Bath Charter Township December 2020 Newsletter

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Sanitary Sewer Rate Increase

The Sanitary Sewer Rate will increase to \$112.12 per REU (residential equivalent unit) per quarter, effective January 1, 2021. This new rate is reflected on the December 2020 sewer bills.

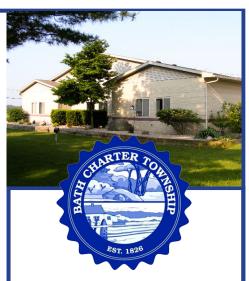
The Bath Charter Township Board of Trustees reviews Sanitary Sewer Rates each year as part of its annual budget process to ensure there is enough funding for treatment costs and maintenance projects. Regular expenses include repairing and maintenance of our collection system, which consists of lift stations, pipes, and manholes. In 2021, our sanitary sewer system will cost Bath Charter Township just over one million dollars to operate.

Many Bath Charter Township residents are connected to municipal sanitary sewer services. Sanitary sewage generated in the Township is treated at the Clean Water Plant, which is operated by the Southern Clinton County Municipal Utilities Authority (SCCMUA). SCCMUA is a Michigan Municipal Corporation, which owns, operates, and maintains a 5.0 MGD Wastewater Treatment Facility in Clinton County. SCCMUA was formed in the mid-1970s and serves the Townships of Bath, DeWitt, and Watertown, as well as the City of DeWitt.

COVID-19 Office Updates

In light of the community-wide spread of COVID-19 and the latest emergency order from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), **the Bath Charter Township offices and the Bath Township Police Department Administrative office will be closed to the public at least through December 20, 2020 in the interest of community and employee health.**

Our Township offices will be available for assistance via phone and email during normal business hours. Residents are encouraged to utilize our drop box, mail, or online payment options for bill payments or other business. Receipts can be mailed upon request. Some staff will be available remotely to assist residents. Departments working remotely include Assessing, Planning & Zoning, Communications, Ordinance Compliance/Fire Marshal, Senior Services, and Parks & Recreation. For a list of Township phone numbers, online payment options, and additional departmental service information, visit www.bathtownship.us/covid-19/.



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2021 Medication Collection

Help protect Michigan's water supply and avoid medication falling into the wrong hands - do not flush or pour your expired or unused medications down the drain! Bring your expired, unused pill, tablet, or capsule drugs to the Bath Township Police Department for proper disposal. Please no inhalers, patches, injectables (sharp objects), empty containers, or leaking liquids. Pills, tablets, or capsules must be brought in their original bottle (please black out personal information) and place the bottle into the secure location during office hours.

Township Updates

- The Township will continue to conduct all Board and Committee meetings via Zoom through the end of the year . Information on how to participate in virtual meetings can be found on our <u>website</u>.
- The Bath Township Fire Department is looking for responsible, hard working residents that are passionate about the opportunity to serve their community as a paid volunteer firefighter. Those interested can apply by visiting our <u>employment page</u>.
- This summer, Parks and Recreation held a summer long event, Painted Rocks. Any business that would be interested in joining in on the fun for Summer 2021 by donating prizes, please call Becky at (517) 641-5167. For your donation, you will receive recognition through tagged posts on the Township Facebook page with a picture of the person who found your painted rock each time it is redeemed in the Township Offices.

Snow Sculpture Competition December 1, 2020 - February 26, 2021

Bath Township Parks and Recreation challenges all ages to build a snow sculpture between December 1, 2020 and February 26, 2021 on property in Bath Township (your residence or in a park) and submit your masterpiece for a chance to win a \$50.00 Meijer gift card. To enter, complete the registration form, attach a photo of your masterpiece with the lead builder, and place your paperwork in the

drop box located to the left of the Bath Township Office entry doors.