

# 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: September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM
- Village Council: September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM
- Safety & Infrastructure September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM
- Financial Process Committee: September 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

## **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.

## **Reminder: Bremen Community Days!**

On Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup>, the Village will have its Community Days full of events and activities from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM! The day will be full of local organizations and businesses showing Bremen Pride and feature the following events: an antique tractor parade, car and motorcycle show, bounce house and cornhole, the Dowling Park rededication and ribbon cutting ceremony and live entertainment. A flyer has been included with this newsletter for the events!

## **Employment Opportunities**

#### **Zoning Compliance Officer**

This person will primarily be involved in the enforcement and inspection of village zoning concerns. Please visit the website for a full position description. www.bremenvillage.com

#### **Control Your Yard Waste**

As you mow your lawn and rake your leaves, remember to not leave your grass clippings or piles in the street. Otherwise we can end up with clogged storm drains and time consuming and costly cleanout projects. This is the same as littering and is punishable by fines per village ordinance.



# **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.

#### **Park Corner**

**Information From Debbie Wolfe** 

I would like to invite anyone who has never been to Howell Park to come and walk around the park; you might be pleasantly surprised! Many residents and visitors have discovered the "secret garden" and have often returned and offered their time and energy to improve the garden and park.

We now have a couple of residents who want to search for a grant to re-pave the walking path around the park as it is deteriorating with time. We also have a boy scout who is working on his eagle scout that wants to install a permanent fire ring for the park. At the September Village Council meeting he will be presenting a program for this project. The annual pumpkin walk and scouting activities have always used an area near the shelter house as a fire pit area. Since the same area is used the grass does not grow and it makes a great location to install a permanent pit.

For the last several years, the Columbus Lepidopterology Society has come to Howell Park to observe the butterflies that visit the park. Howell Park is a Nationally Certified Way Station for Monarch Butterflies. To be certified, a garden needs to contain all of the elements for Monarchs to thrive and reproduce, which makes the park a perfect place to come for a leisurely morning walk.

As for the park itself, Bremen does not have a parks department. This makes the upkeep of the parks beauty a monumental task at the least. I would like to see residents, groups, organizations, or businesses adopt a flower bed within the park. By doing so, we can all work together as a community and the park can continue to grow and enrich our small community. If this plan does not come to fruition I fear that many of the flowers will not be here in the future.

On a few occasions we have had assistance from the Fairfield County Juvenile system with spreading mulch and other labor activities in the park. If we could have a flower bed adoption and those people or groups bring perennials to plant it would be a tremendous help for the park. The more flowers we have the less weeds we will have to worry about.

I hope that you will consider adopting a flower bed as it will keep the park beautiful, give you good exercise, and it only takes one day per week. If you are interested in adopting a flower bed please contact me by email at dwolfe@bremenvillage.com



# **Leaf Season Pickup**

Leaf season pickup has been scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup> thru December 6<sup>th</sup>. All leaves prior to October 1<sup>st</sup> should be bagged and discarded with your yard waste. Raking the leaves into the street will result in a fine. More information about leaf collection will be coming out shortly.

