My Dear Fellow Township Residents:

I truly hope this short newsletter finds us all as well as we can be in these troubling, difficult days we are currently experiencing.

We realize not everyone has access to the internet to view our electronic sign on M-29, so this short newsletter is being printed to help keep everyone updated and aware of what is going on here in Ira Township in regards to what services are being offered and how we are still here to assist in daily business. Due to the continuation of Governor Whitmer’s Stay Home, Stay Safe Executive Order until May 15, 2020, below are the measures being taken here at the office complex from each department head and a brief statement from them.

Our office staff is currently here Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. or longer, conducting daily business as needed. They are completing the day to day essentials. The Township Board is available as well, either by email or a phone call to the proper extension here at the office. Please feel free to call anyone of us and we will answer your call as soon as we can if you need further assistance.

Finally, from me, please see the back of this newsletter regarding a wonderful program being offered by PTM Corporation and many other community-minded volunteers for our residents needing assistance. PTM Corporation is our largest employer here in Ira and we are in full support of them, the volunteers and this program. Thank You All!! Stay safe and well.

Jim Endres, Jr.

Supervisor

The Building, Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement departments are available to answer questions, process applications, and investigate complaints. We hope to be back to scheduling inspections as soon as we receive the directive. Hoping everyone stays healthy!

Susan Wilburn, Building Official

During this current situation, I am excited to hear the recent announcement opening fishing, golf courses, garden centers and other layers of reengagements. However, our lives, schedules and even recreation are currently changed moving forward.

I have numerous programs and events ready for our residents. I appreciate your patience as I review dates and safe standards for these activities. I am up for the challenge to adapt our programs with whatever measures are needed to move forward in a safe manner for our residents. Please visit our website or our Facebook page for updated information on events. Looking forward to seeing all of you soon!

Cindy Babisz, P & R Director

The state’s previously issued burn ban was lifted on April 28, 2020. All residents are required to obtain a burn permit from the Fire Department for any open burning in the Township. Burn permits are available at the Fire Hall located at 7065 Meldrum Road. Please be sure to obtain a burn permit before any open burning.

I want to assure all residents that the Fire Department continues to respond to all calls during this COVID-19 Pandemic. We are, however, taking some additional preventative measures to protect ourselves during these times. Fire Department members will not enter your home without first talking to you or family members from the doorway. We will be establishing and maintaining our 6-foot rule for as much as possible but will not reduce or disrupt needed medical treatment. All firefighters and EMS personnel will have additional protective equipment on when they are talking to you or treating you on any call. These at a minimum include gloves, face mask, and glasses. For any questions contact the fire station and we can discuss.

Jason P. Keller, Fire Chief

The virus that causes COVID-19 has not been detected in drinking water. Conventional water treatment methods that use filtration and disinfection, such as those in most municipal drinking water systems, should remove or inactivate the virus that causes COVID-19.

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Mark your calendars

Reminder: one-day curbside refrigerator pick-up will be Tuesday June 9th, 2020. Refrigerant does not have to be removed for this special one-time collection. Doors and locks should be removed or disabled.

Our annual tire collection will take place June 13th and 14th, 2020. Tires must be removed from rims and must be from passenger cars, light trucks, SUV’s, lawn mowers and motorcycles only. We will also have dumpsters available this same weekend for general debris clean-up. Collection takes place at the Ira DPS between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Chris Hiltunen, DPS Supervisor

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ATTENTION IRA TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS
OPERATION HELPING HANDS
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IF YOU HAVE A MEDICAL EMERGENCY PLEASE CALL 911

CALL OUR HOTLINE AND LEAVE A DETAILED MESSAGE AT: 586-725-2211
ALL CALLS WILL BE RETURNED AND WE WILL ASSIST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Once you have been contacted by our Hotline, you will place your order with a local grocery, pharmacy, or other supplier and pre-pay. Please make sure that a representative from PTM Corporation can pick it up under your name and deliver it to you. Some examples of essential items would be:

- Food
- Prescriptions (please be sure that your pharmacy will allow a 3rd party to pick up)
- Other necessities or urgent needs

Remember first call (586) 725-2211 and leave a message so a volunteer can return your call and schedule help or make other recommendations. If you would like to submit your request online go to ptmcorporation.com/contact

PTM Corporation proudly offers this program with the approval of Ira Township

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