

## Fall News Letter - 2023

Dear Village Residents,



We will begin flushing the water system **October 9<sup>th</sup> and ending by the 13<sup>th</sup>**. This is an important function in maintaining our water system as well as the water quality. During this time your water may become discolored and have a different taste.

### -CHLORINATION NOTICE -

We have received permission from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) again this year to feed **chlorine** into the water supply during the fall water system flushing. **Starting October 10<sup>th</sup>**, we will begin feeding chlorine into the water supply. We will then begin flushing the water system. This will pull the chlorinated water through the system increasing the cleaning action while adding disinfectant at the same time. We will do our best to keep chlorine levels low. We are trying not to exceed .8 parts per million of free chlorine. Most municipalities that chlorinate their water try to keep the chlorine level at .2 parts per million. As Tekonsha does not regularly chlorinate the water supply, it is difficult to achieve even chlorine levels throughout town, but it is an important step in keeping the system clean.

### How long will we have chlorine in the water?

**Chlorine feed will end on October 13<sup>th</sup>** or earlier depending on when flushing is completed. Chlorination will continue for two days after flushing has been completed to ensure the system has ample chlorine residuals to finish any disinfecting necessary. It will then leave the system fairly quickly under normal water usage for the Village.

### Precautions

Fish, small animals and sometimes

plants don't care for chlorinated water. Babies may not care for the taste when they are not used to it. If you have any concerns it would be prudent to bottle some water before **October 9<sup>th</sup>**. People with special health needs should take precautions if they're sensitive to changes in their water.

If you have any questions please call the Village office at 517-767-4204, Gary White @ 517-317-3252 or e-mail to [tekvillage@yahoo.com](mailto:tekvillage@yahoo.com)



### Leaf Pickup

We will begin when we have significant leaf drop, usually toward the end of October and wrap-up **December 1<sup>st</sup>**. Our policy is to start on one side of town and work our way through to the other - then repeat.

- PILE sticks and brush **separate** from the leaves as they clog and damage the leaf vac.
- **DO NOT rake leaves into the streets**. The area between the road and sidewalk is fine.
- If the leaves don't appear to be in any sort of pile or row, we will **NOT** stop.
- We will not vac leaves in the spring. Leaves need to be bagged for pickup in the spring.

### Tire Recycle:

**October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Noon – 5pm**  
**Regular Car and Truck Tires Only**  
**NO** – Diesel, tractor, loader, or monster truck tires and no tires on rims. Event held at the village office parking lot - **NO EARLY DROP OFFS**.

### Streets Update

In the Spring of 2024, the Village is expected to begin resurfacing 3 streets. Railroad from Main to Elm, Elm from Railroad to Clinton, and Clinton back to Main St. This will loop the Village with more good roads.

### Winter Info

Watch where you park! We need to clear the streets after snow events. Cars parked too close to streets could be damaged by flying debris from the plow truck. **Your garbage cans are at risk too.** Cold temperatures cause plastic to break more easily. Bring them back to the house after trash pickup. Remember to shovel your sidewalks and help keep everyone safe by clearing snow from around fire hydrants.

**Check your mail boxes to insure it is secure.** The Village will repair or replace a mail box or post only if we physically hit it with the plow truck.

### Disposable Wipes

Are labeled “flushable” please don't. They cause major problems when flushed down toilets. They must be manually removed and can result in expensive plumbing bills.

### FYI

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Golf Carts need to be registered @ Village Office. This is free.

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