



GALIEN TOWNSHIP

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269-545-8143 - www.galientownship.org

Galien Township Board Regular Meeting April 17, 2019 7:30pm @ Galien Township Office Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Visitors Comments (limited to 3 minutes per person)
5. Approval of Consent Agenda (agenda and minutes)
6. Approval of Treasurer's Report
7. Approval of Bills
8. Reports:
 - a. Police
 - b. Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer
 - c. Fire
 - d. Roads-Matching Funds Clarification, Andrews Road Update
 - e. Drains-Critchett Drain Update
 - f. Cemetery-Mowing bids, Driveway Repairs
 - g. Clerk
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. Planning Commission Vacancy
 - b. Ordinance Codification
10. New Business
 - a. Medical Marihuana Moratorium
11. Visitors Comments (limited to 3 minutes per person)
12. Our next regular meeting is May 15, 2019
13. Adjournment

The above agenda is tentative until approved by the Board at the meeting. The Board may amend the agenda to include any other business that may be properly brought before the Board.

TREASURERS REPORT
GALIEN TOWNSHIP
April 17th, 2019

GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$40,300.91	Includes March Interest
CEMETERY FUND BALANCE	\$6,950.57	Includes March Interest
FIRE FUND BALANCE	\$78,109.18	Includes March Interest
SAFETY FUND	\$35,498.45	Includes March Interest
ROAD FUND BALANCE	\$41,914.85	Includes March Interest
TAX ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$157.21	Includes March Interest
GT PLANNING COMMISSION FUND	\$6,886.63	Includes March Interest
ZONING/PERMIT FEE FUND	\$1,884.44	Includes March Interest
FIRE DEPT. FUND	\$1,485.94	Includes March Interest

GENERAL FUND CD'S

Horizon Bank	\$38,084.21	09/06/19 Interest Rate	2.45%
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CEMETERY FUND CD'S

Chemical Bank	\$22,583.69	04/27/19 Interest Rate	1.75%**
Chemical Bank	\$23,407.23	09/20/19 Interest Rate	2.05%
1 st Source Bank	\$13,769.75	09/11/20 Interest Rate	2.75%
1 st Source Bank	\$21,069.77	10/18/19 Interest Rate	2%
1 st Source Bank	\$15,331.47	07/29/20 Interest Rate	2.75%

ROAD FUND CD'S

FIRE FUND CD'S

Chemical Bank	\$38,636.51	03/30/20 Interest Rate	2.4%
Chemical Bank	\$20,000.00	03/30/20 Interest Rate	2.4%
Horizon Bank	\$14,243.43	09/06/19 Interest Rate	2.45%

SAFETY FUND CD

Horizon Bank	\$24,283.25	09/06/19 Interest Rate	2.45%
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**CD's coming due in April

Chemical Bank Rates:

12 Months	2.25%	18 Months	2.35%	24 Months	2.50%
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1st Source Bank Rates:

12 Months	.15%	18 Months	.17%	24 Months	.22%
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Galien Township Permit Fund
Deposit Detail
March 21 through April 17, 2019

Type	Num	Date	Name	Account	Amount
Deposit		03/31/2019		Permit Fund	0.17
				Interest	-0.17
TOTAL					-0.17
Deposit		04/15/2019		Permit Fund	1,937.00
			Matthew Casperi	Building Permit Fees	-390.00
			Robert Bergman	Building Permit Fees	-304.00
			Robert Bergman	Building Permit Fees	-244.00
			Larry Kray	Building Permit Fees	-399.00
			Larry Kray	Zoning Permit Fees	-25.00
			Robert Bergman	Electrical Permits	-184.00
			Joe Stanis	Electrical Permits	-231.00
			Michael Patton	Electrical Permits	-160.00
TOTAL					-1,937.00

