



Reed City Update

CITY COUNCIL

Mayor, Roger Meinert

Mayor Pro Tem, Dan Burchett

Russell Nehmer

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Bradley Nixon

Nathan Bailey

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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

Reed City Housing

Commission

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Third Thursday of each month

at 4:30 PM

Holiday Closing for City Hall

December 24, 2021

December 27, 2021

December 31, 2021

January 3, 2022

January 17, 2022

February 21, 2022

April 15, 2022

May 30, 2022

June 20, 2022

Property Taxes

Winter Tax Due Date is February 14, 2022

Property taxes are payable beginning December 1, 2021 and are due without penalty on or before **February 14, 2022**. Taxes can be paid from 8:00am to 5:00pm Mon.-Fri. at City Hall, 227 East Lincoln, Reed City, MI 49677 or on line at reedcity.org (fees apply). A 3% late fee will be added February 15, 2022. Beginning March 1st, pay to Osceola County Treasurer at 301 West Upton Ave. Reed City, MI 49677.

Reminder: Postmarks are **NOT** accepted.

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 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 ext 302. Barbara Westerburg, City Treasurer/Finance Director.

New City Manager

On September 1, 2021 Reed City welcomed its new City Manager, Mr. Rich Saladin. Rich was born and raised in Reed City and has served in a variety of capacities including Rotary Club, Board of Education, Spectrum Health Hospital Board, and youth sports. Rich is a 1994 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in Supply Chain Management. He was most recently employed as Chief Financial Officer for Gerber Construction. His wife, Susan, is a teacher at Reed City Middle School. They have five children and are actively involved in the Reed City community. Rich is looking forward to serving the city and helping to make Reed City an ideal community in which to work and live.

Water System Update and Rate Change

The City of Reed City recently had a Water System Sanitary Survey performed on its system by the State of Michigan's Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) along with a water rate evaluation performed by Michigan Rural Water Association (MRWA). These reports, coupled together, provided the basis for City Council to review and implement much needed attention to our capital improvement program and a corresponding increase of water rate charges. At the November council meeting, council members approved an increase to the Ready to Serve charge of \$6.60/mth and an increase to the Flow Rate charge of \$0.10/mth. The approximate increase to each residential household will be around \$7.00 per month beginning January 1st, 2022. This increase will be applied to future infrastructure projects that assure safety and reliability in our water system including lead line replacement, new wells (replacing a 63-year-old and a 56-year-old well), and new water mains throughout the city.

"An ideal community in which to work and live"

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider"



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.

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF REED CITY WINTER PARKING BAN

The City of Reed City will be enforcing the parking ban starting November 15, 2021 and ending April 1, 2022. 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.

Residential Waste

As of January 1, 2022 the new rates for residential waste:

- Red bags will be \$2.25 each or a pack of 10 bags for \$22.50(available at City Hall, Shakers & Marathon).
- Individual 96 gal tote/cart will be \$12.50/month(American Waste).
- Recycling 96 gal cart/tote \$8.00/month(American Waste).
- Special clean up charge will be \$2.12/month.
- Please call American Waste @ 231-943-8088 to set up the cart/tote.

Step Forward Michigan Program

The Michigan Homeowner Assistance Nonprofit Housing Corporation (MHA) in collaboration with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA), has received federal funds to help Michigan take a step forward through a comprehensive, statewide strategy that is aimed at helping homeowners prevent foreclosure and stabilize communities.

Through this StepForwardMichigan.org website, homeowners who have experienced a hardship impacting their ability to pay their mortgage, property taxes, condominium fees, & possibly water bills can find out more information about the program and print an application for a Hardest Hit Fund loan. You may qualify if you are delinquent on your mortgage, property taxes, condo fees, or water bill and: You own and live in your own home

Over 30,000 Michigan homeowners have received Hardest Hit Fund Assistance to stay in their homes!!



CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL

The City of Reed City Department of Public Works will be picking up Christmas trees this season starting on January 10, 2022, and ending January 14, 2022. 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 tree is free from, stands, wire, nails, and decorations.

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.