



Village Review – 2023

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Dear Lakeview Residents,

In 2022, the Village, as well as our Country, continued to see dramatic changes in our daily lives due to inflated interest rates. This has had an impact on income, the housing market, groceries, basically everything. I would like to thank all of you for continuing to stick together, supporting your neighbors, our local businesses and our community through these changes. We are expecting exciting things to happen within the community again this year. The Festivals Committee held its Winter Celebration this past December and Summerfest activities are underway. The Festivals Committee is also planning another Fallfest. For more information on these events go to www.lakeviewfestivals.org. Music in the Park continues to expand bringing in amazing artists. This event brings our community together enjoying all genres of music on Wednesday nights through the summer. And lets not forget our farmers market that brings homemade goods and homegrown fruits and vegetables to us every Saturday morning July – September.

The Village is continuing the joint community clean up event in partnership with Cato Township. This popular event takes place in the Spring and Fall. Thank you for taking pride in your homes and our community by taking advantage of these FREE clean up events. There will also be opportunities to recycle tires, electronics, and hazardous household waste again this year in our county.

The Lakeview Dog Park in Wiseman Park continues to have more users as this has become a destination for people from all over. We put up a couple of awnings for some shade this year along with a picnic table. The Community Garden continues to grow, literally! Thank you to all of the people involved with this process from tilling, to planting, to watering and weeding, and the harvest. Many lives are being touched by the produce and kindness that is being shared.

The Veteran's Monument project continues to grow towards its goal. Parking was added for convenience in front of the monument site.

The Village recently purchased the home located at 147 S. Lincoln Ave. and will be turning the area into green space for the community to enjoy. It is part of the DDA's Lakeshore Development Plan.

The Downtown Development Authority was able to award 3 façade grants to local businesses this year. They pay for the Christmas lights, downtown lighting, maintenance, and the Municipal Complex Loan. The DDA has also committed to helping with the path around the lake project that the Village is partnering with Cato Township on.

This year the Planning Commission and Village Council finished rewriting the Zoning Ordinance. The Commission received input from residents and other community members in this lengthy 2 year process. This project will make our zoning application process easier for residents and contractors to understand, as well as make it align with current zoning standards and best practices. You can find these documents on our website.

Infrastructure and asset management continue to be a priority in the Village. Last year we resurfaced all municipal parking lots along with crack sealing. The Village will be re-lining and striping streets and parking areas this year. The Village is also in the process of completing a \$280,000 grant awarded to conduct lead and copper water service line checks. The identification phase will be completed this year. Compliance with EGLE is a top priority at the Village of Lakeview.

The Village paid off the Pocket Park Loan, Pickle Dock Drive loan and the loan for the Municipal Complex building (not remodel bond) to save thousands in interest.

The Village Council is being led by Village President Emily Griffith. President Griffith continues to serve the community with enthusiasm, dedication, and integrity along with our other council members. The Village staff would like to thank the council members for their many years of service and continued dedication to the community.

The Village is looking into new signage for wayfinding within our community along with all our parks, parking lots, and the cemetery. These signs will look similar, giving them a brand if you will, making it easier for people to navigate and enjoy our community.

On behalf of the Village staff, I thank the community for your support and partnership in making Lakeview a place where people love to live, work, and play.

In service,

Darin K Dood, Village Manager

VILLAGE & TOWNSHIP

JOINT CLEAN-UP

The Village of Lakeview and Cato Township will be holding joint clean-up days scheduled for April 15th and September 16th 2023 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM. The dumpsters will be located on North Street. This is the perfect time to rid yourselves of unwanted clutter. If the dumpsters fill before noon, the site will close. You will need to show proof of residency to use this service. Examples would be a tax bill or picture ID.

Examples of accepted items:

printers, monitors, TV's
construction, demolition waste
couches, mattresses, chairs, etc.
scrap metal, recycled material
appliances (NOT containing Freon)
household garbage

Items NOT accepted:

tires of any size
pesticides, asbestos
Fluorescent bulbs
paints, solvents, oil
grease, batteries
flammable or
explosive materials

SNOW REMOVAL

When you remove snow from your property or driveway, make sure you do not put the snow on the sidewalk or in a street right-of-way. We would also like to ask homeowners and business owners to keep any hydrants that are located on, or in front of, their property clear of snow in case one is needed in the event of an emergency.

RATE ADJUSTMENT

Beginning March 1, 2023, you will notice an increase on your water/sewer bill. This adjustment is done every Fiscal Year to take care of infrastructure needs.