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Accrual Basis

Galien Township General Fund Custom Transaction Detail Report April 2019

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Split	Amount	Balance
Apr 19								
Check	04/01/2019	17594	Semco Energy	0354966.500	General Fund	265-920 · Utiliti...	-41.53	-41.53
Liability Check	04/06/2019	E-pay	United States Treas...	38-2132519 Q...	General Fund	-SPLIT-	-876.94	-918.47
Check	04/06/2019	17595	United States Treas...	EIN# 38-2132...	General Fund	000-230 · Retir...	-40.08	-958.55
Check	04/17/2019	17596	AT&T Uverse	132259177	General Fund	265-920 · Utiliti...	-20.79	-979.34
Check	04/17/2019	17597	AT&T	269 545-8143...	General Fund	265-920 · Utiliti...	-71.19	-1,050.53
Check	04/17/2019	17598	U.S. Postal Service	1/2 PO Box R...	General Fund	101-960 · Post...	-27.00	-1,077.53
Check	04/17/2019	17599	Indiana Michigan Po...	UTILITIES	General Fund	-SPLIT-	-64.54	-1,142.07
Check	04/17/2019	17600	Leader Publications	Acct# 150091	General Fund	-SPLIT-	-60.00	-1,202.07
Check	04/17/2019	17601	Berrien County Trea...	VOID: INV#81...	General Fund	257-925 · Com...	0.00	-1,202.07
Check	04/17/2019	17602	United States Treas...	EIN# 38-2132...	General Fund	000-230 · Retir...	-1,644.14	-2,846.21
Check	04/17/2019	17603	United States Treas...	EIN# 38-2132...	General Fund	000-230 · Retir...	-1,134.87	-3,981.08
Check	04/17/2019	17604	Herald Palladium	VOID: Ad#61...	General Fund	101-919 · Publi...	0.00	-3,981.08
Check	04/17/2019	17604	Jack Richter	April Sexton ...	General Fund	276-702 · Sexton	-300.00	-4,281.08
General Journal	04/17/2019		Herald Palladium	For CHK 176...	General Fund	101-919 · Publi...	-145.50	-4,426.58
General Journal	04/17/2019		Berrien County Trea...	For CHK 176...	General Fund	257-925 · Com...	-28.35	-4,454.93
Check	04/17/2019	17613	Herald Palladium	Ad#61029303	General Fund	101-919 · Publi...	-145.50	-4,600.43
Check	04/17/2019	17614	Berrien County Trea...	INV#8146 Pla...	General Fund	257-925 · Com...	-55.50	-4,655.93
Check	04/17/2019	17615	South Bend Tribune	AD#649768	General Fund	101-919 · Publi...	-15.40	-4,671.33
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17605	Shalice Northrop		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-608.45	-5,279.78
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17607	Gerald Mast		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-43.11	-5,322.89
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17608	Jennifer Richter		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-1,045.30	-6,368.19
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17609	Kathryn Williams		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-43.11	-6,411.30
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17610	Kendra K Truhn		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-877.61	-7,288.91
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17611	Matthew J Kinne		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-129.35	-7,418.26
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17612	Sheila Koudelka		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-86.23	-7,504.49
Paycheck	04/30/2019	17606	Bruce Williams		General Fund	-SPLIT-	-603.61	-8,108.10
Apr 19							-8,108.10	-8,108.10

Galien Township Fire Department Fund
Custom Transaction Detail Report
 April 2019

	Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Split	Amount	Balance
Apr 19									
	Check	04/01/2019	3230	SEMCO	0354966.500	Checking-Chemical	336-916 · Utiliti...	-166.12	-166.12
	Check	04/17/2019	3231	AT&T U-VERSE	132259177	Checking-Chemical	336-916 · Utiliti...	-20.79	-186.91
	Check	04/17/2019	3232	AT&T (F)	269 545-8143...	Checking-Chemical	336-916 · Utiliti...	-71.20	-258.11
	Check	04/17/2019	3233	US Post Office	1/2 PO Box ...	Checking-Chemical	336-752 · Offic...	-27.00	-285.11
	Check	04/17/2019	3234	Indiana Michigan Po...	044-582-624-...	Checking-Chemical	336-916 · Utiliti...	-177.30	-462.41
Apr 19								-462.41	-462.41

