



The Village Voice

Bremen Ohio's Monthly Newsletter

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Council & Committee Meetings

Members of the public should feel welcome to attend and participate at the following meetings regarding Village business:

- Zoning Variance Hearing:
November 6^h at 6:00 PM
- Planning & Zoning Commission:
November 6^h at 6:30 PM
- Village Council: November 13th at 7:00 PM
- Financial Process Committee:
November 29th at 6:00 PM

If you would like to speak at the Council meeting, please contact the office by noon of the previous day so you can be added to the agenda.

These are the meetings scheduled as of the time this newsletter is going to press. Should the need for other Village meetings arise, they will be publicized by legal advertisement in the Lancaster Eagle-Gazette.

Meetings are held at the municipal building, 9090 Marietta Road, SE.

Village Office Hours

The Village offices will be closed on November 23 and 24 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Holiday Trash Collection Schedule

Waste Management's trash collection will be delayed one day during Thanksgiving week. For Bremen, that means trash collection will be on Friday, November 24.



Leaf Collection

The annual daunting task of leaf collection is underway. Due to the sheer volume of leaves during the peak of the season, it's not possible for the village's crew to cover the entire town each week. They will, however, try to alternate between two halves of the town on a weekly basis. So please be patient if they don't get to your location immediately.

Leaves to be collected should be piled behind the curb, not in the gutter or street. Leaves in streets can clog storm sewer drains and lead to high water problems as well as costly maintenance problems.

Remember to Vote!

Election Day is Tuesday, November 7th.

Polls will be open 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM.

Information about candidates and issues on your ballot can be found on the Fairfield County Board of Elections website at www.fairfieldelections.com



Community Connections

Here's an opportunity to get out and socialize with other members of the community...



Bremen Area Historical Society Event

What: The public is invited to attend the dedication of the recently completed Mericle Pioneer Room.

When: Sunday, November 5, 2017, 2:00 PM.

Where: Bremen Area Historical Society
161 Carter Street

Light refreshments will be served.



Village Finances

Hello, Citizens! I am Jennifer Storey, your Clerk-Treasurer, and I would like to talk to you today about accounting. Yes, accounting, fun for all the boys and girls!

As more of you have become involved with the Village, I've noticed there is some confusion about how the Village accounts are set up, so I am going to go over some details for you.

1. There is only one Village bank account. The separate 'funds' are only maintained in the accounting software that Bremen uses.
2. If money is specified for a particular purpose, by law it cannot be used for anything else. If you want to donate money to the Pool, for example, I would deposit the money into the bank account and then log a receipt into the Pool Fund in the software. That is where the money would stay until we spend it on Pool needs.
3. The Village did not take money out of the Pool fund to use for storm damage. Every year, there is money transferred from the General Fund to the Pool Fund for operations and salaries. This year, that money did not transfer into the Pool Fund and therefore was available for us to use as needed.

I hope you find this information useful. If you have other questions, feel free to email me at clerk-treasurer@bremenvillage.com or stop in and set up an appointment. I would be happy to show you how the software works and explain Bremen's budget process. Everyone have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!