



Holland Charter Township E-News

July - August 2021

Visit our Beautiful Parks

Over the past year, Holland Charter Township has continued to enhance our parks to offer our community a wide variety of beautiful spaces and facilities to enjoy! Updates to athletic fields, courts, and equipment have been made at several parks.

Beechwood Park offers excellent options for those looking for a game: new basketball hoops, a newly surfaced basketball court, and newly surfaced pickleball courts. Hawthorn Pond has recently been stocked with over a thousand bluegill and bass. Howard B. Dunton Park has refurbished boat launch docks, which are already being enjoyed by boaters on Lake Macatawa. Helder Park has undergone an infield renovation at the softball field. One of the most dramatic improvements this year are the new lights at the Quincy Park ballfields. Additionally, both Helder Park and Quincy Park now have Automated External Defibrillators (AED's) available at the restroom buildings.

Holland Charter Township also has two designated dog parks:

[Helder Park Dog Park](#) - Located at [3751 104th Avenue](#) within Helder Park

[Quincy Park Dog Park](#) - Located at [4260 144th Avenue](#) within Quincy Park

The parks are open from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and are under 24-hour camera surveillance. Please note that the dog parks may close if the soil conditions are too wet. All dogs must be [licensed](#). Click [here](#) to access the Dog Park Rules. Any questions or concerns should be directed to the Parks Department at (616) 399-5496.

Visit our [Parks Department](#) page for more information about all of our parks and their amenities. We hope you can find time this summer to get outside and enjoy these beautiful areas!

113 Veterans Honored



The Daughters of the American Revolution (Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton Chapter) placed a total of 113 flags in the Township's North Holland Cemetery to honor veterans for Memorial Day. The flags will stay up through Labor Day.

The Township thanks the volunteers for their time and service in continuing this important tradition.

July & August Township Meetings

Board of Trustees (7:00 pm)

July 15 | August 5 | August 19

Planning Commission (7:00 pm)

July 6 | August 3

Zoning Board of Appeals (5:30 pm)

July 27 | August 24

For agendas and meeting minutes, click [here](#).



Offices Closed for Independence Day

The Holland Charter Township Offices will be closed July 2 through July 5 in observance of Independence Day. Please have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!

2020 Water Quality Report

2020 Drinking Water Quality Report Available: The Holland Charter Township consolidated water system's Water Quality Report for Holland, Park, and Zeeland Townships is available online at www.hct.holland.mi.us/wqr. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. To have a copy mailed to you, contact Holland Charter Township Public Works department at 616-396-1891.

Summer Taxes Due On September 14

Summer tax bills will be mailed out to property owners on July 1. The deadline to pay without penalty is September 14. Tax payments may be mailed, submitted online by credit card (extra charge applies) or brought to the Treasurer's office Monday through Friday (8:00 am to 5:00 pm). After business hours, you may use the drop box located between the double doors at the front entrance of the Township Offices.

Summer Tax Deferment: If your annual household income is \$40,000 or less and you are 62 years of age or older, a veteran, a farmer or are disabled, you may be eligible for a deferment (postponement) of payment of your summer property taxes. Deadline to apply is September 14, 2021. Complete the Application of Summer Taxes online and e-mail it to Treasurer@hct.holland.mi.us or mail to: HCT Treasurer's Office 353 N. 120th Avenue Holland, MI 49424

2021 Clean Up Days

Take your unwanted items to our Clean Up Days!

July 17 | September 18

Time: 7:00 am - Noon

Location:

Black River Recycling
[11531 Lakewood Boulevard](#), between 120th and 112th Avenues (first driveway east of Action

Supply at 11560 Lakewood Boulevard).

Materials that will NOT be accepted:

Paints, drain oils, solvents and other petroleum products; fuel tanks; sealed containers. Household garbage; loose roofing materials (must be boxed or bagged); boats larger than 12 feet long.

Lawn and yard waste, branches and tree stumps will not be accepted.

Accepted materials for recycling include:

Household recyclables: paper, plastics, tin cans, etc.

Accepted materials for disposal include:

Furniture, appliances; batteries; automobile tires (limit of 4 per household). Electronic equipment including computers, printers, TV's, monitors, audio equipment and electronic power tools.

