Michigan Township INSIGHTS

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Reminder: Township officials' term of office for November ballot



Per the state Bureau of Elections, individuals elected to township office on Nov. 3 election can take their oath of office **once the results of the election have been certified** by the appropriate board of canvassers. This applies to partial-term elections and special elections.

Rural water and sewer infrastructure listening sessions

Sustainable, affordable municipal water and sanitary sewer infrastructure is critical to healthy communities. To help shape policy and appropriations recommendations, the state Office of Rural Prosperity is hosting two virtual listening sessions to hear from rural communities that are struggling to fund needed infrastructure improvements while keeping rates affordable. Register online for either date. The first listening session is scheduled for Dec. 1 at 12:30 p.m. and the second session is Dec. 3 at 3 p.m.



MiUI transition complete

As of Nov. 9, all history from the former MIWAM system in the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency has been transferred to MiUI with full functionality now online. Employers should have completed MiUI registration prior to launch; however, if your township still needs to register or requires any other assistance to navigate the new system, the Unemployment Insurance Agency is available to help. Questions may be directed to the Office of Employer Ombudsman at (855) 484-2636. The MiUI University website is also available with tutorials and step-by-step instructions for accessing MiUI and managing claims.

STC offering January MCAT course

The State Tax Commission (STC) is now accepting applications for a January 2027 Michigan Certified Assessing





UPCOMING MTA TRAINING

Nov. 18: *Now You Know* lunchtime webinar Drawing the Lines: Inside the Land Division Act

Nov. 24 & Dec. 2: Treasurers' Guide to Tax Collection
· **Nov. 24**, Gaylord
· **Dec. 2**, Lansing

Dec. 8 & 9: Winter Academy, Bay Pointe Inn, Shelbyville
· **Dec. 8**, Township Finances
· **Dec. 9**, Fundamentals of Assessment & Taxation

FREE LIVE WEBINAR, Dec. 14: *Now You Know* 2026 Legislative Wrap-up

Jan. 5 & 7: New Officials Training
· **Jan. 5,** Lansing
· **Jan. 7,** Gaylord

ALLIED SERVICE PROVIDERS

Technician (MCAT) program to be held Jan. 28-29 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Kentwood. The exam will be on Feb. 1 from 9-11 a.m. at the same location. Completed applications must be received by the STC no later than Jan. 4 to be considered for this program. Email GastW@michigan.gov with questions.



One week remaining for member input on MTA's legislative policy platform

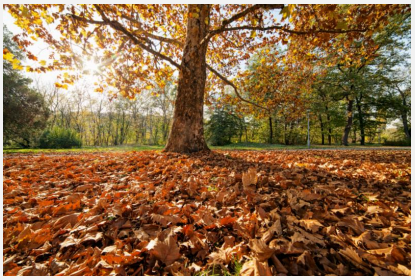
MTA-member township officials are encouraged to review and provide feedback on the MTA legislative policy platform. Reviewed, updated and approved annually, the platform guides the Association's government relations efforts and reflects emerging issues and legislative priorities. Members are urged to review the current 2026-2027 Policy Platform and submit any proposed additions and revisions by Monday, Nov. 23.



Reminder on MOVE, late AV ballots

Despite the conclusion of the November election, clerks may still receive grace-period military and overseas voter (MOVE) ballots and late absent voter ballots. Review the state Bureau of Elections guide on absent voter processing after Election Day for the most up-to-date procedures.

Autumn leaves. Knowledge stays.



Learning leaves a lasting impression and builds a strong foundation for effective public service. MTA can help you build your knowledge, sharpen your skills and strengthen your service to your community. Take a look at what's coming next. Use the links below for details or register online here:

- *Treasurers' Guide to Tax Collection*—An in-depth review of the tax collection process coming to Gaylord on Nov. 24 and Lansing on Dec. 2.
- *Township Finances*—Held Dec. 8 in Shelbyville, offering a deep dive into financial oversight to ensure your resources are addressing your community's greatest needs.
- *Fundamentals of Assessment & Taxation*—Ensure every board member understands the process and the

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* Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C.

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MTA QUICK LINKS

Answer Center
Training
Advocacy
Classifieds
Community Connection
Webcasts
Store
Township Governance Academy
Allied Service Providers
NATaT

township's revenue sources, held Dec. 9 in Shelbyville.

- *New Officials Training*—Provides the "hows and whys" of township government and explores roles and responsibilities—Jan. 5 in Gaylord and Jan 7 in Lansing.
- Prefer online learning? Get 50% off on-demand sessions all month with discount code "thanks". Visit MTA's Online Learning Center today.



Federal updates for week of Nov. 9

Check out the National Association of Towns and Townships Weekly Legislative Update for the latest on federal actions impacting townships.

