

# Montrose Township

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## Voters Pass Mosquito Abatement

*Montrose Township votes in favor of mosquito control*

On Tuesday, Nov. 8, Montrose Township voters went to the polls to cast their vote for the President. In addition, the ballot included a “yes” or “no” question regarding the renewal of the Township’s mosquito abatement program. “We’re honored by the overwhelming support of the voters,” said Township Supervisor Mark Emmendorfer. He said APM is the new company the Township will be collaborating with to provide mosquito services.

**Mosquito Abatement Results YES = 1,809 NO = 807  
TOTAL= 2,616**

## 2017 Township Board Meetings

**THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO ATTEND**

6 P.M. ON THE THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH-  
JAN 17; FEB. 21; MAR 21; APRIL 18; MAY 16; JUNE 20; JULY  
18; AUG. 15; SEPT. 19; OCT. 17; NOV. 21; DEC. 19

## Winter Taxes due Feb. 28

### Mary Quast

Montrose Township Treasurer

“Winter tax bills are mailed out to Montrose Township residents the first week in December,” said Treasurer Mary Quast. Residents who want a tax bill receipt should provide a postage-paid envelope with payment. Or residents may pick up a free tax bill receipt at the Township Office. Small business exemption FORM 5076, regarding personal property is due February 10, 2017.

*\* This tax is considered delinquent beginning March 1, 2017, and then payable to the Genesee County Treasurer with four percent penalty and one percent interest added per month.\**

## Montrose Township Public Safety Complex update

### Mark Emmendorfer

Montrose Township Supervisor

The Township advertised for bids to construct a compacted sand pad on which the new public safety complex will be built. An unexpected amount of site work is necessary because the elevation of the site is so far below the elevation of Seymour Road, requiring six to seven feet of fill. “We received three bids for the pad,” said Supervisor Emmendorfer.

**\$329,140 – Ryan Incorporated Central**

**\$272,690 – LA Construction Corporation**

**\$187,932 – Newton Excavating Company**

“Newton Excavating was the lowest bidder and a local contractor,” said Emmendorfer. “This company was interviewed and approved by the construction manager, DW Lurvey and several board members.”

## Township adopts moratorium

New Michigan State laws regulating medical marijuana growers, processors and provisioning centers prompted the Montrose Township Board members to pass a 90-day moratorium on the acceptance or issuance of home care center applications or permits in the Township of Montrose. This moratorium will give the Township time to assess how the new State law affects Township ordinances presently in place.

To learn more you can look up:

[House Bill 4209](#), now Public Act 281

[House Bill 4210](#), now Public Act 282

[House Bill 4827](#), now Public Act 283

## Nov. 8 Presidential Election brings out voters

**Fred Domine**

Montrose Township Clerk

"Close to 2,000 voters showed up to the polls in Montrose Township to cast their vote in the Nov. 8, Presidential Election," said Clerk Domine. "There are 4,835 registered voters in Montrose Township, so that is a pretty good turn out." The poll lines were steady and Domine said he is proud of his team of election workers who processed voters efficiently and diligently. There are four precincts in the Township. There were five election inspectors working the polls at each one. Domine praises Montrose Community School district for their cooperation and assistance in making Election Day operate smoothly. "Principal Bo Moore and custodian Beatrice Moore were instrumental in helping us to provide voters with a successful election experience," said Domine.

**To see all of Genesee County's Election Day results visit:**

<https://co.genesee.mi.us/currentelectionsresults/summary.htm>

## Turn Lane to be installed in front of Brent Run Landfill

Tim Church from Waste Connections reported the Brent Run Landfill is progressing on the turn lane plans for M-57 and expect to have the turn lane completed between Memorial Day and Independence Day in 2017.

## Consumers Energy owes Township \$10,710.58

The Township Clerk worked for two years to get answers about its street light count and inventory. The Township pays for streetlights on a monthly basis. Recently, after a lengthy investigation, Consumers Energy informed Clerk Domine that the Township was overcharged \$10,710.58. A billing credit has been instituted and will continue until all funds owed to the Township are recovered.

**New Bus for Montrose Senior Center** You may have noticed the new 14-passenger Senior Center Bus traveling around town picking up and dropping off senior citizens. Funds for the bus derived from a grant to support the transportation of seniors to and from events. Seniors in Montrose enjoy trips to Detroit Tigers, area restaurants and other planned activities.

## Property Inspections

**Dennis Miller**

Montrose Township Building & Zoning Official

**ASSESSING** — "The Township will continue its field review of residential parcels during the summer of 2017," said Assessor, Dennis Miller. Residential properties in the southeast section of the Township are scheduled to be reviewed. This includes residential properties in sections: 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 and 36. The review includes measuring all new structures and improvements on the property and taking new photographs of the principal residence. For additional details about the reviews, call (810) 639-2021.

**CODE** — Allowing animals to remain at large: No owner or keeper of any animal shall allow such animal to run at large upon the highway or other public place or upon any unenclosed land within the Township of Montrose.

## Firefighter featured on Channel 5

Montrose Township is proud of one of its own — firefighter Scott McDowell, who is a double amputee and serves to protect residents from fires and assists at accident scenes and other 9-1-1 related calls. In 2011, McDowell contracted a rare infection which led to an extended stay at Henry Ford and eventually the amputation of his legs below the knee. McDowell did not let this deter him from serving his community. "You can't tell he's got two prosthetics," said Chief George Taylor. "He wears his bunker gear and nobody can tell. He is an inspiration to work with and we're honored to have him on our fire department."

[www.wnem.com/story/33496668/local-firefighter-with-prosthetic-legs-inspires-hope](http://www.wnem.com/story/33496668/local-firefighter-with-prosthetic-legs-inspires-hope)