CEMETERY

With spring on its way and Memorial Day fast approaching, many will be visiting the cemetery to freshen grave sites.

Winter blankets, wreaths, artificial flowers, and all other decorative items must be removed by April 15th. You may place authorized items after May 1st. The Cemetery staff will remove trees, decorations, shrubs, fieldstones and other unauthorized items that have been placed on or around grave sites.

Visit our website at www.villageoflakeview.org to view the cemetery ordinance and fee schedule that was adopted March 2019.

-Due to weather conditions, the DPW will occasionally keep the gate locked to protect the road and grounds. You may still walk in.

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES

It is rare, but occasionally sewer and water problems do happen. If you notice water coming out of the ground that shouldn't be or you have a slow or noisy sewer, don't hesitate to call the DPW. We have an "on call" worker 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Our DPW will be able to take care of the problem or give you direction on how to take care of the problem if it is your responsibility. Problems that are caught early on are much easier to deal with. [Emergency # /989\) 818-0911](#)

LEAF PICK UP

The **leaf vac** will run the last part of April and the first part of May and start up again the later part of September through October, or until the majority of leaves have fallen. Our goal is to pick up the leaves at the beginning of each week. Some weeks will require more. Please understand, this is all weather permitting. Mother nature sometimes is on her own schedule. [The Leaf Vac is meant to pick up leaves only.](#) It is not intended for yard waste. When placing leaves curbside, we ask that leaves are separated from the brush piles.

An area has been designated at Griffith Airport for leaf disposal by the residents. If you are unable to have your leaves raked curbside, it will be your responsibility to transfer the leaves to the drop site at the airport. Only environmentally friendly paper bags are accepted at the drop site. If you have any questions or need to be directed to the drop site at the airport, please call Village Hall at (989) 352-6322.

WHAT IS A CROSS CONNECTION?

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water supply and a source of contamination. Back siphonage may occur due to a loss of pressure in the water system during a fire emergency, main break, or system repair. Back Pressure may be created when a source of pressure (such as a boiler) creates a pressure greater than the pressure supplied from the public water supply. Certain hydraulic conditions left unprotected within your plumbing system allow hazardous substances to contaminate your drinking water or the public water supply.

Insights to protect your drinking water.

DO... Ensure lawn irrigation systems have proper backflow protection. Verify and install hose bibb vacuum breakers and make sure water treatment devices (water softeners) have a air gap, a minimum of one inch, above any drain.

DON'T... Submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks, or ponds. Use spray attachments without a backflow prevention device. Connect waste pipes from treatment systems directly to the sewer or submerged drain pipe.

For more detailed information visit www.hydrocorpinc.com/residential

Homeowners- you are responsible for the installation and maintenance costs of the water and sewer line on your property. Plugged sewer lines and leaking water lines are your responsibility.

The Village is responsible to provide the citizens with 37,571,000 gallons of potable water (2022 usage), maintain 65,000 feet of water main, 23,000 feet of service lines, 210 main line valves, over 1,000 service line related valves, 85 hydrants, 478 water meters, the water wells and a water tower.

The Village is also responsible to treat 37,965,460 gallons of raw sewage (2022 usage), and return it to the environment, maintain 44,600 feet of sewer main, 166 man holes, 8 sewer pumps, four pumping stations, 44 sewer control valves, 470 service laterals, five lagoons covering 15 acres and a three acre filtration bed.

Additional responsibilities for the Village include maintaining the water and sewer systems, and maintaining 12 miles of streets, 35,000 feet of sidewalk, over a hundred trees, and remove the brush and leaves from hundreds of trees, two parks, cemetery, airport, multiple buildings, equipment and vehicle maintenance. The DPW have numerous responsibilities but are always available to help Village residents. Please call (989) 352-7473 to reach the Department of Public Works.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

ACTIVITY REPORT

The Village Police Department is not on duty 24 hours per day, seven days a week. There will be times when you call, and an officer will not be on duty. If it is an emergency or you need an officer, please call **911**. If our Village Officer is on duty the Dispatch Center will send them. Otherwise a County Sheriff or State Police officer will assist.

Activity Report	2021	2022
Traffic Stops	304	206
Verbal Warnings	386	174
Civil Infractions	41	84
Arrests	14	24
Misdemeanor Citation	10	11
Juveniles Apprehended	7	9
Accidents Investigated	24	22
Criminal Complaints	136	139
Property Inspections	2648	1234
Liquor Inspections	139	54
Ordinance Complaints	21	3
Ordinance Warnings	121	50
Ordinance Citations	2	1
Foot Patrol Hours	509.5	390.75
Report Writing Hours	706.75	711.5
Court Hours	58.5	40.75

CAMPFIRES



There are restrictions!!

