



CASNOVIA

May 2024

Edition Four Hundred and Nine

VILLAGE HI-LITES

Village of Casnovia

141 N. Main Street
Casnovia, MI 49318
(616) 675-4780
CasnoviaVillage.com

Regular Office Hours:

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Tuesday – Thursday

Regular Council Meeting

Monday

May 13, 2024

June 10, 2024

July 8, 2024

August 12, 2024

Service Session: 6:00 PM
Regular Meeting: 6:30 PM

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Meetings are held in the
Village Office

Public Welcome

VILLAGE NEWS

The April Regular Council minutes are posted on the Village website and on Facebook. Council minutes have changed to include monthly payables summaries. You may view a full listing of the monthly bills at the Village office.

Ordinance Review The zoning ordinance was reviewed regarding RV parking in the Village. No changes were made.

Thank you!! to all Village residents who sent letters of support for our CDBG grant request to help with the cost of repairing and upgrading the Village sewage disposal system. Without those letters of support, we may not have been successful!

We received a letter granting us **conditional approval** of our request for \$128,150.00 to help fund the sewer repair project. The awards are based on a competitive scoring system to rank applications. This year, 3 projects were selected with the Village of Casnovia application scoring the highest (95), amongst the 6 area governmental agencies who submitted requests for funds.

The Village will provide additional funds to complete the project slated to begin in 2025. We will meet with Kent County Community Action June of 2024 to develop project plans. We will keep you appraised of the process and the project as they are developed.

Casnovia Village Senior Residents:

Due to lack of resident response the Casnovia Senior Resident Luncheon and estate planning presentation has been cancelled.

Sidewalk Repair has begun, completion is expected by mid-May.

Street Repair work will begin at the end of May 2024.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY -



Residents celebrating in May:

Sharon Anderson, Barb Bennett,
Dennis Kober, Bob Peterson, Helen
Sands, Tara Harrison, Dwayne
McGormley, Maria Martinez,
Jennifer Palinski

Please contact the Village Office if you would like to add or remove birthday information.

Old School Community Center News and Events:

We offer Blood Pressure screening the first and last Tuesday of the month from 10-12pm.

The Old School is open for seniors to walk Thursday and Friday 4p – 7p and Saturday 10a – 2p.

The Old School gym is available to rent for all your party needs. Please call (616) 284-7359 for questions.

The Old School offers many activities throughout the year.

Please like and follow them on Face Book - Old School Community Foundation. The contact telephone number is (616) 284-7359.

Sesquicentennial Celebration: We will be celebrating the Village of Casnovia's 150th birthday in 2025. We are starting planning and would like residents input. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, please contact our Village office at 616-675-4780.

VILLAGE NEWS

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Unleashed Dogs: For the safety of all and to abide by the Village ordinance, always keep your pets on a leash when not on your property.

Building Permits:

Before you start those home projects. You may need to obtain a building permit, depending on the project you are tackling. Call the office before starting any project.

Trash and Recycling:

Reminder:

- Please do not leave trash and recycling bins at the roadside. Please pull the trash and recycling bins back from the road after pickup by Granger
- Garbage bags sitting outside of garbage cart will not be picked up. Contact the Village Office if you need an extra cart.
- Do not place anything other than recycling in the recycle bin. Anything other than recycling will cause the recycle truck to be turned away and the whole load will be dumped at the landfill.
- Please keep sidewalks clear of obstructions, including garbage and recycling bins.
- Recycle dates:
 - May 3rd, 17th and 31st
 - June 14th and 28th

Resident Concerns: There have been unrestrained dogs in the Village. This violates Village ordinance 2023-03.

Village Council Elections

There are 3 Council members whose terms end in 2024. If you are interested in running for a Council seat contact can obtain information from Tyrone Township – (616) 678-4779. There is a link on Facebook for those who are seeking council positions.

Tyrone Township Spring Cleanup is June 14 8a – 4p and June 15th 8a – 1p, 2391 Rusco, Kent City, MI 49330

Sewer Bills:

Quarter two bills are due June 30, 2024. Please pay by check made payable to Village of Casnovia or exact change. We are unable to take debit or credit cards.

Please do not flush paper towels, Handi Wipes, or baby wipes (flushable or not) down toilets. These cause blockages in the sewer system. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please do not place chemicals in the village sewer. Chemicals can change the chemistry in the sewer which it may not be able to recover from. This would be costly for the village to repair.

Speed Limits and Safety:

Please make sure to follow the posted speed limit of 30 in the Village.

Approach DPW work areas with caution to keep our staff safe! We are finding cars approaching DPW work areas too fast and too close. If this continues, we will have to block the road where our DPW workers are working.

Kent County Register of Deeds Lisa Posthumus Lyons announces the launch of its *Fraud Notify* system to help combat property fraud within Kent County.

The *Fraud Notify* system is a free service that alerts subscribers via email whenever a document bearing their name, or any other name they have designated, is recorded within the Kent County Register of Deeds Office. Property owners will be able to assess its validity and notify law enforcement if they suspect fraud. *Fraud Notify* will help equip Kent County property owners with information to be aware if a theft has occurred, to respond quickly, and to seek justice.

Property owners interested in subscribing to Kent County's *Fraud Notify* can do so at accesskent.com/fraudnotify.

Casnovia Village Website:

<https://villageofcasnovia.org>.

You will find information about the Village council meeting minutes, monthly newsletters, events calendar, hall availability, Community Internet Provider Dispute and Complaint Resolution, 2024 Recycle Dates, regular and special meeting notifications and much more.

The Village Hall is available for your parties/events. Check the Village website for rental availability

<https://villageofcasnovia.org> or call the Village Office at (616)675-4780.

Streetlights:

Please report non-working streetlights to the Village Office by calling (616) 675-4780, or via email at clerk@villageofcasnovia.org. Please include the nearest address to the light for reference.

Eyeglass recycling

We have a collection bin in the Village office for eyeglass Recycling. The Lions club will repair and distribute them.

