

## Alaiedon Township

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### Office Hours

Monday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.  
Tuesday – Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

# SUMMER 2021 INFORMATIONAL LETTER

**Extended tax collection hours are September 14th from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

## **PROPERTY TAXES**

**Summer 2021 Real and Personal Property Taxes are due July 1, 2021 to Tuesday, September 14, 2021 without penalty.**

Please consider making tax payments and all other payments by mail or placing in our drop box; located to the right of the front door. If you need or want a receipt, please provide us with your email address with a note asking us to email a receipt to you or a self-addressed envelope. Credit card payments are not accepted.

**REMINDERS:** Alaiedon Township does not accept postmarks. If taxes are mailed, they must arrive at the township hall by the end of the business day on the due date.

A \$25 fee will be charged for any returned checks.

Monday, February 28, 2022 is the FINAL date Alaiedon Township can collect taxes for the 2021 tax year. On March 1, 2022, any unpaid taxes will be turned over to the Ingham County Treasurer for collection and cannot be paid to Alaiedon Township.

**Partial Tax Payments:** We do accept partial payments for property taxes. Contact the Township office for more information.

Upcoming **WINTER TAXES** will be collected

December 1, 2021 to February 14, 2022.

3% Late fee charged Feb 15 to February 28, 2022.

## **TOWNSHIP OFFICE**

The Township Office will be closed to observe the following holidays:

**Independence Day:** Monday, July 5, 2021

**Labor Day:** Monday, September 6, 2021

**Thanksgiving:** Thurs. & Fri., November 25 & 26, 2021

## **TAX & ASSESSING INFORMATION**

All current Tax and Assessing information for properties located in Alaiedon Township can now be found on [www.bsaonline.com/MunicipalDirectory](http://www.bsaonline.com/MunicipalDirectory)

## **HISTORY OF ALAIEDON TOWNSHIP**

### **Al-ai-ed-on**

Henry Schoolcraft was an American geographer, geologist and ethnologist who was also known for his deep studies and respect for Native American cultures.

Schoolcraft served in the Legislature for the Michigan Territory and was stationed in Sault Ste. Marie in 1822 as a federal Indian Agent. That is where Schoolcraft met his future wife, a granddaughter of Chief Waubojeeq of the Chippewa Indian Tribe.

Schoolcraft believed that if places were named at least in-part by utilizing a Native American word before settlers moved in, the name would stay. His objective was to preserve the original languages once used to describe the land. Alaiedon is one of those words.

“AL” means “THE”

“AI” is an Indian word meaning “GOOD and EXCELLENT”

“ON” of Native American definition means “HILL”

The Chippewa Indian dictionary gives the word “AIED” as the meaning “LIVE or LIVING.” Schoolcraft explained that often one letter of an Indian word, when compounded with other words, gives the interpretation of the word from which one or more letters were originally taken. Thus, “ED” taken from “AIED” would convey the meaning of “LIVING.”

Therefore, Alaiedon: The hill land for excellent living.

## **BURNING PERMIT**

**EVERYONE MUST** have a permit to burn in Alaiedon Township.

Burning permits can be obtained from the Alaiedon Township Office during regular office hours either in person, **email or by fax before 3pm.** **There is no cost for a burning permit.**

Printable Burning Permit Applications are available on the Alaiedon Township website.

## TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings take place on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at the Alaiedon Township Hall. Please contact the office prior to the meeting if you would like to be placed on the agenda. Visit the website for all agendas and minutes for the meetings.

## FIRE SERVICES

Alaiedon Township contracts with Delhi Charter Township for Fire Protection Service. Alaiedon Township Ordinance No. 75, allows the township to invoice under certain circumstances for fire services rendered by the Delhi Township Fire Department.

## SIGN PERMITS

All signs in Alaiedon Township are required to have a sign permit. For a sign permit application, please contact the office or visit the website. A sign permit is now a one-time fee of \$50 for the life of the sign.

## RECREATIONAL BURNING

Permits are now available in the office or on our web site. Recreational Burning/Campfire Burning permits are valid through April 1, 2022. A new permit must be obtained.

1. Campfires must take place within a 48 inch area contained by a metal fire ring, cement blocks, brick or other non-combustible material of no less than 12 inch in height. Digging a 12" x48" hole in the ground and lining the top of the hole with rocks or bricks is acceptable.
2. At no time shall the Campfire exceed 36" in height.
3. A Campfire must not be within 30 feet of a structure or a combustible type of tree (pine tree). And not within 50 feet of the property line
4. Only firewood or charcoal may be burned
5. No fire may be kindled between midnight and 7 a.m.
6. Campfires must be attended at all times and extinguishing equipment must be nearby
7. If the wind velocity reaches 10 mph or above, a campfire is prohibited.
8. If the location of the Campfire Permit is a rental property, the lessee is required to have this permit signed by the landowner.
9. The holder of this permit is responsible for knowing if there is an Alaiedon Township burning ban in place due to extreme dry conditions. This can be done either by calling the township office during office hours or by checking the main page of the Alaiedon Township

**NOTE:** If any of 1-9 are violated, it is a violation of the Alaiedon Township Fire Ordinance. In addition, if the fire department is dispatched to a fire at your location and fire department staff determines any of the 1-9 are being violated, the landowner will be charged for the fire run, which is currently \$900. However, if the fire department is dispatched to your location and you have a valid Recreational Burn Permit and 1-9 are being followed, you will not be charged for the fire run.

## BUILDING PERMITS

All construction in Alaiedon Township is required to have a building permit. Please contact the office or visit the website to obtain information concerning fees, requirements, and regulations. Average time to receive a building permit is 5 to 7 business days after application.

## CEMETERY

Burial lots at the Leek Cemetery are available. For more information please contact the township office or visit the website.

## NOTARY SERVICE

This service is available at the township hall during regular business hours to residents of Alaiedon Township at no cost.

## LAND SPLITS & BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS

All property adjustments must be approved by the Alaiedon Township Zoning Administrator prior to the recording of any property adjustments. Please contact the office or visit the website for additional information and application.

## FREE RECYCLING SERVICE

Alaiedon Township offers residents a recycling service at no cost. Drop off is the same time as the trash service, 8:00am – 12 Noon, The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the township hall.

*We now have a Single-stream Comingled dumpster and accept Mixed Paper, Boxboard, Cardboard, Tin Cans, Aluminum and Plastic bottles and Jugs. **NO GLASS.** Contact the office or visit the website for a complete list of items that are accepted and not accepted.*

## TRASH SERVICES

Township residents can drop off trash from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the township hall. Proof of residency is required to utilize this service.

### **TRASH FEES:**

Trash Bag.....>>.....	\$1.00
Large Trucks/Trailers.....>.....	up to \$50.00
Pick-Up Trucks/Small Trailers.....>.....	\$20.00
Large Trucks/Trailers (staked sides).....>.....	up to \$60.00
All appliances (without compressors).....>.....	\$15.00
Pick-Up/Small Trailers (staked sides).....>.....	\$40.00
Mattresses, Box Springs, Furniture & Electronics	\$5.00 each

**TRASH ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:** Tires, batteries, concrete, fence, brick, pipe, fence posts, oil, antifreeze, oil filters, paint, yard waste, and hazardous waste. Also refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers with compressors will not be accepted.

\*\*\*\*\*All Trash must be bagged or boxed\*\*\*\*\*