



Village of Manchester

Spring/Summer 2019

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CITY STATUS -The Village is discussing the possibility of updating its municipal status to that of a City. A Citizens Committee is meeting to complete a recommendation report to the Village Council. The Committee will meet at 7:00pm in Council Chambers at the Village Hall on April 2nd and 23rd, May 7th and 21st and June 4th and 18th. The public is encouraged to attend.

DON'T BE IN A RUSH TO FLUSH

- Wipes may be labeled "flushable," but they don't degrade. Flushing them is like flushing a handkerchief.
- Our sewer system and treatment plant were not designed to handle wipes. They gum up the system, clog pipes and pumps, and cost taxpayer's additional maintenance costs.
- Homeowners may have expensive maintenance issues at home if you flush them.
- If you use wipes, put them in the trash, not the toilet!

NEW RIVER RAISIN PARK- Check out the work going on at the new park site on Ann Arbor Hill across from ChiBro Park. Improvements will include a boardwalk, fishing pier, canoe/kayak take-out and performance area. A grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the generosity of the DuRussel family, through the Hurst Foundation, and a Consumer's Energy grant made this project possible.

SHARED USE TRAIL- Phase II construction of the Trail along the old railroad grade will begin this spring. This will complete the Trail from the Leonard Preserve east to the already paved portion in ChiBro Park and continue east to Hibbard Street.

USING A P.O. BOX? -Please double check that the Village is using a correct PO Box number for your water/sewer billing card. Let us know if changes are needed.

BUILDING PROJECTS AND PERMITS -Village property owners considering building projects are reminded that most of these projects will require a building and/or zoning permit, which needs to be obtained prior to starting the project. Projects that would require building permits include (but are not limited to) new buildings, building additions, roofs, siding, some sheds, decks, pool and similar projects. Projects that require zoning permits include (but are not limited to) signs, sheds fences, pools, decks, etc. Building permits are obtained from the Western Washtenaw Construction Authority at (734) 428-7001. For zoning permit information, please call the Village Offices at (734) 428-7877.

HELP WANTED- The Village is looking for both full-time and substitute school crossing guards. Also, the Planning Commission, Parks

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 Council emails:
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(i.e. pvaillencourt@vil-manchester.org)

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, (not 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/equipment and will be left at the curb. Modern Waste will write individual yard waste contracts. Contact them at 1-517-536-4900.

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.

AFTER HOURS WATER /SEWER EMERGENCY To contact the Village DPW after 4:30 pm and on weekends, please call the Village Office at (734) 428-7877 and follow the prompts.

Commission and Downtown Development Authority would like to hire a recording clerk to attend their meeting and compile their minutes. Call or email Jessica (jclark@vil-manchester.org) if you're interested!

PARK RESERVATIONS -Reservations for park use in the Village is available for residents at no charge. Reservations can be made for a pavilion at Chi-Bro Park and Carr Park. Reservations can also be made for any of the volleyball courts and baseball diamonds. The application to reserve any of these areas is available on the Village website or at the Village offices.

FIRE AND TORNADO SIREN -There are two sirens in town. The Tornado Siren is activated by Washtenaw County when a tornado warning is in effect. The horn is on a rotating platform near the water tower so the sound will appear to soften as it rotates. The duration of a tornado siren is 3 minutes steady. The Fire Whistle is located at the Fire Station on S. Macomb Street. It will sound when there is a fire or rescue run but not between the hours of 7:30 pm and 8 am.

WATER/SEWER BILL OPTIONS- The Village can accept automatic withdrawals from bank accounts for payment of utility bills. The form is located on the Village website. We can now email your bill to you. Let us know what email address to use.

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 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 thru 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. **GARAGE SALE SIGNS** The placement of garage sale signs on public property or right-of-ways is not permitted. Signs on private property shall not be placed without the owner's permission and in no case more than 24 hours prior to the sale and must be removed upon completion of the sale. The Sheriff's Department also reminds everyone that it is illegal in the State of Michigan to advertise this type of sale on parked vehicles.

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