

Irrigation Meters

Control your water usage by having a second meter installed for your outdoor watering needs. Irrigation rates are based on water use alone, without the sewer portion, as the water is not being sent through the Village sewer system. Irrigation meters can be obtained by contacting the Village Clerk at [734-878-6206](tel:734-878-6206).

PROPERTY TAXES

Your 2023 Village Property Tax bill will be mailed out on July 1st. If you don't receive your tax bill shortly thereafter, please contact **PUTNAM TOWNSHIP** at 734-878-3131. Taxes are due September 15th, 2023. ALL payment will go through Putnam Township.

Please Do NOT drop off Tax payments to the Village



Village of Pinckney

SUMMER 2023

Village Hall: 734-878-6206 DPW: 734-878-9368 Police: 734-878-3700

www.villageofpinckney.org

220 S. Howell Street
Pinckney, MI 48169

From President Linda Lavey:

Summer is short and so my message here will be, too. I want to express sincere gratitude for the patience and tolerance of residents in those several neighborhoods affected by ongoing infrastructure projects. They won't last forever, then it will be better. Meanwhile, this newsletter is literally packed with useful information, be sure to check it all out. Enjoy the long days and warm nights, wishing you good times and memories made.

PVB Back Flow Prevention

The 2nd notice of Letter Reminders will be mailed out to all residents that are required to test their PVB for the 2021-2023 years.

NOTE: If you have not received a letter via mail, then you do not have a Back Flow device set up, and don't have to worry about this.

The Village of Pinckney has adopted the Michigan Department of Public Health Code R325.11401 to R325.11407 which requires that all PVB devices be tested and maintained on a routine basis. Backflow prevention devices must be tested only by certified backflow prevention testers who are knowledgeable of the workings of the devices and fully realize the hazards of cross connection with a potable water system. At minimum, the State requires that these devices be tested every 3 years and you are required to submit a copy of the test reports to the Village Offices. Visit the Village website for a list of certified PVB contractors. Any questions regarding backflow devices please contact our **DPW at 734-878-9368**.



Garage Sale & Other Advertising

Throughout the summer months, many families and individuals are gearing up to purge and recycle some of their belongings by having a garage sale.

While the Village understands the importance of advertising these events, it can create hazards and "sign pollution" throughout town. As a reminder:

- One sign on the premises used for advertising a garage sale, rummage sale, estate sale, or similar activity is permitted on private property only, for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days. Each sign shall be no more than six square feet in area and four feet tall.
- Up to three additional off-premises signs may be erected on private property only, with property owner permission. **Signs may not be placed within the road right-of-way. No signs are allowed between the road and the sidewalk.** This includes street signs, telephone poles, etc.

Signs that do not conform will be removed and held for three days at Village Hall to be claimed, after which will be discarded.

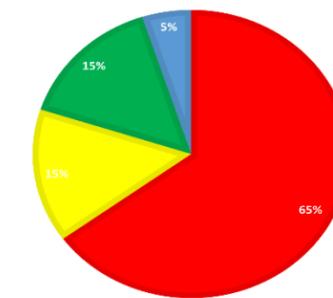


Sidewalk Survey Results

Thanks to all who completed our sidewalk survey. The majority report that sidewalks are important to our quality of life, but answers are mixed on locations and quality. We already knew they will need some work. We appreciate your observations and sympathize with your stubbed toes. We will be looking at Dexter, Pearl, Unadilla, Town Trail, the individual addresses we received, and the other suggestions.

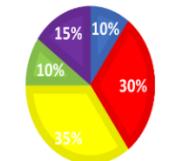
HOW IMPORTANT IS WALKABILITY TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE?

■ A great deal ■ A lot ■ A moderate amount ■ A little ■ Not at all



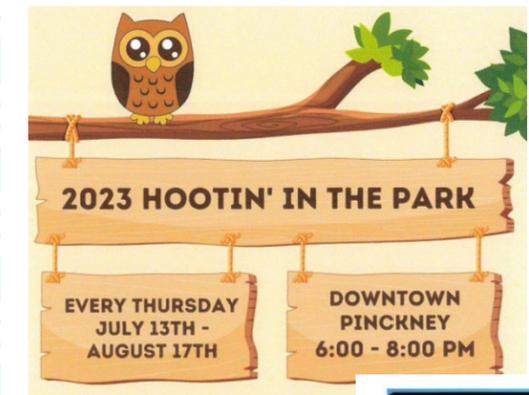
CONDITION OF YOUR SIDEWALK?

