

## **Budget Public Hearing Notice**

### **Wakefield Township**

The Wakefield Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2018-19 at the Wakefield Township Hall, 414 N. County Road 519, on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 5:30 pm. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the budget is available for public inspection by calling Supervisor John Cox, 844 Drier Rd. 906-224-3721 or Clerk Mandy Lake, 162 N. County Rd. 519. 906-364-0669, or by visiting our website at [www.wakefieldtownship.com](http://www.wakefieldtownship.com)

The Wakefield Township board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 10 days' notice to the Wakefield Township board. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Wakefield Township board by writing or calling the following: John Cox, 844 Drier Rd. 906-224-3721 or Mandy Lake, 162 N. County Rd. 519, 906-364-0669.

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John Cox, Supervisor

2018-19  
TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
WAKEFIELD, MICHIGAN  
GOGEBIC COUNTY

We, the undersigned, comprising the Township Board of the Township of Wakefield, Michigan; hereby recommend to the electors of said Township, the following sums of money be raised for Township and Highway purposes for the ensuing year beginning April 1, 2018 to wit:

GENERAL FUND

In accordance with Uniform Budget and Accounting Act, P.A.621 of 1978 and effective April 1, 1980.

TOWNSHIP BOARD  
TOWNSHIP OF WAKFIELD  
WAKEFIELD, MICHIGAN

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SUPERVISOR  
JOHN COX

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CLERK  
MANDY LAKE

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TREASURER  
JOAN DALMAN

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TRUSTEE  
JIM SPENCER

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TRUSTEE  
JERRY NIEMI

STATE EQUALIZED VALUATION: \$34,931,569  
TAXABLE VALUE: \$24,566,409  
MILLAGE TOTAL: 4.4683 mills

Dated this 6th day of March 2018

## **WAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS 2018-19**

### **REVENUES**

Garbage collection contribution by residents \$10.00-rate will remain the same for three years.

Categories of revenue fine-tuned to be like past history.

Millage rate set at 4.4683 mills.

State Revenue sharing increased by 2.6%, but declining population leaves revenue sharing in real dollars with no increase.

### **EXPENDITURES**

Includes funds for developing a Master Plan

Health and Life insurance continues to be eliminated for all officers and board members saving up to \$100,000 per budget year.

Salary Increases of 2% for Board Members and Custodian. Per diem rates frozen. Deputies and other employees and Appointed Boards held the same or adjusted.

Salaries for Treasurer, Clerk, and Supervisor include use of vehicle for local travel. Economic development activities included in Supervisor's salary.

Education budgets fully funded to continue to emphasize training for board members, appointed boards and employees to increase efficiencies.

Public Works category funded at \$50,000 for blacktopping on portions of Indianhead and N. 519. Chip sealing on Old US-2 and Sampson Rd. to preserve existing blacktop.

Includes new Welcome to Wakefield Township entrance signs on County owned roads. Additional office equipment, and doors and insulation and other maintenance of the township hall building.

Spring Cleanup fully funded. Spring cleanup to cover a one a one half-day period.

Reflects higher cost of a full-audit which is required every two years.

Contracts for services from the City of Wakefield include an inflation payment of 2% or \$900 for 18-19 and \$1200 for 19-20

Renaissance Budget is no longer needed since loan is paid off. The township does not have any outstanding debts.