

**Revised: 5/3/2010**

**GOVERNMENT CENTER HOURS**

8:30A.M. TO 12:00 NOON

1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

CLERK'S HOURS: 8:30 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

GOVERNMENT CENTER CLOSED SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS

The Government Center will be closed for the following holidays:

New Years Day  
Martin Luther King Day  
Presidents Day  
Memorial Day  
Independence Day  
Labor Day  
Veterans Day  
Thanksgiving  
Day after Thanksgiving  
Day before Christmas  
Christmas Day  
Day before New Years

If the holiday falls on a Saturday, the Government Center will be closed the preceding Friday.

If it falls on a Sunday, the Government Center will be closed the following Monday.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND DISTRICTS – All terms end 12/31/2010**

**DISTRICT 1 – MARK ROPER - R**

**Almira Township**

16001 Almira Road, Lake Ann, MI 49650  
(231) 944-8419

**DISTRICT 2 – MARY PITCHER -R**

**Platte, Lake & Crystal Lake Townships**

3745 Crystal Drive, Beulah, MI 49617  
(231) 882-4592

**DISTRICT 3 – KRISTIN HOLLENBECK - D**

**Gilmore Township & City of Frankfort**

503 Crystal Avenue, PO Box 823, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-9094

**DISTRICT 4 – ANNE DAMM - D**

**Benzonia Township**

PO Box 666, Beulah, MI 49617-0666  
(231) 882-9081

**DISTRICT 5 – FRANK WALTERHOUSE – R (2009 Vice Chair)**

**Homestead Township**

2383 Valley Road, PO Box 7, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-2964 (Home) (231) 325-4011 (Business)

**DISTRICT 6 – TOM KELLEY - R**

**Inland & Colfax Townships**

3880 Nostwick Road, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
(231) 378-4474

**DISTRICT 7 – DONALD R. TANNER – D (2009 CHAIR)**

**Blaine, Joyfield and Weldon Townships**

7467 Hoadley Road, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-7266

Regular County Board of Commissioner meetings are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. (If a rescheduling is necessary and time allows, the new date and time will be published in the Record Patriot newspaper.) The meetings will be held in the Commissioners Room, Benzie County Government Center, 448 Court Place, Beulah, Michigan 49617. Special sessions of the board may be called by at least one-third of all commissioners.

All meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the exception of April, June, August, October and December being held at 6:00 p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday only.

## **TO THE TAXPAYERS OF BENZIE COUNTY:**

This directory has been prepared so that you can directly contact most governmental officials and departments in Benzie County. It includes names and numbers of officials in the twelve townships and one city as well as those in the six villages.

We believe it will be of assistance to those in business, the media, and governmental units, when making contacts with public officials. Benzie County has a reputation for fiscal responsibility and the quality of service it provides to the general public.

We are proud of our reputation and will continue to search for new ways to improve our record of service and responsibility to you, the taxpayer. This directory is one way we have to make government more easily accessible to you.

Benzie County is the smallest county in Michigan, and has an estimated 2000 population of 15,998. It consists of 342 square miles and is governed by a seven member Board of Commissioners.

We hope this directory will be useful. Be assured that Benzie County Government has, as its objectives, a determination to look for better ways to serve the public as well as ways to build a strong community on a foundation of equality, honesty, and fairness to all.

## **BENZIE COUNTY**

Modern settlement of Benzie County was begun at Benzonia in 1857 by a group intent on founding a Christian college or university in the western wilderness. The Indians called the principal river of the county the Unszigozbee, meaning "Saw Bill" or "Merganserduck" river. French voyagers translated this into Riviere aux Bec Scies, which Yankee newcomers corrupted to "Betsie River". Benzonia is a composite name from Latin and Greek. "Bene" is Latin for good, and "Zonia" is Greek for place. The name "Benzonia" would seem to indicate "a good place to live".

Unique geological aspects of Benzie County are the depressions of Crystal Lake, the Platte Lakes, the Herring Lakes and their accompanying glacial moraines and outwash plains and the hinge line of Michigan (the point at which the glacial uplift begins) which lies just south of the Frankfort/Elberta area. The dune areas along the shoreline of Lake Michigan offer unique examples of plant life secession for the amateur botanist.

Tourism and fruit farming provide the chief income in this area which lies in the heart of Michigan's cherry growing region. The resorts in the County are many and varied, including motels, hotels, cabins and camping areas for tents and trailers. Every town has many accommodations available. The county also has a very modern hospital and medical care facility, both located in the City of Frankfort.

Benzie County boasts probably the most modern, best equipped fish rearing facility in the world. This is Michigan's Platte River Fish Hatchery, located five miles east of Honor, which produces Coho, Chinook and Steelhead in abundance. The Platte River furnishes some of the Midwest's greatest Trout fishing as well.

There are 54 named lakes in Benzie County and numerous smaller ones, Crystal Lake being the largest. Lake Michigan has beautiful sandy beaches which stretch for 25 miles along the Benzie shoreline. The Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Park extends from Benzie north into Leelanau County. This area also includes the Platte River campgrounds and the Lake Township Park at the mouth of the Platte River.

Trailer parks are available in Beulah, Benzonia and Frankfort. Canoeing is a popular pastime on the beautiful Platte and Betsie Rivers.