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Accrual Basis

Galien Township Planning Commission
Custom Transaction Detail Report
April 2019

	Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Split	Amount	Balance
Apr 19	Check	04/17/2019	1090	Law Office of Sara A...	March PC Legal	Chemical Planning ...	Legal Fees	-2,280.00	-2,280.00
Apr 19								-2,280.00	-2,280.00

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Accrual Basis

**Galien Township Permit Fund
Custom Transaction Detail Report
April 2019**

	Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Split	Amount	Balance
Apr 19									
	Check	04/17/2019	1038	Ed Carpenter	Building/Elect...	Permit Fund	-SPLIT-	-1,127.10	-1,127.10
	Check	04/17/2019	1039	Charles Bassinger	Electrical Per...	Permit Fund	Electrical Permit	-460.00	-1,587.10
	Check	04/17/2019	1040	Andy Dickey	Code Enforce...	Permit Fund	Zoning/Code E...	-45.00	-1,632.10
Apr 19								<u>-1,632.10</u>	<u>-1,632.10</u>

Galien Township Safety Fund
Custom Transaction Detail Report
 April 2019

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Apr 19	Check	04/17/2019	56705...	Three Oaks Ambula...	Ambulance S...	Ambulance Ch...	-23,750.00	-23,750.00
Apr 19							<u>-23,750.00</u>	<u>-23,750.00</u>

Edward Carpenter
1721 Buffalo Rd
Galien, MI 49113

Galien Township
Galien, MI 49113

March 15, 2019 thur April 12, 2019
Total number of permits – 4 building 3 electrical

Upgrade Permit # 0518
Issued to – Mathew Casperi
4150 Kinnie Rd
Property # 11- 09-18-0007-00-4
For – house
Cost -- \$75,000.00
Fee -- \$390.00

Permit # 0419
Issued to – Robert Bergman
1594 Buffalo Rd
Property # 11-09-0014-0002-03-4
For – commercial kitchen
Cost -- \$47,600.00
Fee -- \$304.00

Permit # 0519

Issued to – Robert Bergman

1594 Buffalo Rd

Property #11-09-0014-0002-03-4

For – repair water damage

Cost -- \$32,500.00

Fee -- \$244.00

Permit # 0619

Issued to – Larry Kray

1067 Garwood Lake Rd

Property #

For – storage building

Cost -- \$53,000.00

Fee -- \$399.00 (check was mailed to the Township)

Permit 0319-E

Issued to – Bob Bergman

1594 Buffalo Rd

Property # 11-09-0014-0002-03-4

For – remodel

Cost -- \$184.00

Permit #0419-E

Issued to – Joe Stanis

19530 Beaver Dam Rd

Property # 11-09-0019-0001-10-4

For – garage

Fee -- \$231.00

Permit # 0519-E

Issued to – Michael Patton

2975 Olive Branch Rd

Property # 11-09-0016-0006-05-7

For – temporary service

Fee -- \$160.00

Permit total --	\$1,912.00
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Total due Ed --	\$1,127.10
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Total due Bassinger --	\$ 460.00
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Jennifer Richter <jen.galientwp@gmail.com>

Bill

Andy D <adickey1979@gmail.com>

Tue, Apr 9, 2019 at 9:36 PM

To: Jennifer Richter <jen.galientwp@gmail.com>

Warning to Andrews rd Hollingsworth residence
1 hr

Investigation to dumping garbage on Buffalo and Hampton
1 hr

Phone conversation with Jamie McCrery about US 12 Progress
1 hr

jerry.galientwp@gmail.com

From: Kari Bennett <kbennett@bcroad.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 3:29 PM
To: jerry.galientwp@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Berrien County Road Department 2019 Local Matching Program

Jerry,

These funds are for preservation/structural improvements or preventative maintenance, not routine maintenance. Both gravel for gravel roads and dust control for gravel roads are considered routine maintenance.

