

# Village of Pigeon News

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## Village Officials

Michael LePage, President (2020)  
Marc Hill, Trustee (2020)  
Michael Wehner, Trustee (2020)  
Robert Chandonnet, Trustee (2020)  
Shelly Gunden, Trustee (2022)  
Kent Shetler, Trustee (2022)  
Matthew Esch, Trustee (2022)

## Village Hours

Hall: 9am – 4pm  
DPW: 7 am –3:30pm  
Monday through Friday unless  
otherwise posted.

## Village Council Meetings

Third Monday of every month at 7pm  
at the village hall.

## Holiday Closings

Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Water and Sewer Rates

As of April 1, 2020  
\$15.78 per 1,000 gal. Water  
\$23.64 Water Ready-to-Serve Fee  
\$8.22 per 1,000 gal. Sewer  
\$12.33 Sewer Ready-to-Serve Fee

## Trash/Brush Collection

Every Wednesday unless a holiday  
falls on Mon., Tues. or Wed. then  
pickup will be on Thursday that week.  
Rate: \$16.39 per month. Large items  
please call Emterra  
at 1-877-609-6753

## Utility Bill Due Dates

Utility Bills issued **June 1, 2020**, are  
due **June 20, 2020**. Late charges will  
be applied to any bill not paid by the  
due date.

## Direct Payment of Utility Bills

If you are interested in Direct Payment  
of your Village Utility Bill, please  
contact the village hall for details.

## MISS DIG

If you are doing any work in your yard  
and need utilities located please call 1-  
800-482-7171 or 811

## Utility Bill Payment Changes

As we navigate the COVID-19  
virus and this unprecedented turn  
of events, the health and safety of  
our residents and our employees is  
of the utmost importance. We are  
closely following the  
recommendations of government  
and health officials.

The Village of Pigeon Hall and  
DPW Garage are closed to the  
public until further notice. This is  
for the health and safety of the  
employees and residents. We  
encourage you to use other means  
of communication such as calls,  
texts or emails, and we will make  
every effort to assist you.

When taking Utility Bill  
payments to Thumb Bank & Trust  
please use the **Bank Drop Box**  
located off N. Main St. or the  
**Drive-up Window**. If you have  
other communications for the  
village or Winsor Twp please use  
the drop box to the right of the  
village hall door or the mail.

If you would like to make a  
Utility Bill **CREDIT CARD**  
**PAYMENT** please call and we  
will take your payment  
information over the phone, we  
will not be taking credit card  
payments in person. Please **call**  
**989-453-2733** to make a payment.  
If we don't answer we are helping  
others residents, please leave a  
message and we will return your  
call.

If you would like to pay your  
Utility Bill Online please go to the  
village website at  
[www.pigeonmichigan.com](http://www.pigeonmichigan.com) in the  
header on the top of the Home  
Page click on "Pay your Bill" and  
follow the on screen prompts.

## Dear Residents,

Dear Residents,  
I hope this finds you and your  
family doing well during this  
historic pandemic. Our  
community has done very well  
in following the Governor's stay  
at home orders. Although we  
are all getting a little restless,  
we will continue to follow those  
guidelines until lifted.

Normally this time of year our  
Recreation Park would be  
bustling with spring and  
summer activities, and  
hopefully soon our facilities  
will be open again. Our  
annual Summer Recreation  
Program for kids had to be  
cancelled, as well as our  
Summerfest Festival and  
parade. Completion of our  
project from last year on East  
Michigan Avenue at the corner  
of North Main and Michigan  
Avenue to South Frank Street  
will begin very  
soon. Activities at the Pigeon  
Event Center have been put on  
hold until restrictions of crowds  
are lifted. If you have any  
questions in regard to the  
guidelines please contact the  
Village Office at 453-2733.  
Thanks for your cooperation  
during this difficult time, and  
let's hope we are back to some  
sort of normal soon.  
Sincerely,  
Michael LePage  
Village President

**Council Election**

Nominating petitions are available from the Winsor Township Clerk for residents interested in submitting their name for Village President or one of three (3) Trustee positions. All positions are for four (4) year terms. The election will be held at the Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> General Election. Petitions must be returned to the Winsor Twp Clerk by Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 4:00 pm. Due to COVID-19 no contact restrictions please contact the Village Hall to receive a petition all petitions need to be returned to the Twp Clerk by way of the village drop box.

**Brush Pick-up**

Emterra's yard waste pickup is every Wednesday until October. Yard Waste needs to be in a container and marked with an "X". The "X" needs to be facing the street.

**Emterra Request**

Emterra is asking that for the safety of the sanitation workers, all trash must be placed in tied bags starting immediately. Tied bags can still be placed in barrels, but it has to be in tied bags. All trash not in bags will not be picked up. Doing this small part, will help keep everyone safe. Emterra will continue trash pickup every Wednesday.

**Branches**

If you have branches or grass clippings in between the weekly Emterra pickup you can take them to the DPW garage at 70 N. Main St. Please do not set them out in the street, it creates a hazard for everyone.

**Food Pantry**

In an effort to be sure all of our residents are safe and taken care of during this time of uncertainty, we ask that you please keep an eye on your neighbor especially the elderly. The Village Council has made emergency funding available to keep the Pigeon Food Pantry, stocked and available to our residents in need. The Winsor Twp Fire Department, Village employees and other volunteers will be available for delivery within the Pigeon Community. If you have questions please contact the Village Office. Food Pantry contacts are: Norma King 453-3026, Jane Walker 553-5154, Lori Trost 551-1145, Sue Kohl 453-3556, Ellen Stewart 453-2317, Jane Pobanz 453-3506, Dedrie Wichert 989-963-9063.

**Charges for Mowing**

Services of mowing in the village will be charged to the property owner at current DPW hourly rates, with a minimum charge of \$150.00. If charges for mowing are not paid then amount will be applies to the summer taxes.

**Zoning Permits**

Zoning Permits need to be obtained any time you add a deck, fence, shed ect... to your property. They are issued by the Zoning Administrator at a \$40.00 per inspection fee. If a permit is not obtained, a penalty of \$40.00 per permit will be assessed. If you have questions or unsure if you need a permit please call Zoning Administrator, Chief Eric Wissner at 989-453-3001