



Holland Charter Township E-News

March - April 2023

Spring/Summer Recreation Programs

Holland Township Recreation Spring & Summer programs are available for registration online.

Visit our website at www.hollandtwprec.com for more program details, special events, program announcements, registration, and more.

If you have questions, please call (616) 395-0178 or email recdept@hct.holland.mi.us.



March & April Township Meetings

Board of Trustees (7:00 pm)
March 2 | March 16 | April 6 | April 20

Planning Commission (6:00 pm)
March 7 | April 11

Zoning Board of Appeals (5:30 pm)
March 28 | April 25

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

March Board of Review

Assessment Notices will be mailed out on February 16th, 2023, regarding the Assessed and Taxable Values for the 2023 Tax Roll.

The Taxable Value, Assessed Value, State Equalized Value, Property Classification or Transfer of Ownership may be appealed by filing a protest with the Local Board of Review. Protests are made to the Board of Review by completing a Board of Review Petition Form. A Petition form may be obtained directly from the Township or from the State Tax Commissioner's [website](#).

You may also review tax information at the Holland Charter Township Offices (353 N. 120th Ave., Holland, MI 49424) during business hours (Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm) or call (616) 395-0236.

Should you wish to formally appeal, please be aware that the Board of Review will meet at

Holland Charter Township Offices (353 N. 120th Ave., Holland, MI 49424) on the following dates **by appointment only**. Call (616) 395-0236. Non-residents may appeal by letter.

Real Property

- Monday, March 13, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Wednesday, March 15, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- Friday, March 17, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Park Pavilion Rentals



NEW for 2023! Holland Township Parks and Recreation is now offering four of our pavilions for rent during the 2023 season. All other pavilions within our parks are still available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Reservation requests for the 2023 calendar year will begin on, February 15th, 2023. Pavilions are available for rent daily May 1, 2023 thru October 1, 2023 between the hours of 10:00 am and 7:00 pm. There are 4-hour and 9-hour reservation options available that are open to residents and non-residents of Holland Township. Pavilions for rent include:

- Helder Park Large Pavilion
- Dunton Park Large Pavilion
- Quincy Park West Pavilion
- Quincy Park East Pavilion

Please fill out the pavilion rental [request form](#) to express your interest in reserving one of our pavilions during the 2023 season. Upon completion of the reservation form, Holland Township Parks & Recreation staff will review the request. Please allow up to 24 hours to have your request reviewed. If your request is approved a reservation confirmation will be sent to you with details on submitting payment for the reservation. If we are unable to grant the request we will notify you as well.

If you have any questions, please contact Holland Township Parks & Recreation at (616) 796-9114 or recdept@hct.holland.mi.us.

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, April 14
Friday, May 5
Friday, October 27
Friday, November 3
Friday, November 10
Friday, November 17
Friday, December 1

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Saturday, April 15
Saturday, May 6
Saturday, October 28
Saturday, November 4
Saturday, November 11
Saturday, November 18
Saturday, December 2

Clean Up Days

Take your unwanted items to our Clean Up Days!

May 20 | July 15 | September 16

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.

PLEASE NOTE: Lawn and yard waste, branches, and tree stumps **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**.

Accepted Materials for Disposal:

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

Accepted Materials for Recycling:

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

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.

Special Election on Tuesday, May 2

The Special Election to be held on **Tuesday, May 2**.

Register to Vote

You can register to vote at the [Clerk's office](#), [County Clerk's office](#), or [Secretary of State branch office](#), or [online at the SOS](#) through April 17. **After April 17, you must register** in person at the local Clerk's office to be eligible to vote in this election.

Voters who register to vote in person with their city or township clerk during the 14 days prior to the election, including on



Election Day, **must show proof of residency.**

Absentee Ballots

A voter who wishes to receive an absentee ballot must request it *in writing* from the clerk; absentee ballots may not be delivered as a result of an oral request made in person or over the phone. However, an absentee ballot *application form* may be provided as a result of an oral request.

The written request may be on a form supplied by the clerk, Secretary of State, or any government or non-government organization, on a letter or postcard, or on the online AV request tool at Michigan.Gov/Vote. Any written request that includes the applicant's name and signature must be accepted. Applications for absent voter ballots may be received by hand, via postal mail, fax, email, or online, as long as the voter's signature is visible.

Clerk's Office Saturday Hours

The Clerk's office will also be open **Saturday, April 29 from 7:00 am - 3:00 pm** to accept Absentee Voter Ballot requests.

On that day voters may vote at the township office or take the ballot with them.

Absentee Ballot Deadlines

The last day the Clerk's office can mail absentee ballots is **Friday, April 28**. You may request an absentee ballot by coming into the office, **until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 1**. Any ballots requested on May 1 must be voted in the office. All absentee ballots must be returned by 8:00 p.m. on election day in order to count. Voters registering to vote on election day may request an absentee ballot until 8 pm, however, they must vote the ballot in the office.

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

Holland Charter Township Recognized for Supporting Small Businesses

Holland Charter Township has been recognized for its contributions to Michigan's entrepreneurial growth and economic development. The annual eCities study, conducted by researchers at iLabs, University of Michigan-Dearborn's Center for Innovation, designated Holland Charter Township as a five-star community along with 94 other communities across the state.