Thank you,

Kari

Kari Taylor Bennett, CPA
Road Business & Finance Manager
Berrien County Road Department
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kbennett@bcroad.org
www.bcroad.org

From: jerry.galientwp@gmail.com <jerry.galientwp@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 8:03 AM
To: 'Kari Bennett' <kbennett@bcroad.org>
Subject: FW: Berrien County Road Department 2019 Local Matching Program

Hi Kari –

I have a question for you on the matching funds - can these funds be used for gravel for gravel roads or dust control on the gravel roads?

Thanks,

Jerry Mast
269-470-9903
Galien Township Trustee
www.galientownship.org

From: Jerry Mast <jerrymastcpa@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 7:32 AM
To: jerry.galientwp@gmail.com
Subject: Fwd: Berrien County Road Department 2019 Local Matching Program

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From: **Kari Bennett** <kbennett@bcroad.org>

Date: Fri, Mar 8, 2019 at 12:31 PM

Subject: Berrien County Road Department 2019 Local Matching Program

To: Bill Hodge <supervisor@bainbridgetownship.org>, Brian Bixby <bixbyfarms@comcast.net>, Dan Hutchins <watervliettownship@comcast.net>, Dave Chandler <office@sodustwp.org>, David Bunte <dbunte@chikamingtownship.org>, Denise Cook <dcook@sjct.org>, Dick Stauffer <dstauffer@lctberrien.org>, Doug Davis <dougrdavis78@yahoo.com>, Elizabeth Cummings <lcummings@threeoakstwp@yahoo.com>, Gary Sommers <gcsommers@gmail.com>, George Mangold <gmangold@threeoakstwp@yahoo.com>, Izzy DiMaggio <izzydimag@aol.com>, Jerry Mast <jerrymastcpa@gmail.com>, Jim Brow <barodasupv@gmail.com>, Jim Stover <jstover@nilestwpmi.gov>, John Gast <jwgast@lake-township.org>, Kelli Smith (Nelson) <ksmith@bentonchartertownship-mi.gov>, Ken Parrigin <kenprgrn@aol.com>, Malinda Cole-Crocker <supervisor@bucharantownship.net>, Michelle Heit <mheit@newbuffalotownship.org>, Mike Hildebrand <supervisor@oronokotownship.org>, Patty Hiler-Molter <clerk@bainbridgetownship.org>, Steve Hicks <supervisor@bertrandtownship.com>, Steve Tilly <stilly@royaltontownship.org>

Dear Township Officials,

As mentioned to you at the township meetings held in December, the Berrien County Road Department is implementing a local road matching program in conjunction with our asset management plan. The attached document formalizes and attempts to clarify the 2019 local matching program. Township agreements will be sent to each of you, starting next week.

Please direct any questions or concerns that you may have regarding the local matching program or the agreements to me, via the contact information listed below.

Thank you for your cooperation in our efforts to provide a safe and efficient roadway network!

Sincerely,

Kari

Kari Taylor Bennett, CPA

Road Business & Finance Manager

Berrien County Road Department

269-925-1196 ext. 4411



BERRIEN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

2019 LOCAL ROAD MATCHING PROGRAM

The Berrien County Road Department is bound by the funding and expenditure rules promulgated in Public Act 51 of 1951. Public Act 51 created the Michigan Transportation Fund (MTF), and is the main funding source for county road agencies. In 2019, the Road Department is anticipating it will receive \$16,400,000 in MTF revenues, of which approximately two-thirds are dedicated for primary roads.

The Road Department has recognized that local road funds are inadequate to maintain the almost 1,000 miles of local roads in Berrien County and has historically transferred funds from the Primary Road Fund to the Local Road Fund, as allowed by Section 12 of Act 51, even though this transfer reduces the funds available for maintenance activity on our primary road system.

Matching Funds

The Road Department has allocated \$1,500,000 for the 2019 Local Road Matching Program. This program allocates funds to all 22 townships in Berrien County based on road mileage and population, consistent with the distribution formula used by the Michigan Department of Transportation to allocate local road funds to the 83 counties in Michigan. In order to receive local road matching funds, each township must match the funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis. The source of the township's matching funds may be from its own general fund, a road millage, property owners' special assessment contributions, or unique private/public contributions.

