



Village of Bellevue December 2011 E-mail Newsletter

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Village of Bellevue Governmental Meetings:

Village Council: Tuesday, December 13, 2011 7:00 p.m.
Bellevue Village Hall
Tuesday, December 27, 2011 7:00 p.m.
Bellevue Village Hall



Bellevue Joint Planning Commission: Tuesday, December 20, 2011 7:00 p.m.
Bellevue Township Hall

Downtown Development Authority Board: Monday, December 12, 2011 10:00 a.m.
Downtown Bellevue

Holidays:

The Village of Bellevue offices will be closed on the following days in December:

Christmas Eve	Friday, December 23, 2011
Christmas	Monday, December 26, 2011
New Years Day	Monday, January 2, 2012



Council Meeting Synopsis:

November 8, 2011: The Bellevue Village Council set a Public Hearing for Dec. 13, 2011 for the 2012 Budget. Copies of the proposed budget numbers can be reviewed at village hall during regular business hours.

November 22, 2011: Updates on several items were given at this meeting. These included the 2012 budget, MEDC CDBG Farm to Food Farmers Market Grant, the Village's acceptance of credit/debit cards, and the cell tower agreement.

In new business the council passed a resolution that amended an agreement with Consumers Energy regarding streetlights. This was necessary due to a streetlight being replaced after it failed with a new more efficient head. A request regarding the removal and replacement of a tree in the street right of way by a property owner was also heard. The council approved the trees removal and replacement at the property owners cost.

Christmas in Bellevue:

Christmas is a time for family and sharing. There is a group of caring individuals that would like to see our town of Bellevue rejoice in the Christmas spirit together. Thank you for all your hard work to benefit Bellevue.

Bellevue Christmas Parade

Santa Clause will be visiting Bellevue to ride in the annual Christmas Parade to be held on December 10th. The parade will begin at 5 p.m., with the line up forming at 4:30 p.m. on Love Hwy. The parade will proceed south on Main St. through the downtown business district, culminating at the Bellevue Hardware Store.

The parade is open to anyone and participants are encouraged to participate. Questions can be directed to Hannah Coy, the organizer of the parade, at 269 420 8452 or email at hcoy21@aol.com.



Family Night with Santa

The Bellevue Hardware will be hosting Santa's visit to Bellevue on December 10th, following the parade. The Bellevue Fire Department will deliver Santa to the Hardware at 5:30 p.m. and he will be there until 7:00 p.m. Bring the little ones down to meet Santa.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays

The Village of Bellevue would like to wish our community both those here and those that are spread abroad a very merry Christmas and happy holidays.

Village of Bellevue Washington Park Farmers Market Project:

The project has begun in the park and the Village has been receiving many questions about it. This project will include the following improvements:

- 30' x 64' Pavilion
- 40' Octagonal Gazebo
- Park Sign
- Concrete walks and curb cuts along Mill St to improve access

Project plans, including a site map, are available for review at Bellevue Village Hall.

A Michigan Economic Development Corporation Community Development Block Grant of \$219,500 and a local match by the Village of Bellevue of \$40,500 are funding this project.

The expected completion date is Spring 2012.

Parking on Village Streets:

The Village of Bellevue Code regulates the parking of vehicles on public property within the Village Limits. The following is taken from the Village’s Code:

§ 136-3. All-night parking.

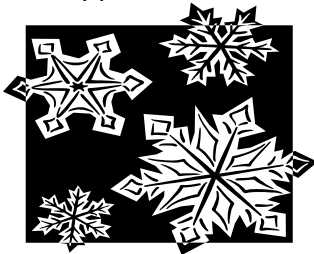
No person shall park or allow to be placed or parked upon any street, alley, or highway any vehicle between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.



The reason for this section is to allow our public works department to maintain the Village streets. Vehicles parked on the streets prohibit the removal of debris and snow. The Village is asking for the community’s cooperation in ensuring that vehicles are not on the streets at the above times. If vehicles are located on the streets they will be ticketed and could be towed at the owner’s expense.

Sidewalks in Winter:

With winter approaching the Village would like the communities cooperation in keeping sidewalks clear of snow and ice. We have many school children that use our sidewalks, and if the sidewalks are not kept clear then the children walk in the streets, which is dangerous for both them and drivers. Keeping the sidewalks clear is the responsibility of the homeowner and we do appreciate the effort many of you have shown.



Also, please keep from plowing, shoveling, or blowing snow from driveways and sidewalks into the streets. The State law makes the placing of items in the streets illegal. The Village works very hard at keeping our streets safe to drive on in the winter by plowing and salt spreading and this activity makes our job more difficult.

Sincerely,

Village of Bellevue