The eCities study analyzed publicly available data from 277 communities from 54 counties in Michigan. Researchers focused on the five-year changes in property values, community assets, and tax rates, which can demonstrate the growth, investments, and cost of doing business within the community. For example, over the five-year period of 2017-2021, these communities increased their capital assets by an average of 3.4% per year by investments such as new libraries, new community centers, and infrastructure improvements. Further, these places are home to 86% of Michigan's real commercial property and have 64% of the state's total property value.

Learn more about eCities and download the full 2022 eCities study at umdearborn.edu/ecities

Parks Department Seasonal Opportunities



The Holland Township Parks Department is hiring seasonal staff for the upcoming 2023 spring and summer season. We are looking for hardworking and responsible individuals that want to work outside. Job duties include general parks maintenance and labor, athletic field maintenance and prep, light janitorial duties and more. We have a variety of positions available for the upcoming season. Hours are typically Monday through Friday; 7:00 am to 3:30 pm with some weekend work required. Pay will be based on experience, starting at \$14.25 an hour. In order to apply, individuals must have a good driving record and be willing to submit to a background check.

If you have any questions or would like to apply, please e-mail a completed job application to Dan Zwick (Parks Supervisor) at danzhct@gmail.com.

[Click here for Employment Application](#)

Short Term Rentals

Short Term Rentals such as VRBO, Airbnb, Homestay, and individual room rentals within a dwelling are not permitted in Holland Charter Township. Properties that offer stays of 14 consecutive days or less with the owner/operator on the premises may apply to operate a Bed and Breakfast with an approved Special Land Use Permit.

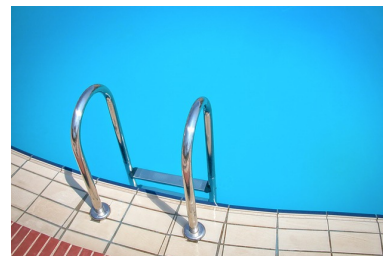
[Special Land Use Permit Application](#)

Properties that offer stays of 15 consecutive days or more shall participate in the rental inspection program.

Swimming Pools & Hot Tub Permits

Remember when installing a swimming pool or hot tub permits are required, please contact Holland Charter Township Community Development at (616) 395-0196 for more information.

To view our swimming pool ordinance click [here](#).



Chickens in Residential Areas

Holland Township does not allow chickens or farm animals on residential zoned properties.

Farm animals and chickens are only permitted on conforming lots in the AG zoning district; with at least five acres. Operations shall be compliant with all applicable State of Michigan Generally Accepted Agricultural and Management Practices.

Road Construction Projects Scheduled for the 2023 Construction Season



The Ottawa County Road Commission has published a list of projects that are planned for the 2023 construction season. As dates become available they will be posted on the [Ottawa County Road Commission website](#).

- Chicago Drive & 8th Street (US-31 to City Limits) - Mill and resurface
- 104th Avenue (Adams Street to BL-196) - Mill and resurface and 2 paved shoulders
- 96th Avenue Bridge (over Black River Tributary) - Replacement
- 144th Street (Shadybrook Drive to Riley Street) - Resurface

Holland Charter Township will be replacing a watermain that was installed in the 1970's in the area of Paw Paw Dr., 104th Ave., and Chicago Dr. This project is anticipated to occur during the 2023 construction season. Watch the [Holland Charter Township website](#) for updates on when construction will begin.

Reporting Streetlight Outages

This tool below, developed by Consumers Energy, is very useful for reporting streetlights that are out. You can also report a problem through one of these websites according to the outage location:

[Zeeland Board of Public Works](#)

[Holland Board of Public Works](#)

Streetlight Out?

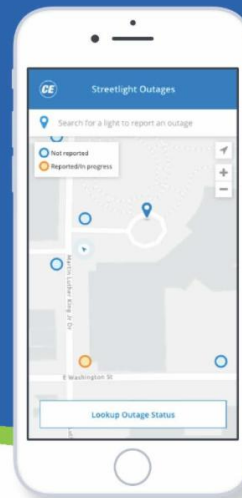
Help us keep the streets well lit and safe!
If you see a streetlight not working properly,
let us know.



1. Go to ConsumersEnergy.com/outage and click on **Streetlight Outage** or scan the QR code to the left
2. Locate the streetlight on the map
3. Tell us the issue

Tips to get it fixed quickly:

- Choose the exact light that requires attention
- Provide additional details to help us to find the light
- Come back any time to check the status of the streetlight outage



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Community News

Speed Trailer from Ottawa County Sheriff's Office

The Ottawa County Sheriff's Office has 2 speed monitoring trailers available by request from local residents to be placed in a desired location. These devices are intended to be used to improve drivers compliance to the posted speed by alerting them of their speed compared to the posted speed limit on that road. To request one of these trailers please click on this link: [Ottawa County Sheriff's Office Speed Trailer Request form](#). Please note that the Sheriff's Office receives many requests for these trailers so placement will occur in the order in which requests are received.



Herrick District Library

March is National Quilting Month.

Nine local libraries will participate in a Quilt Hop. Each of these libraries, including Herrick District Library's North Branch and Main location, will display quilts from their patrons and local quilting guilds throughout the month.

Pick up a Quilt Hop Passport from the HDL information desk starting in March. Present the passport to any participating library and receive a Quilt Hop 2023 stamp to track your progress. Collect a stamp from every library and turn in the completed passport at HDL for a prize.

Visit herrickdl.org/events for a full list of quilting events.

Daylight Savings Time



Remember to set your clocks forward one hour on **Sunday, March 12** for Daylight Savings Time.



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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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