



CITY OF REED CITY

Reed City Update



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CITY COUNCIL

November 2020

Mayor, Roger Meinert
Mayor Pro Tem, Trevor Guiles
Dan Burchett
Nathan Bailey
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Bradley Nixon
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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
802 S Mill
Third Thursday of each month
at 4:30 PM

Holiday Closing for City Hall

December 24, 2020
December 25, 2020
January 1, 2021
January 18, 2021
February 15, 2021
April 2, 2021
May 31, 2021



Property Taxes

Winter Tax Due Date is February 16, 2021

Property taxes are payable beginning December 1, 2020 and are due without penalty on or before **February 16, 2021**. 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 reedcity.org (fees apply). A 3% late fee will be added February 17, 2021. Beginning March 2nd, 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.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS VACANCIES...

It takes a lot of people to run a city. Besides the Mayor, City Council and City Staff, there are a number of Boards and Commissions made up of citizens who volunteer to serve their City. Interested Citizens are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council to the Boards & Commissions.

The Reed City **Planning Commission** currently has two Commission member vacancies. The Planning Commission is responsible for the Reed City Master Plan, the Zoning Ordinance and any amendments, Subdivision regulations and plat approval, and the Capital Improvements Program. The Commission meets once a month on the first Monday of each month.

The Reed City **Zoning Board of Appeals** currently has one Board member vacancy. The Zoning Board of Appeals is a quasi-judicial board with responsibility to hear and decide on matters concerning interpretation, administrative review, or a variance from the Zoning Ordinance.

Any interested person can apply at City Hall by completing a short form indicating the boards or commission which you would be interested in serving, or by completing the Interest Indicator form online at www.reedcity.org located in the Forms and Publication page, under Application and Permits drawer and submitting it to City Hall.



CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL



The City of Reed City Department of Public Works will be picking up Christmas trees this season starting on January 11, 2021, and ending January 15, 2021. 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.



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, 2020 and ending April 1, 2021. 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, 2021 the new rates for residential waste:

- Red bags will be \$2.05 each or a pack of 10 bags for \$20.50(available at City Hall, Shakers & Marathon).
- Individual 96 gal tote/cart will be \$11.80/month(American Waste).
- Recycling 96 gal cart/tote \$8.00/month(American Waste).
- Special clean up charge will be \$2.06/month.
- Please call American Waste @ 231-943-8088 to set up the cart/tote.

Protect your water pipes with these tips:

Cold temperatures can cause water pipes to freeze. The best prevention against frozen pipes is to keep them warm enough to stay above the freezing point. You can do this with any one of six simple steps or, better still, a combination of measures.

Tip #1: Keep the Heat On

Tip #2: Allow the Faucet to Drip

Tip #3: Keep Interior Doors Open

Tip #4: Seal up Cracks and Holes

Tip #5: Apply Heating Tape

Tip #6: Add Extra Insulation

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.

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