

Dear Village Residents,



We will begin flushing the water system **October 13th and ending by the 17th**. This is an important function in maintaining our water system as well as the water quality. During this time your water may become discolored and have a different taste.

-CHLORINATION NOTICE -

We have received permission from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) again this year to feed **chlorine** into the water supply during the fall water system flushing. **Starting October 13th**, we will begin feeding chlorine into the water supply. We will then begin flushing the water system. This will pull the chlorinated water through the system increasing the cleaning action while adding disinfectant at the same time. We will do our best to keep chlorine levels low. We are trying not to exceed .8 parts per million of free chlorine. Most municipalities that chlorinate their water try to keep the chlorine level at .2 parts per million. As Tekonsha does not regularly chlorinate the water supply, it is difficult to achieve even chlorine levels throughout town, but it is an important step in keeping the system clean.

How long will we have chlorine in the water?

Chlorine feed will end on October 17th or earlier depending on when flushing is completed. Chlorination will continue for two days after flushing has been completed to ensure the system has ample chlorine residuals to finish any disinfecting necessary. It will then leave the system fairly quickly under normal water usage for the Village.

Precautions

Fish, small animals and sometimes plants don't care for chlorinated water. Babies may not care for the taste when they are not used to it. If you have any concerns, it would be prudent to bottle some water before **October 13th**. People with special health needs should take precautions if they're sensitive to changes in their water.

If you have any questions, please call the Village office at 517-767-4204, Gary White @ 517-317-3252 or e-mail to tekvillage@yahoo.com



Leaf Pickup

We will begin when we have significant leaf drop, usually toward the end of October and wrap-up **December 1st**. Our policy is to start on one side of town and work our way through to the other - then repeat.

- PILE sticks and brush **separate** from the leaves as they clog and damage the leaf vac.
- **DO NOT rake leaves into the streets.** The area between the road and sidewalk is fine.
- If the leaves don't appear to be in any sort of pile or row, we will **NOT** stop.
- We will **NOT** vac leaves in the spring. Leaves need to be bagged for pickup in the spring.
- **DO NOT** blow lawn clipping into the road.

Tire Recycle:

October 27th, 2025 Noon – 5pm

Regular Car and Truck Tires Only

NO – Diesel, tractor, loader, or monster truck tires and no tires on rims. Event held at the village office parking lot - **NO EARLY DROP OFFS.**

Streets Update

In the Spring of 2026, the Village is expected to begin chip sealing and fog sealing Jackson Dr and Main Street

Winter Info

Watch where you park! Cars parked too close to streets could be damaged by flying debris from the plow truck. **Your garbage cans are at risk too.** Cold temperatures cause plastic to break more easily. Bring them back to the house after trash pickup.

Check your mail boxes to insure it is secure.

The Village will repair or replace a mail box or post **only** if we physically hit it with the plow truck.

Disposable Wipes

Are labeled “flushable” please don’t. They cause major problems when flushed down toilets. They must be manually removed and can result in expensive plumbing bills.

FYI

Golf Carts need to be registered @ Village Office. This is free.

Trick or Treating:

Halloween - October 31st
5:30-7:30

Help Keep Tekonsha's Roads and Sidewalks Safe and Maintained

The Village of Tekonsha is committed to maintaining safe and reliable roads and sidewalks for everyone in our community. Since 2021, a **3.75 mill** road and sidewalk millage has funded critical street repairs,

sidewalk improvements, and routine maintenance across the Village. This millage is set to **expire** at the end of 2025.

To continue this important work, the Village Council will be considering a **renewal proposal for residents to vote on in 2025.**

Why this matters:

- Keeps our roads in a safe, drivable condition
- Repairs and replaces aging sidewalks
- Funds street patching and winter maintenance
- Maintains infrastructure without relying solely on the General Fund

What does the current millage provide?

- 3.75 mill means \$3.75 per \$1,000 taxable value
- Generates approximately \$70,000 annually dedicated exclusively to local roads and sidewalks.
- Supports local match requirements for state or federal road grants to bring additional dollars into Tekonsha.

What's next?

The Village will be gathering community input throughout 2025 on the proposed renewal, including:

- Road and sidewalk priorities for the next 5-10 years
- Potential adjustments based on inflation and cost of materials
- Transparent reporting on past and planned millage use

A renewal **would not** be a new tax but would continue the existing rate to ensure consistent road and sidewalk maintenance without disruption.

How can you help:

- Attend Village Council Meetings (2nd Monday of each Month)
- Contact the Village Office with questions at (517) 767-4204
- Watch for updates on the proposed 2025 ballot question

Maintaining our roads and sidewalks is essential for Tekonsha's safety and future growth. We appreciate your continued support and engagement as we plan to keep our Village moving forward.

Pay water/sewer bills online!!

www.villageoftekonsha.com

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DPW Dept.: 517-767-4288

Office Hours: 8:00-4:00 M-F

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Taking pride in your home is the cornerstone to a strong community