



# The CITY REVIEW



## FALL CLEAN UP TIME.

Again this Fall, the City's Department of Public Works will provide free pick-up service for yard rakings, brush, small tree limbs, etc. **DO NOT USE BAGS OF ANY TYPE**



The dates for the clean-up are **Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> through Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**NOTHING IS TO BE PLACED ON THE EDGE OF STREETS BEFORE OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>.**

Refuse must be out by 7:00 a.m. October 24<sup>th</sup> on the edge of all streets, not in alleys, ditches or on grassy areas. We ask your cooperation in separating leaves into one pile and brush & small tree limbs into another. This makes the pick-up and disposal process easier for crews. If not separated, the City cannot guarantee their pick-up. The City cannot and will not accept garbage, household trash, appliances of any kind, tin, metal, building materials, or items too heavy for one person to lift.

**GRASS or LEAVES IN PLASTIC BAGS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP!**

If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Public Works at 627-2582 between 7:00 am & 3:30 pm.



## SNOW & ICE REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALK REQUIRED

The owners of any property in certain areas are required by City Ordinance to keep sidewalks clear of snow and ice. The areas which are included in the snow & ice removal Ordinance are listed as follows:  
Huron Street from Mackinaw Avenue to Locust Street



Main Street from First Street to the South City Limits  
Water Street from State Street to Elm Street  
Mackinaw Avenue from Clinton Street to Main Street  
State Street from Huron Street to "F" Street  
Backus Street from Huron Street to Main Street  
Division Street from Dresser Street to Water Street  
Elm Street from Huron Street to Water Street  
Pine Street from Huron Street to Main Street  
Locust Street from Huron Street to Main Street



These sidewalks have been identified as high foot traffic areas and, as such, removal of snow & ice is required by Ordinance in order to insure public safety and limit property owner and public liability. The City of Cheboygan does provide snow removal services within this area, but this does not dismiss the requirement of the property owner to be sure that the sidewalk is clear in the event that the City is unable to keep the sidewalks clear in a timely manner.

**DO NOT PILE SNOW IN RIGHT-OF-WAY, ON SIDEWALKS OR IN BERM AREA  
(BETWEEN CURB & SIDEWALK).**

For more information regarding the snow & ice removal Ordinance, you may call the Department of Public Safety at 627-4321, visit the City of Cheboygan's web site or stop at City Hall to obtain a copy of the Ordinance.



Cheboygan Kiwanis Park: Today



Kiwanis is doing a Crowdfunding Campaign to revitalize Kiwanis Park. They need to raise \$50,000.00 by November 9, 2016 before the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) will match the \$50,000.00. The video for their campaign is located at [https://www.patronicity.com/project/cheboygan\\_kiwanis\\_park\\_project\\_1#](https://www.patronicity.com/project/cheboygan_kiwanis_park_project_1#) [Visit this website for the vision of the Park and how you can help.]

Please do your part to help in the revitalization of Kiwanis Park for our children. Also, it will also enhance the corridor from the west entering the City of Cheboygan via Mackinaw Avenue (U.S.23).

# WATER/SEWER EMERGENCIES

If you experience a water or sewer emergency during normal business hours, please call 627-2582.

Should you experience a water or sewer emergency **after normal business hours, or on a weekend or holiday**, you may dial **290-2900** to reach an employee of the Department of Public Works.

Please remember that this system is for emergency situations, not for general information that can be obtained during normal working hours.



## “Let Water Run and Water Service Freezing Policy” - Effective October 25, 2005

The City of Cheboygan will allow a “Let Water Run Credit” for those water/sewer customers who properly notify the City that they will be running their water over the winter months to avoid freeze-ups of their water service.

Proper notification shall be in writing to the water/sewer billing department. The City will keep a record of the yearly lists subject to the City’s “Records Retention Policy.”

If the water service freezes between the water main and the “curb stop” or outside the water meter pit, the City shall correct the situation at its sole expense. If the meter freezes, the City shall thaw the service one time, any subsequent thawing shall be at a rate of \$40.00 per occasion and added to the customer’s next water/sewer billing.

