

Baltimore Township Newsletter for Summer 2026

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2026 SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

July 14, 2026

September 8, 2026

November 10, 2026

August 11, 2026

October 13, 2025

December 8, 2026

TREASURER'S SCHEDULED OFFICE HOURS

September 14, 2026 – 9am-5pm

TOWNSHIP WEBSITE

We are working on a new website.. you will see a different look in the future!! However, for now you can find all meeting minutes under the appropriate tab. Upcoming events and useful information will be posted on the home page until the new website is up and functional.

<https://baltimoretwp.com>

PLANNING AND ZONING

There is a petition being passed around to bring planning & zoning back under township jurisdiction. The petition is to have planning and zoning on the November ballot. If you are interested in signing, please contact Kelli Case 269-320-1285

BALTIMORE ASSESSOR

Marie Bean had the opportunity to take a full job with the State of Michigan which would have conflicted with being our township assessor, therefore she had to resign. We appreciate all the time and effort Marie put into this position and wish her the best in her new endeavor. The Township Board is currently reviewing applications in preparation for interviews. We hope to have someone very soon. For immediate needs please contact Supervisor Chad VanSyckle.

Voting Updates

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE SENT OUT THE WEEK OF JUNE 29 FOR THE AUGUST PRIMARY.

- Important reminders:
 1. Absentee ballots CANNOT be forwarded, please be sure to contact Clerk Bishop before June 20th if you need your ballot sent to an alternate address.
 2. Ballots are automatically sent to those on the PERM ballot list. Applications are sent to only those who are not on the list but desire to vote absentee. You must contact Clerk Bishop if you desire an application.

WEBSITE FOR VOTING INFORMATION AND TO TRACK YOUR BALLOT IF VOTING ABSENTEE:

- <https://www.michigan.gov/sos/elections>

WHEN CAN I VOTE IN PERSON??

- Polls will be open July 25th – August 2nd from 9:00am – 5:00pm for early voting
- Polls will be open on August 4th from 7:00am – 8:00pm
- All ballots will be tabulated after the polls close at 8:00pm on August 4th

CLERK HOURS

- For the August election, Clerk Bishop will hold the following office hours and is also available to meet as needed.
July 25th, July 28th and July 31st– 9:00-5:00pm
August 1st 9:00am – 5:00pm
August 4th 7:00am-8:00pm

PUBLIC ACCURACY TESTING

- Public accuracy testing will be held July 11th, beginning at 9:00am – the public is invited and encouraged to come to the Township Hall at 3100 East Dowling Rd to observe the testing of the tabulators.

Cemetery Updates

Dowling & Striker Information:

In an attempt to update records in the two cemeteries in Baltimore Township, Clerk Bishop is asking for your help!!

1. If your loved one is buried in either cemeteries and served our country but does not have a flag on their resting place please let us know!
2. If you own a plot in either cemetery and are a veteran please let us know so we can make note of it.

Both cemeteries have what appear to be unused and vacant lots. We are looking to identify what plots that will not be used in the future. Back in the day lots of 5 or 6 were sold and were all put under the name of the purchaser without knowing who they intended to inter there. Here we are years later, the original purchaser has been deceased for many years and we have no idea if there is family wishing to use the plots. If you have a loved one buried in either Dowling or Striker and believe there are spaces left in the original purchase, please contact us so we can work thru the identification process. Spaces not claimed by Dec 31st will be listed in the paper to ensure we are giving proper opportunity for family to claim the spot before we offer them to others. This request DOES NOT apply to the plots in Dowling that are single plots which have a name on them.

Lastly, we have requested that there be no plantings in around headstones in the ground. It is becoming increasingly more difficult to mow and trim around headstones and some plantings have grown and are not being cared for by family. If you have plantings you wish to keep, we are asking for you to remove them. Urns with flowers are acceptable if placed in line with the headstones.

This fall both cemeteries will have clean up days in order to remove dead trees/limbs/bushes and removal of overgrown plantings. This will be scheduled for sometime September/October.