Forested areas in Benzie County cover 136,200 acres of the total land area. Better than half of the County is located within the designated boundaries of the Betsie River State Forest. Although only 56,000 acres of that area are actually in state ownership, this does account for the large areas in the eastern two-thirds of the County which are heavily forested and virtually uninhabited.

Ice fishing, snowmobiling, cross-country and downhill skiing are among the favorite winter sports in the area. Benzie is a blaze of color in the fall and attracts as many color enthusiasts as sports hunters. Hikers and skiers enjoy the many miles of marked and unmarked trails throughout the Benzie County area.

Inspiration Point, nine miles south of Elberta on M-22, is one of Lake Michigan's most beautiful scenic turnouts and provides a spectacular view of the shore and bluffs for many miles.

Point Betsie Lighthouse, on M-22 north of Frankfort, is a favorite subject for artists, many of whom make their homes in Benzie County. Both Beulah and Frankfort hold annual Arts & Crafts fairs in the summer months, and Honor holds the annual National Coho Festival around Labor Day weekend. Soaring and hang gliding have been important in Benzie County since World

War II. Benzie is the smallest County in Michigan, having only 202,400 acres of 316.4 square miles of land. There are six villages and one city in Benzie County. Lake Ann is the smallest incorporated village and Frankfort is the only city.

### HISTORICALLY

- 1851 By an act approved April 7<sup>th</sup>, Grand Traverse County was organized. Previously this was part of Mackinaw and was called Omena.
- 1856 Grand Traverse County was enlarged to include Benzie and Leelanau Counties.
- 1858 Charles Bailey and his colonizing group selected a spot in Northern Michigan not far from the new settlement of Traverse City. To this spot they attached the name of Benzonia, settled on even before the site itself was chosen.
- 1859 Township of Crystal Lake in Grand Traverse County included all of what is now Benzie County.
- 1863 County of Benzie formed and attached to Grand Traverse County for civic and municipal purposes.
- 1869 The Legislature passed an act to organize Benzie County on March 30.
- 1872 A canal was dug from Crystal Lake to the Betsie River, opening the lake for shipping from Lake Michigan. This lowered the lake so much it was dammed to stop the flow.
- 1888 Charles Bailey subdivided and plotted "Crystal City and Beulah View Resort". His house still stands across from the old courthouse on land exposed when the lake was lowered.
- 1889 July 4 – Frankfort & Southeastern Railroad runs first train through Beulah to Frankfort (the Ann Arbor Railroad since 1892).
- 1899 Beulah became official name after being used interchangeably with Crystal City for Railroad depot (also post office earlier).
- 1911 Large Pavilion, called the New Grand, opened in Beulah and was acquired by the Village of Beulah in 1916 for County Courthouse and used for the purpose until 1976.
- 1976 Dedication of the Benzie County Government Center on August 7, 1976.

County Seats:	1869 – 1872	Frankfort
	1872 - 1895	Benzonia
	1895 – 1908	Benzonia
	1908 – 1916	Honor
	1916 – Present	Beulah

### FIRST RECORDS ON FILE IN CLERK'S OFFICE

Birth Records	March 6, 1868
Death Records	April 27, 1868
Marriage Records	May 25, 1869
Supervisor's Proceedings	April 22, 1869
Circuit Court Proceedings	August 21, 1869

## UNITED STATES

Four-Year Term Expires 01/20/2013

President Barack Obama (D)  
Vice President Joe Biden (D)

## STATE OFFICIALS

Four-Year Term Expires 1/1/2011

Jennifer Granholm (D) Governor  
PO Box 30013  
Lansing, MI 48909  
Telephone: (517) 373-3400  
Fax: (517) 335-6863

John Cherry (D) Lieutenant Governor  
PO Box 30026  
Lansing, MI 48909

Robert Kleine Treasurer  
Treasury Building  
Lansing, MI 48909

Mike Cox (R) Attorney General  
PO Box 30212  
Lansing, MI 48922

Terri Lynn Land (R) Secretary of State  
PO Box 30045  
Lansing, MI 48918

## UNITED STATES SENATORS

Six-Year Term

Carl Levin (D) 269 Russell Senate Office Bldg  
Washington DC 20510  
(202) 224-6221  
[senator@levin.senate.gov](mailto:senator@levin.senate.gov)  
Expires: 1/3/2015

Debbie Stabenow (D) 133 Hart Senate Office Bldg  
Washington, DC 20510  
(202) 224-4822  
[senator@stabenow.senate.gov](mailto:senator@stabenow.senate.gov)  
Expires: 1/3/2013

## U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 2<sup>nd</sup> DISTRICT

Two-Year Term

Peter Hoekstra (R)  
2234 Rayburn House Office Bldg  
Washington DC 20515  
<http://hoekstra.house.gov/contact/>  
Expires: 1/3/2011

## STATE SENATOR, 35<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

Four-Year Term Expires 12/31/2010

Senator Michelle McManus (R)  
605 Farnum Building  
PO Box 30036  
Lansing, MI 48909-7536  
[senmmcmanus@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:senmmcmanus@senate.michigan.gov)  
Telephone: (517) 373-1725  
Fax: (517) 373-0741  
Toll Free: (866) 305-2135

