

The Village of Cass City's Spring 2019 Newsletter

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Manager's Message



Spring is in the air in Cass City and the Village is coming alive, flowers are blooming and buds are on the trees, birds chirping and we are enjoying the sunshine! The Village will be alive with activity this summer too. Crews are out getting the parks ready for use, the pool project is underway, street work is planned throughout the Village, and the Freedom Festival is scheduled for July 4-7th. There is a lot to look forward to this year. New businesses are popping up in town, and we are taking a proactive stance for encouraging business growth and investment in Cass City. Spring is a time for new beginnings, a fresh start, when we come out of winter hibernation and spend time with family, friends, and neighbors. Enjoy!

Brush Pickup



The Village would like to remind residents that small sticks, branches, grass and leaves should be put in Ecobags or yard waste containers marked with an "X". The containers will be picked up by Emterra on the regular trash days April through November. Place large branches or brush piles at the curb for the DPW to pick up on Mondays. If you have any questions, please call Emterra at 989-658-2594.

Water Tower



A new look for our water tower is planned. As part of a routine maintenance schedule, it is recommended that the exterior of the water tower be painted. The Village is seeking bids to repaint the tower with work to begin in July/August. Based on a local survey and Facebook comments, the newly painted water tower will sport a scripted "Cass City" at the top.

Street Construction



The Village of Cass City has a six year Street Improvement Plan in place. Major Road repairs will take place on Hill Street from Church to Dale Streets, and on Hunt Street from Huron to Brenda Street. Street work will also be done in other areas of the Village in 2019. The Capital Improvement Plan for the Village is allocating \$2.3 million for road repair over the next six years. The majority of the Village streets are in a “poor” rated condition, and such improvements are greatly needed.

May Clean Up Event



The Village of Cass City contracts with Emterra for trash and yard waste collection. It's time for our Annual May Clean Up event, mark your calendars! Thanks to Emterra, the spring clean up will be held on Saturday, May 18th from 9 am - 1 pm at the parking lot behind the Municipal Building. Emterra will provide the Village with three containers for collecting tires, appliances, and large items.

Community Gardens



Do you have a green thumb? Do you like to garden, well we have some welcome news for you. The Village is making plans for a community garden on vacant village property. If you are interested, please call the Municipal Building at 989-872-2911.

Summer Programs



The Village of Cass City has a fun Summer Day Camp program to keep the kiddos active and enjoying their summer break from school. Upon completion of the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool Renovation, staff will be setting up swimming lessons. For more information on the Parks and Recreation contact the Municipal Building.

Volunteer Opportunities



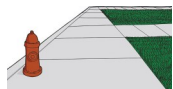
Like to garden, work with kids, stay busy, meet new people, help the community, well here is your chance. There are many projects, events and activities going on in the Village. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Municipal Building at 989-872-2911.

2019 Strategic Planning Goals



1. Pool and Park Woodland Trail
2. Blight Control
3. Economic Development
4. Grocery Store
5. Sidewalk Plan

Sidewalk Program



One of the Strategic Planning Goals for 2019 is to prepare a Sidewalk Study on the location, condition, and needs for the Village. The Village currently has a program for sidewalk replacement which covers half or all of the costs, dependent upon circumstances. If you are interested in having your sidewalk replaced, please call the Municipal Building to get on the list for consideration.

New Ordinance/Law



There will be some new ordinances (laws) on the books in 2019. Previously, if customers did not pay their water bill, the unpaid balance was rolled over onto the property taxes. The amendments to the Utilities ordinance will now allow for water shut off due to non-payment. This change was recommended due to the large number of unpaid accounts.

Basic Utility Billing Info



A bill, is a bill, is a bill - not exactly. The so-called "water" bills from the Village actually include water, sewer, and trash collection. The minimum charge for water is \$21.44 with a base of 1,667 gallons. The sewer base charge is \$31.83 for 3,333 gallons. Emterra trash collection is \$12.32 per month.

New Digital Sign



There's something new at the Municipal Building, it's the digital sign on the west end of the building. The old sign, software, and equipment was very temperamental and sometimes worked and other times not. Parts were hard to get as the equipment was very old. Repeated repairs and service visits this past year were required just to keep it up and running. Next time you are stopped at the Main Street traffic light, check it out!

Emergency Shelter Information



No matter what the season, if there is a power outage lasting at least four (4) hours or more, the Hills and Dales General Hospital Corporate Services Building (formerly Baker College) will be open as a shelter. This location will offer heat or air conditioning, restrooms and a place for people to safely congregate and recharge phones if needed.

Important Contacts



- 989.872.2911-Municipal Building
- 989.872.2911-CC Police
- 989.872.4584-DPW
- 989.872.3153-WWTP
- 989.673.8738-Dispatch (Non-Emergency)
- 989.872.4618-Chamber of Commerce
- 989.872.2673-H. Steven’s Memorial Pool
- 989.872.2148-Cass City Jr./Sr. High School
- 989.872.2158-Cass City Elementary School
- 800.275.2673-Cass City Post Office
- 989.872.2856-Rawson Memorial Library

Village Services

- Passports
- Notary

Website

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Email us at ccvillage@casscity.org



Days the Village Offices will be closed

- Good Friday (4/19/19)
- Memorial Day (5/27/19)
- Fourth of July (7/04/19)
- Labor Day (9/02/19)



Village Council Meetings (7 p.m.)

04/29/19	07/29/19
05/20/19	08/26/19
06/24/19	09/30/19

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