If water service freezes on the building side of the “curb stop” or outside the meter pit, the City will have no responsibility in the matter. The City may assist on a labor, equipment, material and overhead basis if the customer agrees to pay the total expense.

The water/sewer billing clerk shall issue a “Let Water Run Credit” for all customers on the City “Let Water Run List” on the next billing that is based on an **actual reading** of the customer’s water meter. The amount of the credit will be based on the **previous year actual meter read** billed amount.

The City of Cheboygan reserves the right at any time, to modify, revise, amend, terminate or otherwise change the City’s Let Water Run and Water Service Freezing Policy.

## **Cheboygan – Proud Home Port of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Mackinaw.**



## SECOND METER READ REQUESTS

When a water/sewer bill is questioned and a second meter read is requested, there will be no charge. If an error is discovered it will be corrected by the City staff. If there is no error, the customer will be required to pay the original bill. During the next 24-month period, if a second read is requested and there is no error, the customer will then be liable for a \$10.00 charge.

*[City Council Policy, 9/13/83]*



## **Do's & Don'ts**

### **EXPERIENCING A WATER/SEWER PROBLEM???**

*Call the City at 627-2582 first before calling your plumber to find out whether or not your problem is the responsibility of the City. If you call your plumber first, the City will not be responsible for any costs.*

Thank you.

## Water Turn-On Charge

Any customer who has their water shut-off and has to have the City Water Department restore service will be charged a \$40 turn-on fee. This will include seasonal customers, non-payment customers, and anyone discontinuing service for a period of 30 days or more.

**Support Your Local Opera House!**



## ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS

Be sure to call 627-3592 to report when you are leaving for the winter. Thank you.

## STATE STREET BRIDGE (Bascule Bridge) REHABILITATION

The Michigan Department of Transportation will be rehabbing the State Street Bridge to include mechanical, electrical and structural. This project is scheduled to begin on January 3, 2017 with a May 25, 2017 estimated completion date.

If traffic is required to be rerouted over the Lincoln Avenue Bridge appropriate signage will be posted.

For questions concerning this State of Michigan project, please contact Ben Gowell, MDOT Project Engineer at 1-989-731-5090 or [GowellB@michigan.gov](mailto:GowellB@michigan.gov).

# RECREATION CENTER

400 Cleveland Avenue – 627-2151




## FALL/ WINTER SCHEDULE – October 3, 2016 – May 1, 2017 - **OPENING OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Monday & Wednesday for boys and men:** 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to 8<sup>th</sup> grade: 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM; High School Students and Adults: 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM.


**Tuesday & Thursday for girls and women:** 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to 8<sup>th</sup> grade: 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM; High School Students and Adults: 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM.

“If our times do not work for you and you would like to use any of our equipment, call us at 627-2151.”

Beginning October 17, the Recreation Center will hold a free-throw contest – boys can shoot any Monday or Wednesday between 5:30 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. – girls can shoot any Tuesday or Thursday between 5:30 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Deadline for shooting will be sometime in December. Any questions, contact Scott Hancock, Recreation Director at 627-2151.

The Center offers basketball, foosball, ping-pong, bumper pool, pool,  table hockey, football toss, volleyball, mini hoops, air hockey,  golf putting hole, mini bowling & mini hoops and two (2) weight rooms 

### Check out the game room that now has 2 new areas for PlayStation 3 and the Wii.

 Work on your soccer skills with Mr. B on Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm.



**Youth co-ed volleyball on Friday nights (began September 9), 6:30-8:30pm run by the Life Worship Center (Pastor Mike). Stop by the Recreation Center and check it out. All youth welcome.**

**Men’s Basketball League will start November 20th. Taking sign-ups now until November 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Co-Ed Volleyball leagues (Church & Spike) will start after the first of the year.  
Sign-up will take place in December.

