Community News from the Village of Vernon

Fall 2020

Message from the President

Dear Neighbors,

Hopefully everyone is staying as safe and as healthy as possible. With Halloween coming up soon, you can be assured that we will still have our usual police patrol during trick-or-treating hours to help keep everyone safe. Please use care when driving through the village during this time.

Leaf pickup will start up as usual in October with dates being determined by DPW. The Village of Vernon will continue to provide all our services to village residents during these challenging times.

Respectfully,

Bob Mac Neill

Trick or Treat

October 31st from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Please remember to follow health
guidelines. Burning is prohibited in the Village on
October 30th and 31st.

Village Hall

Village Hall is still closed for walk ins at this time. If you need to talk with a Village Employee please call 989-288-2300. Do you have paperwork or a payment to drop off? You can use the drop box or call and someone will meet you out front. Employees are in the Office Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:30am-5:00pm.



DDA Pasty Fundraiser

The money raised will be used for the future Vernon Farmer's Market location.

Pasties are made from scratch, and have potato's, rutabaga, onion, and your choice of chicken or beef. Pasties are \$6 each.

Pre-Order your Pasties today by messaging us on the Village of Vernon Facebook or calling the Vernon Library at 989-288-6486.

Pasties will be available for pick up November 7, 2020, from 1:00pm to 7:00pm. Pick up at 131 E. Main St. Vernon Mi (Church on the North side of Main St., by the Post Office), use the alley entrance.

Calling all Volunteers

The Village really needs your help. Please consider volunteering to help make Pasties, the Memorial Day Parade in May, the Annual Spring Clean-Up, River Clean-Up, the Car Show in August, or Christmas in the Village next year. For additional information, please contact the Village Hall at 989-288-2300.

Christmas in the Village

The Village will not be having Christmas in the Village this year due to COVID-19. The DDA members will be decorating Downtown Vernon and putting out a mailbox to mail your letters to Santa. If you are mailing a letter to Santa please make sure to include your child's name and return mailing address for Santa and his Elves. Last day Santa will receive letters will be December 13, 2020.

Dates to Remember		
11/05/2020	Community Cats	7:00 a.m.
11/09/2020	Township Meeting	7:00 p.m.
11/10/2020	DDA Meeting	5:30 p.m.
11/12/2020	Planning Commission	6:00 p.m.
11/18/2020	Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
11/26/2020	Thanksgiving Village Office Closed	
12/03/2020	Community Cats	7:00 a.m.
12/08/2020	DDA Meeting	5:30 p.m.
12/10/2020	Planning Commission	6:00 p.m.
12/14/2020	Township Meeting	7:00 p.m.
12/16/2020	Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
12/24/2020	Christmas Eve Village Office Closed	
12/31/2020	New Years Eve Village Office Closed	

The Scoop...

Leaf Pickup Instruction:

Leaf pick up will start in October weather permitting and run thru November. Please remember the following when utilizing our leaf pickup service:

- Place your leaves at the edge of the street.
- Do not place directly in the street or covering any storm drains/catch basin.
- Place leaves in a long narrow pile that extends across the width of your lot.
- Do not place any material other than leaves in the pile. This includes grass, walnuts, chestnuts, branches and any other type of yard material that may damage the leaf vacuum.
- Leaves will only be picked up once a day down your street. If you miss the pick up they will be picked up the next time the DPW workers are down your street.
- M-71 residents must call to schedule a pickup.

Leaves may still be taken to the compost lot located on W. Main St.

Your patience and understanding is appreciated. Thank you!

Sidewalk Tips

Did you know that if the public sidewalk needs to be replaced you are responsible for half the cost? There are a number of inexpensive and easy things you can do to keep sidewalks safe and clean:

Address problems as soon as possible to minimize area and amount of repair required.

Sweep sidewalks to keep them free of leaves, snow, ice, or debris. Be sure to properly dispose of debris. Do not sweep them into the gutter or street.

Trim tree branches, shrubs, and other vegetation so they do not obstruct the sidewalk.

Watch for early signs of leaking water lines, tree roots, and other damages.



Do not park cars or other heavy equipment on your sidewalk. Report hazardous sidewalks by calling 989-288-2300.

Snow and Ice Removal

snow into the roadway.

Per the Village sidewalk ordinance, if there is a sidewalk on your lot or premises, you must clear the snow or ice from the sidewalk 24 hours after the cessation of any winter weather event. Sidewalks fronting on Main Street zoned B1 between Duane and Church Streets should be cleared of snow or ice by 10 a.m. and be maintained until 5 p.m. Please do not push

Parking

Parking in designated parking spots helps keep our streets clear during snow and ice events to allow the snow plow to clear the streets. Please be sure you are not parking on the roadway. Per our ordinance: No person shall park or leave standing any motor vehicle upon any major street in the Village from December 1 through the following March 31 between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, November 1st daylight savings time ends. Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour.

From the Desk of Chief Hubble



Thanks to the watchful eyes of our Village of Vernon citizens the Village has been quiet and not much criminal activity has taken place. Citizens are urged to lock vehicles and make sure keys are removed. As always citizens are urged to call 911 if any unlawful activity or suspicious situation should arise that you feel needs to be investigated.