OFFICE HOURS MONDAY -FRIDAY

8:00AM-4:30PM

During closed-business hours, a drop box is located at the front of our building.

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City Officials

Mayor: Joi Kempf Mayor Pro Tem: Frank Demske Commissioner: Kelly Villanueva Commissioner: Greg Rowden Commissioner: Stu Davis Commissioner: Al Ramirez Commissioner: Ted Sadler

City Manager: Tom Youatt City Clerk/Treasurer: Lynn Eutsler Police Chief: Scott Pike Fire Chief: Rick Horton DPW Superintendent: Ed Priehs WWTP Superintendent: Patrick Rankin DDA Director: Lorrelei Natke



TOM YOUATT, CITY MANAGER

With the end of summer and the beautiful weather we have had, we now look to Fall which in Michigan is a great season and one to enjoy!

The City has made significant progress over the summer season. The Fire Hall construction project is in full swing as the underground utilities are virtually completed. The water main has been tapped as has the sanitary sewer main and the storm sewer main. We are looking forward to completing the footings for the building foundation over the next few weeks. The main steel structure will go up around September 16th and the building should move along quickly after that. We are still looking at a December completion date for this project.

The City also will begin resurfacing streets this Fall. West First Street, Second Street, Caulkins, Pine and Grove Streets will be milled off and resurfaced after Labor Day weekend. The City has resurfaced a number of streets since the 2015 Street millage was approved and has made great progress in maintaining our streets.

Also, the City is looking forward to receiving news from the DNR on our Splashpad Grant application. The City applied for a \$150,000 grant to assist with the total estimated cost of \$364,000 for construction of a new 17 feature Splashpad adjacent to the City Pool facility. We will know by this Fall if we receive this much needed grant.

With the start of School recently, be sure to drive carefully and watch out for our children and School Busses. I hope you take time to enjoy the beautiful Fall colors that make our City and State a special place to be!

City Commission meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm.



SCOTT PIKE, POLICE CHIEF

Summer is going to start to winding down soon (as short as it was), now is the time to start watching out for young people moving about particularly in the morning and afternoon when school lets out. Our young people are super distracted, school work, activities, cell phones and the hunt for the ever-elusive Poke-Mon. So please be vigilant in limiting your distractions when driving and watch out for unsuspecting kids. (Not to mention you may be ticketed for texting and driving).

Along with the resuming of school the weather will do what Michigan is oh so well known for and change frequently. Make sure you are prepared, check your windshield wipers, tires, fluids etc..

Be prepared to drive in the worst weather conditions as well as the best. Remember you're a Michigander, and none of this is new to you, drive cautiously and defensively.

ED PRIEHS, DPW SUPERINTENDENT

The DPW will continue brush pick-up on the first and third Monday of each month until the end of November. The City is NOT responsible for large amounts of brush from tree trimming, tree removal, or clearing of property. Brush piles must be stacked neatly so branches do not become entangled which can cause unsafe conditions for workers. Please do not stack piles of brush onto the street surface at any time. *Curbside leaf pickup will tentatively begin Monday, October 21, 2019.* Please do not place leaves onto the street until a few days before the start date. This will keep streets clear and safe and allow the DPW to continue street sweeping until leaf pick-up begins. Please place leaves and yard waste in marked yard waste containers or biodegradable bags that the garbage hauler will pick up until the end of November.



Welcome to the fall season, personally my favorite of the four seasons. Hard to believe summer is over, but after the wet spring and the hot busy summer, fall is a welcome time.

But with the fall coming on so does the cleanup from summer and the preparation for cooler/ colder temperatures. Scheduled leaf pickup will begin, remember there is no burning within the city limits. Do your annual check on your heating unit or have a contractor inspect and

service it as needed. Smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors should be inspected and batteries changed before the heating season arrives. (Remember time change, battery change) The Imlay City Fire Department still has free smoke detectors available for Imlay City residents at city hall, arrangements can be made for Firefighters to come into your home and install them. Contact the City Office at 724-2135 or contact the Fire Department

for installation at 724-6262 and leave a name and phone number on machine. Enjoy the fall season and cooler temps and as always BE SAFE.

ELECTION REMINDERS FROM YOUR IMLAY CITY CLERK

There will be an Election on

November 5th, 2019



The Election is for renewal of the Imlay City School Bond. Information about the Imlay City School Bond can be found at: <u>www.icschools.us</u> and click on School Election Information You can Register to VOTE at the Imlay City Clerk's Office, the Lapeer County Clerk's Office, any Secretary of State's Office, or by mail.

