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PORT SANILAC - TODAY

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Latest News, Bulletins, and Updates

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SEFA Happenings/Updates

SEFA recently purchased a new rescue rig. It is the first SEFA Fire Truck that has been outfitted with the new SEFA logo.

Community Development/Parks and Rec.

Bark Shanty Community Center has some new stage lights for our Music in the Bark, so be watching for the dates of these events after the new year.

The Pickleball Court will hopefully be done in spring 2025. There was a couple of setbacks before completing the project in the Fall.

The Festival of Lights on November 30th was a little cold but it was a GREAT turnout!! It truly was a community event, everyone put their all into making this day stand out. THANK YOU, You Wonderful People!!

2022 Water Project Update

The work on the South Lake Street water main portion of our Water System Improvement Project is substantially completed. Hydroseeding and repairs to lawn sprinkler systems will be completed in the spring. Meanwhile, construction of the booster station is ongoing, with the building “rough-in” expected to be complete by late January. Pumps, controls, and other electrical system components are scheduled for completion in late May. The last phase of the project is activating the connection

with the Village of Lexington water supply which cannot take place before upgrades to their water treatment plant which are slated for completion late summer or early fall 2025.

2025 Port Sanilac Upcoming Events

2024 events wrapped up with the Port Sanilac Christmas Tree Lighting and Santa Clause event at Fire Hall Park. Despite the cold a great crowd participated in a sing along and kids enjoyed Santa and Mrs. Clause at the fire hall. Look for the 2025 events list in upcoming village newsletters.

Did You Know?????

Two planning commission spots are still open. If you are interested in serving your community and want to know more, please contact the village office for more information.

Please do not forget to register your short- and long-term rental properties at the village office. Those who have failed to register will have enforcement action taken against them.

With the summer months coming to an end, you can sign up through the village office to the property checks completed by the sheriff's office.

Village Clerk Barb Rabineau recently retired. Her presence in the office and at council meetings will be greatly missed. She was one of a kind and a great source of information for village staff. She was recently replaced by Barb Joslin who is doing a fantastic job of keeping things rolling for village staff since Barb Rabineau's retirement.

2025 Village Council Meeting Dates

Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at the Bark Shanty Community Center, 135 N. Church St, Room #3, Port Sanilac, MI 48469. Governance Meetings are held at 6:30pm on the third Tuesday before the council meeting and Finance meetings are held at 6:30pm on the first Tuesday before the council meeting. Please feel free to join in and get to know what is going on in the village.

Dates for 2025- Has been published in the paper.

Business Highlights

Reminder if you would like your business highlighted in the newsletter, please submit your write up to the village office.

During the winter months do not forget to support our local business during the slow period of the year. Also please visit any of our local eating establishments including the Blue Water Inn, Stone Lodge, Ally Bar, and Sanilac Coffee.

Ordinance Enforcement

Scott Bickel has been out addressing village ordinance issues as they arise. The governance committee along with the village council continues to update and amend ordinances as needed. If you have a question or concern about any ordinances in place you are welcome to visit the village office during business hours or attend the governance committee meetings and village council meetings.

New Staff/ Village Council

Brian Moran - I was born and raised here in the village of Port Sanilac. I have dedicated the last 25 years as Firefighter EMT. I enjoy seeing the growth in the village over the past few years, and the number of visitors that come to the village

supporting our local businesses. One of my goals as trustee is to help the businesses in the community to keep the visitors coming back for years to come.

Barb Hoenicke-Joslin- I grew up on a small dairy farm 12 miles north of Port Sanilac. My father was the gentleman killed in the Bindicator Company explosion in 1976. I attended Deckerville Community Schools and then attended Business School in Port Huron. Graduating with an Associate's degree. I have been a St. Clair County resident for 35 years!

Angela Smiley- As a recently elected write-in candidate for Port Sanilac Village Trustee, I would like to introduce myself! My name is Angela Smiley. I was born in Sanilac County, raised in Port Sanilac, and attended CPS school. After graduation, I earned a Master's Degree in Higher Education, Leadership, and Business Administration. I also have a background in sales, along with education at the high school and college level. Many of you, or your children, may know me from substitute teaching at one of the local area schools. One of my hobbies, passed down through multiple generations in my family, is singing and playing guitar. I also enjoy putting together talent shows for elementary children, and helping organize events for the community. I work as a Safety Coordinator for a shop in Yale, assist with Curriculum Development for the State of MI, and occasionally bartend at The Alli Bar. I am an animal lover, and enjoy hearing stories about them!

It is my honor to service the Village of Port Sanilac, support local businesses, and embrace the opportunity to work together with residents. Port Sanilac is safe, unique, and most of all... a beautiful community. We are blessed!



The Village of Port Sanilac, Michigan

Important Information, Addresses, and Phone Numbers

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Port Sanilac Village Council

Damien Falcon – Village President
Mike Balysh – President Pro-Tem
Suc Balysh – Trustee
Benjamin Hunter – Trustee
Brian Moran, Jr. - Trustee
Britton Simon – Trustee
Angela Smiley – Trustee

Barbara Joslin – Village Clerk
Lawrence O’Keefe – Business Manager
Lawrence O’Keefe – Zoning Administrator
Darcy Johnson – Treasurer
Tjwana Hvizdos – Bookkeeper
Anne Soule – Harbor Master
Open – Parks & Rec. Coordinator

Council Meetings – Bark Shanty Community Center – Room 3

January 2025: 1st & 3rd Tuesday – 7:00 pm

Ordinances, Events Calendar, Burn Permit
Information and Reports Available on Website

Village Municipal Office:

Village of Port Sanilac
56 N. Ridge St., P.O. Box 628
Port Sanilac, MI 48469
810-622-9963
Website: www.portsanilac.net

DPW Phone: Emergencies – Dial 911

Port Sanilac Municipal Harbor

7376 Main Street, Port Sanilac, MI 48469
810-622-9610

Bark Shanty Community Center

135 Church St., Port Sanilac, MI 48469

If You Have an Emergency, Dial 911

Sanilac County Sheriff’s Office

65 N. Elk St., Sandusky, MI 48471
Central Dispatch: 1-800-881-5911 or
810-648-2000 - Option 2

Sanilac County Health Department

171 Dawson St., Sandusky, MI 48471 810-648-4098

Sanilac County Municipal Office:

60 W. Sanilac Ave., Sandusky, MI 48471

Clerk: 810-648-3212 – Room 203

Treasurer: 810-648-2127 – Room 286

Construction Dept.: 810-648-4664 – Room 210

Sanilac County Historical Museum

228 S. Ridge St., Port Sanilac, MI 48469
810-622-9946

Sanilac District Library

7130 Main St., Port Sanilac, MI 48469
810-622-8623

Sanilac Township

20 N. Ridge St., P.O. Box 631
Port Sanilac, MI 48469
810-622-8178

Waste Management

426 N. Ruth Rd., Carsonville, MI 48419
866-909-4458
Self-Dump Option at Their Facility