



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:

- ★ Planning & Zoning Commission:
Aug 3rd. at 6:00 PM
- ★ Parks & Facilities Committee:
Aug 4th. at 6:00 PM
- ★ Tree Board: Quarterly
- ★ Village Council: Aug 10th. at 7:00 PM
- ★ Financial Process Committee:
Aug 10th at 6:00 PM

If you would like to speak at the Council meeting, please contact the office by noon of the previous Friday 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 or publicly around The Village.

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



The Pool Opens with Big Splash



Bremen's community swimming pool opening day was a much-needed relief for everyone. The water is cool and refreshing.

The pool admission and party rental prices and hours of operation can be obtained by contacting the Administration office at 740-569-4788 or stop by the pool.

Swim lessons will be provided contingent upon the availability of instructors and a sufficient number of registrants for any given class group. Scheduling of swimming lessons will be at the discretion of the pool manager, Trent Johns.

The pool will be closing end of day August 9th 2020.

For questions, to purchase season passes, and to make pool party reservations, please call the pool at 740-569-4788.

Great places to relax

Dowling Park's Transformation

After years of talking about it, the project to improve Bremen's downtown Dowling Park is complete.



We are looking for some Bands to play at the park.
If you or you know someone that would be interested,
please call Mary Hoffman at 740-569-7364.

July 19, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Rex McMurphy will be filling Dowling park with the sounds of light jazz and music from the 30's and 40's. Bring a chair, blanket & snacks.

Howell Park

Picnic shelter house and concession stand can be reserved for group functions like birthday parties, family reunions and wedding receptions, to name a few examples.

A reservation fee is required, part of which will be refunded if the facilities are left in acceptable condition.

For details and reservation form, please contact the Village office, phone: 740-569-4788.



PARK CORNER

With the late spring, things at Howell Park have been difficult to accomplish. Well, I might be able to attribute to the slowness of my progress to the fact that I'm an "oldie, but moldy". So, if any kind citizens can adopt one flower bed to water and weed, it would certainly help this slow-moving senior.

But, a great bit of news came when the Village was informed that David and I had been awarded \$49,000 from the Fairfield County CDBG Allocation Grant to update the playground equipment for Howell Park. This money will not be awarded until the upcoming 2021 year. Since this grant was only for equipment, the labor to install the playground will be in-kind labor. So, all you fathers will have to roll up your sleeves to come and help install the equipment! Hey guys, it's for the kids.

Another thing you will need to check out is the slate patio that David and I doubled in size. This past weekend, David and I installed a light that is similar in appearance to the decorative light in the Butterfly Garden.

As many of you have probably heard, our village budget is very tight. What money that has been allocated to the park will only go for repairs and paint. The shelter house and concession stand building needs to be repainted. This building complex also needs repairs on the roof. The shelter house has a metal roof that also needs attention. It needs to be power washed and painted. If you know of anyone who would be willing to help, please contact the office. We are all trying to save every penny for the village. Please remember that we all have a stake in making Bremen a desirable place to live. Let's keep our park beautiful and well maintained. Come and enjoy the park. I'm certain, you will have a delightful time!

Debbie Wolfe

Reminder: Get Zoning Permits

As you plan projects such as building new structures, making additions to existing buildings, or installing fences, signs and swimming pools remember to obtain the permits required by the Village's building and zoning ordinances. Contact the office at 740-569-4788 for more information.



PARKS FUNDRAISER

Bremen United Methodist Church and Boy Scout Troop 95 have partnered to collect plastic caps which will be turned into a park bench or table (or both, if enough caps are collected). Acceptable caps include those for medicine bottles, milk jugs, creamers, detergent, hair spray, toothpaste, deodorant, apple sauce pouches, drink bottles, soda, water, juice, sports drinks, flip-top caps such as those for ketchup or dishwasher detergent, spray paint, spout caps such as those on mustard, ointment tubes, baby food, shampoo and conditioner caps. Lids may also be acceptable: cottage cheese, yogurt, mayonnaise jars, peanut butter, ice cream bucket under 8" in diameter, Cool Whip containers, Pringle cans, coffee cans, butter, cream cheese containers, and spices. So, start collecting those lids and caps and help furnish our park with beautiful benches! For further information, or to have your collection picked up, please contact Chuck Vickroy at 740-974-0967. Drop-off points will be posted at a later date.

Yard Waste Disposal

To get rid of grass clippings, shrub trimmings, tree branches and all other yard waste, it needs to be prepared for trash pickup on Tuesdays.

Removal of yard waste is handled by our trash hauling contractor, Shackelford's Disposal.

Here are the rules for curbside yard waste pickup

- ✓ Material (including grass clippings, shrub trimmings and branches) can be placed in bags or trash containers.
- ✓ Shrub trimmings and tree branches can be bundled with string but must be no more than 4 feet long.
- ✓ Bundles, bags or containers must weigh less than 50 pounds each.
- ✓ Yard waste and household trash are collected at the same time, on Tuesdays.

- ✓ Just as it is for household trash, if you will have an unusually large amount of yard waste at once, then call ahead so Shackleford's can be alerted to plan for it.
- ✓ Furniture (large furniture items must be broken down) and bedding must be wrapped in plastic from top to bottom

Message from The Village Administrator

I hope everyone will maintain social distancing while they enjoy the swimming pool, Dowling park, Howell park and just walking thru the Village. The Village Administration office is now open in order to resume business as usual.

Reminder: Call 811 Before You Dig

When planning outdoor home improvement projects remember, that by state law, everyone who is going to dig or drive a post into the ground – including homeowners and contractors – must contact the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) at least 48 hours, but not more than 10 working days (excluding weekends and legal holidays), before beginning any digging on their property. By calling OUPS at 8-1-1 or 1-800-362-2764, that agency will coordinate with local utilities to have underground lines marked at no charge to you. It's the law.



Flags were donated in honor and in memory of:

Cecil Blosser, Army Veteran
Mike Burnworth, Army Veteran
Willis Burnworth, Army Veteran
Archibald Craig, Army Veteran
Lorraine Passmore Craig, Army Veteran
David Hockman, Army Veteran
Wayne Hockman, Army veteran
Ray Passmore, Army Veteran
Richard Passmore, Army Veteran
**Rowles "Bucky" Passmore, Army
Veteran**
John Robert Razor, Army Veteran
John William Razor, Army Veteran
James Turner, Army Veteran

Delbert Eugene Merckle, Navy Veteran

C. Edward Green, Air Force Veteran

**Barbara Passmore Green, Air Force
Veteran**

Michael Rehrer, Air Force Veteran

George Rehrer, Coast Guard Veteran

Roscoe "Rock" and Ina Harmon

Reminder: Update Your Contact Info

Please make sure the village utilities office has your current phone number(s) and other contact information.

It is important for the office to know how to reach you in the event of a problem with your water or sewer service, a billing concern, or other time-sensitive matters.