Anyone who would like to throw a baseball or softball around to keep their arm in shape are welcome to use the Recreation Center on Wednesday from 2:30-3:30 p.m.



Beginning in November, the Recreation Center will be open on Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 for Special Olympics training. Anyone interested in volunteering is asked to call Scott Hancock, Recreation Director at 627-2151.

### Saturday basketball teams can call 627-2151 for practice times.

## Ice Rink/Pavilion



The City of Cheboygan **Ice Rink/Pavilion**, 480 Cleveland Avenue:  
**Open skate** for the month of October only will be Monday, Tuesday & Thursday – 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm; Friday - 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm; and Sunday – 3:00 pm to 4:20 pm. Open skate for the months of November through March will be Monday, Tuesday & Thursday – 5:00 pm to 5:50 pm; Friday - 4:30 pm to 5:50 pm; and Sunday – 3:00 pm to 4:20 pm.  
**Stick & Puck** beginning in October will be: Tuesday & Thursday, 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m, followed by open skating from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. Open skating prices are: students-\$2.00; adults-\$3.00. Open skating cards are available for students for \$40/25 skates and adults for \$55/25 skates. We also offer a private room for your use (birthdays parties, etc.) when you rent the ice.  
**Please contact Craig Coxe for rental information and additional details at (231) 627-3255.**

The Cheboygan Youth Center is an after-school and summer program for grades 5<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>. The Center is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. It is located at 504 Division Street (the old Junior High School). If you have any questions or would like to tour the Youth Center, please contact Director, Debra Turnbull at 231-597-0185.



## BLIGHT ORDINANCE REMINDERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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*The following is a summary of those sections of the City Ordinances which address blight violations and subject property owners to enforcement actions. This summary was prepared by the City's Blight Committee. It represents those areas within the City Ordinances which the Committee deems most important at this time but should not be considered a total list. Questions about the following should be directed to the Cheboygan Department of Public Safety.*

### **GRASS AND NOXIOUS WEEDS**

Chapter 95, Sec. 95.04 of the City Ordinances (Grass and Noxious Weeds) requires that property owners keep their lawns and property neat and trimmed throughout the growing season. Penalties for noncompliance may result in the City trimming and placing a bill for this on the tax roll.

### **INOPERABLE VEHICLES**

Chapter 94 prohibits owners, tenants or managers of private property from accumulating on private property any motor vehicle which is not in operating condition, is not licensed, or is not insured unless the property with certain exceptions for recreational vehicles, historical vehicles, and licensed construction vehicles used on a seasonal basis. If you believe a vehicle is exempted you should check with the City.

### **BLIGHTED EXTERIOR AND MAINTENANCE**

Chapter 95, Section 95.06, requires every owner and operator of property to comply with the following minimum requirements: All exterior property areas shall be properly maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, free from debris, brush, severed tree limbs, rubbish or garbage, physical hazards, rodent harborage and infestation; storage or placement of junk refuse or other objects, including, but not limited to, campers, trailers, lawnmowers, snowmobiles, tractors, motorcycles, boats, and others items not having been used recently for their original intended purpose in the right-of-way, yard, front porch or outside area exposed to the view of neighbors or the general public is prohibited, unless a temporary permit is issued by the City Manager.

### **BLIGHTED STRUCTURE OR BUILDING**

Chapter 95, Section 95.06 (A). It is prohibited to maintain a blighted structure or building which is defined as any dwelling, garage, accessory or outbuilding, or any factory, shop, store, office building, warehouse, or any other structure or part of a structure which:

- (a) Because of fire, wind, other natural disaster, or physical deterioration, is no longer habitable as a dwelling or useful for the purpose for which it was originally intended; or
- (b) Is partially completed and which is not presently being constructed under an existing, valid building permit issued by or under the authority of the city; or
- (c) Is not structurally sound, weather-tight, waterproof or vermin-proof; or
- (d) Is not covered by a water resistant paint or other waterproof covering so as to protect said structure from the adverse effects of the elements or from physical deterioration; or
- (e) Which causes or tends to cause devaluation of the subject property or other adjacent or nearby properties in the area due to neglect.

