



OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-FRIDAY
8:00AM - 4:30PM

For times we are closed,
 there is a drop box located
 in front of the building.

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QUICK REFERENCE NUMBERS

<u>City Hall</u>	724-2135
	Fax 724-1861
<u>Police</u>	
Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	724-2345
After 4:30pm	667-0292
<u>Construction Code</u>	
Imlay City Office	724-8081
Lapeer Office	667-0420
<u>Chamber of Commerce</u>	724-1361
<u>Pool</u>	724-7665
<u>Post Office</u>	724-7545
<u>Fairgrounds</u>	724-4145
<u>Senior Center</u>	
Imlay City office	724-6030
Lapeer Office	245-5866
<u>Ruth Hughes Library</u>	724-8043



2017 Spring Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF TOM YOUATT, CITY MANAGER

Although the weather in February seemed like Spring to everyone in Imlay City, we still aren't officially there yet. However, we do look forward to the upcoming Spring and Summer seasons with the warm, sunny weather it brings!

With April just around the corner, our "No Parking" on City streets will end on April 15th. The City appreciates the cooperation from residents during the winter season observing the "No Parking" ordinance that allowed our DPW crew to keep our streets clean from snow.

At this time, the City is working on several projects that will benefit the City for years to come. We will be completing work on the technology update for our main meter pit located at Lierman and Blacks Corners Road. The new technology will enable the City to meet water use requirements with our 30 year contract with GLWA (Great Lakes Water Authority) which will result in maintaining our water purchase costs. This project, which started last Fall, will be completed this coming May.

The City is applying for a DEQ grant for a street resurfacing project on Capac Road (Old M-21) west of M-53 to North Almont Avenue. The work proposed includes milling and resurfacing this section with new Bike lanes and traffic lanes reduced from the current 4 lane configuration to 3 lanes with a center turn lane. This will improve safety by slowing down traffic while providing a safe route for bicyclists.

The City continues to work with MDOT on some M-53 projects, including a streetscape project with new and updated sidewalks and new decorative street lighting. Design engineering work on a much needed sanitary sewer replacement project will also begin. The City is also looking into an intersection improvement project at the Borland Road intersection at M-53. The goal is to improve safety along this well-travelled corridor.

Finally, the City is working on a decorative lighting and landscaping project on our section of the Polly Ann Trail. Completion of this work will allow citizens to use this recreational trail in the evening and decrease vandalism on the trail. We are working with Imlay City Schools, Lapeer County and the DNR to make these significant improvements.

Please look for important information on the City's website at www.imlaycity.org for information on the many activities planned for this Spring and Summer!



FROM THE DESK OF DANA WALKER, DDA DIRECTOR



The Farmers' Market will open for the season on Thursday, May 4. We are excited to announce the addition of a Saturday Market, too. Now you will be able to shop from local vendors Thursdays, 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. and Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. The Markets will be located at the corner of Third Street and Main Street and run Thursday, May 4- Saturday, October 21. The DDA is now accepting applications from interested vendors. More information can be found on the DDA website, www.icdda.com.

The DDA would like to "Welcome to the Neighborhood" the following businesses:

- Charlee Jack Designs
- The Mulefoot Gastropub
- State Farm- Doug Halabicky agent
- Storage One
- PakMail
- Chemical Bank
- Lakestone Bank & Trust
- Insight Financial & Bookkeeping Solutions, LLC
- Providence Business Solutions Group, Inc.
- Computer Dominion, Inc.
- Proactive Cyber Solutions, Inc.
- Nick's Country Oven



Your support of our local businesses help make Imlay City a unique community!

For more information regarding DDA projects and programs, please call Dana Walker at 724-2135 or visit www.icdda.com.



FROM THE DESK OF WENDY MUEHLEISEN, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR

The Blueberry Festival Auction will take place at Castle Creek Golf Club on Saturday, March 25, 2017. Castle Creek is located at 5191 Lum Rd., Attica, MI 48412. Preview at 5:30 pm. Auction at 6pm. \$5 admission at the door. Food and beverages for sale. Come join us as auctioneer Brian Rowley from Rowley Auction Services sells our items to the highest bidder! All proceeds from the 2017 Blueberry Festival Auction help fund the 2017 Imlay City Blueberry Festival.

The Imlay City Blueberry Festival is July 21st and 22nd. We are seeking volunteers, vendors and entertainers for this year's festival. Please contact the Chamber Office at (810) 724-1361, if you have questions or need information, or find us at www.imlaycity.org.



