

EMPIRE TOWNSHIP



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Supervisor
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 Population 807 (Not including Empire Village residents)

Zoning, Tony Perfect: **334-3895**
 The Empire Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Empire Township Hall.

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP



John C. Soderholm
Supervisor
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 6394 W. Western

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 Population 859

Zoning, Bob Hawley: **334-6224**
 The Glen Arbor Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Glen Arbor Township Hall Meeting Room.

KASSON TOWNSHIP



Fred Lanham
Supervisor
 General Calls:
228-5736
334-4463
 10988 S. Newman
 Road

Maple City, MI 49664
 Population 1,609

Zoning, Mike Lanham: **499-8377**
 The Kasson Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month in the Township Hall.

LEELANAU TOWNSHIP



Jim Neve
Supervisor
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 Street

P.O. Box 338

Northport, MI 49670
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 Population 1,501 (not including Northport Village)
 Zoning/planner: Deb Serwin:
386-5447
 The Leelanau Township Board meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Leelanau Township Hall.

LELAND TOWNSHIP

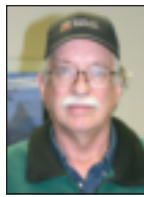


Harry Larkin
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MI 49653
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 Leland, MI 49654
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 Population 2,033
 Zoning: Tim Cypher: **360-2557**
 Marina: **256-9132**

The Leland Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month in the Munnecke Room of the Leland Township Library.

SOLOON TOWNSHIP



Jim Lautner,
Supervisor
947-2509
 Fax: 228-7579
 8907 Railroad
 Avenue
 Cedar, MI 49621

Population 1,542
 Zoning: Tim Cypher: **360-2557**
 The Solon Township Board meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Cedar Fire Hall.

SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP



Richard Bahle,
Supervisor
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 St., Ste. C

P.O. Box 457
 Suttons Bay, MI 49682
 www.leelanau.cc/suttonsbaytwp.asp
 Population 2,393 (not including Suttons Bay Village)
 Zoning: Steve Patmore: **271-2722**
 The Suttons Bay Township Board meets at 5:15 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in the Township Office.

Much of the responsibility for local governing in Leelanau County falls to the authority of its 11 townships, which vary greatly not only in physical size and population but also in the duties they perform. For instance, rural Centerville Township, under the guidance of long-time supervisor and local farmer Leonard Kelenski, performs few tasks beyond its statutory duties as a General Law township. In fact, its township hall is closed during the winter, when the Township Board meets in the fire hall in Cedar. Consequently, its clerk, treasurer and supervisor all work part-time.

Elmwood is Leelanau County's largest and only Charter township, meaning that it operates under its own charter of rules as approved by residents. Its supervisor, clerk and treasurer work in full-time capacities — as does a township secretary and the Fire Chief. Elmwood Township also has a seven-member board, including four trustees.

But the remaining 10 townships have five-member boards with two trustees.

The statutory tasks of all townships include assessing

properties and collecting property taxes. In Leelanau County, all 11 townships have also adopted zoning ordinances. Hence, questions about zoning and land use issues should be directed to local zoning administrators, whose numbers are listed under their respective townships.

All five board members in each township are up for election this year. The seats are partisan, meaning most candidates will run as Republicans or Democrats in a Primary Election set for Tuesday, Aug. 7. The General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 6.

All county residents are eligible to run. To have a name appear on the Primary Election ballot, a candidate must submit a nominating petition and an affidavit for identity by 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 15.

Candidates without political affiliation must file qualifying petitions by July 19 to appear on the General Election ballot. Candidates may also run as write-ins with later sign-up deadlines.

The same schedule applies to county offices.