- Great! Clean, solid, level, not overgrown.
- Good. A few cracks but level and solid.
- Fair. Some breaks, uneven pieces, roots underneath, or overgrowth.
- I don't have sidewalk at my property, but I'd like it.
- I don't have sidewalk, and I'm fine with that.



SOLICITORS

With recent damage done by the hail storm, most area residents have been contacted by at least one or more contractors offering free estimates or contracts for services such as roofing, siding and other repairs. Residents should be aware that **ALL** peddlers and solicitors are required to be licensed by the Village Clerk before engaging in door-to-door activities in the Village. Please be cautious & demand to see appropriate documentation if approached. If you are uncomfortable in any way, contact the Police Department or call 911.



Hello Summer!



Pinckney Fun Facts:

- * The Village of Pinckney is approximately 1.3 square miles.
- * The Pinckney Post Office services approximately 57.6 square miles of Pinckney mailing (48169 zip code).



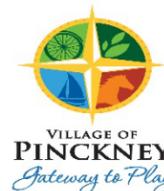
Congresswoman Elissa Slotkin's office presented a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition to President Lavey at our June 12th Ribbon Cutting of our EV Charging Stations.

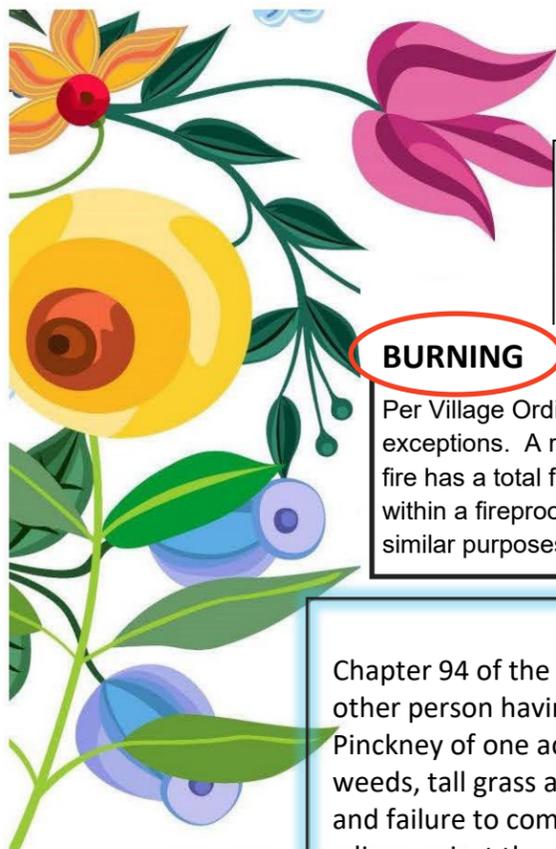
Due to the Holiday, the Village Hall will be closed on **Monday July 3rd & Tuesday July 4th**

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

Please note that the Pinckney Police will still be on duty and DPW will be on call.**

Summer Events





Pinckney Police Department



Chief Garrison

SKATEBOARDS & OTHER TOY VEHICLES

Per Village Ordinance 72.01, skateboards, rollerblades and other toy wheeled vehicles may not be operated on the sidewalk anywhere in the central business district of the village. Children are permitted to use bicycles, roller blades, skateboards, etc. on the sidewalks in their residential neighborhoods; however, they are advised to yield to pedestrian foot traffic.

BURNING

Per Village Ordinance 91.01, no burning in the Village is allowed except for some certain exceptions. A recreational fire is one of those exceptions. Keep in mind that a recreational fire has a total fuel area of three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height and is within a fireproof ring or pit and the fire is used for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking or similar purposes. Do not burn brush, leaves, large branches, or trees.

REMINDER TO CUT THE GRASS

Chapter 94 of the Village Code prohibits the owner of any property, occupant, agent or other person having control or management of any lot or parcel within the Village of Pinckney of one acre or less in size to cause or permit to grow on the lot or parcel any tall weeds, tall grass and/or tall brush over nine (9) inches. The ordinance is strictly enforced, and failure to comply may result in fines and the cost of mowing and trimming becoming a lien against the property. Tall grass can become not only an eyesore but also a hiding place for critters such as mice, ticks, and mosquitoes. Also, as a reminder, please do not blow grass clippings into the street that can wash down and clog storm drains. Please either mulch the clippings or place them in a yard waste bag for the next yard waste pick up. If you know of a neighbor who is having physical difficulty with mowing their yard, possibly reach out a helping hand or let someone in the community know who can help.

Did You Know?

In Livingston County, ALWAYS dial 9-1-1 for emergencies. But did you know that there is a non-emergency 24/7 phone number to contact Central Dispatch? ****That number is 517-546-9111.**** Please use that phone number if you need an officer but it is not an emergency or if you need to file a Police Report. If you have an urgent matter dial 911!

