



# Village of Bellevue May 2012 E-mail Newsletter

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## Village of Bellevue Governmental Meetings:

Village Council: Tuesday, May 8, 2012 7:00 p.m.  
Bellevue Village Hall  
Tuesday, May 22, 2012 7:00 p.m.  
Bellevue Village Hall



Bellevue Joint Planning Commission: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 7:00 p.m.  
Bellevue Township Hall

## Holidays:

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

Memorial Day Monday, May 28, 2012



## Council Meeting Synopsis:

**April 10, 2012:** A public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to Ordinance #2007-001-Zoning, Section 23.04- Accessory Uses, Buildings, and Structures was held at this meeting. The proposed amendment was described and two residents in attendance voiced their support of the change. Village Hall has received comments in favor of the change as well by residents with no comments of opposition. Following the public hearing the council took action to adopt Ordinance #2012-001. A synopsis follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF BELLEVUE, MICHIGAN, PROVIDING THAT ORDINANCE #2007-001, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF BELLEVUE, MICHIGAN, BE AMENDED BY AMENDING SECTION 23.04 ("ACCESSORY USES, BUILDINGS, AND STRUCTURES") OF ARTICLE 23 ("GENERAL PROVISIONS") BY AMENDING SECTION 23.04 C (PLACEMENT) AND ADDING SECTION 23.04 F (FRONT YARD SETBACK); TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

The agenda for the governmental joint meeting scheduled for April 18, 2012 was also discussed.



**April 18, 2012:** The Bellevue Village Council met with the Bellevue Community Schools Board of Education and the Bellevue Township Board in a joint governmental meeting. The boards discussed recent activities, future projects that they will be undertaking, and points of pride.

**April 24, 2012:** Updates to current projects and projects being investigated were given to the council at this meeting. The one that has been garnering the most interest was agreement with Verizon Wireless and the project to install a cellular tower on the Village's water tower.

The council also took action, passing Resolution 2012-002, which brought the Village of Bellevue in compliance with the State Of Michigan's Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP) Employee Compensation Category. With this action the Village of Bellevue has complied with all three categories of the Economic Vitality Incentive Program and will receive the maximum level of funding possible. Unfortunately, this level of funding is still just 67% of previous years funding levels.

### **Memorial Day Parade:**

American Legion Post 280, our local post, will be holding the annual Memorial Day Parade. Memorial Day this year is on Monday, May 28. The parade line up will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the parade will begin at 10:00 a.m.



A short memorial will be at the Bridge for our salute to The Navy, Coast Guard and Merchant seaman. The parade will then go on to the cemetery for other memorial presentations

If your group is interested in participating in the parade, please contact Michael Cassens, 269-763-3186.

### **Picnic in the Park**

The Bellevue Church of Christ hosts an annual "Picnic in the Park" on Memorial Day following the parade and service at the cemetery. This picnic will be in Washington Park. For more information please phone 269-763-2028.

### **Bellevue Farmer's Market:**

The farmer's market will return on Thursday, June 7, 2012. The Village of Bellevue is working with the Battle Creek Farmer's Market Association to again have a local farmer's market. You can find the association online at <http://www.battlecreekfarmersmarket.com> or its Facebook page.

The market will be held on Thursday's at Washington Park June through October. Its hours of operation will be from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The market participates with Project FRESH and Senior Project FRESH. It can accept Bridge Cards, Double Up Bucks, and credit cards.

Local Vendors are encouraged to participate with the market. The farmer's market is an excellent means for local growers and producers to reach new customers. Qualified vendors who wish to become part of the market should contact Brigette Leach, 269-746-4648.



Community members are encouraged to visit the market. Visiting the market is not just about the shopping, but it is an experience. While browsing the many varied stalls you will meet vendors with a wide spectrum of fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, baked goods, garden plants, flowers, and even some high quality, locally produced crafts. The vendors are friendly and full of advice and good ideas on how to prepare or use the many products you will find. You will also run across your friends and neighbors. It is not uncommon to see an old friend that you may not have seen in years. When you do, stop, chat a bit, enjoy the Michigan outdoors and Washington Park and the amenities it offers. The park offers many pieces of playground equipment so it is an excellent location to bring the children and spend some time.



# Bellevue Community Spring Clean Up



Date: Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2012  
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Village of Bellevue Compost Site  
on S. Williams St. next to Keehne Environmental Area just north of the railroad track

**Open to the entire Bellevue community, township and village residents. There will be charges for certain items and portions of the event. Please refer below for these costs.**

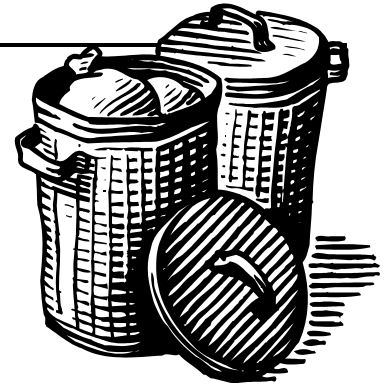
**Any items dropped off before or after the appropriate date and times of this event will be considered littering and subject to all fines and prosecution this entails.**

## List of Items Accepted:

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### Rubbish & Junk

Bellevue Township and the Village of Bellevue will have dumpsters located at the site. This service will be free for Bellevue Township and Village of Bellevue residents. You must have some form of identification available as proof of residency. If you are not a Bellevue Township or Village of Bellevue resident then you may drop off items for a fee. The fee shall be \$50.00 per pick up load with a minimum charge of \$50.00. These dumpsters will be for rubbish and junk. Items that will not be accepted are: roofing shingles, organic material, yard waste (grass, leaves, brush, stumps, etc.), liquid wastes (paint, oil, chemicals, etc.), hazardous waste, concrete, rocks, dirt, or rubble.



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### Scrap Metal



A scrap metal pick up will be part of the spring clean up. This pick up will accept all types of scrap metal at no charge, except as noted here, including cars, trucks, aluminum, farm machinery, snowmobiles, clean barrels (no liquid or residue such as gas or oil may be in the barrel), propane tanks (there will be a \$5.00 charge for propane tanks), appliances, and Freon containing appliances and devices such as refrigerators, air conditioners, and freezers (there will be a \$20.00 charge for Freon containing items). Car batteries will also be accepted. If you have a larger item such as a car, truck, or farm machinery that you wish picked up you may contact Dennis Lapoint Sr. at 269-209-3170 or Dennis Lapoint Jr. at 517-719-3644.

A portion of the proceeds from the Scrap Metal will go to the Bellevue Wrestling program.

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### Automobile & Light Truck Tires Recycling

There will be a tire pick up held by Bellevue Area Wide Antique Engine & Machinery Show. They will accept Automobile & Light Truck Tires (less than 16.5"). There will be a nominal fee of \$4.00 per tire for the drop off.



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### Pick Up Service

Bellevue Wrestling program will be providing pick up services for the clean up day as a fundraiser. They will be accepting donations. You must call Lisa Lapham at 517-852-2103 to arrange a pick up prior to Sunday, April 29. If she is unavailable leave a detailed message. Please call early to assure this group is available to assist you. This group reserves the right to refuse any items for pick up.

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Bellevue Township and the Village of Bellevue reserve the right to turn away any items brought for drop off.  
Any questions please contact Bellevue Village Hall at 763-9571