You cannot build a fire that exceeds four feet in diameter. The fire must be a minimum of 40 feet from a street and 20 feet from a building or property line. A person of suitable age or discretion must be present at all times.

You must remain in complete control of the fire at all times. Materials burned in any grill or campfire are limited to wood or charcoal.

You are not allowed to burn garbage, trash, refuge, construction material, brush, grass or leaves.

VILLAGE COUNCIL

Emily Griffith	President
Dominic Trevino	Trustee
Kate Behrenwald	Trustee
Chris Fryover	Trustee
Jyll Mitchell	Trustee
Greg Saxton	Trustee
Lane Leppink	Trustee

VILLAGE OFFICE

Darin K. Dood	Village Manager
Melissa King	Village Clerk

LAKEVIEW FESTIVALS



Summerfest June 15-17, 2023.

Fall Festival October 7, 2023

Christmas in Lakeview, December 2nd 2023.

For more information regarding the Lakeview Festivals you can follow them on Facebook or Lakeviewfestivals.org

EYES AND EARS

The majority of citizens in town have lived here for many years. You know the sights and sounds that are a normal part of your neighborhoods. If you see vehicles or individuals that seem out of place for that time of day or night, do not confront them. Try to get as much information as you can. Color, make, model of vehicle, license number and any identifying damage. Location and time of observation. Male or female, approximate height and weight, hair color and length, type and color of clothing. Write the information down and pass along to the Village Police at 352-6211, or for emergencies 911. Eyes and ears are our best defense.



DEPT PUBLIC WORKS 352-7473

Brian Bucholtz-Supervisor	DPW
Scott Smith-OIC	DPW
Dave Jensen	DPW
Jared Nielsen	DPW
DPW Emergency Cell	(989) 818-0911

LAKEVIEW POLICE (911) 352-6211

Darin Dood	Chief of Police
B. Russell	Lieutenant
N. Tarrant	SRO Officer
J. Campbell	Officer
P. Gerhardt	Officer
J. Ludwick	Officer
C. Zwart	Officer

DDA Board Planning Commission

Ed Jonaitis	Emily Griffith
Kevin Griffith	Michelle McElhinny
John Verplank	Gary Padden
Ransom Leppink	Ed Winter
Raymi Sunabe	Chad Lincoln
Paul Mesman	Greg McKenna
Craig Farrell	Gail Dolbee
Bill Helmer	Dave Lund
Emily Griffith	

VILLAGE ORDINANCES

Ord. #35: No parking on any Village street between 2:00 AM and 6:00 AM. No parking in any Village parking lot for more than 72 hours.

Ord. # 07-03: An Ordinance to prohibit the running at large of animals in the streets, alleys, parks, and other public and private property in the Village; To prohibit animal noises, barking, howling, and yelping; To prohibit or limit ownership of certain animals in the Village of Lakeview; To provide requirements to maintain sanitary conditions; To provide for seizure and impoundment of certain animals; To provide requirements for dangerous or vicious animals; To provide penalties for the violations thereof.

Ord. 2019-09: Peace Disturbances

Ordinance. Offences relating to Public Peace and Morals, Noise-Creating Activities, Prohibition on Skateboarding, and Curfew for Minors

Ord. 2019-08: Fireworks Ordinance

An ordinance to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the Village of Lakeview through regulation of the possession and use of fireworks pursuant to the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, Public Act 256 of 2011, as amended.

Ord. 2019-6: TO REGULATE BLIGHT AND BLIGHTED PROPERTIES WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW.

Blighted Structure shall mean any dwelling, structure, garage, building, shed, fence, outbuilding, accessory building, swimming pool, pond, or structure of any nature or part of any building or structure. Building Material(s) shall include lumber, wood, bricks, concrete, blocks, plumbing materials, etc. Junk shall mean trash, garbage, rubbish unusable, or unused objects or equipment, etc. Motor Vehicle shall mean cars, trucks, tractors, automobiles, and other similar items. Public Nuisance shall mean any condition, matter, or item that unreasonably annoys, injures, or endangers the safety, health, or comfort or repose of the public or any person.

To view this ordinance or any other ordinance in its entirety visit

www.villageoflakeview.org.

