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on May 2**



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## Peter Menser Named New Community & Economic Development Director



Peter Menser grew up in southwest Michigan and attended Western Michigan University, earning an undergraduate degree in Community and Regional Planning/Environmental Studies. After spending time post-graduation working for Downtown Kalamazoo, Inc. he joined Meridian Township, where he rose through the ranks, eventually earning the title of Principal Planner. While at Meridian Township, Menser shepherded development projects, managed several boards and commissions, served as economic development staff. During this time, he also earned a graduate degree in Public Administration from Western Michigan University, with a focus on local government management. Most recently, Menser served the City of East Lansing as the Planning and Zoning Administrator, working on several large developments and spearheading policy initiatives aimed at addressing the lack of missing middle housing in the area. Peter joins Delta Township with over 20 years of experience working in local government. When not at work, Peter and his wife Julia can be found hiking local trails, trying new recipes in the kitchen, or watching Chicago Cubs baseball games.

## Delta Staff Participate in Michigan Department of Civil Rights Led Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training



On February 20, Delta Township staff participated in a comprehensive training program through the Michigan Department of Civil Rights (MDCR) focusing on the importance of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), as it relates to serving the public. The program, which was hosted by MDCR DEI Director Alfredo Hernandez Corsen, is part of an ongoing effort by the Township to continue our commitment to broadening the Township's workforce and providing superior service to our diverse community.





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# Public Safety Facility & Storage Building Bond Proposal

On the May 2 ballot, Delta Township will ask voters to consider a bond proposal for the construction of a new public safety facility and storage building for the residents of Delta Township and the nearly 40 personnel (Lieutenants, Sergeants, Detectives, Deputies, and support staff) that serve them on the Delta Patrol.



## How Would This Affect Taxpayers?

If the bond proposal passes, the average residential property owner in Delta Township can expect to pay an estimated \$112.18 in additional taxes per year based on an average home market value of \$200,000 and a taxable value of \$100,000.

Approximate Market Value	Taxable Value	Cost Per Year for 1.1218 Mills	Cost Per Month
\$150,000	\$75,000	\$84.14	\$7.01
\$200,000	\$100,000	\$112.18	\$9.35
\$250,000	\$125,000	\$140.23	\$11.69
\$300,000	\$150,000	\$168.27	\$14.02

To estimate your amount, divide your taxable value by 1,000 and multiply by 1.1218

**For more information visit**  
[deltami.gov/PublicSafety](http://deltami.gov/PublicSafety)

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## If approved, this proposal would allow the Township to:



Replace the current public safety facility and adjacent storage building that have documented structural deficiencies



Provide enhanced building security



Improve facilities for female deputies, evidence processing, and witness and victim interviews



Increase energy efficiency and provide for upgraded technology



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## LOCAL BUSINESS PROJECTS

### Now Open/ Projects Completed

- Consumers Credit Union
- Crumbl Cookies
- Capital Area Sportsman League Education Center Building
- Palmer Bush Jensen (Remodel at New Location)
- Delta Self Storage
- Dick's Sporting Goods Warehouse Sale
- Spartan Spin
- Primed Combat/Blend Café

### New in the Lansing Mall

- Walkworthy Menswear
- Sleeze
- D.U.S Couture
- Gregory D Productions, LLC
- Black Ibis Discs
- Kolele Energy
- Sol Solar

### Under Construction Renovation

- Water Resource Recovery Facility
- GM Ultium Cells Plant
- Auto-Owners (Remodel of Headquarters building)
- Youngs Beauty 4233 W. Saginaw Hwy (Demolition and Remodel)
- Amazon Fulfillment Center
- Meijer Distribution (Expansion)
- Farm Bureau (Remodel)
- Crack Chicken
- Olive Garden
- GNC
- Meijer Commercial Store (Remodel)
- Look Self Storage
- Wingstop
- The Smoke N' Pig BBQ (Expansion)

## 2023 Eaton County Local Road Millage Projects

This year marks year 9 of 12 for the ECRC local road millage program. The County has submitted the list of roads to be completed in Delta Township in 2023. While these roadways are managed and maintained by the Eaton County Road Commission (ECRC), Delta Township works closely with the ECRC to coordinate and minimize impact on residents and businesses during maintenance and construction projects.

