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BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING The Board of Trustees will meet at Village Hall on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

Public comment may be submitted in writing to Barton Hills Village prior to the meeting, or in person during the meeting. The public may attend in person or watch live on Zoom (view only!) The Zoom meeting ID: 816 5826 4050 Passcode: 538696

ROAD SAFETY As the temperature warms up our roads are once again getting busier. We see an increased number of pedestrians/bicyclists, as well as private contractors and BHV employees, all sharing the road with motorists. Please drive cautiously and slowly through the Village's beautiful curves and hills.

WATER BILLING As mentioned in the December 5, 2024 edition of the Barton Bulletin, BHV is switching to quarterly water billing. Please keep an eye out for your water bill to arrive in the month of April. On the upcoming water bill, you will have the option to pay by credit card or ACH transaction. Please look for more information enclosed with your bill. As a reminder, the minimum usage fee will be amended to a quarterly minimum of \$30.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING DATES FOR 2025 June 10, September 9 and December 9. The meetings will be at Village Hall at 7:30 PM.

THINKING OF SPRING Anyone who proposes to construct, alter any portion of the exterior of, or move a building or structure, shall obtain a certificate of zoning compliance from the Zoning Administrator.

Project Review is required for all new construction, exterior alteration of existing structures, and landscape projects in Barton Hills Village. This includes:

- fences;
- retaining walls greater than 18" high;
- accessory buildings (garage, garden shed, trash enclosure, gazebo, etc.);
- excavation other than common household gardening/ground care;
- playground equipment, stairways/patio enclosures, outdoor swimming/landscape pools;
- exterior lighting, generators, parking areas, solar/wind energy structures, satellite antennas.

No construction or cutting of trees may commence until all approvals are completed!

The Project Review Process helps ensure the continuation of the high-quality standards desired in our community as well as compliance with applicable law. It involves the following steps:

PreProject Conference: Contact Deputy Clerk to explain what you'd like to do. Clerk will provide information and guidance for the project review process.

Barton Hills Village Zoning Review: Submit a zoning application and necessary additional information, including the \$75 application fee. The project will be reviewed by the BHV Zoning Administrator who issues the zoning compliance certificate. The zoning application form and the BHV Zoning Ordinance are posted on the BHC website.

Barton Hills Maintenance Corporation Architectural Review: When zoning compliance has been approved, BHMC reviews the project for architectural and aesthetic components. Please call the Village Hall for the BHMC booklet Architectural Guidelines.

Ann Arbor Township Review: When BHV zoning and BHMC architectural approvals are completed, the project moves to the oversight of the Ann Arbor Township Building Inspector, who contracts with BHV to provide permit and inspection services. Ann Arbor Township also administers their Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Ordinance which is applicable in Barton Hills Village.

ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS The improper functioning of on-site sewage disposal systems can cause pollution or impairment of ground and surface water quality, which can result in adverse effects on aquatic wildlife and affect the ability to use those ground and surface waters for public or private water supply. Periodic pumping and inspections of on-site sewage disposal systems can help prevent the improper functioning of such systems, thereby protecting and enhancing public health, safety, and welfare.

Every owner of property in Barton Hills Village has an on-site sewage disposal system (OSDS) shall comply with the following requirements as stated in the Village Code:

- At least once every four years, the septic tank(s) in the OSDS shall be emptied of accumulated waste. Written documentation for this work shall be filed with the Village Clerk within ten days of work completion.
- Chapter 8 of the Village Code is intended to establish minimum standards, but compliance with the standards in this Chapter does not ensure that an OSDS will remain functional and in good working order. Rather, it establishes minimum standards which should be adequate in most cases but may not be adequate in all cases.

HAZARDOUS WASTE On the first Monday of each month from April- November, Village Staff collects secure and leak-free hazardous materials from residents' homes. On collection days, place such materials next to (not inside) your normal household waste receptacle no later than 7:30 AM.

Do not bring hazardous materials to the Village maintenance area, such materials must be properly disposed of, and the Village does not have appropriate storage containers. Residents can also schedule hazardous material disposal at the Washtenaw County Home Toxic Center on Zeeb Road.