Recycling in Lakeview

Recycling is available at 208 S. Lincoln Avenue. These unmanned centers are available for self-serve 24 hours a day. If the red light is **NOT** blinking, the dumpster is full. Once full, a signal is sent to the refuse center and the container will be emptied within 24 hours.

How it works:

Consider whether those items you are throwing into the trash can be recycled. Bring your cleaned materials to the center at 208 S. Lincoln, and simply toss your recyclables into the designated containers.

The First Street side dumpster houses "Cardboard Only". Your boxes will need to be broken down before you bring them to the sight in order to place them in the dumpster.

The building side dumpster houses "Other" material. No sorting required. The following items all go in this container.

Paper: Clean pizza boxes, paper boxes and containers, newspapers, magazines and similar items. NO SHREDDED PAPER

Plastic: Clean and empty plastic bottles, cups, containers and similar items. (leave caps on) NO PLASTIC BAGS OR FOAM

Glass: Clean and empty bottles and jars. NO WINDOWS OR CERAMICS

Metal: Clean and empty steel & aluminum bottles & cans, aluminum foil. NO PROPANE TANKS OR SCRAP METAL

Cartons: Clean and empty milk, juice, & soup cartons. (leave caps on)

DO NOT PUT YOUR HANDS INTO OR UNDER THE MACHINERY. THE COMPACTOR WILL RECYCLE AUTOMATICALLY, YOU DO NOT NEED TO PUSH ANY BUTTONS. AND PLEASE, NO TOXIC OR COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL

Please visit our website at www.villageoflakeview.org or our Facebook page for other opportunities to dispose of material or hazardous waste.

For additional information visit www.Montcalm.org and visit the Departments/Services link.



www.villageoflakeview.org for information and updates.

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER & YEARLY SCHEDULE ENCLOSURE

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VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW

2023-2024**VILLAGE SCHEDULE****2023-2024*********APRIL*******

April 3 Brush/limb chipping*
 April 7 Village Office closed 12PM
 April 11 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 April 15 All wreaths, flowers, winter blankets to be removed from Cemetery
 April 15 Village/Township joint clean-up 8AM-12PM North Street
 April 24 Leaf Vac*

*******MAY*******

May 1 May place authorized items in the Cemetery (rules available on website or in office)
 May 1 Brush/Limb Chipping*
 May 8 Leaf Vac*
 May 9 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 May 15 Street Sweeping
 May 29 Village Office closed Memorial Day

*******JUNE*******

June 5 Brush/limb chipping*
 June 13 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 June 15-17 Summerfest
 June 19 AM hours street sweeping

*******JULY*******

July 3 Brush/limb chipping*
 July 4 Independence Day Observed – office closed
 July 11 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 July 17 AM hours street sweeping

*******AUGUST*******

Aug 7 Brush/limb chipping*
 Aug 8 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 Aug 21 AM hours street sweeping

*******SEPTEMBER*******

Sept 4 Village Office closed Labor Day
 Sept 4 Brush/limb chipping*
 Sept 12 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 Sept 16 Village/Township joint clean-up 8AM-12PM North Street
 Sept 18 Leaf Vac will start*

*******OCTOBER*******

Oct 1 Remove graveside items
 Oct 2 Brush/limb chipping*
 Oct 7 Fall Festival
 Oct 10 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

*******NOVEMBER*******

Nov 1 Grave blankets can be placed
 Nov 10 Veterans Day Observed – office closed
 Nov 14 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 Nov 15 Cemetery seasonal rates applied
 Nov 23-24 Village Office closed Thanksgiving

*******DECEMBER*******

Dec 2 Christmas in Lakeview
 Dec 12 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
 Dec 25 Village Office closed
 Dec 26 Village Office closed

*******JANUARY*******

Jan 1 Village Office closed
 Jan 2 Village Office closed
 Jan 8 Christmas tree pickup*
 Jan 9 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

*******FEBRUARY*******

Feb 13 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

*******MARCH*******

Mar 12 Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

**Brush/limb chipping and Leaf pickup will take place the full week of the months indicated. Please have your brush/limbs/leaves curbside the Monday of that week by 8:00 AM to insure pick up. Please make sure that brush piles and leaf piles are separated. Christmas tree pickup will also be the full week indicated. Please make sure you have read the article on page 2 of this leaflet regarding leaf disposal going forward.*

IMPORTANT NUMBERS**EMERGENCY - DIAL 911**

Village Police Department (989) 352-6211
 Central Dispatch (989) 831-3500
 State Police (989) 352-8444
 Village Hall (989) 352-6322
 Department of Public Works (989) 352-7473
 DPW Emergency (989) 818-0911