

**MIDDLEBURY TOWNSHIP**  
December 2005

**FROM THE SUPERVISOR:**

The year 2005 has seen some changes. Some have been beneficial to Middlebury and some have been controversial. On the particular Rails To Trails subject, some of our people were for it and a number were against it. The County Board of Commissioners who voted for it finally decided it.

State revenue was down some from last year, however, it could have been a lot more drastic. We keep hoping the states economic picture gets better. The state mandates that our emergency equipment be updated every so often, so we have purchased a new ambulance. As for fires, remember to get a permit to bum. (At no cost to you)

Our roads are in fairly good shape according to the road commission. Gravel roads are getting more expensive to keep up. Grading gravel, chloride etc, like everything else has gone up dramatically.

If you should have any concerns, please call me at home, if I am not there please leave a message with my wife, Mary, and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Sincerely, Tony

**FROM THE TREASURER:**

Winter taxes are enclosed. Each tax season the escrow companies send a list requesting their client's taxes and I send them directly to them. If you are receiving this tax notice and you currently have a tax escrow account your escrow company failed to request your tax notice and so you will need to forward this notice on to them for payment. Please ask them to request them directly from me so that you will not be inconvenienced again next tax season. I am more than happy to send me escrow companies your tax notices but unfortunately unless they request them I would have no idea whom out of my nearly 900 parcels that I collect for have escrow accounts and with so many ever changing escrow companies out there it is impossible for me to know who is responsible for paying whose accounts.

I will be collecting taxes in person this year on the following dates at the Village of Ovid Hall (back conference room). Use the entrance on the east side of the building and you may park in that lot or the lot across the street. The dates are as follows:

**December 30, 2005 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Friday)**

**February 9, 2006 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.**

**(Thursday) (before regular township meeting)**

**February 14, 2006 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Tuesday)**

All checks/money orders are to be made out to Carolyn Stevens, Treasurer, and mailed to P.O. Box 622, Ovid, MI 48866. If you are paying on the three days that I will be collecting at the village hall, and wish to pay in cash, please bring the correct amount as change will not be available.

If you should have any questions regarding tax payments, please contact me at the number below. If you have questions about parcel information, name/address changes etc., please contact the County Equalization Dept. (Barb) at 743-2263. If you have questions about how your taxes were figured, you may wish to contact our assessor at the number below.

**DOG LICENSES:** If you need a dog license and have not purchased it from your veterinarian, I will be able to sell you one with a current proof of rabies vaccination & proof of neutering. Your dog must be housed in Middlebury Township for me to issue a license. If you are paying by mail, please send me a stamped self-addressed envelope for me to return your license and if possible a copy of last year's license and/or your dogs name, breed, age and color. The costs this year are the same as last Male/Female \$ 30 and Neutered dogs \$ 10. After February 28<sup>th</sup> licenses are doubled and must be purchased directly from the County.

**Supervisor: Anthony Sinicropi 834-5049, Clerk: Audrey Sovis 834-5080, Treasurer: Carolyn Stevens 834-5768  
Trustees: Charles Simpson 723-5044 Paul Dutton 834-5812 Assessor: Steve Schweikert 725-8080 Cemetery Sexton  
Gary Fortin 834-1813**