CITY OF GRANT NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2021



FALL IS HERE!

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Check out upcoming events!



Local road resurfacing will begin Wednesday October 6th Streets impacted: N Lake St, Brink St, Divina Dr, N Front St, Gordon to city limits. Road crews will work with residents who need access to their homes. Should last only a couple days. Patience will be appreciated!

Fire Hydrant Flushing October 11th—15th Fire hydrant flushing will be performed during business hours. It can cause a temporary harmless discoloration in the water. If you experience this, avoid doing laundry and run your faucet until it clears from your intake pipe.

Wrapping up Brush Pickup—bulk leaf pickup will occur every Monday starting Oct 4th through Nov 15th (or until it snows). Unlike summer months, this means you can rake your leaves to the edge of the road to be picked up on Mondays—bags are preferred but not required. No pickup on Oct 1st.

Saturday October 30th - City of Grant Trick or Treating 5:30pm-7:30pm.



Grant Community Center / Reception Hall historical venue is available for wedding receptions, holiday parties, graduation parties, meetings, etc. Rental includes full kitchen facilities, large spacious main hall with antique wood panel flooring, and air conditioning. Tables and chairs are also included. Various caterers are available in the area. City Resident rate: Non-resident \$175; rate: \$275; refundable reservation fee: \$25; Non-alcohol Security Deposit: \$300. Events with alcohol allowed—see rules and regulations online or contact our office.

VOTE! Tuesday, November 2nd - Exercise your privilege to influence history and cast your vote! The polls at the City Office will open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm. Voters will need to provide proof of identity.

The ballot this November will be to select our City Commission. Our City Commission is made up of our Mayor and six Commissioners. As residents of the City of Grant, you elect the Commissioners to serve four year terms and the Mayor to serve a two year term. On November 2nd, three Commissioner seats and the Mayor are on the ballot. No seats have been opposed.

We're saying farewell to Commissioner Gerard Williams after his years of service on the City Commission. He is not seeking re-election. We thank him for his service.

Water Freezes at 32 degrees and could impact your water pipes and possibly your meter. We receive a few calls every winter regarding frozen water meters. We urge you to make sure that your pipes and meters are properly insulated and kept above freezing so that this doesn't happen to you. This simple task of insulating pipes and meters before the winter months arrive can prevent freezing and is the responsibility of the property owner. Frozen meter replacement costs start at \$135.00. Meters must be purchased at the City office.

Gypsy Moth Forum

NOTICE—Gypsy Moth Forum, Saturday, October 9th @ 10:00 AM at Grant Fine Arts Center. Hosted by Newaygo County Board of Commissioners. Presentation by MSU Extension, Michigan DNR, U.S. Forestry, N.C. Soil Conservation. Join for a county-wide forum to hear from experts in the field, discuss steps and gather information pertaining to the Gypsy Moth infestation the Region experienced this past summer. Q & A following for homeowners to ask questions. Grant Fine Arts Center is located in the Grant High School at 331 E State Road, Grant, MI.

Christmas in Grant

Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 11th at the Community Center—we will have live reindeer!! Thank you to the Ulrich family that generously donated in Rich's memory to our enchanted event so we could bring reindeer to our children for Christmas.



Plan to experience the arrival of **Santa & Mrs Claus**. There will be **Kids Games, Holiday Music,** and **Photos with Santa.** Families can enjoy the **Horse-drawn Wagon Ride**. All of these activities are **FREE**. Festivities are all made possible by our volunteers, sponsors, the City of Grant, and River Country Chamber of Commerce. Please check out the link below as details become available:

www.rivercountrychamber.com

DEA National Take Back Day—Saturday, October 23rd The DEA is holding a prescription drug take back day on October 23rd from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Ashland—Grant Fire Department. This program allows people to drop off their unused prescription medications, no questions asked. If you are unable to attend this Take Back Day, you can still properly dispose of unused medications along with needles at the City office **Pharmaceutical Collection site** in the lobby.

Important Public Safety Information. If you are in immediate need of a police officer, call 231.834.7212 and follow the prompts to quickly reach the nearest available police officer. **For emergencies always call 911.**

Winter Property Tax bills will be mailed on December 1st and are *due Monday, February 14, 2022*. Taxes can be paid at the City office during regular office hours, use the City drop box, or via the City's 3rd party payment vendor for online payments. PLEASE write **separate checks** for property taxes and water/sewer bills.

Monday 7:00 pm City Commission Meeting Schedule:

October 18th, November 15th, December 20th

Quarterly Water / Sewer bills will be mailed on October 1st and are *due Friday, October 31, 2021*. PLEASE write **separate checks** for property taxes and water/sewer bills.

Snow is Coming

Snow Plow Permits Remember that commercial for-hire snow removal requires a snow plow permit to plow in the city limits. Permits can be purchased at City Hall for \$10 and are good for the 2021-2022 winter season.

Winter Parking Restrictions-Ord #18 The City reminds residents/
businesses/visitors that there is no
parking of any motor vehicles upon any
public street or alley within the City
limits between the hours of 2:00 am
and 6:00 am November 15th — April
15th. This aids City plows removing
snow from streets. Signs are posted
around the City that also serves as a
notice. If your vehicle is towed, signs
have the appropriate contact number to
call.

Snow around Fire Hydrants If you have a fire hydrant on or near your property, please make sure it is clear of snow should there be an emergency.



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