Find information on the disposal of hazardous waste on Ottawa County's Environmental Health [website](#).

Proof of residency is required. The Township reserves the right to refuse any items that are deemed too large or too difficult to handle.

2021 Leaf & Yard Waste Recycling

Guidelines for Recycling Services:

- Materials accepted are grass clippings, leaves, brush, branches, and limbs (up to 12" diameter).
- Brush must be separated from grass clippings and leaves.
- No plastic, contaminants, treated lumber or stumps accepted.
- Customer is responsible for unloading and separating recycling materials.
- No commercial vehicles for these recycling services.
- These leaf and yard waste recycling services are open to Holland Charter Township residents without a drop off fee during the dates specified. Proof of residency may be requested.

Location:

Chips Groundcover, LLC
[13057 Quincy Street](#) (West of US-31)

Times/Dates:

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Friday, September 17
Friday, October 29
Friday, November 5
Friday, November 12
Friday, November 19

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Saturday, September 18
Saturday, October 30
Saturday, November 6
Saturday, November 13
Saturday, November 20

Burn Permits NOT Being Issued

Open burning permits are not issued from May - August. Campfires are permitted given that they are not a nuisance and are 50 feet from any residence not located on the same property. Please call Community Development if you have any questions at (616) 395-0196.

Building Permits

To ensure the safety of your summer building projects, building permits are required through the Community Development Department. Please call Building at (616) 395-0196 for more information. Click [here](#) for the Residential Building Permit Application.



Cemetery Ordinance

Please note these important pieces of information related to the Cemetery [Ordinance](#):

- Cemetery hours are from dawn until dusk.
- Flower containers must be the traditional green, metal handled flower container. Containers hung on shepherd's rods are prohibited. Each plot is allowed one flower container. These containers can be purchased at many home and gardening stores.
- Artificial flowers are not allowed.
- Grave decorations not allowed include pinwheels, statues, stones, wood chips, glass, clay and plastic pots and containers, solar and other lighting devices, bags, baskets, boxes, foods, picture frames, mausoleums, tombs, effigies, etc.
- Chairs, benches and similar seating are not allowed.
- The cemetery fall clean-up begins after October 15. All metal flower containers must be removed by then.

If you have any questions, please call the Clerk's office at (616) 396-2345 #7.

Community News

Ottawa County Fair

Save the date for the Ottawa County Fair: **July 26-31, 2021!**

One of Michigan's best county fairs will be back this summer, with many of your favorite rides, games, food vendors, and agricultural education. The planning has begun, and information is available at the [Ottawa County Fair Website](#).

Broadband Internet Survey

Help the Ottawa County Data Collection Steering Committee increase broadband Internet access in our area!

Take a brief 5 minute survey and broadband speed test that will help create an accurate map of Internet connectivity in Ottawa County. This data will be leveraged to assist in broadband planning efforts!

Take the survey and learn more at: MichiganMoonshot.org/Ottawa, or to request a paper survey, please call (616)-738-4852.

Herrick District Library News

As the state begins reopening, more services are available at Herrick District Library. Seating and longer visits are now allowed at both locations (some seating has been removed to accommodate social distancing). The HDL Main magazine/reading room is now open. The library is again accepting book donations (limit two boxes per donor per week). The Book Nook at HDL Main is tentatively scheduled to open mid- to late-June. Study rooms are available for use at both locations. Groundworks is also available for one-on-one meetings.

Summer reading has also started for HDL patrons (ages 0 to 999). Visit herrickdl.org for more information or to sign up on the library's reading challenge site, [Beanstack](#).

The HDL short story contest, "A Summer of Stories" has returned for 2021 and has categories for writers 5 - 18. Entries will be accepted until **August 1**. All authors and winners will be celebrated at a story celebration ceremony on **Monday, August 23 from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.** Visit herrickdl.org for rules and updates.

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Mission Statement

It is the mission of the officials and staff of the Charter Township of Holland to serve its citizens with courtesy, integrity, and efficiency, and to provide quality municipal services that will help to maintain and improve the overall manner in which our citizens live, work, and play.

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