

CITY OF GRANT NEWSLETTER APRIL 2022

SPRING IS HERE!

Check out our springtime ordinances and programs for residents!



Water Main Flushing

We will be **flushing city water mains April 11th—22nd**. Don't be alarmed if you notice water running out of some hydrants. The flushing will happen between 9 am and 4 pm. If you notice any discoloration in your water, simply run it until it is clear. It is recommended not to do laundry during this time. If you have any

questions, contact Justin Salisbury at DPW at 231-834-7462.

First Brush Pickup on April 15th

Brush/yard waste pick up occurs on the 1st and 15th of each month; however, if the 1st or 15th falls on the weekend, pick up will be the following Monday. The first pickup this year is Friday April 15th. 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 bigger than 4 ft long and 18 inches in diameter. Leaves must be bagged in biodegradable paper bags for pick up.

Tall Grass and Weeds

All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds and plant growth in excess of <u>10 inches</u>. All noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs provided; however, this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens as well as wooded or forested lots. 1st offense; \$50. 2nd offense; \$100. 3rd offense; \$200. 4th offense; \$500.

Grant Farmers Market

There will be a **vendor meeting** at City Hall on Saturday, May 7th at 11 am.

The farmer's market is located next to the water tower on M-37 and will be open every Saturday - Opening date has yet to be determined.

Republic Services Bulk item pickup

First Tuesday of every month, at no charge, Republic will pickup one bulk item measuring no more than 1 cubic yard (3'x3'x3'). Additional/Larger items will **require a bulk item tag** good for any pickup day available at the City office for \$20.00 each.



Effective April 1, 2022, Republic Services will implement a temporary \$4.00 monthly fuel surcharge.

City Clean-up Event May 12th—May 14th

The City is once again hosting a dumpster for spring clean up. Residents may unload "<u>non-hazardous</u>" household waste into a dumpster at no charge. Once the dumpster is

full, the clean-up event is over. Drop off hours: Thursday and Friday, noon—6:30pm, Saturday 9am to 1pm. Dumpster will be located at the end of Jones Street.

Free Burn Weekend May 13th—15th

Residents are encouraged to burn their brush and remaining leaves — as long as there is no DNR burn ban. No burn permit required for this event. Please check the City Facebook page for up-

dates or electronic road sign.

Burn Permits

Required 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. For more information, contact the DNR at www2.dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits regarding burn bans.

Yard & Garage Sale Permits

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. No permit will be required for sales during the end of summer annual community-wide yard sale day which is always the first Saturday after Labor Day.

Commission Meetings: 7pm at City Hall on the third Monday each month—April 18th, May 16h, June 20th

Other Public Meetings

Library Board Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm at 122 Elder Ave.

Ashland-Grant Fire District Meetings: 4th Monday each month at 7pm at the Grant City office, 280 S Maple.

Grant Public Schools: 2nd Monday of every month, 7pm at the Fine Arts Center; 331 E. State Rd.

Water/Sewer Payments Online

In addition to check payments by mail, the City of Grant accepts electronic payments online through the city website @ www.cityofgrantmi.com. Payments will incur a convenience fee.

You can also utilize our drop box at city hall to make check or money order payments. If you need to set up payment arrangements, email Sara Bronson at sbronson@cityofgrantmi.com or call at 231-834-7904.

Important Public Safety Information

If you are in immediate need of a police officer call <u>Newaygo County Dispatch at 231-689-5288</u>, this will reach the nearest available police officer. **If it is a life threatening emergency dial 911**.

City of Grant Parks

Residents are encouraged to get outside and exercise. We have three parks in the city that residents of all ages can enjoy now that spring is here! Please be sure to use trash cans and also clean up after your pets.

Ryan Benson Memorial Skate Park located at 85 Harold Street. Have fun skating and rollerblading on jumps and ramps.

Blanche Lake and hiking trails located at 200 North Park Drive.

18 hole Disc Golf Course at Blanche Lake Park

Through a partnership of Grant Wesleyan Youth, City of Grant, and Grant Public Schools, we'd like to remind residents that the Blanche Lake Disc Golf Course is open! Thanks go to many hours of volunteers who maintain the course and are making this possible. We encourage people of all ages to join, volunteer, and check out the Grant Disc Golf Course facebook group.



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 flooring, and air conditioning. Tables and chairs are also included. Various caterers are available in the area. City Resident rate: \$175; Non-resident rate: \$275; Non-refundable reservation fee: \$25; Non-alcohol Security Deposit: \$300. Weekend rates available. Events with alcohol allowed — see rules and regulations online or contact our office.

Fixing Water Leaks can Save Money

According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the average household loses more than 10,000 gallons of water each year from leaks. Fixing such a leak could save about \$ 80 per year for a Grant city resident. Learn more @ Michigan.gov/FixALeakWeek



Warm Weather Rules and Ordinances

Let's welcome Spring—Winter is history but a special thanks to those neighbors that helped their fellow neighbors with snow removal this past season!

The rules below are for your safety and peace of mind of everyone in our community. Please contact the city offices if you have any questions about our ordinances.

Minor Curfews

Per city Ordinance #34, any minor under the age of 17 out between 10pm to 6am without parental or guardian supervision (as described in the ordinance) is in violation.

Loud Noise

Ordinance #44 prohibits loud noise generated by radios or other amplification devices. Please be courteous to your neighbors!

Animal Ordinance

Animal ordinance #21 requires dogs to be on a lease in public and also prohibits prolonged barking, howling, or yelping beyond 15 minutes — please see ordinance or call our office for more details.

Keep our city beautiful

Ord #50 Sec 7d—no trash containers, bulk waste, or other materials will be placed 18 hours before and removed not later than 12 hours after collection is made.

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