# August 2025



# **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:

#### 2025 Summer Tax Information

The 2025 Summer Tax Bills were mailed to all Genoa Township property owners on Tuesday, July 1, 2025. Summer taxes are payable, without penalty, through Monday, September 15, 2025. As of July 1, 2025, Summer Tax amounts are available on the Township Website at <a href="https://www.genoa.org">www.genoa.org</a>.

Beginning July 1, 2025, 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.

#### 9/11 Memorial 5K



Livingston County Veteran Services, First Responders, and Howell Recreation present the third annual 9/11 "Never Forget 5K Trail Run/Walk." The event will be held at Fillmore County Park on September 13th at 9 am to remember those who lost their lives that day, as well as our military veterans and first responders who went into harm's way as a result of the attack.

Click <u>HERE</u> for registration.

**Planning & Zoning for Everyone Workshop** 

The Board of Trustees recently approved funding for "Planning & Zoning for Everyone." This is an educational opportunity to be presented by the Michigan Association of Planners (MAP).

The tentative date has been set for the evening of September 10, TBA at the Township Hall. This will be an introductory level course on the basics of planning and zoning laws for the general public. It will be held in a Town Hall type format with public Q&A to be included. We will broadcast it live on the YouTube channel, as well as it being posted there for review by anyone at their convenience.

The MAP received a grant to design this course after Genoa requested a proposal from them to do so, which greatly reduced our cost. This will be a fantastic opportunity for the public to learn more about how and why certain decisions are made, who is responsible for them and what the law does and doesn't allow municipalities to do with regard to planning and zoning.

Stay tuned for the specifics as they become available closer to the date.

# SEMCOG "Pulse of the Region" Economic Survey

SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, and its partner organization, the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition (MAC), are conducting an online Pulse of the Region survey to gather residents' perceptions on Southeast Michigan's economy. Responses will help guide planning efforts for Southeast Michigan's next Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). SEMCOG's economic development work is driven by the CEDS, which is updated every five years in concert with MAC.

A CEDS is a strategic plan that helps guide regional economic development efforts and serves as a conduit for federal and state grants, as well as other resources. The plan centers on a collective vision built through a great deal of input from communities, regional partners, and, importantly, our residents. SEMCOG is the designated Economic Development District (EDD) by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, covering Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties.

The survey will close on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at midnight Survey results will help shape Southeast Michigan's next five-year economic development strategy. The draft CEDS document is expected to be shared for public review in January 2026, with final adoption expected in March 2026. If you are interested in participating, please click HERE.

### Planning a Project? You Might Need a Permit!

As summer brings new home improvement projects and outdoor upgrades, the Township wants to remind residents that many types of work may require a permit before getting started.

#### Why Get a Permit?

Permits help ensure that projects are safe, meet local codes, and maintain the integrity of your property and neighborhood. They also protect homeowners by ensuring contractors follow the proper procedures and that completed work is inspected.

#### **Common Summer Projects That May Need a Permit:**

- Decks
- Patios

- Fences
- Retaining Walls
- Swimming Pools and Hot Tubs
- Sheds
- Pole Barns
- Additions or Structural Changes
- Grading or Drainage Projects

If you're unsure whether your project requires a permit, please contact our Zoning Department at (810) 227-5225 or visit www.genoa.org for more information. Starting work without the proper permits can lead to costly corrections, delays, or even fines.

#### We're Here to Help!

Our staff is happy to walk you through the process and answer any questions. Let's work together to keep Genoa Township safe and looking great!

# Help for Livingston County veterans

Livingston County Veteran Services (LCVS) offers a variety of programs and services to assist veterans and their families. LCVS employs nationally accredited Veteran Service Officers to assist veterans in filing for US Dept. of Veterans Affairs benefits. Honorably Discharged veterans registered with LCVS, and their spouse may utilize complimentary LCVS transportation to medical appointments within a 50-mile radius. To schedule a ride, call LETS at (517) 546-6600, select option 3 and mention veteran status. LCVS offers Honorably Discharged veterans who are less fortunate several assistance programs provided by Emergency Relief funds, such as:

- \$200 food and toiletry voucher plus an additional \$50 for each child in the household,
- \$200 clothing vouchers for their school-aged children up to age 18,
- \$50 Speedway fuel only cards; and
  Dental assistance of up to \$1,000 via LCVS partnership with VINA Dental.

Call (517) 546-6338 to set up an appointment and qualify for these programs.

# **Township Calendar**

#### Township Hall Upcoming Holidays and Events

 Monday, September 1st: Labor Day. The Township offices are closed. For any water or sewer emergencies, please reach out to MHOG Utilities at 1-855-231-6692.

#### Trash and Recycling

 Monday, September 1: Labor Day. There is NO garbage/recycling on Monday. Collection will run one day late with Friday's collection occurring Saturday

#### **Township Board and Commission Meeting Dates**

Monday, August 4: Township Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Click here for Township Board agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

- Monday, August 11: Planning Commission meeting at 6:30 p.m.
  - Legacy Hills: Request for final condominium site plan and environmental impact assessment to construct a 55-unit single family site condominium development located at the northwest corner of

- Challis Road and Bauer Road. The project includes the following parcels: 4711-23-400-008, 4711-23-400-007, 4711-23-400-001 and 4711-23-300-003. The request is submitted by Pulte Homes of Michigan.
- Old Farm Private Road: Request for a special land use application, impact assessment, private
  road with a shared driveway for 7 new homes on 20.39 acres located at 6025 Brighton Road.
  Special land use is required for shared driveway crossing regulated wetland and 25-foot natural
  features buffer. The proposed development is for the following parcels: 4711-26-300-011 and
  4711-27-400-012. The request is submitted Boss engineering.
- 1111 S. Latson Road: Request for a Special Land Use application, impact assessment and site
  plan for a drive-through restaurant within a multi-tenant commercial building. The property is
  located at 1111 S. Latson (4711-09-100-043), east side of Grand River, south of Grand River,
  north of I-96. The request is submitted by Kevin Bahnam.
- Art. 13 and 21 Zoning Ordinance Amendments: Request for a zoning ordinance amendment to Article 13 entitled "Environmental Protection Regulations" and Article 21 entitled "Administration and Enforcement".

Click here for Planning Commission agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

• Monday, August 18: Township Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Click <u>here</u> for Township Board agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

• Tuesday, August 19: Zoning Board of Appeals meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Click <u>here</u> for Zoning Board of Appeals agendas, packets and meeting minutes.

You can find a complete list of Township meeting dates for 2025 <a href="here">here</a>.

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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