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## MISSION TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

Spring Edition 2026

The mailing list for the Township was recently updated so the Township Newsletter may be new to you. If it is, "WELCOME". Mission Township makes every attempt to be transparent in reference to the business of the Township. The newsletter reflects what is happening in the Township and arrives biannually. It is amazing how much goes on in township government and this spring is not any different. Most important is the beginning process of developing a comprehensive plan for the Township. The current comprehensive plan for the Township was completed in 2006 with an update in 2013. The Board is working with Region Five Development Commission to gather information and develop a new comprehensive plan. Comprehensive plans are significant in providing a guide for the future.

## YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

Region Five will be hosting a visioning session on May 11, 5:30 to 6:30 pm at the Township Hall. Please come and help plan for the future of Mission Township. Let the Township know what matters most to you and what is important to you with regards to housing, roads, community spaces and whatever else you want to see happen in your Township. Please RSVP at [missiontownship.evenbrite.com](https://www.missiontownship.org/evenbrite) to help us ensure an accurate food count.

## OTHER TOWNSHIP NEWS

The Township Website Administrator will be closing his business this Fall and the Township will be looking for a new provider and moving to a .gov domain. The Board will continue to make the website more user friendly and inclusive. The goal is to be up and running by Fall.

The Township Treasurer is in the process of moving out of the Township. Because the Treasurer is an elected position, the Township must appoint an interim treasurer that needs to be a resident of the Township. The interim will serve until the general election in November. The Board will again have the opportunity to move to an appointed Treasurer in the same way that the Township moved to an appointed Clerk. An appointed Treasurer is employed by the Township and is not required to live

in the Township. More news about this will be coming out this summer.

**Please visit [missiontownship.org](https://www.missiontownship.org) for updates and news.**

## Fire Department

Last year the Fire Department participated in a total of 183 calls. 100 calls were in Mission Township, 54 calls in Center Township and 23 calls in Pelican Township. The new pumper truck is working out well and the Fire Department continues ongoing fire fighter training. The department has adopted the following mission statement: "The Mission Township Fire Department is a volunteer organization committed to protecting the safety and well-being of our community through professionalism, preparedness, and pride."

## Roads

Did you know that every year the Roads Committee does a road survey of every road in the Township? They drive on every road and assess what needs to be completed for the maintenance of the roads. The Township has received a grant from the DNR to help with the reclamation of East Bass Lake Road which has been "tentatively" scheduled for completion between June 4 and June 12. The road will remain open during the construction process. Again, please visit the Township

website for up-to-date times and information.

The Township has a new driveway ordinance that helps protect the safety of residents. Check it out on the website!

## Transfer Station

The transfer station commenced operations in mid-April and has implemented several new changes. The transfer station will no longer accept garbage as we do not have a bear proof dumpster. Tires and appliances will no longer be accepted. In order to fully understand the best way to serve residents we are asking that users supply some information when they use the transfer station. This can provide the data needed to make informed decisions.

## Park

Pavilion reservations can be made through the Town Clerk and require an application. The Town Clerk has office hours on Tuesdays from 10 to 2 pm or by appointment.

Spring is always an exciting time at the park as all trails will be open and court nets will be up and ready.

**This newsletter is designed to keep all Mission Township residents informed. If you have any questions or thoughts on the newsletter, please feel free to contact Bob Steele, Supervisor (218-765-4041)**