022, information will be posted on Township Website when finalized.
- Car Show to return Summer of 2022
- If you have not already, please take a minute to complete the Township Community Survey at the following link: <https://survey.sogosurvey.com/r/AugustaMPSurvey> (also on our web page). Input received will be used to help inform the development of the Augusta Township Master Plan. The survey will be available until January 31, 2022. Hard copies of the survey will also be available at the Township Offices. All responses are confidential. Thank you in advance for your participation.

**Brian Shelby, Supervisor**

**Allan Cassell, Deputy Supervisor**

<https://augustatownship.org/supervisor/>

### From the Treasurer's Office

The primary issue affecting my office during the pandemic has been the level of service provided by the U.S. Postal Service. Mail has been delayed both sending and receiving. Following are ways to minimize issues.

#### Utility Payments

- Online payments can be made on our website, [augustatownship.org](http://augustatownship.org). The contracted provider for this service charges a fee, either \$3.00 or a tiered amount based on the amount charged
- Automated payments can be made for no cost by completing and submitting the Application available on our website under Documents; Forms & Applications. Once you are enrolled, the amount due will be deducted from your bank account on the date due. Contact Joanne at [deputytreasurer@augustatownship.org](mailto:deputytreasurer@augustatownship.org) if you have questions on this option.

#### Treasurer Drop Box

Check payments can be dropped off in a secure drop box into the wall at the Township Hall 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Your check is your receipt but if you require a printed receipt note that on your remittance and we will send one to you via U.S. mail or email (if provided).

#### BS&A Online - [www.bsaonline.com](http://www.bsaonline.com)

BS&A Online is a collection of municipal services providing instant and convenient access to various kinds of important information held at your local government. This site is updated immediately when Utility or Tax bills are issued. This is also the same site where online Tax and Utility payments can be made.

We are hopeful that one or more of these options will help. As a reminder, the treasurer's office will only accept cash payments (exact change) inside the hall. We request that you pay using the drop box (preferred), by mail (allow lots of time), or online.

With best regards,

**Susan Burek, Treasurer**

**Joanne Wade, Deputy Treasurer**

<https://augustatownship.org/treasurer/>



**Washtenaw County Broadband Task Force**  
Established by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners

**Working to Achieve Countywide Broadband Equity by 2022**



Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners has approved a plan that will provide broadband access to all residents of Washtenaw County. Internet access to your residence will be funded by either the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF), Connecting Michigan Communities (CMIC) or by Washtenaw County American Rescue Plan Act funds (ARPA). Augusta Township Clerks office serves on this Task Force.

For Information on RDOF funding locations go to:

<https://www.fcc.gov/reports-research/maps/rdof-phase-i-dec-2020/>

Enter your address in the search bar. If your address shows in the green section of the map, you are included in the RDOF.

For information on ARPA or CMIC funding locations please visit:

<https://www.washtenaw.org/2867/Broadband-Task-Force> and use the Contact Us button

Many parts of Washtenaw County have been underserved or unserved relative to broadband options. This project will bring to every resident the opportunities made possible by high-speed internet.

### **Election Polling Places Update**

The Augusta Township Board of Trustees approved my request to establish new polling places. I had concerns with keeping the existing polling locations. The Lincoln Senior Center, used for Precinct 1 and 2, may not be accessible as a polling location for future elections due to school safety mandates. Precinct 3, the modular at the township hall, was unable to accommodate the November 2020 election to my standards.

Consequently, all Augusta Township polling locations have been relocated. All 3 Precincts will use The Family Center at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 9425 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti.

A flier with details is enclosed. I will notify all registered electors again before the next election.

### **Fiscal Year End March 31, 2021 Audit Update**

Once again, we had a clean, unqualified annual audit. You can find a link to the report on [www.AugustaTownship.org](http://www.AugustaTownship.org) under both the Clerk and Treasurer Departments.

### **2020 United States Census**

The Clerk's office worked hard to ensure all residents in Augusta were accounted for in the 2020 Census. 2010 Population was 6,745, 2020 Population is 7,083, an increase of 338 (5%). Visit [www.Census.gov](http://www.Census.gov) for more information regarding Augusta Township.

Please feel free to reach out to the Clerk's department anytime. The Board of Trustees meetings are still being held on Zoom until the end of the year. You can access them from our website at

<https://augustatownship.org/boards-committees/board-of-trustees/>. We have public comment at the beginning and end of each meeting. It would be nice to see you there.

Respectfully,

**Kim Gonczy, Clerk**

**Belynda Domas, Deputy Clerk**

**Michael Bartley, Election Inspector**