FROM THE DESK OF SCOTT PIKE, POLICE CHIEF



The snow has melted and we are actually starting to see the sun shine on a more regular basis, so why does this matter to your Police Department? Good weather means people will actually start leaving their homes again, walking the dog, kids playing, searching out the ever elusive poke-mon (sic) etc. This means a greater possibility of people interacting with traffic (intentional or otherwise). So make sure you are always aware of what's going on around you; people, animals and don't forget the motorcyclist. Don't be in a great hurry, enjoy the weather and be extra cautious when you drive.

The spring also means yard clean up; time to start picking up sticks, leaves, debris etc. Please remember that DPW will not start picking up yard refuse until April. Your Code Enforcement officer will be on the lookout, please avoid a ticket and dispose of yard trash properly (do not put it in the street). I look forward to a safe and happy summer.



FROM THE DESK OF ED PRIEHS, DPW SUPERINTENDENT



Spring is the time when the DPW performs its annual cross connection inspections. What is a cross connection? A cross connection is a connection or arrangement of piping or appurtenances through which backflow of non-potable water could flow into the public drinking water supply. The DPW is very proactive with its Cross Connection Control Program and surpasses the minimum requirements for the local program originally approved by the MDEQ. Historically, cross connections have been one of the most serious public health threats to a drinking water supply system. Currently the DPW inspects every commercial and industrial customer for cross connections. However, residential inspections have been limited and residential water users can also be a potential health threat to the public water supply. Principal areas of water use in the home that pose a threat due to cross connections are:

- lawn irrigation systems
- chemically treated heating systems
- hose connections to a water outlet or laundry tub
- swimming pools
- private non-potable water supplies
- water- operated sump drain devices

By no means is this list complete but it gives the residential water user an idea of potential cross connection hazards and by being aware we can all help to keep Imlay City's drinking water supply clean and safe.



FROM THE DESK OF RICK HORTON, FIRE CHIEF



As with every spring, grass fires are more common, more than any other time of the year. Dead grasses are still standing and the new growth hasn't yet taken over the fields. The ground underneath may be soaked but the grasses and brush on top is dead and dry. Especially this year with the low amount of snow that we have had, the chances of an out of control field fire are even greater. As you get out and start cleaning your yards and gardens please be extra careful. As always you must obtain a burning permit before any open burning, permits can be easily obtained through the Imlay City web site (www.imlaycity.org).

Area Fire Departments including Imlay City Fire Department are always looking for new members, if interested or you know someone interested, applications can be picked up at City Hall during regular business hours.

Enjoy the warm weather that's coming, get outside and most of all BE SAFE!!!!!!!!!!



FROM THE DESK OF PATRICK RANKIN,
WASTEWATER SUPERINTENDENT

At the end of December 2016, long time wastewater operator Brad Snyder retired after 33 years of service to the City. A man of many skills will be hard to replace. Thank you, Brad.

We have hired Casey Linck, a 2008 graduate of North Branch and wish him the best on all his training.

Imlay City wastewater operators are required to obtain a B license from the state as this is what our plant is considered. They first must pass the D exam and then the C exam to even be able write the B. Also they must have 5 years experience and 9 semester hours in required fields. There is a lot of satisfaction in obtaining this license as Michigan is known for one of the tougher exams to pass. Our training never stops though, as we are required to get a specific amount of continuing education credits every 3 years. Some of the fields of study are chemistry, mathematics, hydraulics, activated sludge, maintenance, electrical, among just a few to mention.

CITY OF IMLAY CITY

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Assessor:

Friday 8a.m.-12p.m.

Zoning Administrator:

Tuesday & Thursday
3p.m. - 4:30p.m.

Construction Code:

Wednesday 8a.m.-12p.m.

CITY COMMISSION

Mayor: Walt Bargen

Mayor Pro Tem: Marty Rankin

Commissioner: Amy Planck

Commissioner: Joi Kempf

Commissioner: Mike Romine

Commissioner: Robert Tanis

Commissioner: Al Ramirez

City Manager: Tom Youatt

City Clerk/Treasurer: Nicole
Frost

Police Chief: Scott Pike

Fire Chief: Rick Horton

DPW Superintendent: Ed Priehs

WWTP Superintendent: Pat
Rankin

DDA Director: Dana Walker

FROM THE DESK OF NICOLE FROST, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

BE ON THE LOOKOUT!

Counterfeit bills produced for the motion picture industry are surfacing in this area. These bills, like the ones pictured below, state "For Motion Picture Use Only" but appear legitimate at first glance. Be alert and check the cash you receive!



REMINDER:

No parking on the streets in the City
from November 15th, 2016 through
April 15th, 2017
2:30a.m. to 6:00a.m