

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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CITY COMMISSION

Mayor: Joi Kempf
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Commissioner: Kelly Villanueva
Commissioner: Mike Romine
Commissioner: Stu Davis
Commissioner: Al Ramirez
Commissioner: Ted Sadler
City Manager: Tom Youatt
City Clerk/Treasurer: Lynn Eutsler
Police Chief: Scott Pike
Fire Chief: Rick Horton
DPW Superintendent: Ed Priehs
WWTP Superintendent: Patrick Rankin
Imlay City DDA
City Commission meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

SPRING NEWSLETTER

2019

FROM THE DESK OF TOM YOUATT, CITY MANAGER

With a very long winter behind us, all of us at City Hall are looking forward to some warm Spring weather!

After months, and sometimes a few years of planning, the City is about to embark on some significant projects this summer season. The new Fire Hall construction project is moving forward. At this time, the City is finishing up financing for the project. We also advertised for bids for construction and are doing our due diligence on background checks for the apparent low bidder. Assuming all goes well, the City Commission may award construction of the project at our March 20th meeting. We will be closing on the sale of the bonds late March and we hope to begin construction on this \$ 3,000,000 project first of April. The new Fire Hall is scheduled for completion this December.

The City has also applied for grant and low interest loan funding from USDA Rural Development for the total reconstruction of 4th Street from M-53 west to Blacks Corners Road. This massive project, which includes replacement of water and sewer mains along with street reconstruction, is estimated at \$4,600,000. The City anticipates receiving a significant grant to assist with the cost for the project. We should be notified by USDA Rural Development by the end of March regarding our grant/loan application. If approved, design engineering will take us into fall and winter with Spring of 2020 slated for start of construction.

Finally, the City is making application to the DNR for a \$150,000 grant for construction of a new Splash Pad for the City. The application is due April 1st and the City is hopeful to receive a grant to assist with this planned \$ 364,000 project. The Splash Pad will include a variety of 17 different elements for children to participate in. The new Splash Pad will be located adjacent to our Alvin Norlin pool facility, making this the most complete water park in Lapeer County.

The City has a number of other projects planned including street resurfacing and some Park improvements, so this will be a busy summer season. We wish everyone an enjoyable Spring season!



FROM THE DESK OF ED PRIEHS, DPW SUPERINTENDENT



The DPW performs routine water system flushing in the spring. Distribution system flushing is a powerful tool for improving water quality. The goals of a typical routine flushing program are to replace deteriorated water; remove loose deposits; and, in some cases, to clean and scour internal pipe surfaces. Also, fire suppression is a hydrants primary purpose, so a flushing program allows the DPW to inspect the function of hydrants and conduct flow tests. Overall, the goal of the flushing program is to find a balance between water quality improvements, demand for operations and maintenance resources, impacts to customers, and water conservation. Specific to Imlay City's water system, for approximately nine years the DPW has performed system wide conventional flushing in the spring and fall. "Conventional Flushing" consist of opening hydrants and allowing them to flow until the water clears. Over the past nine years, the DPW has seen significant changes during the flushing process. At the start of the program it required extended flushing periods at each hydrant for water to clear, which extensively disturbed water mains triggering customer concerns of rusty water at the tap. Now flush times are shorter and customer concerns are minimized which is an indication the program has had a positive impact on water quality. Other positive indications are minimal general customer complaints of water quality; desired disinfectant residual; and a long-standing streak of no detection of coliform bacteria during required routine bacteriological sampling. The flushing program is just one part of a comprehensive approach to improve water quality throughout the system. Other examples include, the valve exercising program and increased elevated storage tank turnover. In conclusion, with rising water costs and firmer regulation, the DPW continues to customize its flushing program to both conserve water and provide high quality drinking water to its customers.

FROM THE DESK OF LYNN EUTSLER, TREASURER

A reminder that Delinquent Taxes for your Real Property (home, building) are no longer payable at the Imlay City Office. You will need to contact the Lapeer County Treasurer's Office at (810) 667-0239.

Delinquent Taxes for Personal Property (Business Equipment) is still payable at the Imlay City Office.

I will be making visits to the business's with past due Delinquent Taxes beginning April 1st. You will be receiving a letter in March that reflects what you owe and my visits will follow after.

If you have a new mailing address, or maybe you are new to the City, please contact the City Treasurer and make sure they have the current information and paperwork.

And as always, please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns about your property taxes, Veteran Exemptions, personal property, Hardship Exemptions, etc.

HAPPY SPRING!

LYNN EUTSLER, TREASURER/CLERK



FROM THE DESK OF SCOTT PIKE, POLICE CHIEF



As I sit here preparing this article for the spring newsletter I am consumed by the thoughts of our most recent fire. While this incident was so horrible I have witnessed a community with great compassion and resiliency. I want to go on the record praising all of the first responders from all four corners of the county that came to a call for help (too many to name here). The bravery and dedication to duty displayed are second to none. Remember these first responders are your friends and neighbors putting it all on the line.

You as a community display the greatest compassion and desire to help. Before the fire is even extinguished you have rallied to raise funds and services to those victimized. You have set the example for the rest of the world on how we as people should treat and respect one another. I have repeatedly said and will continue to do so, you make me proud each and every day to be allowed to be a part of your community, you are the best.



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 haven'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 thru the Imlay City and Township web sites.

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!!!!!!!!!!



INFORMATION CORNER

Zoning Administrator:

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

Construction Code:

Wednesday 8a.m-12p.m.

Assessor:

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

QUICK REFERENCE NUMBERS

City Hall 724-2135

Fax 724-1861

Police

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency 724-2345

After 4:30pm 667-0292

Fire

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency 724-6262

Construction Code

Imlay City Office 724-8081

Lapeer Office 667-0420

Pool 724-7665

Post Office 724-7545

Fairgrounds 724-4145

Senior Center

Imlay City office 724-6030

Ruth Hughes Library 724-8043

**No Parking on the Streets:
November 15 to April 15
2:30am to 6:00am**

Garbage Pick-up

J&J will pick up all residential garbage.
Once it becomes remodeling or
construction debris you'll have to call J&J,
for questions or concerns please call



(810)417-1275



2019 Water Bill Dates

Billing From	Billing To	# of Days	Billing Date	Due Date	Shutoff Due
12/6/2018	3/5/2019	90	3/15/2019	4/8/2019	5/13/2019
3/6/2019	6/5/2019	92	6/15/2019	7/8/2019	8/11/2019
6/6/2019	9/5/2019	92	9/15/2019	10/14/2019	11/12/2019
9/6/2019	12/5/2019	91	12/15/2019	1/13/2020	2/10/2020