

Dear Resident,

April 5, 2020

**Covid-19/Coronavirus Response:**

During this emergency pandemic we are all facing, the Village of Lodi has taken steps to continue to provide normal services to our residents while protecting our employees and the public. We have closed all buildings to visitors but our offices are still functioning. We ask residents to mail in utility bills or use the night box located to the left of the door at our village offices downtown. We are not accepting walk-in payments. The office will be open by appointment only from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, for customer needs outside of paying monthly bills. Please call 330-948-2040 to make an appointment. We want to make the environment as safe as possible for our residents and employees. This is a difficult time for our entire nation and we thank you for your patience and understanding as we all work through this together.

We ask that residents continually monitor information from the CDC, Medina County Health Department, and the Ohio State Health Department and **please** follow the guidelines they provide. [Medinahealth.org](http://Medinahealth.org) or [Coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://Coronavirus.ohio.gov) have the latest real-time information. You can find health and safety messages and information you can use to protect the health of your household.

Covid-19 Links:

State of Ohio: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

CDC Website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

Medina County Health Dept.: <https://medinahealth.org/community/current-outbreaks/>

Feeding Medina County: <http://www.feedingmedinacounty.org/>

Office for Older Adults: <http://www.mcooa.org/>

The Lodi Board of Public Affairs is committed to the health of our residents and will not be terminating any utility services during this state of emergency. Trash collection will continue normally as well.

If you have any further questions, please email us at [info@villageoflodi.com](mailto:info@villageoflodi.com) or call 330-948-2040. Please do everything possible to keep your family safe at this time. This is a very serious time in the history of our country. Your health and wellbeing are very important to us. When out walking or visiting the parks, please practice social distancing at all times. We urge compliance with all CDC guidelines to keep our village residents as safe as possible.

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**Shopping Assistance for Seniors** - Any adult over the age of 60 can now contact the Medina County Office for Older Adults at 330-723- 9514 to be connected with a volunteer shopper. The volunteer will contact the senior and take their grocery order. They will then shop at any Medina County Buehler's location (Medina River Styx, Medina Forest Meadows, or Wadsworth) and the customer service desk will facilitate payment with the senior. The financial transaction is between Buehler's and the senior customer ONLY and the volunteers will complete the shopping and deliver it to the senior's residence.

**Other Matters:**

**Flooding** - Spring is upon us. The Village of Lodi strongly suggests that all property owners carry sanitary sewer back up insurance as well as flood insurance. These two property damage events are not normally covered on a home owner's insurance policy. When these events occur, they can be difficult to handle. We have already experienced one major rain event and can expect other possible events as spring progresses. The Village of Lodi is not responsible for paying for these costs. We suggest discussing these coverages with your insurance carrier for your own protection.

**New Zoning Inspector** – I would like to welcome Jean Houston as our new Village of Lodi Zoning Inspector. Jean may be contacted at [lodiohzi@gmail.com](mailto:lodiohzi@gmail.com), or you may call her at 330-410-3005 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Jean is ready to assist you with all your zoning needs and questions.

**Upcoming Village Meetings**

Please refer to the village website at [www.villageoflodi.com](http://www.villageoflodi.com) for updates on all scheduled meeting dates and times. Meetings will be held on an as needed basis at this time and may be held electronically. Information will be provided for public participation needs if the meetings are held electronically. Thank you for your understanding during this pandemic emergency.

If you have any questions or concerns about any of these subjects or local government in general please contact us at 330-948-2040 or [info@villageoflodi.com](mailto:info@villageoflodi.com). We are here to serve you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Geissman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Geissman, Mayor