



Holland Charter Township E-News

July - August 2022

State Primary Election on August 2

The State Primary Election is on **Tuesday**, **August 2**, **2022**. To find out what will be on the ballot, click here.

Due to redistricting, all Holland Charter Township residents have been sent a new Voter ID Card. Please take note of any changes to your precinct or polling location.

Register to Vote

You can register to vote <u>online</u> or at the <u>Clerk's office</u>, <u>County Clerk's office</u>, or Secretary of State branch office. If you are registering less than 15 days before an election, you must register to vote at the Clerk's office.

Absentee Ballots

Your request for an absent voter ballot must be in writing and can be submitted to the Township Clerk. You must request an absent voter ballot by submitting the <u>application</u>, a letter, a postcard, or a pre-printed application form obtained from the Clerk's office. Requests may be returned in person, via postal mail, fax, or e-mail, as long as a signature is visible.

Drop Boxes

You may use one of our secure drop boxes to return your application or your ballot. These drop boxes are located at the Township Offices inside the west entrance, within the lobby, as well as a drive-up drop box location just north of the Office.

Saturday Hours

The Holland Charter Township Clerk's Office will be open **7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** on Saturday, July 30, 2022 to accept Absentee Voter Ballot requests for the August 2 Primary Election.

On Monday, August 1, you may request an absentee ballot **until 4:00 p.m.**, however, you must vote the ballot in the office. All absentee ballots must be returned by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day in order to count.

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

There will be one more election in 2022 for Holland Charter Township. Please mark your calendar:

November 8: State General Election

July & August Township Meetings

Board of Trustees (7:00 pm) July 21 | August 4 | August 18

Planning Commission (6:00 pm)
July 12 | August 9

Zoning Board of Appeals (5:30 pm) July 26 | August 23

For agendas and meeting minutes, click here.

Offices Closed for Independence Day

The Holland Charter Township Offices will be closed Friday July 1 and Monday July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Please have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!



Summer & Fall Program Registration Open



The Holland Charter Township Recreation Department Summer & Fall programs for 2022 season are available for registration online! We have some fun and NEW programs in store for this season!! Make sure you are registered today!

View available programs and register.

General Recreation Dept. information.

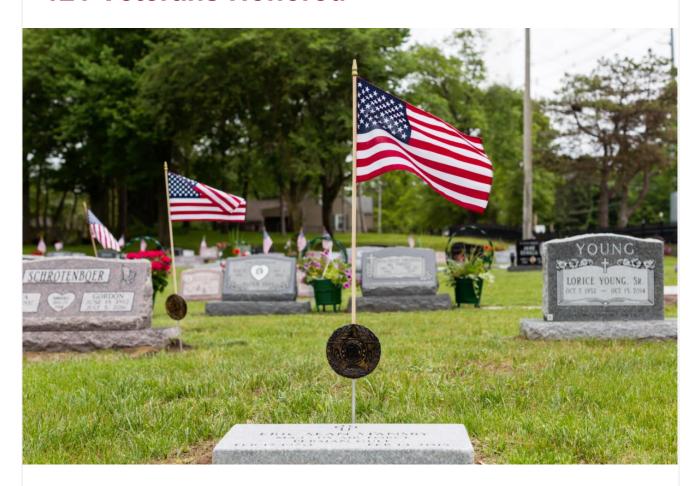
Summer Taxes Due On September 14

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, or the drive-up drop box located just north of the building.



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, 2022. Complete the Application for Deferment 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

121 Veterans Honored



The Daughters of the American Revolution (Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton Chapter) placed a total of 121 flags in the Township's North Holland Cemetery to honor veterans for Memorial Day. The flags will remain through Labor Day.

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

tradition.

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.

2022 Clean Up Days

Take your unwanted items to our Clean Up Days!

July 16 | September 17

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, mattresses, 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.

Beechwood Park Updates

Holland Charter Township has been working on upgrades to Beechwood Park. These upgrades include the following: a new restroom facility, expanded parking lot, upgraded park lighting and a new irrigation system. The parking lot, lighting and irrigation improvements are scheduled to be completed by the end of June. The restroom building is scheduled to be operational in mid-July. Please plan to visit the park this summer and enjoy these new and improved features!

Dunton Park Boat Launch Kiosk

The Dunton Park Boat Launch Kiosk is now operational for the 2022 season.

The kiosk is self-serve only and is located near the boat launch. All permits are to be obtained at this kiosk. **Rates are \$8 for daily and \$37 for seasonal.** Payment can be made by credit card only. No refunds will be given for permits that are lost, stolen or destroyed. The kiosk dispenses paper permits. Extra care for the seasonal permits is encouraged:

- Only display the permit on your dashboard while at the boat launch to preserve the printing on the permit.
- Insert into a zip lock bag, nonheated laminate sheet or plastic sleeve to keep dry and safe.
- Heat laminating will destroy the permit. NO REFUNDS will be given.



Bike Path Repairs

For those who use bike bath system in Holland Township, if you ever see a pot hole, damaged bike path or something that may need attention on a bike path, please contact the Holland Township Parks Department at 616-399-5496.

Fire Hydrants

Please keep landscaping clear and trimmed back for maintenance and emergency access to fire hydrants.

No Burn Permits 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.

2021 Water Quality Report



2021 Drinking Water Quality Report Available: The Holland Charter Township consolidated water system's Water Quality Report for Holland, Park, and Zeeland Townships is available on-line 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.

Community News

Ottawa County Fair

Save the date for the Ottawa County Fair: **July 25 - 30, 2022!**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.

Herrick District Library News

Sign up for Herrick District Library's Summer Challenge and earn rewards for reading and completing joy-filled activities built to help you celebrate and appreciate the season. Visit herrickdl.beanstack.org/reader365 or a library location in person to sign up.

The *AudioBiography* collection at HDL asks participants to tell their personal stories in five songs. Sign up to tell your story by contacting HDL's Groundworks at herrickdl.org/groundworks/contact-groundworks/. Participants arrive at their interview with a playlist of five songs that represent something meaningful to them, an important time, event, or relationship in their life, and share why each song made the list.

Join the library to celebrate Herrick's 25th birthday as a district library with fun, music, and treats for the whole family 1-4 p.m. Aug. 6 at the North Branch, 155 Riley St.!

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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



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improve the overall manner in which our citizens live, work, and play.

Contact Us

Monday - Friday 8 am - 5 pm

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