Township	Local		Average % of	
	Miles	Population	Total	Allocation
Bainbridge	44.13	2,850	3.46%	\$ 51,871
Baroda	23.49	2,801	2.40%	\$ 35,987
Benton	90.45	14,749	10.96%	\$ 164,428
Berrien	48.42	5,084	4.65%	\$ 69,680
Bertrand	46.61	2,657	3.50%	\$ 52,482
Buchanan	50.69	3,523	4.08%	\$ 61,208
Chikaming	47.15	3,100	3.72%	\$ 55,779
Coloma	44.43	5,020	4.42%	\$ 66,254
Galien	31.00	1,452	2.19%	\$ 32,849
Hagar	53.64	3,671	4.29%	\$ 64,398
Lake	23.54	2,972	2.48%	\$ 37,143
Lincoln	70.97	14,691	9.96%	\$ 149,360
New Buffalo	25.99	2,386	2.34%	\$ 35,165
Niles	92.35	14,164	10.80%	\$ 162,044
Oronoko	43.94	9,193	6.21%	\$ 93,108
Pipestone	52.40	2,312	3.64%	\$ 54,598
Royalton	38.64	4,766	4.02%	\$ 60,231
Sodus	26.48	1,932	2.17%	\$ 32,572
St. Joseph	50.08	10,028	6.88%	\$ 103,186
Three Oaks	24.10	2,574	2.33%	\$ 34,966
Watervliet	20.56	3,102	2.38%	\$ 35,741
Weesaw	45.51	1,936	3.13%	\$ 46,949
TOTAL	994.57	114,963	100.00%	\$ 1,500,000
*Totals may not equal sum of individual allocations due to rounding				



BERRIEN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

2019 LOCAL ROAD MATCHING PROGRAM

Project Selection

The Road Department has implemented an asset management plan to optimize the limited resources available to the Road Department to effectively tackle the tremendous maintenance backlog created by years of underfunding of infrastructure at the state and national level.

Annually, the Road Department will attempt to meet with each township in October or November to review the three year asset management plan generated for their township and select projects for the following year.

Primary Road Matching

Any township, at their option, may request that a part or all of their allocated local matching funds, along with an equal amount of township funds, be used on a primary road project within their township.

Project Supervision and Construction Procedures

The Road Department shall supervise and direct the project using the Road Department's best skill and attention. The Road Department shall be solely responsible for and have control over construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures and for coordination of all portions of the project.

Project Overruns

Road Department staff will provide an estimated cost for each individual project to be included with the agreement between the township and the Road Department. If at any time it is determined that the original cost estimate will not cover project costs, the Road Department will notify the township to determine if the township desires to proceed with the project with a reduced scope or if the township would like to increase their funding commitment, and amend the agreement in writing accordingly. Any unexpected project cost overruns shall be taken from any unexpended funds remaining in the township's total agreement. If the overrun exceeds the total township agreement, the Road Department may bill the township up to an additional ten percent (10%) of the total agreement amount. At the township's option, such overruns can be taken from the following year's matching funds.

Project Billing

Townships will be billed for each individual project in installments. The Road Department will invoice fifty percent (50%) of the estimated cost of the project upon receipt of the signed agreement. The Township will be invoiced for the remainder of the project cost upon completion of the project and accumulation of actual costs. Standard fringe and overhead rates will be applied as defined by Public Act 51.

Reallocation of Funds

Any township that has not notified the Road Department of their intent to utilize local matching funds **on or before May 1, 2019** will forfeit the 2019 allocated matching funds. The Road Department will determine the amount of unused matching funds and reallocate these funds back to the Primary Road Fund.

jerry.galientwp@gmail.com

From: Ezra Scott <escott@berriencounty.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 12:23 PM
To: jerry.galientwp@gmail.com
Subject: Fwd: Andrews Rd - Galien Dirt Roads

Here are the responses
Ezra

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: William Wolf <wwolf@berriencounty.org>
Date: March 19, 2019 at 12:07:58 PM EDT
To: "Adri Boone" <aboone@bcroad.org>
Cc: "Don Geisler" <dgeisler@bcroad.org>, "Scott, Ezra" <escott@berriencounty.org>, "Jason Latham" <jlatham@bcroad.org>
Subject: RE: Andrews Rd - Galien Dirt Roads

Thanks, Adri, that was helpful.

