

# Village of Pinckney Spring 2024

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Yes, we bought it! In case you haven't heard, the Village was given the opportunity to own the property formerly known as Firemen's Park. The former owners chose to close it for public use, but it's open now. We're working on getting some fun equipment there as soon as possible. Meanwhile, bring a ball, a frisbee or maybe just your feet and enjoy the open green space. We need a name for it! Visit our website to enter your suggestion: https://villageofpinckney.org/help-name-our-new-park/

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#### Buying or Selling a Home? Remember to contact Village Hall for a final water read so that proper proration can be done up to the date of closing. Property Transfer Affidavits (PTA) must be filed with the Putnam Twp.

#### **Memorial Day Parade**

Monday, May 27, 2024 <u>Assembly Location:</u> Lakeland Trail Depot Lot (Pearl St & Hamburg St.) Starting AT 11:00 a.m. Step off at 1:00 p.m.



Absentee ballots must be returned to Putnam Twp. For voting info go to: <u>https://www.putnamtwp.us/government</u> <u>/clerk.php</u> or call 734-878-3131

June 21, 2024 July 19, 2024 August 16, 2024 foodtruck fridays The Square

Village Hall will be closed on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day Holiday. Police Department will be on duty & DPW on call.



#### **SPRING CLEAN-UP**

Mark your calendars for April 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>! The Village is joining with Putnam Township to sponsor a Spring Clean-up. Recruit some volunteers for your team and help clean up public spaces (safety vests, gloves, and bags provided). Bring your bulk disposables to the dumpsters at the DPW yard. Watch for info on our website for what will be accepted; no trailers-full or construction waste. We can enjoy the summer even more after we tidy up the place!

## Downtown Community Garden

In 2022 the Village of Pinckney Downtown Development Authority established a community garden on a vacant parcel owned by the Authority within downtown known as 135 W. Main Street. The program provides an opportunity for residents to grow fresh produce or plants for individuals, provides a sense of community and use an otherwise vacant parcel within the DDA district

Several 4'x8' raised beds are available to rent as well as wheelchair accessible beds. If interested in participating, please submit to Village Hall a completed rental agreement, rental fee and deposit.

Space is limited and will be filled on a <u>first come, first served basis</u>. Rental agreement & additional information is available at:

https://villageofpinckney.org/rent-acommunity-garden-space/

### Spring Fire Hydrant Flushing:

The Pinckney DPW crew flushes hydrants throughout the Village of Pinckney in the spring. Regular flushing of hydrants serves two purposes:

- To clean the mineral accumulations naturally deposited in waterlines
- To test the function and performance of the fire hydrants.

The safety of the water we supply is not diminished by this process. If you experience cloudy or discolored water after flushing, it is recommended that you run an outside water faucet or the cold-water taps within your home/business until clear.



The first brush pick-up will be April 9<sup>th</sup> Remember when placing brush at the curbside for pick up, please place the cut ends neatly towards the road and do not tangle the branches. If the pile is in disarray, it may not get picked up. Do NOT bag! <u>Root balls and</u> <u>plant materials are NOT accepted</u>. Please do NOT put wood out before the weekend of the upcoming scheduled date. If you missed the schedule in the last newsletter, visit the Village website.



**The first leaf pick-up will be April 16**<sup>th</sup> Please make sure the leaves are next to the road and are free of debris. Place leaves in a separate pile AWAY from any brush. Branches and other debris can damage the leafvacuum. The leaf machine will only extend out 3 feet, so make sure the leaves are raked far enough to the curb during pickup. All uncollected leaves and plant material needs to be put in brown paper bags to be picked up on Granger's yard waste days.

New Sign Ordinance: In December 2023 Village Council adopted an amendment to the sign ordinance. In this new ordinance, four temporary signs are allowed per parcel of land a maximum of four feet high and six square feet per side within our non-residential districts and fourteen within our single/multi family residential districts. All signs must be on private property with property owner permission and NOT located within any right-of-way (between the road and sidewalk). Signs must not interfere with or distract vehicular or pedestrian traffic. These signs must be removed when weather conditions are hazardous and removed when in disrepair. Temporary signs include garage sale, real estate, political as well as advertisements.

As a reminder, homeowners are responsible for maintenance of grass, trees and shrubs not only on your property but also within the road rightof-way. That includes the trimming of branches that may grow or hang over the sidewalk or roadway. In the event that a homeowner fails to do so, the Village shall cause those weeds, trees, bushes or shrubs to be trimmed or removed at the expense of the property owner. Gass & weeds must be kept under nine (9) inches.

Why is a Backflow Preventer Required on Lawn Sprinkler Systems? Lawn irrigation systems can backflow contaminated water into your drinking water. These devices are required to be inspected every two years. If you have one of these devices, inspection reminders will be sent by mail. It is the homeowner's responsibility to ensure proper maintenance and inspection. Visit <u>https://villageofpinckney.org/dpwstreets-and-municipal-services/</u> for a list of area certified contractors to perform the inspection. Village Hall must be provided a copy of the inspection results.



#### Reduce the availability of prescription drugs to kids in the home.

Place all prescription pills in a sealable plastic bag to be deposited into the Red Barrel located at Village Hall during regular business hours. No liquids, creams, gels, syringes or needles are accepted.

All prescription drugs deposited in the Red Barrel are destroyed in an environmentally safe manner under the oversight of law enforcement officers. Other medication take back events are sponsored throughout the year by Trinity Health and UofM Clinic.



Educate. Collect. Dispose.

Need a Police Officer after business hours? If an incident is or has occurred, please do NOT call the PD office line. An officer may not always be available to answer the phone. As always, in an emergency, call 9-1-1 so an officer can be properly dispatched. For a non-emergency, you may call Central Dispatch at 517-546-9111. Likewise, if it's after regular business hours and the doors at Village Hall are locked, there is a call box outside the doors that connects directly to Central Dispatch.



Is a Land Use Permit Required? 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). Sheds, decks, swimming pools and fences all require

permits. Projects such as a new roof, siding, gutters and window replacement only require a Land Use Waiver but may require a building permit from the Livingston County Building Department. Additional information is available on the village website or email <u>zoning@villageofpinckney.org</u> with questions.