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE, 101<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT**

Two-Year Term Expires 12/31/2010

Representative Dan Scripps (D)  
621 George W. Romney Building  
PO Box 30014  
Lansing, MI 48909  
[danscripps@house.mi.gov](mailto:danscripps@house.mi.gov)  
Telephone: (517) 373-0825

**JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT**

Eight-Year Terms

Marilyn Kelley, Chief Justice	Expires: 1/1/2013
Associate Justices:	
Michael F. Cavanaugh	Expires: 1/1/2015
Maura Corrigan	Expires: 1/1/2015
Diane M. Hathaway	Expires: 1/1/2017
Stephen J. Markman	Expires: 1/1/2013
Elizabeth A. Weaver	Expires: 1/1/2011
Robert P. Young, Jr.	Expires: 1/1/2011

**COURT OF APPEALS, 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT**

Six Year Terms

State Office Building, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

**TERMS OF COURT**

The first day of each quarter being the first day of each term.

Winter – January 1	Spring – April 1
Summer – July 1	Fall – October 1

**19<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT**

(Benzie and Manistee Counties)

James M. Batzer	Circuit Judge	(231) 723-6664
Kathy McBride	Court Reporter	(231) 723-6664
David Thompson	Friend of the Court	(231) 882-0023
Connie Miller	Investigator	(231) 882-0023
Kris Randall	Court Administrator	(231) 723-6664
Shaun Anchak	Probation	(231) 882-0042
Andrew McHugh	Parole	(231) 882-7274
Mike Rice	Dir. Of Youth Services	(231) 882-0007
John B. Daugherty	Prosecuting Attorney	(231) 882-0043
Dawn Olney	County Clerk	(231) 882-9671
Rory Heckman	Sheriff	(231) 882-4484

**COUNTY CLERK**

**Dawn Olney, Clerk**

Term Expires: 12/31/2012

448 Court Place

Beulah, MI 49617

Telephone: (231) 882-9671

Toll Free: 800-315-3593

Fax: (231) 882-5941

**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

**Amy J. Bissell, Register**

Term Expires: 12/31/2012  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0016  
Fax: (231) 882-0167

**COUNTY TREASURER**

**Linda M. Wilson, Treasurer**

Term Expires: 12/31/2012  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0011  
Fax: (231) 882-4844

**BENZIE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**

**John B. Daugherty, Prosecutor**

Term Expires: 12/31/2012  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0043  
Toll Free: 800-404-5977  
Fax: (231) 882-0559

**BENZIE COUNTY SHERIFF**

**Rory Heckman, Sheriff**

Term Expires: 12/31/2012  
505 S. Michigan Avenue  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-4484  
Fax: (231) 882-5814

**85<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT**

(Benzie and Manistee Counties)

Term Expires: 12/31/2014  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone (231) 882-0019  
Toll Free: 800-759-5175  
Fax: (231) 882-0022

Brent Danielson	District Judge
Hope Cicansky	Magistrate
Deb McGraw	Court Reporter

**PROBATE COURT**

Term Expires: 12/31/2012  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-9675  
Toll Free: 800-315-9852  
Fax: (231) 882-5987

Nancy A. Kida	Probate Judge
Kim Ireton	Court Admin/Register

**COUNTY OFFICERS**

Four-Year Terms

Terms expire 12/31/2012

448 Court Place, Beulah, MI 49617

Dawn Olney	County Clerk	882-9671
Linda Wilson	County Treasurer	882-0011
Amy J. Bissell	Register of Deeds	882-0016
John B. Daugherty	Prosecuting Attorney	882-0043
Rory Heckman	Sheriff	882-4484
John Smendzuik	County Surveyor	882-4303
Terry Money	Drain Commissioner	325-4602

**BENZIE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS**

Hon. James M. Batzer	Manistee
James Bearinger	Beulah
Anthony Cicchelli	Frankfort
Billie Jo Clark	Lake Ann
John B. Daugherty	Beulah
Miles Gerberding	Frankfort
Linda Moorey Kehr	Beulah
Hon. Nancy A. Kida	Beulah
Joan Swartz McKay	Frankfort
Lawrence McKay III	Frankfort
James M. Olson	Traverse City
Bradley L. Putney	Traverse City
Thomas I. Webb, Jr.	Frankfort
Mary K. Witkop	Manistee

**BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS**

Nancy Kida, Chairman

Dawn Olney, Secretary

Linda M. Wilson

**JURY BOARD**

Six- Year Terms

M. Carroll Volpe, Honor	April 30, 2011
Jean Bowers, Beulah	April 30, 2013
Gail Nugent, Frankfort	April 30, 2009

**BOARD OF CANVASSERS**

Four-Year Terms

Dawn Olney, County Clerk	
Paula McLean, Frankfort	November 1, 2011
Virginia Griffith, Beulah	November 1, 2013
Janice Mick, Frankfort	November 1, 2013
Margaret Wozniak, Beulah	November 1, 2011

## **COUNTY DEPARTMENTS**

### **ADMINISTRATOR/CONTROLLER**

, Administrator  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0035  
Fax: (231) 882-7072