Absentee Applications will be mailed to all Registered Voters in September. If you choose to vote Absentee, you will need to complete the application and return to the City Office. The ballots will be mailed out by September 21, 2019

FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CITY TREASURER

A reminder that th<mark>e Summer Tax</mark> Bill is due September 16th, 2019.

The Winter Tax Bill will be mailed the last week of November 2019 and will be due: February 14th, 2020 without Penalty and Interest. You will be able to pay them Delinquent to the City until March 2nd, 2020. If you have not received your TAX BILL by the END of the FIRST WEEK DECEMBER, Please call the Treasurer's Office and we will make sure we get one

to you.

If you have a new mailing address, or maybe you are new to the City, please contact the City Treasurer and make sure they have the current information and paperwork. Happy Fall!

PAT RANKIN, WWTP SUPERINTENDENT

It has been a trying summer at the wastewater plant. With such a wet spring we were unable to haul the waste sludge, so we have been storing it in standby tanks until the conditions are right to have it hauled away. We have 1.3 million gallons in storage and soon as it is gone we will have only two short months to get the plant in shape for the cold winter which always stresses the bacteria to their limit.

We are installing a new compactor on the bar screen we put in two years ago. The bar screen has been so efficient in removing non organic by product. That by product is a safety concerns for employees to be handling. The compactor should reduce the weight by 40% to 60% making it much safer for our employees to dispose of it.



LORRELIE NATKE, DDA DIRECTOR

While I do not want Summer to end, our fall is quickly approaching. Falling leaves and hot cocoa at a Friday night Imlay City football game is a favorite. So is the DDA's Not-To-Be-Missed 5th Annual Art in the Rough Gala. Come enjoy the creative energy from 6 to 10 pm on September 28th where over 30 artists of many mediums will be creating in pop-up galleries all along Third Street. Your ticket purchase includes complimentary craft beer and wine tastings (for those 21 and over). To round out our evening, accompanying this fabulous experience will be live entertainment for your listening pleasure. I need a partner ... anyone wanna dance with me? Tickets purchased in advance are just \$15 and only \$20 if you decide to join us at the last minute. Either way, a fantastic time awaits at Art in the Rough 2019. Our VIP Event will take place from 4-6 pm at 244 E. Third Street (the Old Hiram's Tavern). Come rub elbows with the artists, enjoy some live music and specialty cocktails. The VIP Experience is just \$50. There are a limited number of VIP tickets, so get those early because when they are gone, they are gone.

Did you know that worldwide, the only holiday when we spend more of our hard-earned dollars than Halloween, is Christmas? Join the DDA for a FREE, spooky fun time at the Imlay City Chamber of Commerce Merchant Trick-or-Treat which is planned for Saturday, October 19th from 11 am to 1 pm. Join in the celebration of this fun holiday by donning a costume and collecting loads of goodies from all the Downtown Imlay City Merchants. Hope to see you there.

For all things Downtown Imlay City, please visit our website at <u>www.icda.com</u> and know my door is always open. Feel free to contact me any time at 810.724.2135 or <u>lnatke@imlaycity.org</u>.



<u>∴Saturday, September 28</u>™

2019 Water Bill Dates

Billing From	Billing To	# of Days	Billing Date	Due Date	<u>Shutoff Due</u>
6/6/2019	9/5/2019	92	9/15/2019	10/14/2019	11/12/2019
9/6/2019	12/5/2019	91	12/15/2019	1/13/2020	2/10/2020

PLEASE NOTE:

BRANCH & BRUSH CHIPPING

On the 1st and 3rd MONDAY of each month starting in APRIL through the end of NOVEMBER the City will be picking up brush. Branches cannot exceed 4" in diameter and brush with roots must be free of dirt and stones. THE CITY IS NOT REPONSIBLE FOR LARGE AMOUNTS OF BRUSH FROM TREE TRIMMING, TREE REMOVAL, OR CLEARING OF PROPERTY. Property owner should contact a tree service for excessive brush removal.

YARD WASTE & BRUSH PICK UP

The garbage haulers will be picking up yard waste and small brush on TUESDAYS starting at the beginning of APRIL through the end of NOVEMBER. Please place yard waste in marked yard waste containers are biodegradable bags and bundle branches 1" or less in diameter. Bundles and yard waste containers cannon exceed 40lbs.

YARD WASTE SHOULD NOT BE RAKED TO THE CURB.

Please contact City Hall at (810)724-2135 with any additional questions.