



OFFICE HOURS MONDAY -FRIDAY 8:00AM-4:30PM 2020

There is a drop box located at the front of our building for after hours payments.

**NO Parking on the Streets:** 

NOVEMBER 15th to

APRIL 15th

2:30 AM to 6:00 AM

### City Officials

Mayor: Joi Kempf

Mayor Pro Tem: Frank Demske Commissioner: Kelly Villanueva

Commissioner: Greg Rowden

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: Pat Rankin

DDA Director: Lorrelei Natke

The City Commission meets the first and third Tuesday of every month.

## City Manager, Tom Youatt

With our mild winter continuing on this year, we hope we don't see a change this coming Spring! The recent sunny and mild weather certainly is encouraging as we head into a busy Spring season.

The City has a number of projects in various stages this Spring as we have over Winter. The new Fire Hall facility on East Borland Road is nearing completion. Now that the exterior of the building is virtually completed, finishing work inside is progressing very well. In the large bays, all of the garage doors are installed, lighting is completed and utility work is almost completed. The main office portion of the building has been painted, flooring is being completed and ceiling panels will be going in shortly. If everything goes well, we are looking at an early April ribbon cutting ceremony!

The City has applied for a \$1,700,000 Community Development Block Grant for a \$2,200,00 major infrastructure project on M-53 and 4th St. from M-53 to Main St. In addition, the City is looking to rebuild the sanitary sewer pump station on Newark Road. The sewer replacement work on M-53 has been needed for many years and we need to replace it this Summer as MDOT will be coming through with complete resurfacing of M-53 in the Summer of 2021. We anticipate a successful grant application which will help with the City finances.

We are also looking forward to starting work on the new Splashpad adjacent to our Alvin Norlin Pool. The City received a \$150,000 DNR grant to undertake this project which is estimated at \$364,00. This will be a fantastic addition to the Recreation services the City provides.

Finally, planning is well underway for our Sesquincentennial Celebration to be held this August 7,8,and 9. Many exciting events are being lined up by the Committee with more information to follow soon!

So all of the planning work we completed this Winter will pay off this Spring as we continue to make much needed improvements to the City! We look forward to great weather and good times this Spring season!!!

# DDA Director, Lorrelei Natke

The DDA is excited to be planning for Spring and Summer 2020. Thoughts of bees on flowers and butterflies in our exquisite Butterfly Garden are crowding my mind. Plans are in the works for Imlay City's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. Don't Miss Out ... Make plans to join us for the Sesquicentennial Celebration on August 7, 8 and 9. There will be something for everyone.

Our Farmers Market already has a waiting list and is expected to be bigger than ever this year. Market offerings will again be each Thursday from 10am to 4pm, beginning May 21<sup>st</sup> at the corner of Main and Third Streets. If you are interested in being a vendor, please reach out to Katrina Morrow at ddapromotions@imlaycity.org for more information.

On June 9<sup>th</sup> Lamb Steele Park will be brimming with magnificent musical talent and succulent smells as we kick off our Summer Concert Series with Acoustic Ash. Ash Harris is a singer-songwriter who pens exquisite melodies about the goodness that can be found in humankind. Concerts will be every Tuesday from 7pm - 8:30pm. Bring your lawn chair, blanket or bum to relax and enjoy the family friendly shows. Stay tuned for future exciting news and more information about the complete lineup. In the case of inclement weather, Heritage Church has again graciously offered their space as an alternate venue on those occasions when Mother Nature is having a tantrum.

The ChoiceOne Bank Sundae Bar (Community Ice Cream Social) will be held on Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> this year, along with a family music program presented by Gemini Children's Music. You Are Not Going To Want To Miss This One!!

The DDA is always looking for ideas for community events. Reach out any time to DDA Director, Lorrelei Natke at (810) 724-2135 or (810) 441-8636 or via email at

Inatke@imlaycity.org.



