

VILLAGE OF RAVENNA NEWS

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Office Hours: M-F 8AM - 3PM Village Council Meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month at Village Hall

Memorial Day Parade

On **May 30th** at **9am** we will be having a Memorial Day Parade honoring those who paid the ultimate sacrifice defending our freedom and honoring all in our community who have served in all our armed forces. There will be road closures throughout the village during that time.

The Road Closures will be:

Conklin St, Stafford St, and Main St

Senior Class Parade

On **May 14th** starting at **5:00pm** we will be having the Ravenna High School senior class parade. Followed by Fireworks at the high school football stadium. There will be road closures throughout the village during that time.

The Road Closures will be:

Blackmer Rd, Crockery Creek Dr, Conklin St, Stafford St, Main St and Mortimer St

Kubasiak 5K

On **May 14, 2022** we will have the Kubasiak 5k Run and walk in the morning starting at **9am and going until 11 am**. There will be road closures throughout the village during that time.

The Road Closures will be:

Blackmer Rd, Mortimer St., Thomas St, Heights-Ravenna Rd, Thomas St, Stafford St, and Conklin St

Water and Sewer Rates

In the April 5th, 2022 meeting the Village Council voted to increase the Water rate by \$3.00 and the Sewer Rate by \$3.00 and lower the trash rate by \$1.00 for the next three years.

This rate increase is due to improvements that need to be made to our water and sewer system. For example; new lift stations, repainting the water tower, maintaining cross connections and water mains, etc. The village is also facing many new requirements by the state for new water tests and more frequent testing. Your bill currently is \$65.50. In July 2022 it will increase to \$70.50. In July 2023, \$75.50 and in July 2024, \$80.50.

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Village farmers market

The Village will be having a farmers market again at the Stafford Street Market Square on Saturdays from 10am until 12pm starting on August 6th and going until October 1st, 2022. Last year we had some great booths and it was enjoyed by many in the community. We are excited to have this event again.

Other community events include:

Easter Egg Hunt: Ravenna Reformed Church. Starts at 9:30am at The American Legion on April 16, 2022. They will have donuts, juice, and a visit from the Easter Bunny! The egg hunt starts at 10am at Conklin Park.

The conservation club is also having an egg hunt 2pm @ Conklin park April 16th.

American Legion Movie Night:

May 29th, 2022 starting at dusk.

Bring a lawn chair and enjoy a movie outside with your neighbors.

Vacancies on the Planning Commission

The Ravenna Village Planning Commission currently has multiple vacancies. This is an important commission providing an opportunity to serve our community. The planning commission meets on the Second Tuesday of every month at 7pm. If you are interested please call the village office or email vrvclerk@gmail.com. We look forward to your help and supporting our community in this way!

Spring Notes

Spring Clean Up Day!

Spring Clean Up day will be **May 5th!** To take advantage of the Village Spring Clean-up event, set items at the edge of the roadside before 6 am on Thursday, **May 5th. Hazardous items such as tires, batteries, paint, and pesticides will not be accepted.**

Leaf and grass burning is prohibited in the Village of Ravenna. Curbside yard waste pick up is available for Village residents April through November. Bundles must be no longer than 4ft and able to be picked up. Yard waste may be placed in cans marked as yard waste or in biodegradable bags. Yard waste may also be dropped off at the Village's Adams Road property.

Meter Readings

The Village DPW will be starting water meter readings soon and we ask that you keep your water meters free from vegetation and overgrowth!

Animal Control/Pets

Ordinance 91 defines several requirements "for all persons who keep animals" in section 2.

Some of the common violations of this ordinance include:

Having more than 2 dogs and 2 cats

Not controlling a dog or cat or not confining it to the premise of its owner

Having an animal not on a leash in a public park or on public property

Not cleaning up the excrement from the animal on other people's or public property

Please don't let your dog or cat roam and please use a leash when in public. If you see a dog or cat loose OR you or your pet are attacked please call the Muskegon County Sherriff's Department for an animal control officer to investigate.