### **ANIMAL CONTROL**

Jamie Croel, Officer  
543 S. Michigan Avenue  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-9505 or 0859  
Fax: (231) 882-5762

### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-9673  
Fax: (231) 882-0033

Steve Haugen, Building Official	(231) 882-0003
Charles Sessoms, Building Inspector	(231) 882-0004
Jack Eaton, Electrical Inspector	(231) 882-0046
Aldo Davis, Plumbing/Mechanical	(231) 882-4400

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Gene Mayo, Coordinator  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 325-0033  
Cell Phone: (231) 651-0652  
Fax: (231) 882-5941

### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Craig Johnson, EMS Director  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
(231) 882-0625

### **EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT**

Tom Longanbach, Director  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0015  
Fax: (231) 882-0033

### **FRIEND OF THE COURT**

David Thompson, Friend of the court  
Connie Miller, Investigator  
448 Court Place, PO Box 70  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0023  
Toll Free: 800-515-1327  
Fax: (231) 882-0040

**MEDICAL EXAMINER**

Dr. Matthew A. Houghton, Jr., D.O. (231) 334-8300  
P O Box 116, Glen Arbor, MI 49636

**MSU EXTENSION – BENZIE COUNTY**

Steve Fouch, Director  
448 Court Place, PO Box 349  
Beulah, MI 49617-0349  
Telephone: (231) 882-0025  
Fax: (231) 882-9605

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

Terminated March 31, 2010  
Telephone: (231) 882-9647  
Fax: (231) 882-0164

**SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

Marlene Wood-Zylstra, Coordinator  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
(231) 882-0554

**SOLDIERS RELIEF COMMITTEE**

448 Court Place, Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0034  
Fax: (231) 882-4844

Meetings: Mondays 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Bruce Andersen Sr.	Member
Home Morris	Member
William Hunke	Member

**MICHIGAN VETERANS TRUST**

448 Court Place, Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0034  
Fax: (231) 882-4844

Meetings: Mondays 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Bruce Andersen Sr.	Member
Homer Morris	Member
H. Gail Wilson	Member

**SOIL EROSION DEPARTMENT**

Pete Bruski  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-9674  
Fax: (231) 882-0164

## **OUTSIDE OFFICES**

### **BENZIE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Tad Peacock, District Administrator  
280 S. Benzie Blvd., PO Box 408  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-4391  
Fax: (231) 882-9767

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Each Month – 4:00 p.m.

### **BENZIE-LEELANAU DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

6051 Frankfort Hwy, Suite 100  
Benzonia, MI 49616  
Telephone: (231) 882-4409  
Toll Free: 800-816-1658  
Fax: (231) 882-2204

### **BENZIE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY “BENZIE BUS”**

Susan Miller, Executive Director  
12762 Honor Hwy, PO Box 341, Honor, MI 49640  
Telephone: (231) 325-3000  
Toll Free: (866) 325-3380  
Fax: (231) 325-3007

Web site: [www.benziebus.com](http://www.benziebus.com)

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Each Monday @ 1:00 p.m.

### **MANISTEE-BENZIE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH**

310 N Glocheski Drive, PO Box 335, Manistee, MI 49660  
Telephone: (231) 723-6516  
Toll Free (877) 398-2013  
Fax: (231) 723-1504

Counseling Center (231) 882-4468

Meetings: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of Each Month

### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Debra K. Sever, Director  
10542 Main Street  
Honor, MI 49640  
Telephone: (231) 325-4851  
Toll Free: 888-493-1102  
Fax: (231) 325-4855

Web Site: [www.benziecountycoa.org](http://www.benziecountycoa.org)

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Each Month

### **DNR PLATTE RIVER FISH HATCHERY**

15210 US 31, Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 325-4611  
Fax: (231) 325-2111  
Fire Permits: 866-922-2876

### **USDA NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE**

USDA Service Center  
8840 Chippewa Hwy (US 31), Bear Lake, MI 49614  
Telephone: (231) 889-9666 Ext 100  
Fax: (231) 889-4020

**BENZIE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
11318 Main Street, PO Box 68, Honor, MI 49640  
Telephone: (231) 325-3051  
Fax: (231) 325-2767  
Web site: [www.benziecrc.org](http://www.benziecrc.org)

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of Each Month

W. John Nuske Chairman  
Roger Griner Vice Chair  
Robert Rosa Member  
Robert Weaver Manager  
Shannon Evans Clerk  
Nancy Roseman Engineer  
Jim Bowers Superintendent

**SECRETARY OF STATE**

Beulah #333  
Honor, MI 49640  
Elaine Hawley, Manager  
Telephone: (231) 325-  
Fax: (231)

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**COUNCIL ON AGING  
ADVISORY BOARD**

10542 Main Street  
Honor, MI 49640  
Telephone: (231) 325-4851  
Toll Free: 888-893-1102  
Fax: (231) 325-4855  
Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Each Month

**BUILDING AUTHORITY**

448 Court Place, Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0011  
Fax: (231) 882-4844  
Meeting: Call of the Chair

Jay Pettitt Chairman  
Norman Campbell Member  
Linda Wilson Member  
Dawn Olney Clerk

**BENZIE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Mary Carroll, Director  
PO Box 204, Benzonia, MI 49616  
Telephone: (231) 882-5801 or 882-5802  
Toll Free: 800-882-5801  
Web Site: [www.benzie.org](http://www.benzie.org)

**BENZIE COUNTY DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
(Formerly Family Independence Agency)

Chris Legoes, Director  
448 Court Place, PO Box 114, Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-1330  
Fax: (231) 882-9078  
Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays Each Month

**BETSIE VALLEY TRAILWAY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-0012  
Fax: (231) 882-4844  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday Each Month -- 4:30 p.m.

