

# Council Communications

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## VILLAGE OF DIMONDALE MARCH-APRIL-MAY 2020

### 2020 Opportunities for Community Involvement

#### Openings on the Village of Dimondale Board of Appeals

The Village Council recently voted to retain an independent Board of Appeals and several positions are available. This Board meets on an as needed basis and provides an opportunity for residents to engage in the governance of their community with a relatively light time commitment. Interested individuals should contact the Village Manager at 517-646-0230 or [dimondalemanager@gmail.com](mailto:dimondalemanager@gmail.com) for more information. Citizen involvement applications and a job description are available at our website or by calling the office. Please consider joining this integral part of our team.

#### 2020 Village General Election – Call for Candidates

Village residents will elect a President and three Trustees in November 2020. A qualifying candidate must be a registered voter in the Village. Other helpful characteristics include the ability to interact and make decisions in a group setting and a willingness to serve the public. The President's term is two years and the Trustees' four years. The average time commitment is four hours per month for one or two evening meetings. Job descriptions are available at our website or by calling the office.

## Protecting Our Corner of the Watershed

### Michigan Watersheds: Everyone Lives in a Watershed

Living in a watershed is not a choice like deciding if you want to live in the country or the city. If you live on earth then you live in a watershed! Your daily actions affect the health of the Michigan watershed where you live and work – whether it is an intentional act or an automatic routine behavior.

A watershed is the land area from which surface runoff and groundwater drain into a body of water. Any rain or snow that falls on your property or place of work, whether it soaks into the ground (infiltration) or runs off over the surface of the land (stormwater), it all moves downhill to the nearest lake, stream or river. All of the land area that contributes to this body of water is known as a watershed.

The water doesn't stop when it reaches the nearest lake, stream or river. It keeps flowing into larger and larger bodies of water. In Michigan watersheds, small streams flow into major rivers which all empty into the Great Lakes. Water in the Great Lakes continues to run eastward through the St. Lawrence River and eventually into the Atlantic Ocean. Groundwater follows this same path.

**Remember, clean waterways benefit EVERYONE!**

## VILLAGE SERVICE REMINDERS

**Brush Collection Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>** – Brush and branches: must be at the curb by 9am 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.

**Trash Pick-Up Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>** – Due to the Memorial Day holiday.



## RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES

**Spring Clean Up Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – 9am to 2pm, Delta Township. Location will be released once registration is complete. Call 517.543.3686 or visit <https://springcleanup2020.eventbrite.com>. Some items collected at this event include: electronics, household hazardous waste, medications and books. Visit <https://www.eatoncounty.org/recycling> to view the entire flyer.



## SAVE THESE DATES

### **Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day Parade**

The Lions Club will hold the annual Memorial Day Parade on May 25<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Participants will start at Carl's parking lot and travel through the Village down Bridge and Jefferson Streets to their final destination at the Windsor Township Cemetery.

### **Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> – Farmers' Market Opening**

The Dimondale Farmers' Market hits the pavement Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 136 N. Bridge Street. Vendors will sell food products from 3-7pm every Thursday through the end of September and from 3-6pm in October. Please come out and support this effort to bring fresh, locally grown food to Dimondale!

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## HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

The Village Office will be closed on the following holidays:

**Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day**