NOTE: An Officer may not always be in the office to answer the phone.

Safety Reminder:

With the recent incident of a victim passing a help note to a bank teller (great job by the bank staff!), please be aware of possible pleas for help. This doesn't mean that you have to personally intervene.

If there is an emergency situation, call 911 and have an officer dispatched to the area. Get a good description, license plate, vehicle info., etc. Police officers are equipped and ready to address any of these situations.

Don't just pass by. If there is an issue, please call.

Speed Limit Change:

The speed limit on S Howell has changed from 30Mph to 25Mph. We will be in the area doing speed enforcement so please slow down.

Food Truck Friday:

June 30, July 21, and Aug 18 are the days to come to the park and try all of the different foods. They are always good but get there early as they sell out later in the afternoon.

Gun Locks:

We have gun locks if you need them to be in compliance with the new law. They are free so stop by and get them. Please see photo for suggested use.



Planning a Summer Project? Just a few reminders.....

Email: zoning@villageofpinckney.org

A Land Use Permit is required for most projects and must be accompanied with a plot plan showing where on the property the improvement will take place (along with all dimensions).

Zoning District	Minimum Front Yard/ Setback (In Feet)	Minimum Side Yard/ Setback (In Feet)	Minimum Rear Yard/ Setback (In Feet)
R1	30	8	30
R2	30	6	30
R3	30	6	20

Sheds

* Sheds are allowed to be in the rear yard at least five (5) feet from the side and rear lot lines.

Decks & Similar structures:

Unenclosed porches may project into any yard, provided:

* The height shall not exceed one story (measured from grade to the highest point)

* Shall not be closer than five feet to any lot line

* Decks, patios and terraces may project into the required yard if it is unroofed and without walls or other enclosure that connects to the principal building

* Shall not be within the front yard

* Shall not be more than three feet above the average grade

All other structures, additions, enclosures, etc. must meet the required setback for the district in which it is located (see above)

Swimming Pools

* Swimming pools are permitted only in the rear yard and the setbacks from side lot and rear lot lines shall comply with the zoning district in which the pool is located (see above table).

* No swimming pool shall be located within an easement.

* For the protection of the general public, swimming pool enclosure, gating and access control and overhead clearance shall comply with State of Michigan Construction Code & International Swimming Pool and Spa Code requirements, as implemented by the Livingston County building official.

* On-ground and above-ground pools greater than 30 inches in height up to 48 inches must have a code approved barrier around them and meet the requirements of the Livingston County Building Department.

* All other on-ground and above-ground pools which are 48 inches or greater in height have alternative methods for complying with the barrier requirements as implemented by the Livingston County Building Department.

Fences

* The maximum height of a fence within a front yard shall be three and one-half (3 1/2) feet

* The maximum height of a fence within a side yard or rear yard shall be six (6) feet

* Fences on a corner lot must comply with the vision clearance requirements, which can be found in Section 152.261 (E) of the Zoning Ordinance

* Fences are permitted on any lot line except lot lines that abut a road right-of-way, which shall be setback at least five (5) feet from the road right-of-way and landscaped on the road side.



Have you Heard?.....

The Village recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony in downtown to reveal our new EV Charging stations in downtown Pinckney. Two Level 2 Blink Charging stations capable of charging four vehicles at the same time were installed this spring in the DDA parking lot **at the corner of Marion and Livingston Streets**. This was funded using DDA funds that were captured, and does not affect the budget of the Village. This is a user-pay service, and prices for charging will be based on actual electricity costs. In other words, there is no cost to the taxpayers of the community.

As more and more drivers transition to EVs, the DDA wants to be a participating partner in the charging capacity across the State and add Pinckney as a destination stop for travelers as well as provide opportunity to area residents to charge their vehicles while shopping, dining or participating in recreational activities along the pedestrian/bike trail system. This is an investment in providing solutions for the future and putting Pinckney on the map - Charging Stations map that is. What a great thing for our community and a terrific draw for our businesses. Individuals will be able to charge their electric cars while shopping and dining in downtown Pinckney.

VILLAGE DPW NOTICE:

Sewer cleaning for the Village will begin in July.

For more information and/or details check the Village of Pinckney Website

www.villageofpinckney.org

OR contact the DPW at 734-878-9368.

DPW NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS:

**IGNORE THE HYPE:
DON'T FLUSH A WIPE!**



toilet paper only

For ALL residents who use the Village of Pinckney Sewer System.

Every time you put something down the toilet that is not human waste, you increase the chances of your lift station clogging and backing up into your homes. Be aware of what is being flushed.