

Dear Resident,

August 6, 2020

**Covid-19/Coronavirus Response:**

During this pandemic 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 payments or use the night box located to the left of the door at our village offices downtown. We are not accepting walk-in payments. We are not accepting cash in the night box. If you need to pay by cash, you must pay during the normal business hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by knocking on the window. Someone will take your cash payment but we are not making change at this time. We prefer that customers pay by check or money order rather than cash. Please call 330-948-2040 to make an appointment for needs outside of paying utility bills. 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.

**Other Matters:**

**Annual Parks Fest Concert**

The annual Parks Fest fundraiser concert has been moved to June 4 & 5, 2021 due to COVID-19 precautions and concerns. We hope to see you at this event next summer.

**Food Vendors Downtown**

Food vendors will be set up downtown on Friday, August 21, 2020, and Saturday, August 22, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Lemonade, French fries, funnel cakes, and Italian sausage will be available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds benefitting Lodi parks. Masks are required and food will need to be taken back to vehicles.

**Hydrant Flushing**

The Village of Lodi water department will be flushing hydrants the week of September 14-18, 2020. This work is necessary to ensure the proper operation of the hydrants and to draw water through the water mains at a faster than normal rate to remove any iron sediment in the pipes. During the flushing operations, you may experience fluctuations in pressure and/or discolored water. The condition is temporary and does not pose a health hazard. Run your cold-water tap until it clears. During periods of discoloration please postpone washing clothes and limit your use of hot water until the cold water clears.

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### **Community Park Restrooms**

The Lodi Community Park restroom renovation project is almost complete. The restrooms will be reopening shortly. Thank you for your patience during the renovation process. This will be a great improvement to our park!

### **Grass Clippings**

We would like to remind residents to be careful when mowing so that grass clippings do not end up on the street. The clippings can end up in storm sewers and cause the sewers to back up during rain events. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Notice for the Filling of Swimming Pools**

Please be advised that the village can no longer accept manual water meter readings taken by residents when filling swimming pools. New electronic radio read meters have been installed in the village and any water meter readings will need to be taken electronically by a village water department employee. A reading needs to be taken before and after filling your swimming pool with water. The village water department will take all beginning pool readings on Tuesday mornings at approximately 10:00 a.m. and all ending readings on Thursday mornings at approximately 10:00 a.m. Please plan ahead to fill your pool between Tuesday and Thursday mornings. You must call village offices at 330-948-2040 by 2:00 p.m. on Monday to be put on the schedule for that particular week. Readings will be taken beginning the first Tuesday of May. Sewer credit is only available if proper meter readings are taken by a village employee and the total water usage for filling the pool is over 2,000 gallons. Manual readings from residents cannot be accepted.

**Zoning Inspector** – The new zoning inspector (Jean Houston) is currently working with the property maintenance code and will be sending out correction letters to residents. If you have any question for her you may reach her 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 the pandemic.

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,

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Robert Geissman, Mayor