



HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE...

FEBRUARY 26

NEWS & INFORMATION

February may be a shorter month, but there's still plenty happening around the Village. This issue shares a few important ordinance reminders along with seasonal notes to help residents navigate the rest of winter.

Utility Billing: On March 01, 2026 all accounts with a Meter size of 2" or larger will see a 5% increase on the sewer ready to serve charge. Residential accounts will not see an increase as their meters are below 2" in size. If you have any questions, please call our office at 269.624.6407.

Frozen Pipe Prevention: If you have an older home and are concerned about pipes freezing during extremely cold temperatures, please allow a faucet to run just enough to create a small, steady stream. This can help prevent pipes from freezing. If you do this, please contact the Village Office so staff can add your address to the drop list and monitor water usage accordingly.

Winter Ordinance Reminders: To help keep our community safe and accessible, residents are reminded of the following ordinances:

Sidewalks: Property owners are responsible for keeping sidewalks clear of snow and ice.

Snow Placement: Snow should not be plowed, shoveled, or blown into public streets or alleys.

Parking: Please be mindful of winter parking restrictions during snow events to allow DPW crews to safely clear roadways.

Your cooperation helps ensure safe travel for pedestrians, motorists, and emergency vehicles.

Library News: Saturday February 14, 2026 | 10:30 am - 11:30 am
The Lawton Library is hosting a special Valentine's event for children ages 6 and up. Participants can enjoy a themed craft and read a story to a certified therapy dog. Harvey the dog will be visiting for the full hour.

Department of Public Works Update: The DPW continues to monitor winter weather conditions and respond to snow and ice events as needed. We appreciate residents' patience during winter maintenance operations.

Administrative Notes: Questions regarding taxes and assessments may be directed to Antwerp Township's Office: 24821 Front Ave Mattawan, MI 269.668.2615 | bosborne@antwerptownship.com

VILLAGE HOURS

Clerk's Office Hours:

M-F 8:00am - 5:00pm
SAT - SUN CLOSED

Library Hours:

M-W 9:30am - 6:00pm
F 9:30am - 5:00pm
Sat 9:30am - 2:00pm
Th/Sun Closed

Museum Hours:

Please call 269.624.5481
to schedule a tour.

CONTACT US!

Ask billing questions, sign up for our email newsletters, update your account information, get an explanation of rates, or make service changes:

Clerk's Office: 269.624.6407

Police Office: 269.624.2382

DPW: 269.299.0012

Website: www.lawtonmi.org

Address: 125 S Main St

Mail: PO Box 367

After-hours water/sewer emergency:
269.251.0148



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PUBLIC NOTICE!

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026: TRANSITION BUDGET

The Village Council of the Village of Lawton will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed budget for Fiscal year 2026 Transition Budget for the months of March through June. The property tax millage rate proposed to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. The hearing will be held at the Village Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

February Newsletter

January's
Snow Day
Contest Winner
Amy E.



Thank you for participating in our fun contest! Keep a look out throughout the year for more!

Fun Valentine's Day Facts



Over **145 million** Valentine's Day cards are exchanged each year!



Roses are the most popular flower on Valentine's Day.



The first **Valentine's note** was sent by a medieval duke in 1415.



Over **58 million** pounds of chocolate are bought for Valentine's Day.



Cupid's arrows are said to make people fall in love!

About **9 million** pet owners buy gifts for their pets!



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Council meets the second Tuesday at 7pm at the Village Hall.

Planning commission meets the first Tuesday at 7pm at the Village Hall.

DDA meets the third Wednesday at 7pm at the Village Hall.