

Charter Township of Lyon

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UPDATE TO COVID-19

APRIL 2, 2020

TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Township Fire Department office is closed to the public. The department is fully operational. In case of emergency, CALL 911

Effective March 26, 2020 - The LTFD placed a ban on all outdoor burning until further notice per the DNR. Burn permits will not be issued until further notice.

OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF

The Oakland County Sheriff Sub Station, located in the lower level of the Township office building, is closed to the public. The department is fully operational. In case of emergency, CALL 911

TOWNSHIP WATER AND SEWER

The township water plant and sewer plant are fully operational. The facilities have an operations manager onsite daily and are also being monitored remotely.

For our sewer and water customers, the originally scheduled due date for utility bills was March 27th. In light of recent events, Lyon Township extended the due date to May 1st. There will be no late charges incurred during that time period.

The Township Hall is currently closed to the public, but those wishing to make utility bill payments can utilize one of these options:

1. Mail your check to the Township Hall (58000 Grand River Avenue, New Hudson, MI 48165).
2. Deposit your check in the locked drop box located on the circle drive by the office, near the flagpole.
3. Pay online with a credit card: <https://payments.g2gcloud.com/LyonTownship/1151>

TOWNSHIP OFFICE

On March 16, 2020 the township offices were closed to the public and staff continued to report to work.

On March 19, 2020 in order to keep the staff safe and still provided services, it was decided that no more than 10 employees would be in the building at a time. A schedule rotating staff members to three days at work and three days at home was initiated.

March 24, 2020 - Governor Whitmer declared a statewide "Stay at Home" order for a minimum of 3 weeks.

Because of this, the Lyon Township Municipal Center was closed until further notice.

Our three full-time elected officials ([John Dolan](#), [Michele Cash](#), and [Patricia Carcone](#)) continue to check the mail box and drop box. Please click on their names for their individual email addresses.

The rest of the office staff continues to do its best in monitoring email but the level of service is unfortunately limited during this time, due to not being in the office regularly. Due to this closure, departments are unable to receive and process applications. This includes the Building Department and Planning Department.

Lyon Township would like to thank you all for your understanding and patience as we attempt to handle things the best we possibly can. Please stay safe and, if possible, stay at home.

TOWNSHIP COMMUNICATIONS

The township continues to post important updates to the website and Facebook page. Updates include important information from the State such as Executive Orders from the Governor and information for citizens affected by work closures regarding eligibility for Unemployment Benefits and where and how to apply. Also being shared is important information for our township business owners regarding Federal, State and County grant and loan applications for those being impacted by the Stay at Home order and business closures due to Executive Orders.

The township is participating in regular teleconference calls with State and County officials and is actively sharing important information as well as assisting local business owners in issues dealing with economic response and recovery efforts.

Important Links to Keep Informed:

White House/FEMA/CDC – Coronavirus COVID-19 website - <https://www.coronavirus.gov/>

CDC Information and Resources - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/index.html>

Presidential Actions - <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/>

State of Michigan – Coronavirus COVID-19 Website - <https://www.michigan.gov/Coronavirus>

State of Michigan Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/MIgovernment/>

State of Michigan Governor Executive Orders - https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499_90705---,00.html

Oakland County Covid-19 Response - <https://www.oakgov.com/covid/Pages/default.aspx>

Advantage Oakland Covid-19 Response for Businesses - <https://www.oakgov.com/advantageoakland/Pages/default.aspx>

Township Website - <https://www.lyontwp.org/>

Township Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/lyontwp/>

Downtown Development Authority Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/Lyon-Township-Downtown-Development-Authority-570714456361464/>

For questions regarding Covid-19 Business Relief programs offered through the Federal, State and County please contact Lyon Township Economic Development Contact: Tina Archer at carcher@lyontwp.org 248-215-6376

TOWNSHIP BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Effective March 24, 2020 - The Building Department was closed until further notice. All building permits and construction are suspended with the exception of those essential services defined in Executive Order 2020-21. For those essential services, permits must be applied for as required by Building, Mechanical, Electrical or Plumbing codes as regulated by the state and local ordinance. Anyone proceeding with construction that is non-essential is doing so at their own risk, and may be required to later remove or replace construction that has occurred without permits or inspections. A violation of Executive Order 2020-21 is a misdemeanor.

Questions? Email Dav Herriman, Building Official at DHerriman@lyontwp.org or PJ Andrews, Building Coordinator at pandrews@lyontwp.org

TOWNSHIP – MAY ELECTION

The Board of Education has agreed to postpone the May 5th election and address South Lyon's facility needs in a future election. There will be no May 5th election in Lyon Township. [Notice of Postponement](#)

TOWNSHIP – FOIA REQUESTS

As a result of the Governor's Executive Order (EO) No. 2020-21, and in compliance with § 6 of EO 2020-21, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) processing and responses are suspended beginning at 12:01 am March 24, 2020 continuing until April 13, 2020 at 11:59 pm since they are not necessary to sustain or protect life, or to supporting those businesses and operations that are necessary to sustain or protect life.

For purposes of counting response times for any FOIA requests received during this time or FOIA requests for which a response is due beginning at 12:01 am on or after March 24, 2020, through April 14, 2020 at 12:01 am, time is suspended during the effective dates of EO 2020-21. The "business day" time period in which to respond to FOIA requests as referenced in section 5 of Michigan FOIA, MCL 15.235, shall resume as of April 14, 2020, unless later extended by Executive Order.

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

Due to concerns surrounding COVID-19, Lyon Township had made the decision to cancel upcoming public meetings previously scheduled during the month of April. This includes the following meetings:

Board of Trustees - Monday, April 6th
Planning Commission - Monday, April 13th
DDA - Tuesday, April 14th
ZBA - Monday, April 20th
Parks & Rec Advisory Board - Tuesday, April 21st
Planning Commission - Monday, April 27th

PARKS AND RECREATION

The playscape, restrooms, and the Lyon's Den Disc Golf Course at the James F. Atchison Memorial Park are closed for public use until further notice.