

# Council Communications

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**VILLAGE OF DIMONDALE JUNE-JULY-AUGUST 2018**

## VILLAGE COUNCIL WELCOMES NEW MANAGER

James Gallagher has been hired as the new Manager for the Village of Dimondale! Our newest member came on board in March and has been learning the ropes from retiring Manager Denise Parisian to help facilitate a smooth transition. James, originally from Farmington, earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Oakland University and has hit the ground running learning the inner workings of administration for the Village of Dimondale. Please stop by and welcome James as he begins his service with our community!



## Protecting Our Corner of the Watershed

### Lawn Fertilizer and Storm Drains

Are you in the habit of applying fertilizer or paying someone to fertilize your lawn every spring? Did you know that when fertilizer is applied improperly it may pollute the Grand River, its tributaries and eventually the Great Lakes? Though we all want green and luscious lawns this spring and summer we also need to be aware of the potential hazards our lawn practices may cause. When too much fertilizer is applied it washes off and becomes very harmful to the environment. This is especially true when a rain storm comes and washes fertilizer straight into the storm drains which empty directly to rivers, streams and lakes.

Here are some easy tips to keep in mind:



Don't guess, soil test for proper fertilizer recommendations



Choose a product with low or no phosphorus



Maintain a NO APPLICATION zone near rivers, streams, ponds and storm drains



Never discharge clippings into rivers, streams, ponds and storm drains



Fall is the best time to fertilize your lawn

*A special request from your DPW: Please do not blow grass clippings into the street as they create a mess and eventually end up in our storm drains.*

**Remember, clean waterways benefit EVERYONE!**

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**Recycling Fever Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>** – 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Charlotte. Location information is available when you register by calling 517.543.3686 or online at <https://recyclingfever2018.eventbrite.com>. Items accepted: household hazardous waste, medications, tires and electronics including TVs and computer accessories. For a complete list visit: [www.eatoncounty.org/recycling-events-for-2018](http://www.eatoncounty.org/recycling-events-for-2018).

**Brush Collection Monday, July 30<sup>th</sup>** – Brush and branches must be at the curb by 9 a.m. the day of collection, cannot exceed 9-10 inches in diameter, must be placed in manageable piles facing the same direction and should not be mixed with other materials.

**Recycle Palooza Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>** – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Charlotte. Location information is available when you register by calling 517.543.3686 or online at <https://recycling-palooza2018.eventbrite.com>. Items accepted: household hazardous waste, tires, electronics including TVs and computer accessories. For a complete list visit: [www.eatoncounty.org/recycling-events-for-2018](http://www.eatoncounty.org/recycling-events-for-2018).

## SAVE THESE DATES

### **Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – Farmers' Market Opening**

The Dimondale Farmers' Market hits the pavement Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> in the parking lot at 136 N. Bridge Street. Vendors will sell food products from 3-7 p.m. every Thursday through the end of September and from 3-6 p.m. in October. Please come out and support the 11<sup>th</sup> year of this effort to bring fresh, locally grown food to Dimondale!

### **Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Retirement Celebration for Denise Parisian**

Come congratulate Denise on her 30 years of service to the Village of Dimondale on June 9<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3 p.m. in Danford Island Park. In case of rain we will move to the First Presbyterian Church.

### **Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup> – Car Show**

Cruise into Dimondale for the 2018 Oldsmobile Car Show with the RE Olds Chapter of the Olds Club of America. Come enjoy food specials, music, and a car show that will get your motor running! Set your GPS for 136 N. Bridge Street on June 15<sup>th</sup> between 6 and 9 p.m. for the Car Show.

### **Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> – A Grand Celebration**

Noon to 2 pm. Free fun at Danford Island Park promoting the Grand River.

## REMINDERS

**Office Closure** - The Village Office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> for Independence Day.

**Trash Service Change** - Trash pick-up will be on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup> due to the Independence Day holiday.

**Tax Time** – Summer tax bills will be mailed July 1<sup>st</sup> and are due by 5 p.m. on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Please note Village residents pay two summer taxes, one to the Village of Dimondale and another to Windsor Township (for the State Education Tax Fund). Call 646.0230 with any questions.

**Garage Sale Signs** – Please remember that garage sale signs should not be placed in the right-of-way (generally the space between the sidewalk and the road). Any signs located in this area are subject to removal. If you have questions, we encourage you to call the Village Office at 646.0230.