

# Village of Bellevue 3rd Quarter 2024 Newsletter

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Tuesday, October 08, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall Tuesday, October 22, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall Tuesday, November 26, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Bellevue Planning Commission: If needed, we will schedule an additional meeting this year.

Bellevue Downtown Development Authority Board: Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 8:00 a.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Wednesday, November 6, 2024, 8:00 a.m. Bellevue Village Hall Wednesday, December 4, 2024, 8:00 a.m. Bellevue Village Hall

There are currently two vacant seats on the Downtown Development Authority. Please email <a href="mailto:BellevueMichiganDDA@gmail.com">BellevueMichiganDDA@gmail.com</a> for more information.

#### **Holidays**

The Village of Bellevue offices will be closed on the following days in October, November, and December:



Veterans Day
Thanksgiving
Day after Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve (observed)
Christmas
New Year's Day

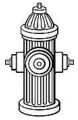
Monday, November 11, 2024 Thursday, November 28, 2024 Friday, November 29, 2024 Tuesday, December 24, 2024 Wednesday, December 25, 2024 Wednesday, January 1, 2025



## A few notes from the Manager:



Dear Bellevue Village Residents,



#### **Flushing Water Mains**

The Village will be flushing water mains on Wednesday, October  $2^{nd}$ , and Thursday, October  $3^{rd}$ , to remove accumulated sediments. While flushing does not affect the safety of the water supply, tap water may appear cloudy or discolored immediately after flushing. The Village advises residents to run their cold water in their bathtub or utility sink until it clears. If flushing cannot be completed on the  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$ , it will be done on October  $9^{th}$  and  $10^{th}$ .

#### **Snow Plowing**

The Village needs your help. While it may still be some time off, winter will arrive before our next newsletter. This means our public works department will be out with the snow plows. We need residents to ensure all vehicles and other items, such as garbage cans, are kept from the road's edge. The trucks will plow approximately one to one and a half feet off the street edge to make sure the snow is pushed back. Please keep everything back from the street edge, including vehicles.

# 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.

This section allows our public works department to maintain the Village streets. Vehicles parked on the streets prohibit the removal of debris, such as leaves 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.



Several community members are taking advantage of the good weather this fall and spending time walking or riding bikes around town. It is a great way to explore our community and visit with neighbors, and the Village would like to encourage it. However, this activity does come with specific hazards in our primarily motorized vehicle world. When driving on

our streets or entering and exiting driveways, please be mindful of this and watch for pedestrians or bicyclists. Let us safely share our right of ways, streets, and sidewalks with all transportation methods.

#### <u>Halloween</u>

The Village of Bellevue will celebrate Halloween on Thursday, October 31, 2024. While the Village does not set hours for trick-or-treaters, the generally accepted times are from 5:00 p.m. until dusk.



Parents, please walk with your children. The Village streets are busy during trick-or-treat hours, and during this exciting time for young children, they do not always remember to watch for vehicles before crossing the street. Drivers, please remember that several small children





are walking our community on Halloween evening. We need to pay special attention to keeping the youth of our community safe.

The Downtown Development Authority is sponsoring a Halloween celebration in **Washington Park** on **Saturday, November 2, 2024,** from **4:00 p.m.** to **6:00 p.m.** The celebration will have a pumpkin drop, music, face painting, bike and scooter raffles, food, and family-friendly games for everyone to play. The event aims to provide a safe, family-friendly environment for community members to have a fun evening with their families, neighbors, and friends.

## Christmas Holiday



The Downtown Development Authority is sponsoring the annual Christmas Parade and Santa Night in addition to their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony in Washington Park on **December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** Also, watch for information on the annual Light Up the Vue Contest; sign-up forms will be available soon at Independent Bank.

#### **Volunteer Committee**

A few residents have suggested that a volunteer committee be formed to assist in repairing and replacing sidewalks and other items around the village. We are looking at starting this in the Spring but would like to organize a list of volunteers now. If interested or for more information, please get in touch with Village Hall with your name, phone number, and availability at (269)763-9571 or <a href="mailto:mailt

Sincerely,

Nicole Roberts Bellevue Village Manager

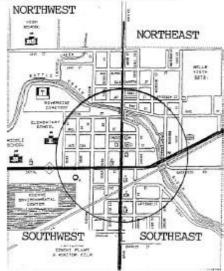
## Village of Bellevue Leaf Pick-Up Program 2024:

The time for the Village of Bellevue's annual leaf pick-up program is again upon us. The village will be divided into four sections, with the dividing lines being Main St. and Capital Ave. These sections will be the Northwest, Northeast, Southeast, and Southwest.

They will begin each section on a Monday. The pick-up will begin on Monday, October 14. They will begin in the Southwest section. They will then proceed clockwise to the other sections. The schedule for each section is as follows:

Southwest: Monday, October 14, 2024 Northwest: Monday, October 21, 2024 Northeast: Monday, October 28, 2024 Southeast: Monday, November 4, 2024

After completing the scheduled section for the week, the Public Works Department will continue through the rest of the Village, checking for leaves as time and construction allow.



Any leaves placed out after November 8, 2024, will be the owner's responsibility.

#### RULES:

- Leaves must be in a neat row along the edge of the street, <u>not</u> in the street. Placing
  anything in the street is illegal, and the Village will pass these piles until they are removed.
  The leaf piles should be no greater than three feet (3') wide and three feet (3') high.
  Larger piles make it difficult for equipment and operators to do their job properly.
- Leaves must be kept four feet (4') away from street corners and two feet (2') away from mailboxes, power poles, and other obstructions.
- There may only be leaves in the piles. There may not be any garbage, sticks, walnuts, grass clippings, or other plant material. If a large brush, debris, or garbage is found in the pile, it will be skipped and become the homeowner's responsibility. There will be no exceptions to this rule. Any items other than leaves may damage the equipment.
- Please have the leaves in the appropriate place before they will be in your area. This, helps to ensure that the program is as efficient as possible. With the growing expenses and shrinking budgets of local communities, we must do everything possible to control costs so such programs can continue.
- The leaf pick-up program and the use of the Village of Bellevue Compost Site are for Village of Bellevue residents only.

If you have any questions, please contact Bellevue Village Hall at 763-9571 or Public Works at (269)763-3036.

THE BURNING OF LEAVES IS PROHIBITED WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS