



May 2022

A concise summary of recent village developments, in one place, and posted monthly on our website homepage.

## NEWS

- **Downtown Development Authority** is seeking an Executive Director. This important position is key for our downtown's economic revitalization and development. At this time, interested applicants may obtain the job description from [dda@villageofgrasslake.com](mailto:dda@villageofgrasslake.com).
- **Tuesday, May 3–Special Election** to approve a Fire Millage.
- **Wednesday, May 4** is kickoff day for Farmers Market/Music in Park 2022 season.
- **Little Shop of Horrors.** Grass Lake Drama Club will be performing the funny, campy musical, Little Shop of Horrors, on **May 6** at 7pm, **May 7** at 7pm and **May 8** at 2pm in the HS auditorium. Tickets will be available the week of the performance Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the entrance of high school or at the door before the performances.
- **Saturday, May 7 is Museum Day.** Visit your favorite local museums this day for FREE (between 10 AM and 4 PM) with an "open-house style" reception and self-guided tours alongside child-friendly activities, historical demonstrations and providing guided tours during the event. Lost Railway Museum is participating and Coe House will be reopening on May 7, 2022
- **Spring Street Fair/Artisan Mart on Saturday, May 21.** Shop local artists with unique offerings—all organized by our local business, *The Roaming Goat*. The fair will fill the street from the traffic light at S. Lake Street and Michigan Ave, up to the entrance for public parking lot B.
- **Invasive aquatic weed treatments** are expected to resume for Grass Lake within the month but no particulars were available by this issue's deadline.
- **Grass Lake's Annual Memorial Day** observance will take place at the War Memorial at 10 am on Monday May 30–Memorial Day.

## COMMUNITY

- **Grass Lake Community Yard Sale confirmed its dates:** This year organizers say that sales will begin on Thursday June 9 and will continue through Saturday, June 11.
- If you wish to see the **Electronics Recycling** event held April 9, at Grass Lake HS (hailed as a big success) become an annual event, please contact the Village office to show your interest.
- **Recognition and thanks:** The Village of Grass Lake salutes our veterans groups for providing flags that are flown throughout the downtown each year, and for raising and lowering them. Our very own laundromat at 131 N Lake St., generously cleans these flags in an act of support for our veterans. Thank you to **Grass Lake Laundromat**. Your contribution is another example of how much our community businesses support Grass Lake.

## GOVERNMENT

- **Council Meetings** will take place on May 3 @ 7pm at the Lost Railway Museum due to the special election's use of the Village Hall that day, and May 17 @ 7pm at the Village Hall; both are open-to-the-public.
- **SCRAP TIRE** collection is scheduled for June 4. This will be held jointly with Norvell and Napoleon Townships and this year's site will be at Napoleon Township.
- **UPDATE:** The Events Pavilion restroom construction has been delayed due to rain plus scheduling back ups; DDA now expects completion around July 1.
- **MSU Extension Service** will conduct a **FREE** mobile Boat Wash at the Grass Lake County Park on Sunday, June 12, highlighting the value of "**Clean, Drain, and Dry**" boats to prevent spreading aquatic invasive species that can cling to boat hulls. MSU's trailer-mounted boat cleaning systems use heated high-pressure water to effectively clean most invasive species from boats and trailers. A containment mat prevents runoff back into the lake. **Clean Boats, clean waters.** *"We all can help keep Grass Lake healthy."*
- **Are you available to volunteer?** Locals are needed to assist on site to speak with boaters and hand out MSU's literature during this free mobile Boat Wash to benefit Grass Lake. Interested locals should contact the Village office about helping on June 12.
- **Recent Lift station pump issue:** DPW staff responded; sewer functions with a work around while awaiting repair parts—another stellar effort from DPW staff. We are grateful.

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