



# SUMMER IS HERE!

Check out our Farmer's Market and various parks!



**Grant High School Class of 2022, Go Tigers!!** Our leaders of tomorrow were saluted in style. Go out into the world, pursue your goals while leaving a legacy of kindness in your wake! Good luck in all of your endeavors! Congrats to the class of 2022 from all our staff at the City, Police Dept, DPW, and City Commission!!

**August 2nd Primary Election** Remember to vote. We had many first time voters at our May election! We are a democracy and we appreciate our right to vote! Primary elections are held to select each party's candidate who will appear on the November election ballot.

**Tall Grass and Weeds Alert.** Rain and lightning encourage vegetation growth! City Ord #53 Sec 302.4 requires that all premises and exterior property be maintained free from weeds and plant growth in excess of **10 inches**. 1st offense \$50, 2nd offense \$100, 3rd offense \$200, 4th offense \$500.



**Brush curbside pickup occurs 1st and 15th each month.** Yard waste pick up occurs on the 1st and 15th of each month. If the 1st or 15th falls on the weekend, pick up will be the following Monday. Please, place yard waste out only 48 hours prior to pickup, and do not place yard waste out after the scheduled pickup or you could be cited. Brush bundles should be no more than 25 pounds, no big-

ger than 4 feet long and 18 inches in diameter. Leaves must be bagged in biodegradable paper bags for pick up.

**Grant Farmer's Market and Flea Market—Opened May 21st.** New vendors welcome—contact Market Master Pete Pickard @ 231.834.7384. Now open every Saturday 9 am—1 pm. Find out what's available each week at our page: Facebook.com/groups/grantfarmersmarket. Help support local growers and vendors! Seasonal produce, baked goods, artisan crafts, & more.

**Recreational camp fires on private property** for the purpose of cooking or ambiance are allowed and do not require a permit provided all restrictions of Ordinance #37-2 are followed. All fires are to be extinguished by 11 pm and must not create any odor or smoke nuisance.

**Burn Permits** Open burning requires that you purchase a burn permit to burn in the city. Permits can be purchased at City Hall for \$20 and are good for 14 days from purchase. Always be sure to check that there has not been a burn ban issued—contact the DNR at [www2.dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits](http://www2.dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits) for more information.

**Water conservation fun facts**—The average eight minute shower uses 20 gallons (g) of water. Water saver toilets use an average of 1.6 g per flush while older toilets can use as much as 6 g. A typical automatic dishwasher uses 4-6 gallons per cycle while hand washing the same dishes uses an average of 27 g.

**Summer Property Tax** bills will be mailed on July 1st and are **due Wednesday, August 10, 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 make sure to write separate checks for property tax and water/sewer bills.

### Monday 7:00 pm City Commission Meeting Schedule:

July 18th, August 15th, September 19th

**Quarterly Water / Sewer** bills will be mailed on June 30th and are due **Sunday, July 31, 2021**. Use our after hours drop box.

Ways to reduce water usage in hot summer months:

- Watering lawns/gardens less often but deep to reach roots will improve the plant health
- Water early morning or evening to avoid evaporation
- Set mower decks at taller levels to help grass avoid stress of summer heat



**Happy 4th of July!** Be safe and have fun!

With summer upon us, we encourage residents to come in to obtain permits for your various housing and outdoor projects, garage/yard sale permits, burn permits, zoning permits, etc.

**Grant City Parks** Residents are encouraged to get outside, enjoy the sunshine, exercise, or just relax. We have three parks in the city that residents of all ages can enjoy now that summer is here! Please be sure to clean up after your pets.

**Ryan Benson Memorial Skate Park** located at 85 Harold Street. Bring your rollerblades, skates, or skateboards to ride jumps and ramps.

**Water Tower Park** located downtown Grant along M37. Hosting Grant Farmer and Flea markets on Saturdays.

**Blanche Lake** located at 200 North Park Drive. Picnic facilities, baseball diamond, walking paths plus swimming, fishing, or kayaking in the lake.

**Also at Blanche Lake—18 hole Disc Golf course** - Course is made possible by a partnership of Grant Wesleyan Youth, City of Grant, and Grant Public Schools.



**Community Center Celebrations** Our historical venue is available for wedding receptions, graduation parties, meetings, etc. Rental includes full kitchen facilities, large spacious main hall with antique wood panel flooring, elevated stage for seating guests of honor, and air conditioning. Tables and chairs are also included. Various caterers are available in the area. **City Resident daily rate: \$175; Non-resident daily rate: \$275; Weekend rate: \$375; Non-refundable reservation fee: \$25; Non-alcohol Security Deposit: \$300.** Events with alcohol allowed—see rules and regulations online or contact our office.

**Experiencing slow drains or drain bubbling up?** First call the City DPW department @ 834-7462. City staff will check the main line from the manhole to determine if the main line is obstructed. If the main line is obstructed, the City will clear the line and evaluate any damage. If the main is flowing, then it is likely you have a blockage in your lateral—could be roots or grease buildup—or your property may have an old clay lateral that could have collapsed. **If it is determined that the issue is in your lateral, you should call a local plumber immediately.** As property owner, you are responsible for maintenance of your sewer lateral to the main line, just like you are responsible for your driveway to the street and any damage incurred.

**Important Public Safety Information.** If you are in immediate need of a police officer, call Newaygo County Dispatch @ 231-689-5288 to quickly reach the nearest available police officer. **For life threatening emergencies always call 911.**

**City Ordinances** Violations could result in citations which are issued by Grant Police Department—contact @ 231.834.7212. All City Ordinances can be viewed online @ [www.cityofgrantmi.com](http://www.cityofgrantmi.com).

**Inoperative and unlicensed vehicles, RVs, and boats** must be enclosed within the confines of a 6 ft tall solid fenced enclosure or an enclosed building. Violation of Ordinance #53 sec 302.8 will be fined.

## Upcoming Events

### Saturday September 17th—Harvest Moon Festival

Get involved—contact facilitator Rachael Peterlein @ 231.652.3068  
Activities include:

- Parade
- Auto Show
- Soap Box Derby
- Chili Cookoff
- BBQ Contest
- Pie Baking Contest
- Corn Hole Tournament
- Pumpkin Craft
- Brat Eating Contest
- Kid's Activities

\*\*\*\* Sponsors needed \*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\* Volunteers needed \*\*\*\*

**City-wide Yard Sale** "unofficial" annual event occurs the Saturday after Labor Day—no yard sale permit needed.

**Planning a Garage/Yard Sale?** Free Garage & Yard Sale Permits available at the city office. The City requires a permit for yard and garage sales. This permit is free and allows for residents to hold three (3) sales per year with a maximum duration of three (3) days per sale. Please remember to remove any posted signs.

**Let's keep our city beautiful** - trash pickup occurs every Tuesday -let's keep curb time of waste containers at a minimum whenever possible!

Help keep sidewalks clear of debris

Check us out at  
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