

## **Planning Commission** **Secord Twp. Planning & Zoning**

[www.secordtwp.com](http://www.secordtwp.com)

Planning and Zoning Meetings are held the second  
Wednesday of each month

### **Short-Term (STR) & Rentals**

**STR/Rentals require an application to receive a  
License/Permit. Visit our website for information  
regarding the STR/Rental Ordinance.**

**Rental properties require inspections from the Health  
Dept. and Fire Department.**

### **A few reminders:**

- Changes on property will require an approved permit. Contact Zoning Administrator to issue permits.
- Most signs and outdoor storage containers require a permit.
- Point of sale inspections: It protects our main asset, the river and lake. An approved inspection of your well and septic is required for the sale of any property or change of ownership. The inspection, once approved is good for 5 years.

Please be aware of the change of the Fireworks Ordinance.  
Dates and times of usage can be found on the website.  
There will be a fine of \$1,000.00 for each violation.

Planning Committee consists of  
Board of Appeals Chairperson - Keri Shaffer  
Zoning Admin Harold Day (586) 615-1593

**All Ordinance complaints must be made by  
contacting the Township Supervisor by e-mail or  
written & mailed via Post Office.**

Chairperson-Patricia Sawka Vice chairperson -Norma  
Bidelman, Planning Secretary – Maria Alward, chairperson  
lake and weed committee; Judy Boman,

## **Telephone Directory**

Supervisor Joel Vernier 989-329-9319

Clerk Kristine Panetta 989-426-8741

Treasurer Cheryl Stiehl 810-730-6872

Trustee Maria Alward 989-429-3204

Trustee Christine Grace 989-337-7536

Fire Chief Fred Shaver 429-2329

Road Chair Ken Douglas 248-431-9509

Zoning Admin Cherie Mascarello,  
989-387-7536

Ord. Enforcement Officer,  
Tim Seagraves 989-656-6421

Assessor: Kristi Sidelko,  
[Assessor@SecordTwp.com](mailto:Assessor@SecordTwp.com), 989 942 4877

Republic Waste 1-800-578-2664  
1-800-438-0966

PLM Lake and Land Management  
1-800-382-4434  
[www.plmcorp.net](http://www.plmcorp.net)

DNR Burn permits 866-922-2876  
Gladwin Road Commission 426-7441  
Health Dept. 426-9431  
Charter Communications 800-846-1820  
Charter/Spectrum support 855-248-  
7822

***Because the telephone numbers of elected and  
appointed officials are their home numbers,  
please limit the calls to normal business hours  
Please do not leave messages on the  
Township Hall phone as it is not monitored***

## **2025 Newsletter**

*Secord Township Board*

*Meetings are held at 10:00 am on the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wednesday of each month. Property owners  
are welcome and encouraged to attend.*

## **SECORD TOWNSHIP**

1507 Secord Dam Rd

Gladwin MI 48624

989-426-7445

989-426-3232 fax

[www.secordtwp.com](http://www.secordtwp.com)

### **Garbage Collection**

Normal garbage collection is on Mondays from 6am to 8pm.  
Exceptions are holidays and weather conditions.

***Call ahead for large item trash pickup.***

***Be sure to state you are in Secord Twp and give  
your full address.***

**Republic Waste 1-800-858-0089**

***Recycling will be picked up on every other  
Thursday for the entire Township.*** Yard Waste  
pick-up is Tuesday between 6am and 8pm from  
April through November. Yard waste should be in  
biodegradable paper bags or open containers  
specifically marked as YARD Waste. Yard waste  
is defined as leaves, grass clippings, twigs  
(branches less than 1 inch) and dried lake debris.

***It is illegal to blow debris into the water!!!***

We advise you NOT to burn leaves in the ditches  
due to the eventual run-off that will find its way to  
the river and promote weed growth. We also now  
have natural gas in many areas and the lines run  
through the ditches. Burning over a gas line is  
very dangerous.

### Property Taxes

Property taxes are billed twice each year  
2024 Summer Taxes, July – Sept. 16, 2024,  
Winter Taxes Dec – Feb. 14, 2025 payable at  
the Township.

Late payments paid after Feb 14 2025 must  
be paid directly to the Gladwin County  
Treasures office [late fee will apply].

#### ***Payment by mail is preferred***

The office will be open all day 9-5 on  
December 27, 2024 & February 13, 2025.  
Other walk-in's call for appointment  
810-730-6872.

#### **Cash payments MUST be EXACT.**

Post marks not accepted. Receipts mailed  
only with self-addressed stamped  
envelope.

To pay online: [secorrdtwp.com](http://secorrdtwp.com), vender  
charges a 3% (minimum \$1.50) fee. If using  
e-checks make sure your property ID is  
noted on the check. Credit cards are  
accepted only on line. This is though our  
web site; **[www.secorrdtwp.com](http://www.secorrdtwp.com)**

We also have a Drop box next to door at  
1507 Secord Dam Rd. to receive your  
payment.

Please note that your address on your bill is  
correct, sending changes back with your  
payment if necessary.

*This link will allow you to register for your own log in  
for free access, as a property owner in Secord Twp,  
for up-to-date tax information.*

*An information fee will be charged to non-property  
owners requesting information.*

**BSAonline.com**

### Secord Lake Water Return

Homeowners will be responsible to cut  
between their seawall out 40 feet.

EGLE has approved the spraying of the sand  
bar. PLM used a product to help with the  
cottonwood and willow tree growth.

### Road Committee

Apply Brine to all remaining dirt roads within the  
township (4.31 Miles)

Crack Seal Sector 2 (8.4 miles)

Chip and Seal Lakeshore Drive one mile south of  
Secord Dam Road

Pave Secord Dam Road (1.4 miles) between

Lakeshore Drive and Three Rivers Road

Pave Lakeshore Dr. from Wirtz Rd. North to the  
Township Border (1.5 miles)

Pave Whitetail Trail from where it starts on M30  
to Fawn Lane, Fawn Lane to M30, and Deer Run  
Rail to Fawn Lane (basically the entire loop M30 to  
M30 plus Deer Run Trail)

Mow ditches within the township to provide more  
visibility of the wildlife in the ditch areas.

*Dead fall cleanup is the responsibility of  
the property owner*

### Hall Rental

Rental is limited to Secord Township residents  
only. Please call Clerk Panetta for  
updated rental information, prices and to  
schedule a rental at

#### **Please remember this is a public building.**

NO SMOKING is allowed in the hall and  
NO ALCOHOL is allowed in the hall or  
on the township premises.

**Secord Township Hall is an  
American Red Cross  
Designated Heating and  
Cooling Center**

### Fire Department News

2024 was a very busy year for the Secord Fire  
Department.

We have a drone to aid in rescue which will be  
helpful in forest areas. The Rescue Boat not a  
Patrol Boat. We have been doing some  
fundraisings to buy equipment for the boat so it  
will be ready when Secord Lake comes back.

The Fire Department has Open House events  
and Fundraisers throughout the year.

Chief Fred Shaver is willing to meet with anyone  
who would like more information about the fire  
department or who would like to view the  
equipment. He is at the station on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and  
4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month from 4 to 8pm.

For more information call  
989-429-2329

Chief Shaver also reminds everyone to check the  
batteries in their smoke detectors and CO 2  
alarms. Both could save your life and the life of  
those you love.

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ditches is illegal and you can be fined by the  
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near the lake beds as it will be very hard to  
rescue due to lack of water.