From: Adri Boone <aboone@bcroad.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 9:53 AM
To: Jason Latham <jlatham@bcroad.org>; William Wolf <wwolf@berriencounty.org>
Cc: Don Geisler <dgeisler@bcroad.org>
Subject: RE: Andrews Rd - Galien Dirt Roads

Jason and Bill,

Thank you for sharing Jerry's email with me. As you know I have been tracking/logging service requests and can shed some light on this issue.

BCRD was contacted about Andrews Road on 2/26/2019. A service request was created and the next day (2/27/2019), crews filled ruts and placed Andrews Road on the list to be graded as soon as weather permits. This information was shared with the residents that called to request the service.

(Currently frost is leaving the ground causing the top layer of the ground to become saturated and weak. It is in the best interest to wait until the ground can thaw or water be absorbed prior to grading; otherwise grading equipment can actually create more damage than benefit for the public.)

If you have any other questions or resident concerns feel free to provide my contact information or give me a call,

Adri Boone

Administrative Assistant

Road Department

Berrien County

p: (269) 925-1196 Ext: 4410

f: (269) 925-8098
a: 2860 E. Napier Avenue Benton Harbor, MI 49022
w: www.bcroad.org

From: Jason Latham [<mailto:jlatham@bcroad.org>]
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 2:39 PM
To: William Wolf
Cc: Adri Boone; Don Geisler
Subject: Re: Andrews Rd - Galien Dirt Roads

We typically grade shoulders as needed. High shoulders can be problematic because the ground behind can be even higher...if that makes sense. I'll have my staff fill out a service request with Jerry being the contact person. We will use that process to communicate with the township. Thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 15, 2019, at 9:13 AM, William Wolf <wwolf@berriencounty.org> wrote:

Doesn't this just call for the annual grading of the gravel shoulder?

From: Ezra Scott <escott@berriencounty.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:03 AM
To: wwolf@berriencounty.org
Subject: Fwd: Andrews Rd - Galien Dirt Roads

Can you get with Jason on this

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jerry Mast <jerry.galientwp@gmail.com>
Date: March 14, 2019 at 7:32:35 AM EDT
To: Ezra Scott <escott@berriencounty.org>
Cc: John Boggs <john.william.boggs@gmail.com>
Subject: Andrews Rd - Galien Dirt Roads

Ezra -

I know that you are a busy man, but I wanted to reach out to you with some resident concerns on one particular dirt road in our area.

The road fits the classic "ditch" epitome that is used to describe some of our dirt roads. The banks are higher than the road surface and the roadway is basically becomes where the water collects and runs into, making it a soft muddy clay mess when it rains.

This has become more than just a cosmetic issue, as I'm told the River Valley School bus is threatening to stop going down the road for fear of getting stuck in the soft spots. It's also frustrating to the

residents who live on the road and have to deal with the lack of drainage and soft base on the road.

I'm coming to your doorstep with this problem, as my first impression is that adding more pit run will not solve the problem (even if the Township had the money to do this right away). I understand that one dirt road in Weesaw had pit run added last fall and the residents are still not happy with it.

I recall that you are working with the Army Corps of Engineers on the lake erosion issue and I thought possibly through that experience you might have some ideas on how to approach a solution for this. I tend to think a fix for this bigger than Galien Township can handle, and that's what has led me to ask if you knew of any other federal or state help that might be available. Certainly all the rain we have had in the last year or so has not helped the situation - i.e the 500 or 1000 year event. The sad part is I believe we have a few other dirt roads in our Township (and surrounding townships) with the same issue.

As we talked about back in January, while its nice to see the county provide parks and bicycle lanes for the entertainment and enjoyment of our residents in their leisure time, here we have a situation where very basic and fundamental infrastructure is missing that has a real impact to taxpayers on a daily basis.

