

## Village Office

Residents and commercial property owners are encouraged to contact village staff with any questions or concerns. See below for contact information. Office hours are 9 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday. Village Administrator Ken Marten's email is [kmarten@binghamfarms.org](mailto:kmarten@binghamfarms.org).

## Limited Contact

Due to Covid-19 concerns, the village office continues to follow social distancing guidelines. We ask that business be conducted whenever possible by phone, email or regular mail. We ask visitors to wear a mask.

## Office Closures

The office will be closed for the following holidays:

- Veterans Day, Thu, Nov. 11
- Thanksgiving, Thu, Nov. 25
- Thanksgiving, Fri, Nov. 26
- Christmas break: Fri, Dec. 24 thru Fri, Dec. 31.

## Halloween Guidelines

Trying to decide whether to trick-or-treat or pass out candy this year on Halloween? The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) suggests adhering to the following guidelines to prevent spreading Covid-19:

- If you haven't been vaccinated yet, get the shot.
- If you're not fully vaccinated and aged 2 or older, you should wear a mask in indoor public places.
- In general, you don't need to wear a mask in outdoor settings. In areas with high numbers of COVID-19 cases, consider wearing a mask in crowded outdoor settings and for activities with close contact with others who are not fully vaccinated.
- People who have a condition or are taking medications that weaken their immune system may not be fully protected even if they are fully vaccinated. They should continue to take all precautions recommended for unvaccinated people, including wearing a well-fitted mask, until advised otherwise by their healthcare provider.
- If you're fully vaccinated, to maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area of substantial or high transmission.

As of this writing, the CDC ranks Oakland County's community transmission as "high."

The CDC offers the following additional general guidelines:

- Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.
  - Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to aid drivers.
  - Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Never accept rides from strangers.
  - Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. WALK and don't run from house to house.
  - Look both ways before crossing the street.
  - Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid homemade treats made by strangers.
  - Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat. The Franklin-Bingham Farms Police Department will examine treats upon request.
- Halloween is Sunday, October 31.


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## Dates to Remember

- Daylight Saving Time ends 2 am, Sunday, **November 7**. Turn clocks back one hour.
- Veterans Day is Thursday, **November 11**. No mail. Banks and gov't offices are closed.
- Thanksgiving is Thursday, **November 25**. Turkey, football and parades.
- Garbage collection moved to Friday, **November 26**, in observance of Thanksgiving.
- Last day for leaf bag/yard waste collection is Thursday, **December 9**.



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## Emergency: 911

Police/Fire Dispatch: 248-626-5444

DTE: 800-477-4747

Police Office: 248-626-9672

Consumers Energy: 800-477-5050

Fire Office: 248-626-9862

Water Resources: 248-858-0958

## Phone Number Alarm Change: 248-626-5444

This message is from Fire Chief Tony Averbuch.

The Franklin Bingham Fire Department encourages all persons to contact us by phone at 9-1-1 for assistance with emergency medical or fire needs. This includes those persons physically located in Bingham Farms.

For residences or businesses that use the services of off-site fire or medical alarm monitoring, we encourage you to contact your alarm system provider and ask them to use the number in the headline for emergency fire or medical alarm notifications.

By having alarm providers contact the department at 248-626-5444, any fire or medical emergency in the village will afford dispatch of both fire department and police resources to provide assistance.

## Council Meetings

Due to Covid-19 concerns, the village is operating under Village Council's April 5, 2021 resolution extending a Local State of Emergency to the end of year. Council meets monthly, and all meetings through December are held via Zoom. Meeting notices along with Zoom links are published on the village website approximately 72 hours prior.

Below are the remaining meetings for the year:

- 7:05 pm Mon, October 25
- 7 pm Mon, November 22
- 7 pm Mon, December 20

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The Planning Commission meets 7:30 pm on the second Monday of the month as needed. The Design Review Board meets 7:30 pm on the first Monday of the month as needed. Meeting notices are posted on the village website approximately 72 hours prior.

## Inaugural Bingham Farms Family Fest a Success!

Approximately 450 villagers gathered for Bingham Farms' first-ever Family Fest on Saturday, August 14. Perfect summer weather graced the day as folks enjoyed an afternoon of pony rides, martial arts and dance demonstrations, live music, sweet treats and more. Village neighbors young and old, new and established, from north and south of 13 Mile Road, met in the parking lot of the Jamestowne South building where the village offices and council chambers are housed.

The Festival Committee thanks the following event sponsors: Jamestowne South Dental, Beachum & Roeser, Hainer & Berman, Edward Jones Financial, Templeton Building Company, Kathy Mechigian, Northwest Dermatology, Karma Yoga, Farbman Group. Without their financial support, the festival wouldn't have been possible.

Planning for next year's festival is already underway. Suggestions? Want to get involved? Contact the village. In the meantime, view these photos and cling to summer for a few more moments. Cold weather will be here soon.



## Snow Removal: Winter is Coming

**Plowing public roads:** Winter will be here soon. Snow plows hit public roads as soon as two inches have fallen. In heavy storms, the contractor will plow several times to keep the roads passable.

The village will request additional work when conditions warrant. Salting is based on the assessment of the police department. Similar to last year, the village will salt public roads when necessary.

If you have a concern regarding snow removal from public roads, call the village office rather than the village's contractor.

**Respect your neighbors:** Village ordinances prohibit plowing snow from one property and depositing on another -- public or private. Snow must remain on the property on which it falls. Violators may be ticketed. Please inform your snow removal contractor.