**FRANKFORT CITY-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

PO Box 351  
Frankfort, MI 49635-0351  
Telephone: (231) 352-9118  
Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Each Month @ 9:30 a.m.  
At Frankfort City Hall

**COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD**

**Dissolved 7/2007**

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**

448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-9671  
Fax: (231) 882-0164  
Meetings: 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month @ 5:00 p.m.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

448 Court Place, Beulah, MI 49617  
Telephone: (231) 882-9674  
Fax: (231) 882-0164  
Business Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of Each Month @ 7:00 p.m.  
Public Hearing/Work Sessions: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7:00 p.m.

**BENZIE COUNTY PLAT BOARD**

Amy J. Bissell	Chairperson	882-0016
Dawn Olney	Member	882-9671
Linda Wilson	Member	882-0011

**ALMIRA TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1864

Township Hall:

Physical: 7276 Ole White Drive  
Lake Ann, MI 49650

Mailing: Same

Telephone: (231) 275-5862; 275-6346

Fax: (231) 275-7164

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Each Month  
5:00 p.m.

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

Vance Bates  
17899 N. Sweet Lake Road, Lake Ann, MI 49650  
(231) 275-5981

11/2012

Clerk:

Mary Dort  
8345 Tucker Road, PO Box 209, Lake Ann, MI 49650-0209  
(231) 275-7506

11/2012

Treasurer:

Dawn Campeau  
18785 Barber Road, Lake Ann, MI 49650  
(231) 275-7305

11/2012

Trustees:

Kirt Giddis  
16417 Almira Road, Lake Ann, MI 49650  
(231) 275-7293

11/2012

Diana Nolan  
18677 Barber Road, Lake Ann, MI 49650  
(231) 275-3378

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Gary Florip  
7276 Ole White Drive, Lake Ann, MI 49650  
(231) 275-5862

Assessor:

Janet Jones  
7276 Ole White Drive, Lake Ann MI 49650  
(231) 275-6346 (Office)

**BENZONIA TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1861

Township Hall:

Physical: 1020 Michigan Avenue  
Benzonia, MI 49616

Mailing: PO Box 224  
Benzonia, MI 49616

Telephone: (231) 882-4411

Fax: (231) 882-5778

Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of Each Month  
7:30 p.m.

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

James R. Sheets  
953 Orchard Street, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-4358

11/2012

Clerk:

Patricia A. Mead  
6889 Walker Street, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-9936

11/2012

Treasurer:

Karen L. Burns  
5391 Crystal Drive, Beulah, MI 49617  
(231) 882-5459

11/2012

Trustees:

Patricia A. Delonnay  
885 Timber Lane, Beulah, MI 49617  
(231) 882-4097

11/2012

Gayle Rice  
1094 Orchard Street, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-5195

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Michigan Assessing Services  
P O Box 224, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-4411

**BLAINE TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1876

Township Hall:

Physical: 4760 Herring Grove Road  
Arcadia, MI 49613

Mailing: 6352 Putney Road  
Arcadia, MI 49613

Phone: (231) 352-9880 (Clerk)

Fax: None

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of Each Month  
7:30 p.m.

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

Tom Campbell  
5247 Scenic Hwy, Arcadia, MI 49613  
(231) 352-5968

11/2012

Clerk:

Charlotte Putney  
6352 Putney Road, Arcadia, MI 49613  
(231) 352-9880

11/2012

Treasurer:

Emilie Kimpel  
2590 Joyfield Road, Arcadia, MI 49613  
(231) 352-4997

11/2012

Trustees:

Walter Rohn  
3442 Scenic Hwy, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-9558

11/2012

Glenn Mensching, Jr.  
4390 Peninsula Drive, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-7146

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Julie Krombeen  
2900 S. Townline Road, Cedar, MI 49621  
(231) 228-5949

**COLFAX TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1868

Township Hall:

Physical: 7607 Michigan Avenue  
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Mailing: PO Box 68  
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Phone: (231) 378-2144

Fax: (231) 378-4665

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Each Month  
7:00 PM

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

Michael Moorman 11/2012  
3164 S. Carmean Road, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
(231) 378-4696

Clerk:

DeAnn Mosher Appted to Fill a Vacancy 11/2012  
15413 King Road, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
(231) 378-2309

Treasurer:

Laura Draeger 11/2012  
P O Box 68, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
(231) 378-4135

Trustees:

Michael Skurski 11/2012  
6436 Traverse Road, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
(231) 269-3266

Jack Richter 11/2012  
15198 King Road, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
(231) 378-4462

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Marvin Blackford  
9445 Lake Ann Road, Traverse City, MI 49684  
(231) 275-7528  
Fax: (231) 275-7528

**CRYSTAL LAKE TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1859

Township Hall:

