



Village of Bellevue

1st Quarter 2026 Newsletter

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Village Council:



Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, April 28, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, May 12, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, June 09, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Tuesday, June 23, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Bellevue Planning Commission:

Monday, May 04, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Bellevue Village Hall

Bellevue Downtown Development Authority Board:

Thursday, April 09, 2026, 8:00 a.m. 113 N. Main St.

Thursday, May 14, 2026, 8:00 a.m. 113 N. Main St.

Thursday, June 11, 2026, 8:00 a.m. 113 N. Main St.

Holidays

The Village of Bellevue offices will be closed on the following days in April, May, June, and July:

Good Friday

Friday, April 03, 2026

Memorial Day

Monday, May 25, 2026

Juneteenth

Friday, June 19, 2026

Independence Day

Friday, July 03, 2026



Tornado Siren

Now that spring has arrived, spring rains and possible severe weather may be on the way. The tornado siren is tested on the first Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m. If you hear the siren at any other time, please check the news for weather alerts and take the necessary precautions.

Flushing Water Mains:



The Village will be flushing water mains on **Wednesday, April 22**, and **Thursday, April 23**, to remove accumulated sediment. Alternate dates are scheduled for **Wednesday, April 29**, and **Thursday, April 30**, in the event of inclement weather. Tap water may appear cloudy or discoloured immediately after flushing. The Village advises residents to run their cold water in their bathtub or utility sink until it runs clear again. We discourage using your washing machines on the day of the flush and for 24 hours afterward, as clothing may become discoloured.

Dog Walkers

A friendly reminder to the many dog walkers in town: as you walk your pet, be a friendly neighbor and a responsible pet owner. Keep your dog on a leash and under control, and clean up after them if they have an accident. All homeowners appreciate the courtesy of people cleaning up after their pets. We also request that all parks and public areas be free of pet waste litter. It is not only a polite and correct thing to do, but Village ordinances also require it. Our police officers are tasked with monitoring pet owners who violate the ordinance and making contact to resolve the issue.



Garbage Cans

Please ensure your garbage cans are kept away from the road so our Village employees can sweep the streets as the weather improves. We have spoken to multiple Garbage Services, all of which stated that the arm on the garbage truck will reach at least six feet. Below is the ordinance:

It shall be unlawful for any person to store, keep, or maintain containers for storing or collecting rubbish, trash, or garbage in open view from any public road or street unless such containers remain covered and do not overflow. Such rubbish, trash, or garbage containers may not be stored, kept, or maintained within five feet of any public road, street, or right-of-way except when necessary for emptying and removing trash, rubbish, or garbage by a governmental or commercial collection agency. In such instances, all rubbish, trash, or garbage containers may be placed in the road right-of-way no more than 24 hours before pickup and shall be removed from the road right-of-way within 24 hours of being emptied. Violation of this ordinance may result in fines or other penalties.

Memorial Day Parade



American Legion Post 280, our local post, will be holding the annual Memorial Day Parade. Memorial Day this year is on Monday, May 25. The parade lineup will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Jefferson Park and start at 10:00 a.m. The parade will begin at the intersection of N. Main St. and Ellsworth St., travel south on Main St. to Jackson St., then west on Jackson St. to West St., and finally head south on West St. to the cemetery. There will be stops along the route for memorials, with the cemetery's main ceremony and memorial presentations. If your group is interested in participating in the parade, please contact Terry Shaw at (269) 763-3487.

No Parking Areas

Starting on April 17, 2026, there has been an addition to the No Parking areas. The parking of any vehicle in the Village right-of-way located between the curb line and the sidewalk on curbed streets and the Village right-of-way between the curb line and 14 feet inward on non-curbed streets; this does not include permitted driveways. Also,



a reminder that there is no parking on any village streets between 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Streets and Sidewalks:

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will soon start the M-78 project. The plans include replacing the street from S. Main (near Dollar General) to the bridge on W. Capital and fixing damaged and outdated sidewalks. The project is scheduled for completion this year. There may be minor inconveniences during construction, but please be patient; the final result will be worth it.

Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Special Assessment Millage



A special assessment is a tax imposed on all taxable properties within the village limits to fund services such as fire protection and emergency medical services. A mill equals one dollar for every \$1,000 of taxable value, which is roughly half of the property's actual market value.

The council has proposed that the special assessment last for 12 years at a rate of \$105,000 annually. This amount is the same as what the village pays the Bellevue Fire Control Board each year for these services.

Currently, the village has a taxable value of \$27,053,604. To collect \$105,000 in 2026, the millage rate would be 3.882 mills, calculated as $\$27,053,604 \times .003882 = \$105,022.09$. Public entities such as villages, townships, churches, and schools that do not pay property taxes, along with private properties that are tax-exempt, such as those owned by disabled veterans and individuals in poverty, would be excluded. Please visit our website at www.bellevuemi.net for more information, including a link for each property owner to see exactly how this will affect them.

Thank you for keeping our Village beautiful.

Sincerely,

Nicole Roberts
Village Manager