Additionally, Delta Township funds the position of a dedicated weighmaster through the Eaton County Sheriff Department, who patrols our roadways enforcing weight limits and frost laws from trucks traveling throughout the Township. This is one critical function for helping prevent road damage.

The projects list below are all repaving. If you have additional questions or concerns about county roads, please contact the ECRC at (517) 543-1630 or visit [www.eatoncountyrad.com/home](http://www.eatoncountyrad.com/home).

For concerns about Saginaw Highway, Lansing Road, or other state highways (I-496, I-96, I-69) please contact: the Michigan Department of Transportation at (517) 627-3276. for more information please visit [www.eatoncountyrad.com](http://www.eatoncountyrad.com).

Road	From	To	Treatment	Length
Adare Cir	Ireland Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.07
Ashford Ln	Knockaderry Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.03
Brookside Dr	Saginaw Hwy	Rolling Green Ln	Paved Road Resurface	0.57
Chellmar Dr	Creekside Dr	Medallion Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.2
Clark Rd	Clark Rd	Willow Hwy	Paved Road Resurface	0.5
Coneflower Ct	Crayton Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.26
Conestoga Dr	Wolf Run Dr	Sleighside Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.27
Creekside Dr	Canal Rd	Glen Terra Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.21
Dumond Ct	Snow Rd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.11
E Southwick Cir	Snow Rd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.11
Earlington Ln	Brookside Dr	Worthmore Ave	Paved Road Resurface	0.27
Eastcircle Dr	Eastcircle Dr	Eastcircle Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.05
Eastwind Cir	Westhaven Blvd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.05
Franklynn Dr	Frankn Dot Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.11
Frankn Dot Dr	Creyts Rd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.13
French Creek Cir	French Creek Dr	French Creek Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.08
French Creek Dr	Lindy Dr	Wolf Run Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.34
Glen Terra Dr	forest glen	Creekside Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.2
Gold Fields Dr	Coneflower Ct	Upton Rd	Paved Road Resurface	0.32
Hibiscus Ln	Coneflower Ct	Gold Fields Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.22
Ireland Dr	St Joe Hwy	Mallow Ln	Paved Road Resurface	0.2
Knockaderry Dr	Mallow Ln	St Joe Hwy	Paved Road Resurface	0.2
Lindy Dr	Ruby Glass Rd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.15
Lindy Dr	Ruby Glass Rd	Willow Hwy	Paved Road Resurface	0.3
Mallow Ln	Knockaderry Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.13
Marcy Rd	Mt Hope Hwy	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.5
Medallion Dr	Chellmar Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.16
Murel Dr	Old Lansing Rd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.05
N Pecos Dr	Westhaven Blvd	Southwick Cir	Paved Road Resurface	0.08
Robins Rd	Saginaw Hwy	Arden Rd	Paved Road Resurface	0.48
Salt Fork Cir	Conestoga Dr	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.05
Sleighside Dr	Conestoga Dr	French Creek Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.07
Snow Rd	Old Lansing Rd	Westhill Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.17
Springtree Ln	Rolling Green Ln	Wolf Run Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.46
Westbridge Cir	Westhaven Blvd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.04
Westhaven Blvd	Pecos Dr	St Joe Hwy	Paved Road Resurface	0.33
Westover Cir	Westhaven Blvd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.07
Westvale Cir	Westhaven Blvd	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.03
Windsong Way	Springtree Ln	Wolf Run Dr	Paved Road Resurface	0.17
Wolf Run Dr	Windsong Way	Dead End or Start	Paved Road Resurface	0.34
Woodstream Dr	Wolf Run Dr	Creyts Rd	Paved Road Resurface	0.07



## Ribbon Cutting Held for Waverly East Pool Facility Renovation

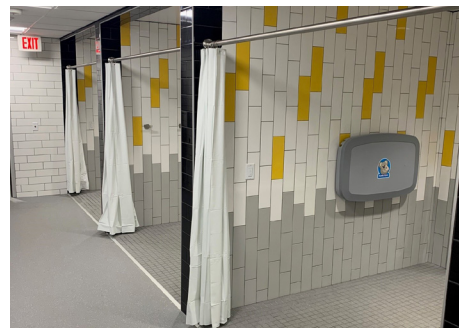
Waverly Community Schools has completed construction on new locker rooms and pool upgrades for the Delta Township Community pool at Waverly East Intermediate School. A Ribbon Cutting ceremony was held on March 20 in celebration of the newly remodeled facility.

