



Village of Bellevue

1st Quarter 2015 Newsletter

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Village Council:

Monday, January 12, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall
Monday, January 26, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall



Monday, February 9, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall
Monday, February 23, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Monday, March 9, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall
Monday, March 23, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Bellevue Planning Commission:

Wednesday, January 21, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall*
Wednesday, February 18, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall
Wednesday, March 18, 2015 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall*
*only held if commission has business

Bellevue Downtown Development Authority Board:

Monday, January 12, 2015 10:00 a.m. Downtown Bellevue
Monday, February 9, 2015 10:00 a.m. Downtown Bellevue
Monday, March 9, 2015 10:00 a.m. Downtown Bellevue

Holidays:

The Village of Bellevue offices will be closed on the following days in January, February, and March:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, January 19, 2015
President's Day Monday, February 16, 2015



Council Members:

Here is a list of the Bellevue Village Council Members:

Denise Poyer, Village President (November 2018) Lisa Redmer, Village Trustee (November 2018)
Thomas Moon, Village Trustee (November 2018) Hannah Coy, Village Trustee (November 2018)
Stephen Racine, Village Trustee (November 2016) Kathryn McPeters, Village Trustee (November 2016)
Dennis Swartz, Village Trustee (November 2016)

2015 Village of Bellevue Board Meeting Schedule's:

The Village Council will meet on the second and the fourth Monday of each month in 2015. Village council meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Bellevue Village Hall, 201 N. Main St.



The Planning Commission will meet on the third Wednesday of each month in 2015. Planning Commission meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Bellevue Village Hall, 201 N. Main St.

The Downtown Development Authority will meet on the second Monday of each month in 2015. Downtown Development Authority meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m. and be held at Bellevue Village Hall, 201 N. Main St.,

unless otherwise posted. These meetings will occasionally be held at other locations within the downtown district.

Christmas Season Recognition:

The Village would like to thank all those individuals and groups that worked to help make this holiday season so wonderful.

Thank you to Judy Ruffner and Mark Husa for the beautiful decorations adorning our downtown and Bellevue Volunteer Firefighters for hanging them. Both groups do a great job of dressing up the community for the holidays.



Thank you to the Village employees for your help in setting up decorations and keeping the lights working throughout December.

Thank you to the Bellevue Downtown Development Authority, especially Bobbi and Peggy with the Bellevue Mini Mall, for organizing the annual Christmas Parade and hosting Santa Night. The children in our community always enjoy the opportunity to visit with Santa Claus in Bellevue.

2015 Village of Bellevue Utility Rates:

At the December 9, 2014 Bellevue Village Council Meeting the council voted to amend the Village’s water and sewer utility rates. This amendment was based on a rate study, financial information, necessity for the two utilities to be self-reliant, and discussion’s with the Village auditor and bond holders.



The council and employees of the Village are very aware of how this will impact residents. We are required to meet certain requirements as set forth by the State of Michigan and Federal Government. Everyone involved takes our responsibilities to provide safe water and wastewater utilities seriously. The council and employees will continue to search for areas where savings can be found and implement new ideas that help us control costs.

The rate changes are:

Water:

Minimum Bill- \$24.00, No Change
 Rate per thousand gallons of usage- Increase \$0.05 per thousand gallons from \$4.30 to \$4.35

Sewer:

Minimum Bill- \$48.00, No Change
 Rate per thousand gallons of usage- Increase \$0.20 per thousand gallons from \$11.75 to \$11.95

Capital Improvement:

\$36.00 charge per benefit unit per quarter- No Change

These charges create a minimum quarterly billing of \$108.00 for a household.

The chart shows how the proposed utility rates compare to the current utility rates at different usages. The average household uses between 14,000 and 15,000 gallons a quarter. Usage can vary greatly from household to household so you are encouraged to look at past bills for your usage amounts.

Usage in 1000	Current Total Bill	Proposed Total Bill	Quarterly Increase	Annual Increase
1	\$108.00	\$108.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2	\$108.00	\$108.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3	\$108.00	\$108.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4	\$108.00	\$108.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5	\$118.75	\$119.75	\$1.00	\$4.00
6	\$132.30	\$133.80	\$1.50	\$6.00
7	\$148.35	\$150.10	\$1.75	\$7.00
8	\$164.40	\$166.40	\$2.00	\$8.00
9	\$180.45	\$182.70	\$2.25	\$9.00
10	\$196.50	\$199.00	\$2.50	\$10.00
11	\$212.55	\$215.30	\$2.75	\$11.00
12	\$228.60	\$231.60	\$3.00	\$12.00
13	\$244.65	\$247.90	\$3.25	\$13.00
14	\$260.70	\$264.20	\$3.50	\$14.00
15	\$276.75	\$280.50	\$3.75	\$15.00
16	\$292.80	\$296.80	\$4.00	\$16.00
17	\$308.85	\$313.10	\$4.25	\$17.00
18	\$324.90	\$329.40	\$4.50	\$18.00
19	\$340.95	\$345.70	\$4.75	\$19.00
20	\$357.00	\$362.00	\$5.00	\$20.00