



# Village of Manchester

Summer 2016

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**MAIN STREET BRIDGE** Join us on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM for a celebration ceremony on the bridge. Thank-you to the downtown merchants, patrons and residents for their patience during the construction. The \$3,500,000 Bridge was funded by the State and a \$635,000 Village bond.



**FURNACE STREET BRIDGE** The “Old Red Bridge” was removed this winter. This was accomplished at a reduced cost while the Main St. Bridge contractors were here.

**MAKE IT MANCHESTER THURSDAYS** Several Manchester area organizations will be collaborating to plan fun activities in the downtown area to lead folks from the Farmer’s Market through downtown and to the Gazebo Concert. Watch for more information at 48158.com.

**UTILITY AND TAX BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS** Bills may now be authorized for automatic payment from customer bank accounts. This is a free service. Forms are available at the office or online. Credit cards are accepted at the counter, over the phone, and online. There is a 3% fee (\$2 minimum) collected by the credit card partner.

### ***Project Updates***

**WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS**- A \$1.1 million project to replace several areas of water mains is complete with restoration taking place now. The project utilized State loans, the Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund and Green Project Reserve Fund that included 25% principal forgiveness. The balance of the loans will be repaid with water usage revenue.

### ***Village Council***



*President-Patricia Vaillencourt*

*Pres. pro-tem- Marty Way*

*Trustees-*

*Dana Andrews*

*Marsha Chartrand*

*Cindy Dresch*

*Patrick DuRussel*

*Amelia Woods*

*Meets the first and third Monday at 7:00 pm in chambers at the Village Hall*

### ***Village Services***



**BRUSH CHIPPING** is provided on the first Monday of the month, May through October, EXCEPT JULY. There is no brush pick-up in July. Brush should be cut into 4-foot lengths,(nothing larger than 3 inches in diameter), and pulled to the curb, cut end toward the street, no later than 7am the morning of the pick-up. Brush piles with other materials such as yard clippings, stones, leaves, etc. are dangerous for our crew and will be left at the curb. Residents may call the village office to inquire about availability of wood chips.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**- To contact a Village deputy, please call 911. This is the preferred method of contact even if the issue is not an emergency.

**ELECTIONS**- Village president and three village trustee terms expire in 2016. Candidate information is available at Manchester Township, 275 S. Macomb, (734) 428-7090.

**SHARED USE TRAIL**- Construction of phase 1 of the Shared Use Trail along the old railroad bed from the Raisin River east through Chi-Bro Park is complete. Phase 2 is in the planning stage.

**KIRK PARK** – Due to the generosity of several local donors, the “Field of Dreams” is a reality. Check out the refurbished diamonds at Kirk Park. Upgrades to the play area are planned for this year.

**SEWER CLEANING AND TELEVISIONING**- Sewer GIS locating/recording and improvements to problem areas are ongoing. A SAW grant is funding the \$250,000 project with the Village contributing 10% of the cost.

**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**- Plans to build new sidewalks key to children’s walking routes to the community schools have been made and will be partially funded by a State program. Construction should begin this year.

**RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT**- A second application to the Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources has been made to help fund development of a park at the “Old Buss” property at 116 Ann Arbor Street. Award announcements are expected this fall.

### **Ordinance Reminders**

**UNLICENSED VEHICLES** inoperable for more than 30 days and **JUNK TRASH RUBBISH OR REFUSE** must be stored in a completely enclosed building. **PET OWNERS MUST CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR PETS** and may not dispose of waste in a public trash. There is **NO OPEN BURNING** in the Village or within 1400 feet of the Village limits. There is **NO PARKING** on any curbed street between 2am and 5am. All lots (includes vacant) must be mowed frequently enough to keep **LAWNS** from exceeding 8 inches. Remember to **WALK BICYCLES AND SKATEBOARDS** on the downtown district sidewalks. There is a **CURFEW** from 10:15pm to 7am, Sunday through Thursday, and 12am to 7am on Friday and Saturday for those under the age of 17, unless accompanied by a parent, guardian or someone over 21 delegated as such.

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