The project was paid for through the Waverly School bond millages approved by voters in May 2021. The newly renovated facility is a resource for all community members. Delta Township is extremely grateful for the opportunity to partner with Waverly Schools on this project.

Facility improvements include a total facelift of the locker room area with floor to ceiling retiling and the addition of large spacious single showers with attached changing rooms. The pool area has been equipped with new lights, paint, and an overall fresh appeal to the space.



The Waverly East Intermediate School pool facility is used by the public for swim lessons, aerobic classes, open



swimming, and is available for private event rentals through the Delta Township's Aquatics Program.

## Delta Township Honored as a Four-Star Community by U of M Dearborn iLabs eCities Project

Delta Township has been recognized as a Four-Star Community for its successes and efforts in contributing to Michigan's entrepreneurial growth and economic development, in the annual eCities study conducted by researchers at iLabs, University of Michigan-Dearborn's Center for Innovation Research.

The eCities study analyzed publicly available data from 277 communities from 54 counties in Michigan. Researchers focused on the five-year changes in property values, community assets, and tax rates, which can demonstrate the growth, investments, and cost of doing business within the community.

Although accounting for less than 20% of the State's cities and townships, the 277 communities analyzed are home to 71% of the state's population, have 86% of the state's real commercial property and 64% of the state's total property value. Over the five-year period from 2017-2021, these communities increased their capital assets



by an average of 3.4% per year by investments that include infrastructure improvements and community focused facilities such as libraries and community centers.

The study analyzes data from the Department of Treasury and each governmental units audited financial statements to calculate five-year trends. For Delta Township, the trend showed:

- A 4.72% increase in overall property value which includes residential, commercial and industrial development in the Township
- A 3.99% increase in governmental assets, which reflects Delta's commitment to investing in its infrastructure
- The Township held steady on non-homestead tax rate

## Township Approves New Firefighter's Contract



Recently, the Delta Township Board approved a new six-year collective bargaining agreement with the local 2846 firefighters union, who unanimously ratified the contract.

The contract highlights include reduced work hours, kelly days, provisions for maternity and paid leave for birth or adoption of a child, paramedic bonuses, tuition for paramedic school, and very competitive wage increases throughout the life of the contract.

This agreement makes Delta Township a destination for Firefighter/Paramedics and Firefighter/EMT-Bs while continuing a strong commitment to extraordinary public safety services to Delta Township residents.

## Delta Installs AEDs in Several Parks

Delta Township has purchased five Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) for several parks facilities. These life-saving devices have been placed at Sharp park, Delta Mills park, Mt Hope park, Ericson park, and Grand Woods park inside a locked, weather proof, key coded box at the rest rooms with in the parks. To access the AEDs you must call 911 and advise the dispatcher of your location and they will provide you with a key code to access the AED and will dispatch police, fire, and EMS to the scene of the emergency. This ensures quick and timely access to a life saving device in addition to an expedient response from emergency responders. The locations of the AEDs were chosen due to the size and number of visitors to each park.

While we hope the need to use this equipment never arises, it is a great peace of mind knowing that they are close and available.

More Info at: [deltami.gov/parks](http://deltami.gov/parks)

## Where Do My Taxes Go?

The pie chart below represents the taxes that Delta Township collects on behalf of all Taxing Authorities. In 2022, Delta Township was responsible for collecting approximately \$79,866,296 in property taxes and special assessments. Delta Township only retains approximately \$11,996,509 or 15% of the funds collected for General Operating, Paramedic and Library purposes. This number also includes funds retained by the Corridor Improvement Authority and Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. The pie chart illustrates where your tax dollars go.