Physical: 1651 Frankfort Hwy  
Frankfort, MI 49635

Mailing: PO Box 2129  
Frankfort, MI 49635

Telephone: (231) 352-9791

Fax: (231) 352-6689

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

Robert D. Barton  
1518 Frankfort Hwy, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-4549

11/2012

Clerk:

Brenda L. Nye  
PO Box 481, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 383,2203

11/2012

Treasurer:

Shelley Rodal  
1323 Elm Road, PO Box 2224, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-9977

11/2012

Trustees:

Richard Nielsen, MD  
696 Bacon Road, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-4401

11/2012

Bruce Walton, Jr.  
2119 Glory Road, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-4721

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Marvin Blackford  
PO Box 2129, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 352-9791  
Fax: (231) 275-5045

**GILMORE TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1866

Township Hall:

Physical: Library Building  
704 Frankfort Avenue  
Elberta, MI 49628

Mailing: PO Box 247  
Elberta, MI 49628

Telephone: (231) 352-4901

Fax: (231) 351-4033

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Each Month  
7:00 PM at the Library Building

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	<u>Term Expires</u>
Supervisor: Carl Noffsinger P O Box 202, Elberta, MI 49628-0202 (231) 352-4717	11/2012
Clerk: Sharyn Bower PO Box 361, Elberta, MI 49628 (231) 352-4901	11/2012
Treasurer: Laura Manville PO Box 8, Elberta, MI 49628 (231) 352-7501	11/2012
Trustees: Ronald Beyette P O Box 45, Frankfort, MI 49635-0045 (231) 352-7624	11/2012
Douglas Holmes PO Box 422, Elberta, MI 49628 (231) 352-4285	11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Marvin Blackford  
9445 Lake Ann Road, Traverse City, MI 49684  
(231) 275-7528  
Fax: (231) 275-5045

## HOMESTEAD TOWNSHIP

Created: 1864

### Township Hall:

Physical: 11508 Honor Hwy  
Honor, MI 49640

Mailing: PO Box 315  
Honor, MI 49640

Telephone: (231) 325-6772

Fax: (231) 325-2031

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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	<u>Term Expires</u>
Supervisor: Cathy Demitroff 483 N. Pioneer Road, Beulah, MI 49617 (231) 882-4721	11/2012
Clerk: Mary Geetings 12280 Fewins Road, Honor, MI 49640 (231) 631-1637	11/2012
Treasurer: Shelley Rosa 1270 N. Haze Road, Beulah, MI 49617 (231) 325-2000	11/2012
Trustees: Matt Miller 2345 Scenic Spur, Honor, MI 49640 (231) 325-5035	11/2012
Carol Moore 2853 Lone Oak Lane, Honor, MI 49640 (231) 325-5566	11/2012
Zoning Administrator: Roger Williams P O Box 315, Honor, MI 49640 (231) 325-6772 or (231) 590-9977—cell Fax: (231) 325-2-31 Email: <a href="mailto:homesteadza@charterinternet.com">homesteadza@charterinternet.com</a>	
Assessor: Shelley Rosa P O Box 315, Honor MI 49640 (231) 325-2000	

**INLAND TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1866

Township Hall:

Physical: 19971 Kent Street  
Interlochen, MI 49643-9604

Mailing: Same

Email: [inlandtownship@centurytel.net](mailto:inlandtownship@centurytel.net)

Telephone: (231) 275-6568

Fax: Same as above

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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	<u>Term Expires</u>
Supervisor: Paul Beechraft 544 Bendon Road, Interlochen, MI 49643 (231) 275-7029	11/2012
Clerk: Marilyn Wareham 650 N. Reynolds Road, Interlochen, MI 49643 (231) 275-7370	11/2012
Treasurer: Nicole Meredith 3697 Wild Coyote Drive, Interlochen, MI 49643 (231) 275-2100	11/2012
Trustees: Gerald A. Bush 49 N. Lamb Road, Interlochen, MI 49643 (231) 275-6502	11/2012
Mary Miller 19466 Bronson Lake Road, Interlochen, MI 49643 (231) 275-7156	11/2012
Zoning Administrator: Roger Williams PO Box 315, Honor, MI 49640 (231) 325-6771 or (231) 590-9977 -- cell Fax: (231) 325-2031 Email: <a href="mailto:homesteadza@charterinternet.com">homesteadza@charterinternet.com</a>	
Assessor: Marvin Blackford 9445 Lake Ann Road, Traverse city, MI 49684 (231) 275-7528 Fax: (231) 275-5045	

**JOYFIELD TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1868

Township Hall:

Physical: 5940 Benzie Hwy  
Benzonia, MI 49616

Mailing: 6393 Joyfield Road  
Frankfort, MI 49635

Telephone: (231) 882-0133

Fax: None

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of Each Month  
7:30 PM

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

Larry Lathwell  
6088 Demerly Road, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-4726

11/2012

Clerk:

Gary Lathwell  
6393 Joyfield Road, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 882-4110

11/2012

Treasurer:

Deb Lindgren  
7077 Mick Road, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-4532

11/2012

Trustees:

Guy D. Sauer  
4106 Wallaker Road, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-5989

11/2012

Mark Alan Evans  
5269 Swamp Road, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 383-0238