A group of residents of Andrews road attended our Township Road Committee meeting on Tuesday and expressed their frustrations over this road. I'm cc'ing Bill Boggs on this email, as he has personally reached out to me on this issue.

The residents and our Road Committee would appreciate any thoughts you have on how to approach this situation and try to move towards a resolution.

Thanks,

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Jerry Mast
Galien Township Trustee
269-470-9903
galientownship.org

From:

Rusty Riley
4214 Olive Branch Road
Galien, MI 49113
515.491.4640

April 15, 2019

Attn:

Jennifer Richter
Clerk
Galien Township
305 Kiley Drive / PO Box 246
Galien, MI 49113

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my interest in the vacancy on the Galien Township Planning Commission. While I don't possess a great deal of experience in public affairs or local government, I do have a desire to serve, and a willingness to learn. Additionally, as a resident and land owner in Galien township, I have the best interest of my fellow citizens in mind as I offer my time & commitment to the community.

My wife Marla and I have been Galien residents for about two and a half years, and I have owned a small manufacturing business in Baroda since 2014.

If this position is still available and you feel I might be a good fit, please contact me at your convenience with regard to the next steps. Thank you for your time & consideration.

Sincerely,

Rusty Riley



Office of the Sheriff

Berrien County

919 Port Street, St. Joseph, Michigan 49085-1184
Telephone (269)983-7111 - Fax: (269)983-9956

From 2/1/2019 through 2/28/2019

L. Paul Bailey
SHERIFF

Charles E. Heit
UNDERSHERIFF

Robert Boyce
CHIEF DEPUTY

Dear Galien Township,

These reports are in keeping with my attempt to improve communication between my department and local governments. There is a need from the law enforcement community to increase the exchange of information between communities and the officers that are patrolling the areas of the county.

For that reason I have developed a program to open up communication between my department and your community. The program "Local Government Contact Program" is an effort to open those lines of communications between your village or township and the Sheriff's Department.

Basically, the program consists of a representative from my department who will attend your monthly board meeting and submit a written report of what activities our department responded to in your area. In some areas the information may be short and in others it may be lengthy.

What I hope will occur with this program is that you will gain a better understanding of what the Sheriff's Department's activities are in your area and in doing so you will have a better understanding of what is happening in your area.

This will also be an opportunity for you to provide the officer, who will attend your meeting, with information or concerns you may have.

The information that will be provided is public information and non-sensitive in nature.

If you have any comments or suggestions please call Chief Deputy Robert Boyce, at 269-983-7141 Ext. 7228.

Thank you,

Sheriff L. Paul Bailey



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"STAT SHEET"

09 Galien Township - Report

Report Generated on 4/2/2019

Officer Assigned _____

Total Complaints Worked in TWP	7	Total Complaints Worked by BCSD	974
Total Tickets Issued in TWP	84	Total Tickets Issued by BCSD	304
Total Arrests in TWP	1	Total Arrests made by BCSD	169

Incidents 2/1/2019 - 2/28/2019 TOTAL Complaints: 7

Offense	Reported Date	Case Number	Address	Venue Name
Accident - Traffic	2/13/2019 6:13:35 AM	2019-00001677	W USHY 12	09 Galien Township
Accident - Traffic	2/13/2019 8:33:27 PM	2019-00001707	W GALIENBUCHANAN	09 Galien Township
Disorderly Conduct	2/27/2019 9:05:14 PM	2019-00002154	3078 W USHY 12	09 Galien Township
Domestic	2/21/2019 6:55:32 PM	2019-00001965	1471 OLIVE BRANCH RD	09 Galien Township
Traffic Policing	2/7/2019 11:23:45 PM	2019-00001465	GARDNER RD	09 Galien Township
Traffic Policing	2/8/2019 5:56:44 PM	2019-00001493	4131 KINNE RD	09 Galien Township
Traffic Violation (Mov-Unmoving)	2/8/2019 6:50:47 PM	2019-00001499	JEFFERY RD	09 Galien Township