### Delta Township Tax Breakdown

Operating – \$8,324,278

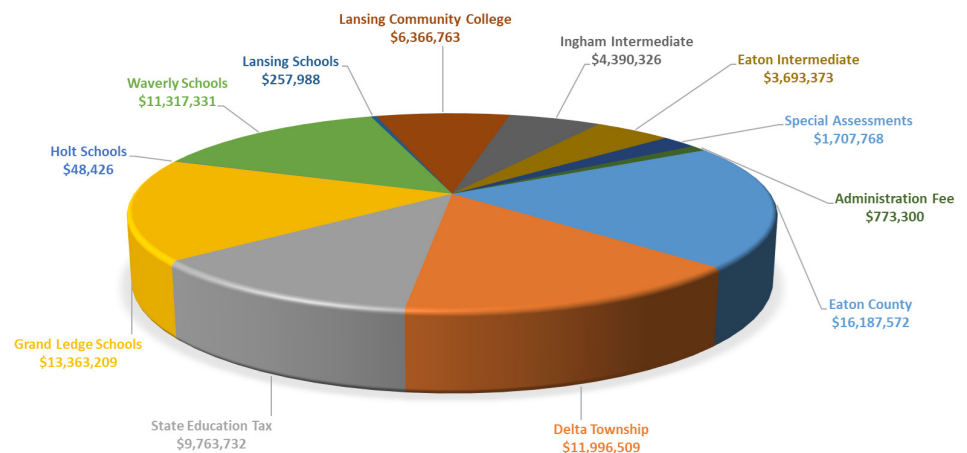
Paramedic – \$1,671,328

Library – \$1,688,907

Corridor Improvement Authority – \$185,562

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – \$126,434

2022 Taxing Authority Tax Dollar Distribution



## ALL SUMMER LONG

Join Delta Township this summer for our series of fun-filled family events designed with you in mind. For more information on all of our unique events, please visit us at [deltami.gov/deltarocks](http://deltami.gov/deltarocks)

## 6 Tips to Avoid Flooding in Your Home

- Avoid illicit connections.
- Sump pumps – have a backup plan: water-assisted or battery backup.
- Install a check valve to help prevent the main sewer from backing up into your home.
- Have your lateral line inspected by a plumber for potential blockages.
- Properly seal all cracks in basement walls and foundation.
- Regularly clean your roof's gutters and downspouts and drain as far from home as possible.

If you are experiencing flooding in your home and need assistance please visit [Deltami.gov/flood](http://Deltami.gov/flood)

## DELTA TOWNSHIP CELEBRATES

# June

## TEENTH FREEDOM DAY

For information about regional events and activities celebrating Juneteenth please visit [deltami.gov/juneteenth](http://deltami.gov/juneteenth)



## 2022 Delta Township Community Awards Honorees



**Citizen of the Year**  
**Rita LaMoreaux**



**Young Person of the Year**  
**Brian Magaswaran**



**Business of the Year**  
**The Smoke N' Pig BBQ**



**Community Organization of the Year**  
**The Delta Community Choir**

Delta Township hosted the 16th Annual Delta Township Community Awards Event on October 28 at the Crowne Plaza Lansing West. Over 150 people gathered to celebrate the outstanding individuals, businesses, and organizations that were honored during the event.

The Township presented four awards this year including Citizen of the Year, Young Person of the Year, Business of the Year, and Community Organization of the Year. The Young Person of the Year recipient was also presented with a \$2,000 Scholarship sponsored by the Delta Side Business Association.

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## Delta Receives New Ambulance



In February, the Delta Township Fire Department put into service a new ambulance. Delta Township is on a regular replacement program to make sure these important EMS response vehicles remain state of the art.

## Shea Mattson Named Deputy Clerk



The Clerk's office is pleased to announce the appointment of Shea Mattson as Deputy Township Clerk. Over the next few months

Shea will work closely with staff to learn the essential functions of the role. In this capacity Shea will be responsible for assisting the Township Clerk and clerk's office staff in the coordination of daily activities to ensure that statutory requirements are met. She will also assume the responsibility for the Clerk's Office in the absence of the Clerk.

## Delta Township Retirements



After 23 years of service to the residents and staff of Delta Township, Linda Wells has retired to a life of leisure and new adventures.

Linda, who served as the Human Resources Generalist, officially retired on February 28.

## NEW Fulltime Hires

### Arlene Flanagan

Senior & Aquatics Program Assistant  
Parks & Recreation

### Jason Lumbert

Plumbing Inspector  
Building Department

### Corey Zverina

Department Assistant  
Parks & Recreation Department

### Wendy Yaney

Human Resources Generalist  
Human Resources Department

### Jacob Thelen

Intern  
Engineering Department

### Mark Sanford

Recreation Athletics Specialist  
Parks & Recreation Department

### Brennan Bunker

Paramedic/Firefighter  
Fire Department

### Jochua Cushing

EMT-B/Firefighter  
Fire Department

### Patrick Raymond

EMT-B/Firefighter  
Fire Department

### Nick Swartz

GIS Administrator  
Engineering Department



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