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Guy Sauer  
4106 Wallaker Road, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-5989

**LAKE TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1868

Township Hall:

Physical: 5153 Scenic Hwy  
Honor, MI 49640

Mailing: 5153 Scenic Hwy  
Honor, MI 49640

Telephone: (231) 325-5202

Fax: (231) 325-4177

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Each Month  
7:00 PM

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

William L. Robinson  
5252 Park Lane, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-5613

11/2012

Clerk:

Anna Grobe  
5274 Oakdale Street, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-2510

11/2012

Treasurer:

Pamela Radabaugh  
200 Beach Road, Frankfort, MI 49635  
(231) 325-5999

11/2012

Trustees:

James Webber  
5295 Oakdale Road, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-3621

11/2012

Harlan E. Reichle  
2898 White Birch Trail, Beulah, MI 49617  
(231) 882-9596

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Nancy Simmons  
4115 Scenic Hwy  
Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 930-8918

Assessor:

William Robinson  
5252 Park Lane, Honor MI 49640  
(231) 325-5713

**PLATTE TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1886

Township Hall:

Physical: 11935 Fowler Road  
Honor, MI 49640

Mailing: 6821 Indian Hill  
Honor, MI 49640

Telephone: (231) 325-2459

Fax: (231) 325-2530

Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of Each Quarter  
7:30 PM

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Term Expires

Supervisor:

Paul L. Solem  
10322 Fowler Road, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-2450

11/2012

Clerk:

Alison Michalak  
6821 Indian Hill Road, -Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-2189

11/2012

Treasurer:

Cynthia Ullom  
12454 Fowler Road, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-6495

11/2012

Trustees:

Walt Harris  
7356 Indian Hill Road, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-5925

11/2012

Marcia A. Davis  
11994 Fowler Road, Honor, MI 49640  
(231) 325-2094

11/2012

Zoning Administrator:

Assessor:

Marvin Blackford  
9445 Lake Ann Rd., Traverse City MI 49684  
(231) 275-7528  
Fax: (231) 275-5045

**WELDON TOWNSHIP**

Created: 1868

Township Hall:

Physical: 14731 Thompson Avenue  
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Mailing: PO Box 570  
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Telephone: (231) 378-2477 for Clerk's Office  
(231) 378-2237 for Treasurer's Office

Fax: Same as above.

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month  
7:30 p.m.

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	<u>Term Expires</u>
Supervisor: Dean Rhodes PO Box 57, Thompsonville, MI 49683 (231) 378-2431	11/2012
Clerk: Francis F. Griffin PO Box 134, Thompsonville, MI 49683 (231) 378-2690	11/2012
Treasurer: Mary Wixson 14671 Hall Avenue, Thompsonville, MI 49683 (231) 378-4851	11/2012
Trustees: Gary Stevens 14222 Lindy Road, Thompsonville, MI 49683 (231) 378-2223	11/2012
Sue Meredith PO Box 15, Thompsonville, MI 49683 (231) 378-2377	11/2012
Zoning Administrator: Craig Meredith PO Box 15, Thompsonville, MI 49683 (231) 378-2377	
Assessor: Marvin Blackford 9445 Lake Ann Rd., Traverse City MI 49684 (231) 275-7528 Fax: (231) 275-5045	

**CITY OF FRANKFORT**

Created: 1885

City Hall:

Physical: 412 Main Street  
Frankfort, MI 49635

Mailing: PO Box 351  
Frankfort, MI 49635

Telephone: (231) 352-7117

Fax: (231) 352-7100

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month  
7:00 PM

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Term Expires

Superintendent/Zoning Administrator:  
Joshua Mills

Appointment

Clerk/Treasurer:  
Kimberley Kidder

Appointment

Council Members:

Robert Johnson, Mayor  
JoAnn Holwerda, Mayor Pro Tem  
Patricia Haugen  
Fred W. Stransky  
William Higman

11/2013  
11/2013  
11/2011  
11/2011  
11/2011

**VILLAGE OF BENZONIA**

Created: 1858  
General Law Village

Village Hall:

Physical: 1276 Michigan Avenue  
Benzonia, MI 49616

Mailing: PO Box 223  
Benzonia, MI 49616

Telephone: (231) 882-9981

Fax: (231) 882-9978

Email: [benzonia9981@att.net](mailto:benzonia9981@att.net)

Meeting: 1st Monday of Each Month  
7:30 p.m.

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			<u>Term Expires</u>
President:	Carrie Fowler-Gehring	(231) 882-5000	11/2010
Clerk:	Rhonda Nye	(231) 882-4828	11/2010
Treasurer:	Tonnetta Flynn	(231) 882-4823	11/2010
Trustees:	Mark VanDePerre	(231) 882-9981	11/2012
	Robert French	(231) 882-5816	11/2012
	Whitney Bourne	(231) 882-4587	11/2010
	James Lannin	(231) 882-5264	11/2010
	Carie Fowler-Gehring	(231) 882-7395	11/2010
	Jason Pates	(231) 882-9981	11/2010

Zoning Administrator:

Dave Neiger  
6795 Traverse Avenue, Benzonia, MI 49616  
(231) 882-7037

**VILLAGE OF BEULAH**

Created: 1932

Home Rule Village

Village Hall:

Physical: 7228 Commercial Avenue  
Beulah, MI 49617

Mailing: PO Box 326  
Beulah, MI 49617

Telephone: (231) 882-4451

Fax: (231) 882-5759

Web Site: [www.villageofbeulah.org](http://www.villageofbeulah.org)

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday following 1<sup>st</sup> Monday Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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			<u>Term Expires</u>
President:	Jerry Rank	(231) 882-9047	11/2010
Clerk:	Laura Spencer	(231) 920-4445	11/2010
Treasurer:	Dawn Olney	(231) 882-9883	11/2010
Council Members:			
	Patty Cantrell	(231) 882-4694	11/2010
	Maxine Hansen	(231) 882-5129	Appointed to fill a term 11/2010
	James Kilgus	(231) 882-0717	11/2012
	Gary A. Pallin	(231) 882-4480	11/2012
	Gary Sideman	(231) 882-5871	11/2012
	Charles Kinzel	(231) 882-0156	Appointed to fill a term 11/2010

Zoning Administrator:

Charles Kinzel  
(231) 882-4451

**VILLAGE OF ELBERTA**

Created: 1894  
General Law Village

Village Hall:

Physical: 401 First Street  
Elberta, MI 49628

Mailing: PO Box 8  
Elberta, MI 49628

Telephone: (231) 352-7201

Fax: (231) 352-4033

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m. – At Community Building, 401 First Street

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			<u>Term Expires</u>
President:	Douglas Holmes	(231) 352-7201	11/2010
Clerk:	Sharyn K. Bower	(231) 352-7201	11/2010
Treasurer:	Laura Manville	(231) 352-7201	11/2012
Trustees:	Reginald Manville	(231) 352-7201	11/2012
	Bonnie Ness	(231) 352-7201	11/2010
	Charles Hendershott	(231) 352-7201	11/2010
	Ken Holmes	(231) 352-7201	11/2012
	David Bower	(231) 352-7201	11/2010
	Louise Kirbach	(231) 352-7201	Appointed to fill vacancy 11/2010
Zoning Administrator:	Carl Noffsinger	(231) 352-7201	

**VILLAGE OF HONOR**

Created: 1914  
Home Rule Village

Village Hall:

Physical: 10922 Platte Street  
Honor, MI 49640

Mailing: PO Box 95  
Honor, MI 49640

Telephone: (231) 325-8432

Fax: (231) 325-8432

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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				<u>Term Expires</u>
President:	Robert Theobald	(231) 325-3471		11/2010
	Or	(231) 499-7668		
Clerk:	Carole Waddell	(231) 325-2064		11/2010
Treasurer:	Adele Maher	(231) 325-4342		11/2010
Trustees:	Ronda Granfors	(231) 651-0277	Appointed to Vacancy	11/2010
	Jay Demorest	(231) 920-2356	Appointed to Vacancy	11/2010
	Renee Landis	(231) 325-9408		11/2010
	Volnia (Ed) Jones	(231) 325-2936		11/2010
	Vacant		Fill a Vacancy	11/2010

Zoning Administrator:

**VILLAGE OF LAKE ANN**

Created: 1891

General Law Village

Almira Township Hall (Downtown):

Physical: 19639 Maple Street  
Lake Ann, MI 49650

Mailing: PO Box 61  
Lake Ann, MI 49650

Telephone: (231) 275-5267

Fax: (231) 275-0267

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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			<u>Term Expires</u>
President:	Dale Flaherty PO Box 338 Lake Ann, MI 49650	(231) 275-6313	11/20/2012
Clerk:	Cathy Werts	(231) 275-5267	By Appointment
Treasurer:	Del Roelofs	(231) 645-5842	11/20/2012
Trustees:	John J. Dykstra	(231) 944-6737	11/20/2012
	Larry Poulisse, Jr	(231) 275-6295	11/20/2012
	Bonnie Supina	(231) 275-7971	11/20/2012
	Vacant		11/20/2010
	Renee Hamilton	(231) 275-2786	11/20/2010
	John Nuske	(231) 633-7092	11/20/2010
Zoning Administrator:	Dale Flaherty (Acting Admin)	(231) 275-6737	

**VILLAGE OF THOMPSONVILLE**

Created: 1892  
General Law Village

Village Hall:

Physical: 14714 Lincoln Avenue  
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Mailing: PO Box 184  
Thompsonville, MI 49683

Telephone: (231) 378-2560

Fax: (231) 378-2560

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Each Month  
7:00 p.m.

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			<u>Term Expires</u>
President:	Michael MacGirr	(231) 378-2346	11/2010
Clerk:	Mary Wixson	(231) 378-4851	By Appointment
Treasurer:	Joyce MacGirr	(231) 378-2340	By Appointment
Trustees:	James MacGirr	(231) 378-2340	11/2012
	Florence Smith	(231) 378-2638	11/2012
	Michael Foust	(231) 378-2722	11/2012
	Dennis Smith	(231) 378-2649	11/2010
	Debra Franke	(231) 378-2837	11/2010
	Fran Kahla	(231) 378-2825	11/2010

Zoning Administrator:

Patrick Workman  
(231) 378-4265