



Marine City Community Newsletter

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WINTER 2017

Phone Numbers

Police & Fire
Emergency
9-1-1

Police Department
Non-Emergency
765-4040

Fire Authority
765-8840

City Offices
765-8846

DPW
765-9711

Building Dept
765-9011

Recreation
765-8094

Police & DPW
After Hours
(810) 985-8115

City Commission

Dave
Vandenbossche
(Mayor)

Dave Simpson
(Mayor Pro Tem)

Terrance Avery

Lisa Hendrick

Bill Klaassen

Rebecca Lepley

James Turner

A message from Elaine Leven, City Manager

Over the next several months the Planning Commission and City Commission will be working together on updating our ordinances, most of which haven't been fully reviewed in over 30 years! Work has already begun on the ordinances regarding residential parking—including winter street parking and recreational vehicles and we will eventually address signs, commercial use of sidewalks and rental properties. Draft ordinances will be posted on our website as they are developed and we look forward to community feedback.

The Safe Routes to Schools improvements have been designed and submitted to the State and we have also completed the design plans for the repair of the sewer line on North Mary St. near Washington Life Center – construction for both projects is slated for 2018. The New Year will also highlight discussions regarding significant issues such as the future status of TIFA (Tax Increment Financing Authority) and the possibility of re-establishing a Community Center.

Have a Safe & Happy New Year,

Elaine Leven

**SPECIAL
MEETING
NOTICE**

We will be holding a Town Hall meeting on January 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Fire Hall, 200 South Parker Street, to discuss and consider ideas and input on the future of City Hall and a Community Center.

We want to hear from you and encourage all residents to voice their opinions at the meeting or via written communication to the City Clerk.

City Offices
Mon-Thurs • 8:00am—6:00pm
DPW
Mon-Fri • 8:00am—4:00pm
Assessing
Wednesdays • 9:00am—3:00pm
Recreation
Tues & Thurs • 8:30am-2:00pm

City Commission

City Commission meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at 7:00pm at the Marine City Fire Hall—200 S. Parker

Taped meetings will be aired on CTV & will be posted to the City of Marine City Facebook page.

The regular meeting schedule for all boards and commissions are posted on the Marine City webpage.



Office of the City Clerk

City Clerk: Kristen Baxter

Deputy Clerk: Elizabeth McDonald

Notary Services Available - Please call to schedule an appointment. Cost: \$5.00 *Photo ID Required*

Woodlawn Cemetery currently has 14 plotted sections, a public Mausoleum and a Chapel near the entrance that is available, at no extra cost, for families who wish to have their service at the Cemetery.

For those looking for the grave marker of a deceased loved one, to purchase a single grave or lot, or to schedule the opening/closing of a grave, please contact the Clerk's Department. The current fees are:

<u>Single Grave or Lot Purchase</u>	<u>Grave Open/Close</u>	<u>Urn Burial</u>
Residents: \$465.00 per space \$900.00 per lot	Weekdays: \$600.00 Saturdays: \$720.00 Sundays: \$840.00 Holidays: \$840.00	Weekdays: \$160.00 Saturdays: \$185.00 Sundays: \$210.00 Holidays: \$210.00
Non-Residents: \$900.00 per space \$1,800.00 per lot		



NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER

The Marine City Police Officers and office staff are participating in “No-Shave November.” Each participant is donating \$20.00 toward the fundraiser with proceeds being donated to Kids in Distress. Each year we will be donating the proceeds to a different organization.

NO DOG TAGS AVAILABLE



The City will not be selling dog tags again this year. For a list of all locations that will be selling dog tags, please contact the SC County Animal Control at (810) 984-3155 or visit their website at www.dogs.stclaircounty.org

City ordinance requires property owners to clear their sidewalks within 24 hrs after the end of snowfall. Commercial business owners must inform their contractors that they are not to pile snow on any sidewalks. Are there neighbors on your street who are elderly, have a disability or may have a hard time shoveling? Work with your neighbors to give a hand and ensure your entire block is safe.

Treasurer's Department

2017 Winter Tax bills are due, without penalty, on February 15, 2018. All past due payments will be charged a 4% one time only penalty fee on February 16, 2018. All Deferment payments must be received by close of business on February 14, 2018.

The last day the City can collect 2017 Real Property Taxes is February 28, 2018 beginning March 1, 2018 all Real Property Taxes for the 2017 tax year will be sent to the County and must be paid at the St. Clair County Treasurer's Office ONLY.

Upcoming Events



November 21st • 7:00pm
Lighted Santa Parade
Water Street ending at Old City Hall

December 2nd • 10:00am - 10:00pm
Merrytime Christmas
Downtown Shopping District

December 2nd • 10:00a - 5:00pm
Old Newsboys Craft Show/ “Jo Dogs”
Marine City Banquet Center

December 9th • 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Civic Women's Club Home Tour

Spotlight: Winter Street Parking



The winter street ordinance is in effect from December 1st - April 1st. In the event of a declared snow emergency, all vehicles need to be removed from the streets so that our DPW, Ambulance, Fire and Police are able to effectively and safely do their jobs. Parking permits will become invalid during snow emergencies.

Snow Emergencies will be publicized via: City Website, City & Police Dept Facebook page, Channel 6 (CTV), WINS, Port Huron Radio Stations & the electronic sign at 514 S. Parker.



Stay Tuned Our Winter Recreation Flyer will be posted soon for January programs.

Help Wanted: The City is still looking for qualified applicants to help with our pool programs! We are in need of a Water Safety Instructor & Lifeguards.

2018 Pavilion Rental Registration Schedule

Special Events - January 2nd

Residents - Jan. 15th • Non-Residents - Feb. 1st

Pride & Heritage Museum

405 S. Main St.—The Marine City Pride & Heritage Museum showcases an amazing and unique collection of artifacts related to Marine City's maritime history.

For a glimpse into the rich history of Marine City, visit the Pride & Heritage Museum Facebook page as they are frequently posting photos of our town from decades past.

Ask today how you can become involved in the promotion and preservation of our city's rich history. (810) 765-5446

From the desk of the DPW Supervisor

Winter is quickly approaching and now is the time to properly winterize your home by keeping your pipes, crawl spaces, and water meters insulated from the elements. Protecting your home from the elements is crucial to preventing burst pipes and leaks!

We'll be working hard to keep the streets & City owned sidewalks & parking lots clear of snow. We clear areas based on prioritization with the streets with high volume being cleared first, followed by local streets & then City owned sidewalks & parking lots.

City ordinance requires all residents and business owners clear their sidewalks and drives of any snow, ice or filth and we ask that you use salt with discretion. Although effective, limiting the amount of salt applied is important in protecting the health of the St. Clair and Belle Rivers. Excess salt can enter the storm sewer, which runs directly to the rivers and is UNTREATED by the Waste Water Treatment Plant.