2026 Oliver Township Newsletter

ROADS: The road projects for 2026 are as follows: asphalt overlays on Moore Road between Haist and Stein and Stein Road between Gagetown and Maxwell. Gagetown road was pulverized and asphalt overlayed. This project was 50/50 with Winsor Township. Grassmere Road between Stein & Kilmanagh received a gravel resurface with the cost split with Colfax Township. 1.5 miles of Kilmanagh road also received a gravel resurface with a 50/50 cost share with Grant Township. In order to keep our asphalt roads in good repair we must resurface them in a timely manner. The roads are inspected each year and rated on a scale of 1-10. Tubes under the roads are also inspected and replaced as needed. Crack sealing various roads is done each year to increase the life of the existing asphalt. The total costs of all of these projects for 2026 is $440,000.

Oliver Township has 6 miles of state highway (M142) and 9 miles of county primary roads. The rest of the roads in the township are maintained with township funds generated by a 3 mill road millage. Approximately 90% of the roads in the township are asphalt roads.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The township pickup was extensively damaged and totaled when it was hit by a wrecker while parked at an accident scene. The township insurance policy has replacement cost on its vehicles so the township has received a new $67,000 pickup. The fire department will be adding additional equipment to the vehicle using money they have raised. The cost to run the Fire Department is supported by a 1 mill tax. Grants are also being applied for to help secure new equipment. It is a volunteer fire department and we thank them for all they do for the community. Oliver Township also provides, on a contractual basis, fire protection to parts of Chandler Township.

ASSESSING: Our assessor is Angie Guza. The board of review meets in March. The members are: Bill Herford, Lonna Fisher and Colleen Krohn. If, however, you notice an error on a tax bill or assessment after that meeting, a special board of review can meet in July or December to correct the situation. Forms to fill out before coming to the board of review are available on this website under the heading "State of Mi Forms'.

Feel free to call any board member if you have any questions or concerns about any township related matters. Their names and phone numbers can be found on this website under the "Board" heading. Also, thank you taxpayers in the township and village of Elkton for your support.