



CLERK'S OFFICE

Tara Zagorski, City Clerk

2024 Election Dates

August 6, 2024 State Primary

November 5, 2024 State General Election

Registration Deadlines – In any other manner than in-person with the local clerk:

July 22, 2024 Last day to register for August Primary (168.497)

Oct 21, 2024 Last day to register for November general election (168.497)

Absentee voter ballots are available for all elections. They provide voters with a convenient method for casting a ballot when they are unable to attend the polls on Election Day. Due to the passage of the statewide ballot proposal 18-3, all eligible and registered voters in Michigan may now request an absent voter ballot without providing a reason.

Early Voting in Michigan

Michigan early voting will be available beginning with the presidential primary in 2024 and every statewide and federal election thereafter. The early voting takes place a minimum of nine consecutive days, ending on the Sunday before an election. Early voting sites must be open for at least eight hours a day during the early voting period. Early voting is offered for all statewide and federal elections. Early voting site locations, dates and hours are available 60 days prior to Election Day at Michigan.gov/Vote.

BAD AXE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Shawn Webber, Police Chief

The Bad Axe Police Department would like to remind residents of the following ordinances and state laws:

City Ordinance 9-2 Polluting, littering in public places prohibited:

No person shall deposit grease or oil in any street or catch basin or dumpster. No person shall throw, place or deposit any papers, glass, lawn debris, bottles, crockery, metal, dirt, refuse, sweepings, fruit or vegetables, or the peeling or remains of fruit or vegetables, upon any city street, sidewalk or alley.

Public Act 41 of 2023, effective June 30, 2023, amended MCL 257.602b of the MVC:

Prohibits an individual from holding or using a “mobile electronic device” while operating a motor vehicle, commercial motor vehicle (CMV), or a school bus.

With the summer months approaching and increasing traffic, it is important to stay hands-free while driving. Drivers can be stopped and cited for use of their electronic devices while driving.

Our office would also like to remind drivers that East Huron Ave will remain as one-way traffic throughout the summer months. Not only is it dangerous to construction crews and other motorists to violate this one-way travel, drivers could be stopped and cited for violating the one-way travel.

SUMMER TAX COLLECTION

Kim Copeland, City Treasurer

POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. Payments received in our office after the due dates will be subject to the following charges:

- ❖ July 1st through Sept. 16th (no interest charged)
- ❖ Sept. 16th through Feb. 14th (add 1% interest per month)
- ❖ Feb. 15th through Feb. 28th (add 3% penalty plus interest)

Automatic Bill Payment

For your convenience, the City offers automatic payment of your Summer and/or Winter tax bills (**free of charge**) from your checking or savings account. For Winter tax bills, you have the option to have the payment come out on the last business day of the calendar year or on the tax bill due date. The application can be picked up at City Hall or printed from the City's website.

CONTACT US

Monday – Friday

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

City Hall: 989.269.7681

Public Works: 989.269.9132

Police Department: 989.269.9242



UTILITY DEPARTMENT

Melissa Carriveau, Utility Billing Clerk

Email Utility Bill

For your convenience, the City can email your utility bill each month.

Watch for Water Leaks

A running toilet can use up to 2 gallons of water per minute so it's important to check all your toilets often. Sometimes you cannot hear a running/leaking toilet. A good way to check is to put food coloring in the back tank of the toilet before you go to bed. If there is colored water in the bowl the next morning, you know you have a leak. Be sure to monitor all your water taps to make sure they are not dripping or leaking. Even a pinhole leak can use 170 gallons of water in 24 hours. It pays to be vigilant when it comes to water leaks!

Automatic Bill Payment

For your convenience, the City offers automatic payment of your utility bill (**free of charge**) from your checking or savings account. The application form can be picked up at City Hall or on the City's website.

Garbage, Recycling & Yard Waste

Weekly trash pick-up is on Friday unless a holiday falls on a Monday through Friday, in which the trash pick-up would be delayed until Saturday. The holidays include New Year's Day, Memorial Day, the 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Residential Lawn Meters

Residential lawn meters are available for a fee. Lawn meters are only charged water that goes through the meter; you will not be charged sewer. Perfect for lawns, gardens, pools, flowers and landscaping. For more details, contact Melissa.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Dennis McCabe, Director of Public Works

Spring and Fall Clean-Up Reminder

Placing leaves (not grass clippings, trash, stones, etc) in the street is only allowed during these specific periods of time. Long narrow piles of leaves are appreciated as it makes the Leaf Vac Truck more efficient. Try to leave a small gap between the curb and the leaves to help rain water flow past the piles. Brush may be put out to the curb only during the specific clean-up times. Please place the branches with the cut end facing the street. If you have these

materials before or after the announced times, place them in containers marked with an "X" and/or bundle brush in reasonably small short bundles (less than 4 feet long, less than 50 pounds, and nothing greater than 4 inches in diameter) for pick-up by Emterra. **Emterra will collect this yard waste April 1st through November 30th.**

Miss Dig Flags

Please be aware that it is illegal to tamper with the colored flags and paint markings that show up occasionally indicating the location of various utilities buried underground. The company or individual that made the location request should remove the flags when they have completed their work. A Miss Dig request is normally good for 21 days, but it may be up to 180 days in some cases.

Trees

When a resident hires a contractor to take a tree down, it is their responsibility for clean up. Do not set limbs or brush out for the City to clean up. The contractor is welcome to dump the wood chips at the DPW yard in the designated wood chip pile.

Free Wood Chips

Located at the DPW yard. Help yourself anytime, or we can load a truck or trailer if you stop by at 6 a.m., 9 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. Please call ahead for midday times as the equipment may be out of the yard. You may also leave a trailer by the wood chips and we'll load it for you to be picked up the next business day.

What Not to Flush!

The following items should NOT be flushed down the toilet or drains: cooking grease, food scraps, feminine hygiene products or their applicators, condoms, syringes, paper (other than toilet paper), baby wipes, mop heads, cloth wipes, diapers, fish, paint, fuel, motor oil, medicine, clothing, etc. Items that don't dissolve in water can create blockages in the sewer pipes and pumps. If they do make it to the treatment plant and make it through the pumps, they have to be removed at the beginning of the treatment process. These materials cause a great deal of damage to the pumps and other treatment equipment.

CITY HALL SUMMER HOURS:

Monday thru Friday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

May 28th thru September 2nd