

CITY OF OLIVET



SUMMER 2019 NEWSLETTER

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Mayor's Corner

Welcome to summer in Olivet!

It's so nice to be out walking the city and seeing the families gathered at the ball fields. I'm looking forward to our Fire Fighters' Festival – seeing our community come together for a lovely weekend is always meaningful.

We have two projects coming up, one being the painting of the water tower, noted on page two, and the second involves repaving three roads. We received a grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation for half of this \$300,000 project. Only 20% of applications were awarded, so this is quite a success! We'll be doing work on parts of Butterfield Hwy., Washington and Cottage Streets. Expect this work to be done in August/September.

If you're interested in ways you could support the city, we are looking for a volunteer to serve on the Board of Review, a small panel of citizens and our city assessor who meet twice each year to provide residents with the opportunity to ask questions about their property tax statements. If you are interested or have questions, you may contact our Clerk/Treasurer Amy Huepenbecker. Once we have a list of people interested, we'll make an appointment.

As always, if you have comments or questions for me, you may contact City Hall to make an appointment.

Hope to see you around town!

Laura

Quarterly Utility Billings

- Utility bills are due on Monday, July 22 this quarter.
- Accounts are considered Past Due on July 23 and a 10% penalty will be added to the balance due.
- Red Tag shut-off notices will be delivered on August 9. The full amount shown on the tag will be due by 5:00 PM on August 12 to avoid shut-off.
No further extension will be granted past the shut-off date.

EVENTS CALENDAR

JULY



July 4 –
Independence Day
– Office Closed

July 8 –
City Council
Meeting
7:00 PM

July 22 –
Utility Billings Due

July 27 –
Firemen's Festival

AUGUST

August 12 –
City Council
Meeting
7:00 PM

August 21 –
First Day of School

SEPT



September 2 –
Labor Day –
Office Closed

September 9 –
City Council
Meeting
7:00 PM

September 30 –
Summer Tax
Bills Due

2019 Summer Tax Bills are being mailed out. If you do not receive your bill or have any questions, please contact City Hall at (269) 749-4961



Firemen's Festival Information

Saturday, July 27

Parade begins at 1:00 PM and will be traveling a new route*

Chicken Dinner at the Fire Station

- 5:00 – 7:00 PM
- \$5.00 donation per meal

Fireworks, vendors, games, and car show!

* Full details can be found on the City of Olivet website at: www.cityofolivet.org

Cross Connection Survey

Property owners will be receiving a survey with their Summer Tax bills regarding cross connection inspections

The Department of Public Works would appreciate your participation by returning the completed form to City Hall at 117 S. Main Street.

This survey will assist the City in providing quality water to its residents for years to come.

The City of Olivet compost site is open seven days a week.

Residents may help themselves to the composted dirt and wood chips.

Leaves and grass can be dropped off in the rows at the front of the property, while brush and limbs may be left in the back near the antennas.



As we draw closer to the Olivet Firemen's Festival, the Police Department is asking that residents and visitors plan ahead and avoid traveling roads impacted by the Firemen's Festival Parade from approximately 12:45 PM to 1:30 PM on Saturday, July 27.

We would like to remind those planning on operating city registered golf carts to use caution at all times. Drivers must obey the rules set forth by the Golf Cart Resolution, as well as all other laws as they relate to the operation of vehicles on public streets. **Unregistered Golf Carts, ATV's, ORV's (Rangers, Gators, etc....), and other vehicles not properly licensed for operation on public streets are NOT ALLOWED AT ANY TIME.**

Check the City Website at www.cityofolivet.org for additional information regarding golf carts.

SUMMER GRILLING SAFETY

Did you know 7 out of every 10 adults in the U.S. have a grill or smoker? This translates into a lot of tasty meals but it also means there's an increased risk of home fires.

Never place your grill next to your home or another building. The heat produced from the grill can melt siding or cause a building fire. Also, never discard used coals in a paper bag or plastic trash container. Coals will retain heat for several hours and can ignite items placed in the trash can. Always discard coals in a metal container with a metal cover, placed outside.

Finally, remember to obtain your burn permit from the Olivet City Hall *before* starting any outdoor brush fire. Call 269-749-4961 or 269-280-5017. Fire Is Everyone's Fight@!

Department of Public Works News

♦ We are pleased to announce that the water tower will be painted this July. Blow off valves at the end of town may be running during this time which is a normal part of the process.

♦ Help us keep Olivet clean by making sure your lawn clippings are not being blown into the street when mowing. This is a violation of the City Code as well as a safety hazard. Grass clippings left in the street can lead to plugged drains and flooded streets.

Enjoy your summer!

DID YOU KNOW....

With the passage of Proposal 3 in November you can now request an Absent Voter Ballot with no reason necessary? Go to www.michigan.gov/sos to download an Absent Voter Ballot Application or request an application from City Hall. Once completed, you can mail it to City of Olivet at P.O. Box 367, Olivet, MI 49076, or drop it off. Applications must be received at City Hall no later than 5:00 PM on the Friday before an election.

You can also indicate on the Absent Voter Ballot Application your desire to be put on the Permanent Absent Voter List. This means an Absent Voter Ballot Application will be automatically mailed to you for all future elections in the City of Olivet.