

July 2024



Genoa Township News & Updates

Greetings

Welcome to this month's edition of Genoa Township news via email. Here's what's coming up in the Township:

2024 Summer Tax Information

The 2024 Summer Tax Bills will be mailed to all Genoa Township property owners on Monday, July 1, 2024. Summer taxes are payable, without penalty, through Monday, September 16, 2024. The 2024 Summer Tax amounts are available on the Township Website at www.genoa.org

Payments can be made online by credit card or electronic check, at the township offices by cash or check, by mail to Genoa Township, 2911 Dorr Rd., Brighton, MI 48116, placed in the Township drop box, or by filing ACH paperwork to set up an automatic withdrawal.

Please contact the Treasurer's Office at (810) 227-5225 if you have any questions or if you do not receive your bill.

Early Voting for the August 6 Primary Election

Early Voting for the Aug. 6 Primary Election will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Township Hall on the following dates:

- Saturday, July 27
- Sunday, July 28
- Monday, July 29
- Tuesday, July 30
- Wednesday, July 31
- Thursday, Aug. 1
- Friday, Aug. 2
- Saturday, Aug. 3
- Saturday, Aug. 4

The Primary Election will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6. Voters can cast ballots in their assigned precincts. Questions? Call the Township Clerk's Office at (810) 227-5225.

Election Signs

The Township Zoning Ordinance includes regulations on temporary signs which by definition includes the many election signs we are starting to see installed across the community. This Zoning Ordinance was adopted to protect the right to receive messages and information protected by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution balanced with the public's right to be free of signs which unreasonably compete with one another, distract drivers and pedestrians, and create safety concerns and confusion. Given the proliferation of temporary signs during elections, it can be a challenge for Township staff to maintain enforcement. To bring awareness and improve public understanding the following regulations are worth noting:

- You need permission! - Prior to the erection or placement of a temporary sign, the permission of the property owner where the sign is to be located must be secured.
- 10' setback - Temporary signs must be setback 10 feet from the back of curb for curbed roadways and the edge of gravel or gravel shoulder for uncurbed or gravel roadways.
- 25' back from corners - Temporary signs shall not be located within the triangular clear vision area measured at 25 feet back from intersections of road right-of-way lines.
- No temporary sign shall be up for longer than 45 consecutive days.
- Residential Zoning Districts:
 - Allowed 5 small signs under 6 sq. ft. and 4 feet tall per lot. Must be separated by at least 10 feet.
 - Allowed 2 large signs under 32 sq. ft. and 6 feet tall per lot. Must be separated by at least 10 feet.
- Non-Residential Districts:
 - Small signs (under 6 sq. ft. and 4 feet tall): Allowed 1 per lot plus 1 additional for each 100 feet over the minimum lot width. Signs must be located 100' apart.
 - Large signs (under 32 sq. ft. and 6 feet tall): Allowed 2 per lot and must be 100 feet apart.

Highlander Reading Express at the Township Park

The Highlander Reading Express will be making weekly stops at the Township Park this summer.

The decommissioned school bus, which functions as a mobile library to promote summer reading for students, will be in the Upper Parking Lot at the Township Hall from 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday starting June 11 through Aug. 13.

Students check out books one week and return them the next week.

For more information, visit

https://www.howellschools.com/services/communications/highlander_reading_express

Brighton Area Fire seeking Paid On-Call Firefighters

The Brighton Area Fire Authority is seeking residents living in Genoa Township, Brighton Township and the City of Brighton who are willing to serve their community as a Paid-On-Call Firefighter.

- No experience necessary, just the motivation to learn and serve
- All required training is provided and compensated
- Academy classes are held on evening/weekends
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Any questions please call the Brighton Area Fire Authority at 810 229-6640.

Township Calendar

Township Hall Upcoming Holidays and Events

- **Thursday, July 4: Fourth of July** - Happy Birthday USA! The Township offices are closed.
- **Friday, July 5:** The Township offices are closed for the Fourth of July holiday.
- **Tuesday, July 2:** Highlander Reading Express in Upper Parking Lot from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 9:** Highlander Reading Express in Upper Parking Lot from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 16:** Highlander Reading Express in Upper Parking Lot from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 23:** Highlander Reading Express in Upper Parking Lot from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 30:** Highlander Reading Express in Upper Parking Lot from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Trash and Recycling

- **Thursday, July 4: Fourth of July** - There will be no garbage/recycling collection.
- **Friday, July 5:** Garbage/recycling resumes with Thursday pickup. Friday's pickup will be completed Saturday.

Township Board and Commission Meeting Dates

- **Monday, July 1: Township Board** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Click [here](#) for Township Board agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

- **Monday, July 8: Planning Commission** regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Applications for potential Planning Commission review at this meeting include the following:

- Timber Green Subdivision, Chilson Road, Howell: Request for amendment to the Planned Unit Development and Condominium documents to remove 3 parcels from the development.
- Zoning Ordinance Article 7 Amendment: Review of ordinance amendment to allow laundromats as a Special Land Use in the Office Service District (OSD).
- Zoning Ordinance Article 16 Amendments: Review of ordinance amendments to pole sign regulations and add informational signs to the definition of incidental signs with modified regulations.

Click [here](#) for Planning Commission agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

- **Monday, July 15: Township Board** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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- **Tuesday, July 23: Zoning Board of Appeals** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Click [here](#) for Zoning Board of Appeals agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

You can find a complete list of Township meeting dates for 2024 [here](#).

All public meetings take place in the Boardroom at the Township Hall, 2911 Dorr Road, Brighton, 48116, unless otherwise noted. Agendas, packets and minutes are posted to the individual page of the Board or Commission at genoa.org.

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Questions? Contact info@genoa.org

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