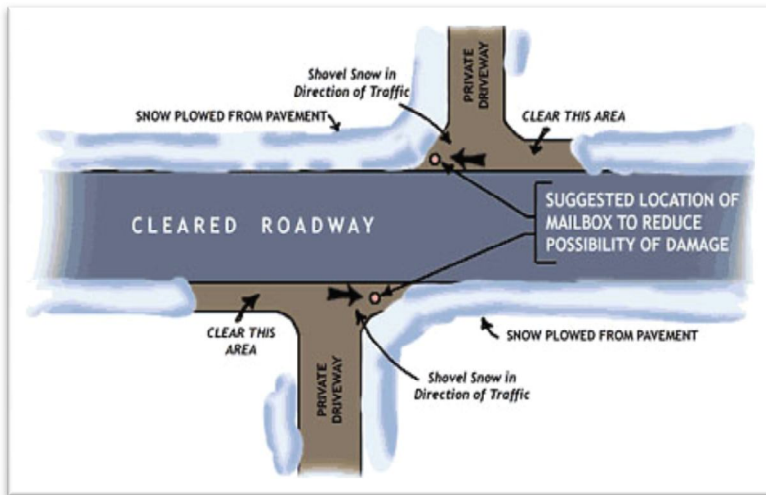


Sewer Issues, How Do I Handle It?

If you ever experience slow drains or notice drains bubbling up, first call the **City DPW at 834-7462**. City staff will check the main line from the manhole to determine if the main line is obstructed or not. If the main line is obstructed the city will clear the line and is responsible for any property damage. If the main is flowing, then it is likely you have roots in your lateral, grease plugging your lateral, or you have an old clay lateral that may have collapsed. If it is determined that the issue is your lateral, you should **call a local plumber immediately**. **You are responsible for your sewer lateral to the main line, just like you are responsible for your driveway to the street.**

Winter Snow Plowing: Understanding Plowing Near Driveways

Driveways are always a sensitive issue when it comes to snow removal. DPW crews are sensitive to this problem, however, there is no practical way to plow snow without depositing snow into driveways. Drivers will do their best to minimize filling in or blocking driveways. Below is a graphic showing how a driveway can be initially cleared to reduce the likelihood of the plow filling the entrance. If you shovel or move the snow in the direction of traffic, making a pocket next to the driveway as shown, snow accumulation on the plow will drop into that pocket and only a bare minimum will go into the opening.



Christmas Tree Pick-Up

City DPW staff will be picking up Christmas trees placed out in the public right of way each Monday during the month of January.

Notice of City Commission Meetings:

January 20, 2014
February 17, 2014
March 17, 2014

City of Grant Regular Commission Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm at City Hall-280S. Maple St, Grant, MI 49327

Important Contact Numbers:

City of Grant Office: 834-7904
A-Waste (Garbage): 834-9913
City of Grant Police: 834-7212
City of Grant DPW/Water/Sewer: 834-7462
Grant Post Office: 834-5966
Newaygo County Sheriff Department: 231-689-7303
City Assessor (Newaygo County Equalization): 231-689-7244
Building Inspector (Newaygo County): 231-689-7216
Grant District Library: 834-5713

2013 Santa Express!

On Saturday, December 14, Santa arrived for a visit with area children in preparation for Christmas! Thanks to Marquette Rail, the River Country Chamber of Commerce, volunteers and the City of Grant, the event was a great success. Festivities included Santa arriving on the train, carriage rides, arts/ crafts, Christmas treats, and free pictures with Santa at the Grant Community Center.



Winter Child Safety Request!

Please watch children and **DO NOT** let them build snow forts, tunnels, or play in snow banks along streets or in the right of way. This is very dangerous!

Snow Removal on Sidewalks

Ordinance #53 section 302.3- Requires property owners to keep sidewalks adjacent to their property free from anything that will obstruct them or cause a hazard to public safety. Please shovel/clear sidewalks to keep them clear, especially for children who use them. Per City Policy, the DPW will clear sidewalks during single snow events of 10 or more inches of accumulation or as time permits during a regular work day.

Other Local Ordinances to be Aware of:

Ordinance #44 Prohibits loud noise generated by radios or other sound amplification devices. Limits are 50ft from 7am-9pm and 25 ft from 9pm to 7am.
Ordinance #14 Is an ordinance regulating snowmobiles for the winter season. Snowmobiles must be OFF streets, sidewalks, must travel at a speed not greater than 10mph, and may not operate between 10pm and 8am.
Ordinance #53.301-308 Our local junk ordinance prohibits unlicensed and nonfunctioning vehicles in the city limits, unless they are located in full-enclosed areas of your property. It also prohibits cluttered material present in yards.
Ordinance #20 Is an ordinance requiring anyone plowing snow for hire to obtain a snow plow permit from the City. Permits are \$10 per vehicle.
Ordinance #37-2 An ordinance that allows for a permit to burn for \$20.
Ordinance #34 Curfew-no minors under 17 out from 10pm to 6am, no aiding or abetting curfew violations for 17 or older.
All City Ordinances are available on our website:
www.cityofgrantmi.com
****If you see any of these violations, call the Grant Police Department at 834-7212****

RCAP-Community Income Survey-Public Information Meeting-January 20, 2014 7pm at City Hall-280 S. Maple St.

The City of Grant is partnering with RCAP (Rural Community Assistance Partnership) to conduct an income survey (that will be going out this winter/spring) that may assist the community with grant funding for infrastructure and economic development projects. At the meeting a representative from RCAP will be present to answer any questions. It is important that everyone who lives in the City of Grant complete the survey. All surveys will remain confidential.