

October 2026



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:

General Election is Nov. 3

The 2026 Midterm General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Rick Soucy, Genoa Township Clerk, and his department are working diligently to train election workers as well as other preparations necessary for the election.

Absentee ballots were mailed on Sept. 28. Ballots also are available at the Township Clerk's Office.

If you are signed up to receive an absentee ballot via the mail but do not receive it, contact the Clerk's Office at: clerk@genoa.org or (810) 224-5840.

Genoa residents interested in early voting for the Midterm General Election may cast their ballot at Genoa Township Hall beginning Oct. 24 until Nov. 1 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Ballots must be returned by 8 p.m. on Election night Nov. 3 either by mail, in person or in one of the Township's drop boxes located at Fire Station #35 at 1315 Chilson Road or at the Township Hall.

The Clerk's Office will be open for election-related business from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the following dates: Saturday, Oct. 24; Sunday, Oct. 25; Saturday, Oct. 31; and Sunday, Nov. 1.

For questions regarding how to vote, where to vote and any others please visit the Elections page on the Township's website: www.genoa.org/government/elections

Soucy has compiled a helpful 2026 Voter Guide for residents ahead of the November Midterm Election. The guide was created to provide voters with clear, accessible election information and serve as a valuable resource for the community during the 2026 election season.

Use this link to access a copy from the Township Website: [2026 Voter Guide](#)

Halloween Trick or Treating Hours

Happy Halloween!

Halloween falls on a Saturday this year. Trick or treating hours in the Township are from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31. If you are handing out treats, please keep your porch lights/outside lights on so parents and children know they are welcome at your home.

Fall Yard Waste Drop-Off Dates

Our Fall Yard Waste Collection program has been scheduled for the following dates at the Genoa Charter Township Hall from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.:

- Saturday Nov. 7
- Saturday Nov. 21

Residents may bring their yard waste to the Township Hall Parking lot starting at 8 a.m. on the day of the event. Yard waste eligible for collection includes brush, bundled branches, grass clippings, leaves, plant debris, prunings and twigs, shrubbery, and vegetable or garden debris. Branches and similar materials must be in 3-foot-long bundles.

Please no plastic bags.

Golf Club/Eager Road Roundabout Construction

The Livingston County Road Commission's roundabout project at Golf Club and Eager roads in Oceola Township is scheduled to be completed Nov. 6.

The road commission said **the intersection will be closed to all through traffic**. Please follow the posted detour route during construction.

NOTE: Dates are subject to change (weather adversities, contractor scheduling, etc.) Please contact Garrett Olson, Director of Engineering at Livingston County Road Commission (517) 546-4250 with any questions or concerns.

Livingston County Park and Recreation Survey

Livingston County is updating their [2023-2027 Park and Open Space Plan](#). Please complete the community survey to help guide future improvements at Fillmore and Lutz County Parks. The survey is available at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LivCoParkPlan>.

The survey will close on September 15, 2026. Keeping the Plan current ensures the County will remain eligible for State Park and Recreation Grants for the next five years. Feel free to forward the link to those that may be interested.

If you have photos of Lutz or Fillmore County Parks that may be used in the plan, please email them to mhaglund@livgov.com and include your name for photo credit. Photos will be accepted until November 1, 2026.

Thank you for your active participation!

New WM Website Provides Waste & Recycling Information for Township Residents

Genoa Township residents now have access to a WM website specifically created for our community, making it easier to find information about your residential trash and recycling service all in one place.

The new Genoa Township page provides helpful information and self-service tools, including:

Check Your Pickup Day – Enter your address to verify your regular trash collection day.

Pickup ETA – Check the estimated timing of your upcoming collection.

Holiday Schedule – Find out when your collection may be delayed due to a holiday.

Report a Missed Pickup – If your trash was properly placed at the curb but was not collected, you can report the missed pickup online.

Request a Bulk Pickup – Submit a special request for a bulk item collection.

Repair or Replace Your Cart – Find out if your cart is eligible for repair or replacement and submit a request.

Request an Additional Cart – Request an additional trash cart for a fee.

Sign Up for Curbside Yard Waste Collection – Residents can sign up for WM's curbside yard waste collection service. Yard waste collection is an optional service available for an additional fee.

Recycling Information – Find out what can and cannot go in your recycling cart, along with helpful guides for recycling correctly.

Trash Collection Information – Review collection requirements, including what materials are accepted and how to properly prepare your trash.

The page also includes bulk collection guidelines, recycling guides, and other helpful resources to make it easier to know what belongs in your trash and recycling carts.

Visit the Genoa Township WM Website here:

[WM – Genoa Township Residential Waste Service](#)

We encourage residents to bookmark the page for easy access to waste and recycling information whenever you need it.

Please note: WM provides a 96-gallon cart for weekly trash collection. Trash should be bagged, the lid must close completely, and carts should be placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on collection day and removed the same day.

Bulk Item Frequently Asked Questions

- Waste Management will take one bulk item from every household every week.
- These are items that do not fit in your garbage cart. Examples: furniture, TVs, washing machines, etc.
- Excess garbage bags or recycling is not bulk.
- Fabric items must be completely wrapped in plastic.
- Bulk should be placed out the night before your collection day, about 3 feet from your garbage cart.
- Bulk items are collected by a special truck and must stay at the curb. Collection can take up to five business days. If no pickup after five days, call the Township at (810) 227-5225. We will contact WM on your behalf.
- Yard waste is not bulk and cannot be put into your regular trash or recycling. Contact Waste Management at (810) 201-5576 with yard waste questions. Enter your zip code when asked for an account number.

Genoa Township/Brighton Senior Center Voucher Program

Genoa Charter Township is pleased to offer complimentary vouchers for a basic membership to the Brighton Senior Center (a \$25 value).

Residents may visit the Clerk's Office to obtain their free membership voucher. Please note that these vouchers are valid for new memberships only and cannot be applied to

existing or previously purchased memberships. Reimbursements for current memberships will not be issued.

Please bring in proof of residency to the Clerk's office.

Township Calendar

Township Hall Upcoming Holidays and Events

- **Monday, Oct. 12:** Columbus Day. The Township is closed.
- **Saturday, Oct. 31:** Happy Halloween! Trick or treating hours in the Township are 6-8 p.m.

Trash and Recycling

There are no interruptions in trash and recycling service in October.

Township Board and Commission Meeting Dates

- **Monday, Oct. 5: Township Board** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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

- **Tuesday, Oct. 13: Planning Commission** meeting at 6:30 p.m.
 - Consideration of a site plan and environmental impact assessment for a proposed parking lot expansion and related site improvements for the existing Jonna's Market. The property is located 4986 Chilson Road, northwest corner of Chilson and Brighton Roads. The request is petitioned by Mike Jonna.
 - Consideration of a site plan and environmental impact assessment for proposed parking lot improvements for a new retail business within an existing commercial building. The property is located at 5776 E. Grand River Avenue, south side of Grand River Avenue, west of Dorr Road. The request is petitioned by Mitts, LLC.

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

- **Monday, Oct. 19: Township Board** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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- **Tuesday, Oct. 20: 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 2026 [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.

You can also follow us on Facebook at [Genoa Charter Township](#) on [Instagram](#) or on X/Twitter [@genoatownship](#).

Want to be aware of road closings, community updates, or special events in Genoa Township? We have an app for that! The app is a great source of information for news, events, updates, and important links to the website. Download the "MyGenoa" app today in the Apple App and Google Play online stores by searching for "MyGenoa".

Questions? Contact info@genoa.org

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