



Marine City Community Newsletter

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SUMMER 2020

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

City Clerk
765-8830

Police & DPW
After Hours
(810) 985-8115

City Commission

Dave
Vandenbossche
(Mayor)

Lisa Hendrick
(Mayor Pro Tem)

Jacob Bryson

Wendy Kellehan

Bill Klaassen

Paul Merchant

Cheryl Vercammen



*A message from Elaine Leven,
City Manager*



With the effects of the Coronavirus and lingering high water levels, it has been a difficult year for many residents, however there are still many positive things happening throughout the City.

This year we'll be doing two street paving projects, which include replacing the water line on Bell Street (from South Third to South Belle River) and West St. Clair Street (from M-29 to South Belle River). We're also working on the remodel of 260 S. Parker for our City Office and meeting space; these renovations should make it easier for our residents to conduct City business.

There have been a lot of people that have enjoyed the King Road park improvements installed last year and we hope everyone enjoys the new Bridge to Bay Musical Parklet funded through a KABOOM! grant which is located behind the Marine City Library. We are working on obtaining permits for the installation of a kayak launch located on the Belle River which will be a great addition to the outdoor recreation options in Marine City. I hope that everyone has a nice summer, be sure to support our small businesses and treasure what matters most, including friends and family!

Elaine Leven

City Offices

Monday-Thursday
8:00am—6:00pm
CLOSED FRIDAY

DPW

Mon-Fri • 8:00am—4:00pm

Assessing

Wednesdays • 9:00am—3:00pm

Marine City Beach

No Smoking

No Alcoholic Beverages

No Fires

No Glass Bottles

No Pets Permitted

Open Dawn to Dusk

* **Swim at your own risk**

* **No Lifeguards on Duty**

For a complete list of rules & ordinances visit the MC website

Office of the City Clerk

The elections are just around the corner - August 4th is the State Primary & November 3rd is the General Election. To ensure you can vote, and vote with confidence, here are a few best practices:



BEFORE VOTING

- Verify your registration
- Know where to vote
- Have the right identification
- Know your Ballot



WHILE VOTING

- Ask for Help if you have questions on how to vote
- Confirm your selections



AFTER VOTING

- Check the Results!

Poll Workers Needed

The City is looking for motivated individuals interested in working the polls on election days. This is a paid position with paid training. Applicants must be registered to vote and 18 years of age. If you are interested in becoming a poll worker, please email the Clerk's Department at kbaxter@cityofmarinecity.org for more information.



2020 Summer Tax bills are due, without penalty, on August 31, 2020. All past due payments will be charged a 4% one time only penalty fee on September 1, 2020 and a 1% monthly interest fee beginning September 15, 2020.

The City now accepts credit and debit cards for all transactions. There is a convenience charge applied through the credit/debit card processing company to utilize this service. As a municipality, the City is unable to add processing costs into the pricing of city services. **Only customers who choose to utilize credit or debit cards will be charged the convenience fee.**

To pay utility or tax bills via phone, please call **Point & Pay** at toll free number, (855) 894-2403.

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

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



Water Rate Increase

Effective July 1, 2020, the rates for water and sewer (per 1000 gallons) will be as follows:

Water: \$7.34
(increase of \$.14)
Sewer: \$5.81
(increase of \$.11)

The City is also working on amending the current leak adjustment policy. We will post updates on our website.

Upcoming Events

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, most events planned for the summer months have been canceled. Please see the calendar of events available on the following Community Websites:

Blue Water Area
www.bluewater.org

Marine City Chamber of Commerce
www.visitmarinecity.org

Marine City Library
<http://www.sccl.lib.mi.us>

Washington Life Center
<http://www.thecouncilonaging.org/washington-life-center>

Spotlight: Social Distancing at City Offices

For the safety of our staff and residents, social distancing protocols have been implemented at the City Offices with the installation of a glass divider at the service counter and 6ft markers on the lobby floor. At this time, we are unable to safely accommodate more than 3 patrons in the lobby and strongly encourage you to conduct business online, utilize the drop-box, or call prior to visiting City Offices.



Golf Carts & ORVs

Golf Carts and Off Road Vehicles are permitted on City streets with a speed limit of 25mph or lower. They are **NOT** allowed on state highways. Drivers must be 16 years old and licensed to operate a motor vehicle and must obey all traffic laws. We ask that you please exercise caution when approaching a golf cart or Off Road Vehicle being driven on City streets.



Reminder: Per City Ordinance 117.61, Garage Sale Permits are required within City limits. Permit applications are available at the City Offices and are free of charge. No sale signs are to be placed on public property, right of ways or utility poles.

From the Desk of the DPW

The City will begin road improvements on Bell St. and West St. Clair this summer. We will be replacing the water mains and resurfacing the street. Notices will be posted on the City maintained Facebook page and website regarding expected closures and status updates.

Whenever performing yard work, do not dispose of lawn clippings, leaves, tree trimmings or other landscape debris in or near a storm drain, drainage ditch or open body of water. We also ask that you sweep grass clippings from the sidewalks or streets back onto grassy areas.

The City was awarded funding through a KaBOOM! Play Everywhere grant to install a Musical Parklet to be located behind the Marine City Library. The installation will feature interactive musical elements and highlight the Bridge to Bay Trail. Look for announcements on Facebook for grand opening updates and volunteer opportunities!

We are always looking for Adopt-A-Park volunteers to help keep our City parks beautifully maintained. Information and applications are available online.