# DPW Superintendent, Ed Priehs

Spring will be here soon, and with its arrival comes spring clean-up. The DPW would like to remind residents of a few items when performing spring clean-up. When raking a yard, please do not rake leaves or yard waste onto the street. Yard waste should be placed in marked yard waste containers or biodegradable bags. The garbage hauler will be picking up yard waste containers and bags on Tuesdays beginning in April to the end of November. The garbage hauler will also pick up bundled branches 1" or less in diameter. Bundles and yard waste containers cannot exceed 40lbs.

Also, beginning in April through the end of November the DPW will be chipping branches on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. The chipping will begin on the north side of the city working to the south. If possible, the entire city will be chipped on Mondays. If the chipping is not completed on Mondays it will continue on Tuesdays. Please do not place brush directly onto the street as it can cause an obstruction or hazard to motorists. Branches cannot exceed 4" in diameter and brush with roots attached cannot be chipped. The City is not responsible for large amounts of brush from tree trimming, tree removal, or clearing of property. Property owners should contact a tree service for excessive brush removal.

#### From the Chief's Desk

Typically, I start out these newsletters by offering some type of safety tips. This one will be no different. With the coming of spring (eventually) everybody will be coming out of their hibernation. So please start being extra careful for, children, pedestrians, pets, bicyclists and motorcycles. And if you are one of those three keep your eyes open and aware.

Now that I have that done, what I would really like to do, is thank the citizens/ friends of Imlay city, Lapper County and friends of the Imlay City Police department. In my nearly short four years as your Chief of Police, I have been witness to an extraordinary compassionate community. Whenever there is a tragedy and a need arises, you rise to the occasion even before the event has concluded. Recently Our Sergeant Tim Wolford experienced such a tragedy with his daughter's accident. We thank you for your prayers, fundraisers, kind and healing thoughts and comments. As always you make me proud to be a part of this community, may God bless you all.

Chief Pike

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. Notices will be mailed late March that reflects what is still owed.

If you have a new mailing address, or maybe you are new to the City, please contact the City Treasurer/ Clerk 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, Veter-

HAPPY SPRING!

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#### **ELECTION REMINDERS FROM YOUR IMLAY CITY CLERK**

2020 is a big and exciting year for Elections. We held the Presidential Primary on March 10<sup>th</sup> and are now preparing for the next two elections:



August 4, 2020 State Primary
November 3, 2020 General Election

Voter Registration can be done at the Imlay City Clerk's Office, the Lapeer County Clerk's Office, any Secretary of State's Office, or by mail.

Absentee Voter Applications can be obtained at City Hall or you can contact City Hall and they will be mailed to you.

Once the Ballots are available (approximately 45 days prior to the Election), you will be mailed a Ballot which can be returned in person or by mail.

# THE CITY COMMISSION HAS FOUR SEATS TO FILL IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTION. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR PLAN ON RUNNING FOR OFFICE,

PLEASE contact or visit the Imlay City Clerk's office and you will be given the guidelines, requirements, and necessary forms.

#### **Quick Reference Numbers**

City Hall

810-724-2135

810-724-1861 Fax

**Police** 

Non-Emergency 810-724-2345

After 4:30pm 810-667-0292

Fire

Non-Emergency 810-724-6262

Construction Code

Imlay City Office 810-724-8081

Lapeer Office 810-667-0420

Post Office

810-724-7545

**Fairgrounds** 

810-724-4145

Senior Center

Imlay City Office 810-724-6030

Lapeer Office 810-245-5866

Ruth Hughes Library

810-724-8043

Greater Lapeer

Transportation Authority

810-664-4566

# YARD WASTE AND BRUSH PICKUP WILL BEGIN IN APRIL

### **Garbage Pick-up**

J&J will pick up all residential garbage. Once it becomes remodeling, construction debris, or purging from a move please call J&J, for questions or concerns

(810) 417-1275



OPENING DAY! Thursday, MAY 21st

When 👭

THURSDAYS 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. May 21 - October 15 Where

at the corner of Third & Main Streets Downtown Imlay City across from the Post Office EBT / Food Stamps Double Up Food Bucks WIC Fresh Coupons Senior Fresh Coupons Cash & Card

### 2020 Utility Billing Dates

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