

## **CITY OF POTTERVILLE HYDRANT FLUSHING**

The City of Potterville Department of Public Works will be flushing hydrants April 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> 2024 during the <u>evening AND morning</u> hours of 10:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M.

Hydrant flushing is an important preventive maintenance activity that verifies operation of public hydrants *and* ensures adequate water flow is available should the need for firefighting arise. Flushing on a regular schedule helps remove sediment that naturally accumulates in the City's water pipes. Removing these materials by flushing helps to maintain a high quality of water throughout the water system.

When hydrant flushing occurs, you may notice yellow, orange, or brown-colored water coming from your faucet. If this happens, simply run your cold water tap for three to five minutes. If the water is still discolored, wait about 30 minutes and run the water again. This temporary discoloration only affects the appearance of the water – it is not a health risk.

While the water is safe to drink, you should <u>avoid washing laundry during flushing times</u>. The flushed sediment from the water mains can discolor clothing. Wait until the water runs clear at the tap then wash a load of dark clothes first. You should also avoid using hot water until the cold water runs clear.

If you experience discoloration for a prolonged period of time, or if you experience a significant loss of water pressure, please contact the City Hall at <a href="maintenanger@pottervillemi.org">manager@pottervillemi.org</a> (517) 645-7642 and/or the City Water Department at <a href="maintenanger@pottervillemi.org">dstanley@pottervillemi.org</a> (517) 667-9524.