

GENERAL INFORMATION

ALL MEETING NOTICES are posted in the following places: Lakeshore Technical College (use east conference entrance—posted on glass doors by Wells Fargo Conference Room entrance) and on bulletin boards located at Lakeshore Metals Inc., Pack'er Inn, and Schmidt Excavating, Inc. Agenda and minutes are also available on our web page:

TOWN WEB SITE: <http://lakefield.net/~centerville>. **Email Address:** centerville@lakefield.net

BOARD OF REVIEW is usually held on the second Monday in May or within 30 days of this date; time and place to be posted and published. The purpose of the Board of Review is to permit any property owner to obtain information on the assessment of their property, make objections or file a protest, or any other matter concerning assessment of property. This is your opportunity to discuss any objections to your taxes, as your assessment is the basis by which you are taxed. Remember, assessed value is based on what your home/land would sell in today's market.

BUDGET HEARING held in November; date and time to be posted. The purpose of the Budget Hearing is to allow citizens of the Town to inspect the proposed budget for the following year, to make suggestions and ask questions concerning revenues and expenditures. After the hearing, a Special Town Meeting is held to set the highway expenditures, elected officials' salaries and the tax levy. The Town Board then adopts the budget. Once adopted, it is binding for the year, with the Board having the authority to make all decisions concerning setting priorities on roads and maintenance. Budget is available for inspection before and after the hearing from the Town Clerk.

TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING CENTER HOURS: Recycling Center is open Saturdays (closed if Saturday is a Holiday) from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The Recycling Center is located on the corner of Center Road and Carstens Lake Road in the Town of Newton (across from the Newton Town Hall). Recycling Center is also open an extra day in the summer months (June through September) on Wednesday from 3-6 PM. REMEMBER RECYCLING IS MANDATORY!

BUILDING PERMITS: Building permits available from the Zoning Administrator and are required for any real estate improvements of \$800.00 or more (material and labor cost including the value of labor if you do the work). Also, a permit is required for any NEW structure, even if the cost is under \$800.00--this is to assure compliance with setback and building permit requirements. A demolition permit is required to remove OLD structures at no charge. This is to let the Assessor know so the structure is removed from your assessment. Building permit is valid one year from date of issue.

BURNING PERMITS are required year-round. Permits can be obtained from the Chairman, either Supervisor, Zoning Administrator, and from the Cleveland Fire Chief.

DOG DAMAGE: Please report dog damage immediately to the Law Enforcement Officer. Failure to report promptly could result in loss of damage payment.

DOG LICENSES shall be paid for with the real estate taxes. Dog licenses will be issued only when a rabies inoculation receipt from the veterinarian is shown to the Town Treasurer at payment time each year. Any dog five months old and older should be vaccinated and licensed. License fees are \$5.00 for neutered or spayed dogs and \$10.00 for unneutered or unspayed dogs. After April 1, we must charge an additional \$25.00 late fee.