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Fruitland Township E-News

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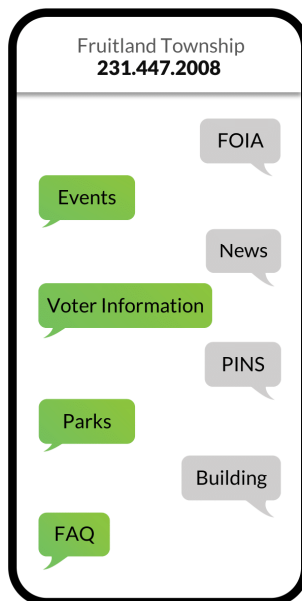
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NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL FOR FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP

In an effort to continue to improve our communications, we are offering a new way to get answers quickly or report issues in Fruitland Township. You can also sign up to receive text alerts!



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Report Issues & Find Answers

Connect Via Text

Introducing a new way to skip a phone call and use your mobile phone's text messaging service to quickly report issues and/or find information on the go.

24/7 Assistance

Smart texting technology evaluates your input and searches keywords to provide you with assistance anytime, day or night.

Get Started

Text **Hi**
to: **231.447.2008**

Fruitland Township Text Alerts *(Additional Service Option)*

Receive township text message notifications!

Sign up today

Text **FRUITLAND** to **91896**

What to Expect:

- After the initial keyword is sent, you will receive a confirmation message asking you to reply YES to verify opt-in.
- You will receive multiple text messages a month with a notification for each alert category selection.
- Message and data rates may apply. Check with your carrier for more details.

How to Opt-Out:

Text STOP at any time to remove yourself from the notification list.

View terms and privacy policy info at: textmygov.com/opt-in-terms-conditions

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CLERK'S CORNER – ELECTION NEWS

ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Some voters may have received a new Voter ID Card. A small amount of voters were changed from Precinct 1 to Precinct 2 to better reflect the County Commissioner division line that runs down Duck Lake Road in Fruitland Township.
- Whitehall District Schools will have a bond proposal for the November 7, 2023 election. This will be the only question on the ballot for Fruitland Township.
- Absent Voter Applications for the November 7, 2023 election have been mailed for any voters on the permanent absentee application list. Due to a program glitch some applications erroneously have an election date of 5/2/23, but voters can simply cross out the date and write 11/7/23 for this election.
- If you are not on the current Permanent Absent Voter Application list, you will need to contact the Clerk's office to request an application or visit <https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/AVApplication/Index> to request one online.
- Absentee Ballot Applications will include a box that, if checked, will add the voter to the Permanent BALLOT mailing list. This means you will receive a BALLOT for every election without having to apply. This is different than the current permanent absent voter application list (please see the infographic below for more information).
- There will be sample ballots available at the Township Hall and online when available.

Please visit www.fruitlandmi.gov/clerk for the most up to date election announcements.

Permanent Absentee Voter Lists: Understanding the Difference

Prior to voters passing Proposal 2, the only permanent absentee voter list available was the absentee voter **application** list. Now voters can choose the absentee **ballot** list. What's the difference?

	ABSENTEE VOTER APPLICATION LIST	ABSENTEE VOTER BALLOT LIST
Definition	The voter automatically receives an application to request a ballot prior to each election.	The voter automatically receives a ballot prior to each election.
Purpose	Allows absentee voters to choose which elections to participate in.	Absentee voters are automatically sent a ballot.
What You Receive	Application to request an absentee ballot for the upcoming election.	Official ballot with instructions.
Action Required	Voter completes application, delivers to local clerk, and waits for ballot to arrive.	Voter completes ballot and delivers to local clerk.

Why did I receive an absentee ballot application and others automatically received their ballot?

Some voters signed up to receive absentee ballot applications for each election and others to receive their ballot automatically.

How do I sign up to receive a ballot automatically for each election?

To automatically receive a ballot, contact your local clerk or apply at www.mi.gov/vote, and select the option: "I want to vote absentee in all future elections. Automatically send me a ballot for every election."

FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP HALL – 30 YEARS!

On Sunday, September 19, 1993, the new Fruitland Township Hall was dedicated and became the new home for Fruitland Township. To celebrate 30 years in this building, we have displayed memories of the past in the township hall meeting room and will continue to add to it throughout the week. If you're in the neighborhood, stop in to check out some of the history of Fruitland Township during regular business hours (Monday – Thursday, 7:30am - 4:30pm). Items will be displayed through the end of September.