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211 is a free, confidential referral and information helpline and website that connects people of all ages and from all communities to the essential health and human services they need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. **211** can be accessed by phone or by computer at **www.mi211.org**

Social Distancing is Working!

Currently, Ottawa County is not seeing the exponential growth in COVID-19 cases that are appearing around the country. Please continue to adhere to the Governor's Executive Order: "Stay Home, Stay Safe" until at least April 13th.

Public Safety

Ottawa County Sheriff's Office continues to patrol at full strength. Please call 911 in the event of an emergency or call **800-249-0911** in the event that you need to report a non-emergency.

Water Supply

Your water supply is safe, secure and sufficient. We have full staffing and are rotating to avoid social contact. The North Ottawa Water System (NOWS) is blessed with a deep bench of expert operators.

Stay at Home

The Governor's Executive Order to Stay Safe, Stay Home is being enforced statewide by local law enforcement. To report violations, send an email to:

StayHomeStaySafeComplaints@miottawa.org

Include the date/time, business name, address and description of the violation you believe is occurring. Emails submitted will be reviewed by an officer and evaluated to determine appropriate action.

Remember: **911 is for emergency calls ONLY**

High Water

As Spring arrives, it is expected, yet again, to set records for high water levels. We have received a supply of sand bags for distribution as well as a list of sand suppliers. We encourage residents who will need to protect their property from water to start early before the anticipated highest levels that normally occur in late June to early July.

For information on receiving sandbags, please contact the Spring Lake Fire Department, non-emergency number: **616-215-1590**. NOTE: if there is no answer, please leave a message.

Garbage Collection

For now, all garbage collection companies have made the same adjustments to their trash collection and will continue as normal but **all providers** have temporarily suspended the collection of bulk waste, eg., furniture, mattresses or appliances. If the driver has to touch it, it won't be picked up. All waste material MUST be in a container. Each service is handling recycling and yard waste differently. Check below for those details.

Kuerth's Disposal • 800-332-3496 • kuerthsdisposal.com

- No recycling at this time. If the recycling cart is placed at the curb, it will be tipped but the contents will go to the landfill as their recycling center is currently closed.
- Yard waste collection starts 04/08.

Republic Services • 877-698-7274 • republicservices.com

- Recycling remains as normal.
- Lawn waste pick up has already begun.

RMS • 231-788-5096 • rmsdisposalinc.com

- Recycling remains as normal.
- Lawn waste pick up has already begun. Please do not set out bags that have sat out all winter as they will fall apart.

Waste Management • 866-909-4458 • wm.com

- Recycling remains as normal.
- Yard waste collection has been delayed until further notice.

Harbor Transit

Harbor Transit is providing limited services. Only those in need of food, medicine or medical treatment should be using Harbor Transit.

North Ottawa Community Hospital

North Ottawa Community Hospital Emergency Room is operational for all emergency procedures. Drive up COVID-19 testing is available at 1099 S Beacon Blvd. Call **935-7810** seven days a week between 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. to determine if you meet criteria for testing.
YOU MUST HAVE AN APPOINTMENT.

Please Don't Flush Any Type of Wipes Down the Toilet!

Please do not flush any type of wipes down the toilet, even if the package states they are flushable. They are destructive to the sewer system and could cause expensive repairs or sewer back-ups into homes and businesses.

Greetings Spring Lake Village and Township Residents,

Village and Township staff remain on the job, either from home or in the field. The Department of Public Works continues to work to provide essential services. Behind the scenes other personnel are paying vendors, answering the phones and communicating with the public and other government agencies. Please follow us on Facebook and share updates with friends and family members. Look for **"Spring Lake Village – Government"** with the blue check mark for the legitimate Facebook page. The check mark indicates that Facebook has confirmed that this is the official page of the governmental agency. The Township can be found at **"Spring Lake Township – Government."** The blue check for the Township is forthcoming.

Christine Burns, Village Manager & Gordon Gallagher, Township Manager

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SPECIFICALLY FOR SPRING LAKE VILLAGE RESIDENTS:

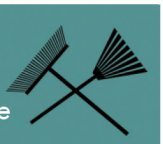
Council Meetings Will Be Virtual In April

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend the meetings either online with a link or via conference call by phone. The call-in numbers/conference ID will be located on the top of every agenda and will be posted on the Village website and Facebook page as an event. To receive a copy of the link to participate online, email **Christine@springlakevillage.org** or call the Village at **616-842-1393**. There is always a public participation portion at the end of every agenda.

Spring Clean Up 2020

Kuerth's has put this on hold for now. We will post the new date when it is safe for their workers to go back to bulk collection.

Leaf Pick Up/Brush Collection



Leaves will be picked up from Village curbs on 4/13 & 4/27. Anyone who lives on Savidge please remember to call **616-842-1393** to make arrangements to pick up leaf bags.
Brush collection is scheduled for Monday, May 18th.

Street Parking

Winter parking restrictions were lifted on 04/01. Right-of-way parking and front yard parking ordinances will still be enforced.

Parks & Open Spaces

We understand that residents want to get out to our many parks and open spaces. Before you head out, please note the changes that have been made in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19:

- **Mill Point Park**–Closed due to high water levels.
- **Lakeside Trail**–Persons from different households should not be walking or meeting together to chat.
- **Whistle Stop Playground**–Closed per Executive Order 2020-21
- **Central Park** remains open, but with limitations:
  - Bark Park is open; maintain social distancing.
  - Playgrounds, pickleball, hockey rink and basketball courts are closed.

NOTE: Executive Order 2020-21 increases the fine for non-compliance to $1000.

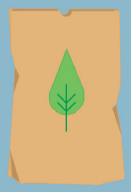
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SPECIFICALLY FOR SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS:

Election Information

There is a May 5th School Election for Spring Lake Township **PRECINCT 1 only**. This is only for the Grand Haven School District. This election will be 100% Absentee Voting Ballots (AV). If you live in precinct 1 and you would like to receive an AV ballot, please contact Township Clerk, Carolyn Boersma by email: **CBoersma@sltwp.org** or by phone at **616-844-2101**.

AV applications for the August 4th Primary Election will be sent out during the last two weeks of May. Please plan on using the convenience of absentee voting for the August 4th Primary.

Bag Leaf Collection Site



The Spring Lake Department of Public Works (DPW) has set up a bag leaf collection site at the Township DPW Facility in Spring Lake. The leaf collection site is behind the facility on the far south side in the area designated by signs and fencing. Please place your bagged leaves in the designated area beginning 4-4-20. DPW staff will place the bags in the dumpster as needed.

Drop off: Saturdays from 10:00am to 4:00pm
Wednesdays from 2:00pm to 5:00pm

Location: 16747 - 150th Ave., Spring Lake