

January 2025



Genoa Township News & Updates

Greetings and Happy New Year

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

Genoa Township meetings are now live

Our new board room cameras are up & running!

That means our first meeting of 2025 at 6:30 PM on Monday, January 6th will be available live (or for viewing anytime you'd like) on our YouTube page.

Subscribe to the [Genoa Township Public Channel](#) today to see all of our Board of Trustees and Planning Commission meetings moving forward.

We'd still love to see you in person, and if you'd like to participate you'll have to join us in person, but if you just want to see your local government in action anytime that's convenient for you – Come check us out!



January Genoa Charter Township Town Hall

- ❑ **Date:** Wednesday, January 22, 2025
- ❑ **Time:** 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- ❑ **Location:** Genoa Charter Township Hall, 2911 Dorr Rd, Brighton, MI 48116

Join your newly elected Supervisor, Kevin T. Spicher, and additional members of the Board of Trustees for an informal Town Hall discussion in the boardroom at the Genoa Township Hall.

This is your invitation to:

- Meet some of the new township officials
- Share your ideas, and ask questions about what's going on in Genoa
- Learn about and discuss ongoing and future projects

This will be a very casual, lightly guided discussion focusing on you, the interested people of Genoa Township. As we look toward an exciting future, we want the residents to help us plan it! Feel free to join us for the entire session, or come and go as you please.

Light refreshments will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!

For more information, or to RSVP, please contact us at:

- ☐ 810-227-5225
- ☐ supervisor@genoa.org

We value your participation in our community!

Tax Information

The 2024 Winter taxes were mailed out to all property owners on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, and are payable through February 28, 2025. Please contact the Treasurer's office if you do not receive your bill.

The 2024 Summer taxes were due on September 14, 2024. Summer taxes can still be paid at the Township with additional interest now due. If you're not sure if your summer taxes have been paid please check the Township website at www.genoa.org or contact the Treasurer's office at (810) 227-5225.

The Big Red Barrel

Addiction typically starts with prescription medication abuse, specifically heavy pain killers. After numerous deaths throughout Livingston County that were attributed to drug overdoses, Livingston County Community Alliance members (LCCA) saw the need for a place where people could safely dispose of their unwanted medication. The Big Red Barrel effort has resulted in the secure and environmentally safe disposal of over 30 tons (or 60,000 pounds) of drugs. With permanent prescription drug collection units available for community use, it would decrease the likelihood of prescription drug abuse, heroin use, and maintain a healthy environment.

Local Drop Off Locations:

CVS Pharmacy, 2235 E. Grand River, Howell (open 24 hours)
Meijer Pharmacy, 3883 E. Grand River, Howell (controlled and solid medications only)
Meijer Pharmacy, 8650 W. Grand River, Brighton (controlled and solid medications only)
Brighton City Police Department, 440 S. 3rd Street, Brighton

For other locations use the locator here: <https://www.michigan.gov/opioids/find-help/panel-dispose/find-a-takeback-location>

2025 Medication Take Back Events

January 4th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
February 1st, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
February 1st, 10am-1pm: Community Connect, Brighton
March 1st, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
April 5th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
May 3rd, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
June 7th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
July 12th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
August 2nd, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
September 6th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
October 4th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
November 1st, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell
December 6th, 9am-1pm: Recycle Livingston, Howell

Pills, Capsules, and Tablets

- Bring pills or vitamins (prescriptions from doctors or vets, over the counter medications) in their original containers and a resealable plastic baggie to any Big Red Barrel location.
- Remove pills from their original container and place them into the baggie.

- Seal the baggie and dispose of it into the barrel. *If you don't have a baggie, please dump the pills directly into the barrel.

Liquid Medication, Ointments, Lotions

- Prior to disposal, absorb the liquid with a paper towel.
- Place the soaked paper towel into a resealable plastic baggie. Make sure you have the empty bottle on-hand to ensure compliance with federal laws.
- Dispose of the resealable plastic bag into the Big Red Barrel. It is your responsibility to dispose of the empty bottle somewhere other than the Big Red Barrel.

