

# 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**

April 10, Good Friday, at 11am May 25, Memorial Day

#### **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 <u>April 1, 2020,</u> are due <u>April 20, 2020</u>. 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 will be <u>OPEN BY</u> <u>APPOINTMNET ONLY</u> 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 <u>CREDIT CARD</u>
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

If you would like to pay your Utility Bill Online please go to the village website at <a href="https://www.pigeonmichigan.com">www.pigeonmichigan.com</a> in the header on the top of the Home Page click on "Pay your Bill" and

follow the on screen prompts.

## Dear Residents,

What an unbelievable time we are going through. What a difference a day can make. As a Village we are trying to keep everyone as safe as possible. Today we received clarification of the Governors Executive order and closed down playscapes, playgrounds, pavilions and basketball courts. This is so hard to do, but we have to make sure of the social distancing.

Our leaf pickup machine is not ready for operation, so please deliver your leaves to the DPW garage drop area, or put in your yard refuse container with an X on it, beginning April 1st.

Please cooperate with the CDC posted COVID-19 guidelines. Please be safe as we go through the coming weeks to get through this safely. Check on your neighbor and the elderly to see if they need anything. Stay Safe, Michael LePage Village President

# **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

# Spring Cleanup/Brush Pick-up

The DPW will be doing a Spring Cleanup/Brush Pick-up <u>Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup></u> and <u>Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup></u>. This is the only time the DPW will be picking up brush and yard waste. Emterra's first yard waste pickup will be Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> and continue 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.

### **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.

# **2020 Pigeon Summerfest**

July 16-19, 2020. See www.pigeonchamber.com for details.

# **Pigeon Event Center Rentals**

Please call the Village Hall at 989-453-2733

## **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.