



# CITY OF REED CITY Reed City Update



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## CITY COUNCIL

Mayor, Karen Lea McKinney  
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Roger Meinert  
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## MEETING DATES

### City Council

City Hall, 227 E. Lincoln  
Third Monday of each month at  
7:00 PM

### Planning Commission

City Hall, 227 E. Lincoln  
First Monday of each month  
at 7:00 PM

### Downtown Development

#### Authority

Depot, 200 N. Chestnut  
Second Wednesday of each  
month at 8:00 AM

### Reed City Housing

#### Commission

802 S Mill  
Third Thursday of each month at  
4:30 PM

### Holiday Closing for City Hall

December 23, 2016  
December 26, 2016  
January 2, 2017  
January 16, 2017  
February 20, 2017  
April 14, 2017  
May 29, 2017

## Property Taxes

### **Winter Tax Due Date is February 14, 2017**

Property taxes are payable beginning December 1, 2016 and are due without penalty on or before **February 14, 2017**. Taxes can be paid from 8:00am to 5:00pm Mon.-Fri. at 227 East Lincoln, Reed City, MI 49677. A 3% late fee will be added February 15, 2017. Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, pay to Osceola County Treasurer at 301 W Upton Ave. Reed City, MI 49677.

**Delinquent Tax Info** – Osceola County now has delinquent tax and property info online. Go to <https://Accessmygov.com/?uid=2046>, or go to the Osceola Co. website [www.osceola-county.org](http://www.osceola-county.org) and click on the Treasurer Department, and then the Search Delinquent Taxes link.

**New Homeowners** – If you have just purchased and occupy your home, please verify that the mailing address and PRE are correct on your bill. If not, please notify me immediately (231)832-2245.

## Winter Reminders



Homeowners are responsible to keep their sidewalks clear of snow for pedestrians and mail delivery. No pushing of snow in or onto a sidewalk or street is allowed. You can help the Fire Department by keeping nearby fire hydrants shoveled out.

The Reed City Police Department will be enforcing all State laws pertaining to the operation of snowmobiles on the shoulder of City streets to allow access to the most direct route to and from designated snowmobile trails.



### **CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL**

The City of Reed City Department of Public Works will be picking up Christmas trees this season starting on January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017, and ending January 13<sup>th</sup> 2017. Please have the trees next to the curb and gutter in the boulevard, **NOT IN THE STREET**. Make sure all tree bags are removed and the trees are free from, stands, wire, nails, and decorations.



# Accountability and Transparency



In order for each city/village/township/county to receive State Revenue Sharing Incentive Program payments, they need to produce and make available to the public, a Citizen's Guide, Performance Dashboard, Debt Service Report, and a Projected Budget Report. As part of that compliance, these documents, along with our Annual Audit Report, are available for viewing at City Hall, 227 E. Lincoln, or on our website at [www.reedcity.org](http://www.reedcity.org).



## Park Benches

Your City Parks are in need of new park benches! Through the years, they have broke or fell apart. If you, your group, class of or family is interested in purchasing a bench please contact City Hall at 231-832-2245. If you would like to see some that have been donated please take a look at the new red benches at Westerborg park and by the new play ground at The Depot. They look NICE! Thanks to those that have donated to make our parks Awesome!



## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF REED CITY WINTER PARKING BAN

The City of Reed City will be enforcing the parking ban starting November 15, 2016 and ending April 1, 2017. This prohibits the parking of any vehicle on any street in Reed City between 2:30 A.M. – 6:00 A.M., or any City owned parking lots EXCEPT in the designated 24 hour parking areas.

This is in accordance with Chapter 126, Sec. 8.30 of the City Code. Chapter 131 Sec. 10.106 of the City code provides for a fine of \$30.00 for each violation, plus an impound towing fee if necessary to remove the vehicle.

REMEMBER... There is NO PARKING throughout the Upton Street business district between 2:30 AM – 6:00 AM year round!!! The Reed City Police Department enforces these regulations, not only for snow removal by the DPW, but to also ensure clear streets for travel by the public and emergency vehicles.

# City Projects

As the City enters the halfway point in the budget year we have a few projects we have completed and others in the making.

The City is pleased with the complete upgrade of water main, lateral connections to the houses, storm pipe repair and complete new street for West Stimson. During the last few bitter cold winters this area suffered from frozen lines due to a shallow main and service lines.

The City also purchased a new larger snow plowing/dump truck that will allow one operator to clear the snow off a street that used to take two smaller trucks. We always hope for a mild winter but will be much better prepared if it decides to be much heavier than normal.

Other projects under consideration are:

- increase the size of an existing water main in Todd Street from Morse west to Higbee.
- recoat the Water Tower on Church Street near the cemetery.
- investigation of a site for a Veteran's Memorial Park.
- establishment of a public access point on the Hersey River for kayaks and other small water craft.
- continue to work with Yoplait to accommodate their new yogurt line.
- several blocks of streets next year are being proposed to be resurfaced that will be finalized through the budget process that must be adopted by the City Council in the first week of May in 2017.

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