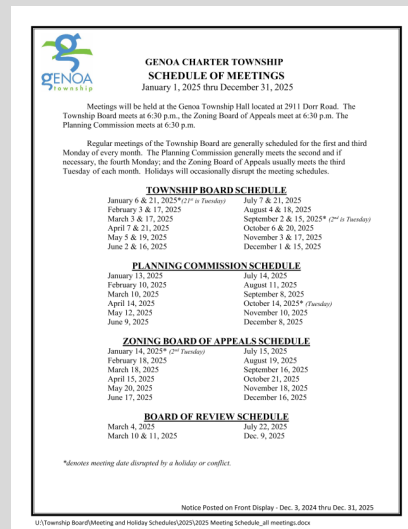
Needles and Syringes

Red Barrel now accept syringes/needles in partnership with the Livingston County Drain Commissioner at local events and on the 1st Saturday of each month at Recycle Livingston, 9:00am-1:00pm.

Put syringes/needles in a sharps container or an empty detergent bottle. Duct tape the top of the detergent bottle to prevent from opening. For additional information about proper needle disposal, you can also visit the [Livingston County website](#).

2025 Township Meeting Schedule

Each year the Township Board approves the meeting schedule for the Board of Trustees, Planning Commission, and Zoning Board of Appeals. Unless capacity concerns require special location, meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Genoa Township Hall located at 2911 Dorr Road. Regular meetings of the Township Board are generally scheduled for the first and third Monday of every month. The Planning Commission generally meets the second and if necessary, the fourth Monday; and the Zoning Board of Appeals usually meets the third Tuesday of each month. Holidays will occasionally disrupt the meeting schedules. Please see below the regularly scheduled meeting dates for 2025 with schedule deviations noted by the “*”. The full meeting schedule is available by clicking [here](#).



2025 Township Holiday Schedule

The 2025 holiday schedule for the Township Offices is as follows:



GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP
SCHEDULE OF HOLIDAYS
January 1, 2025 thru December 31, 2025

HOLIDAY	DATE OBSERVED 2025
New Year's Day	January 1, 2025
Martin Luther King Day	January 20, 2025
Good Friday	April 18, 2025
Memorial Day	May 26, 2025
Independence Day	July 4, 2025
Labor Day	September 1, 2025
Columbus Day	October 13, 2025
Veterans Day	November 11, 2025
Thanksgiving	November 27, 2025
Post-Thanksgiving	November 28, 2025
Christmas Eve	December 24, 2025
Christmas Day	December 25, 2025
Floating Holiday	December 26, 2025
New Year's Eve	December 31, 2025

Winter Sledding at the Township Park

When snow is in the forecast come enjoy the fresh snowfall at the Genoa Township sled hill!

The sled hill has a vertical drop of approximately 40-feet and a run length of over 200 feet and is fun for all ages.

Benches have been installed at the top for parents and those waiting to sled. There are heated bathrooms and a warming area at the Township Park Pavilion. There is a parking lot across the Township driveway from the sled hill where parents can sit and watch their sledders in the comfort of their vehicles. Last but not least, a light pole has been installed at the hill allows night time sledding.

All are welcome to enjoy the winter fun for free at the Township sledding hill.

Livingston County Veterans Services

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.

Bulk Item FAQ

- 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. 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.
- **Waste Management will collect live Christmas trees for the three weeks following the holiday. Trees should be placed curbside, cut into segments of six feet or less, free of decorations and un-bagged.**

Township Calendar

Township Hall Upcoming Holidays and Events

- **Wednesday, January 1, 2025:** Happy New Year! Welcome 2025! The Township offices are closed for the New Year holiday.
- **Monday, January 20:** Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Township offices are closed.

Trash and Recycling

There is no trash or recycling collection on Wednesday, January 1.

Garbage/recycling service resumes Thursday with Wednesday's collection. Friday's collection will be completed Saturday.

Township Board and Commission Meeting Dates

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

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

- **Monday, January 13: Planning Commission** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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

- Legacy Hills – Residential Planned Unit Development (RPUD), 127.57 acres of vacant land located at the northwest corner of Challis Road and Bauer Road, Brighton: Request for PUD rezoning from Agricultural to Low-Density Residential Planned Unit Development (LDR/RPUD), conceptual PUD Plan and related materials for a proposed 55 unit clustered single family residential development. This item was postponed at the December 4, 2024 meeting and the developer has revised the plan to reduce the number of the lots.

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

- **Tuesday, January 14: Zoning Board of Appeals** meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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

- **Tuesday, January 21: Township Board** 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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