95.06 (B) further defines blight as a building which displays three or more of the following conditions:

- (1) Deteriorating roof; and/or
- (2) Siding off and/or damaged; and/or
- (3) Broken and/or deteriorating windows; and/or
- (4) Unfinished exterior; and/or
- (5) Collapsing porch or deck; and/or
- (6) Scaffolding unless associated with current building permit; and/or
- (7) Cracked and broken foundations/chimneys which constitute a structural or health hazard unless such structure is in the course of construction in accordance with a valid building permit issued by the city and unless such construction is completed within a reasonable time; and/or
- (8) Is partially completed and which is not presently being constructed under an existing, valid building permit issued by or under the authority of the City.

If you have any questions regarding the above or wish to report a violation please contact the  
Cheboygan Department of Public Safety at 627-4321.

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### **Garage Sales/Yard Sales**

Yard or garage sales, in which items are for sale to the public, shall be no longer in duration than seven days within a 90-day period.

### **Brush/Yard Waste**

Brush and yard waste shall not be put out on the curb until the dates published by the City. [see page 1] Any brush that needs disposed of before the dates set by the City shall be taken behind the Department of Public Works by the property owner. Call 231-627-2582 with any questions.

# TRICK-OR-TREAT

**in Downtown Cheboygan!**

**October 31<sup>st</sup> 3:00 - 5:00 PM**

***Calling all Trick-or-Treaters:***

**Downtown Cheboygan cordially invites you to Trick-or-Treat to any business that has a pumpkin sign in their window.**



## Main Street

*will be closed from State Street to Court Street to ensure that all of the little ghosts & goblins can safely travel to the Downtown establishments.*

**GIRLS  
NIGHT  
OUT**



**Thursday, November 10  
3-8 pm**

**FOOD!**

**DEALS!**

**Stop by participating retail stores and you will be entered in a gift basket drawing!**

**downtown  
cheboygan**

*the place to shop, dine & unwind!*

**DOWNTOWN  
HOSPITALITY  
NIGHT**

**Thursday,  
December 1  
4-8 pm**



Businesses offer holiday goodies, live music, and one-night only specials.

PLUS...Shoppers will receive special gifts from the Downtown Mystery Elf!



**(231) 627-9931**

~ **[www.cheboygan.org](http://www.cheboygan.org)**

# FALL HYDRANT FLUSHING

The City of Cheboygan will be flushing hydrants as follows:



**EAST SIDE:** 10:00 pm Sunday, October 16 to 7:00 am Monday, October 17  
 10:00 pm Monday, October 17 to 7:00 am Tuesday, October 18  
 \*10:00 pm Tuesday, October 18 to 7:00 am Wednesday, October 19

**WEST SIDE:** 10:00 pm Sunday, October 23 to 7:00 am Monday, October 24  
 10:00 pm Monday, October 24 to 7:00 am Tuesday, October 25  
 10:00 pm Tuesday, October 25 to 7:00 am Wednesday, October 26  
 \*10:00 pm Wednesday, October 26 to 7:00 am Thursday, October 27

*Please do not wash clothing without first running cold water faucets until the water is clear on these days and the following day to clear your lines of rust and other particles. Call 627-2582 (Water Department) with any questions or concerns.*

## Public Meetings

are held in the City Council Chambers, located in the City Hall, 403 N. Huron Street. [Subject to change.]

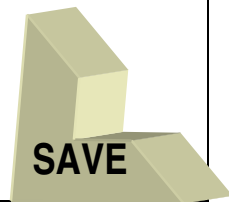
- ◆ City Council – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Planning Commission – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Port Commission – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Zoning Board of Appeals – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. [as required]
- ◆ Recreation Commission – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. (when called)
- ◆ Downtown Development Authority – 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

*If you are interested on serving on a City Board or Commission, please contact the City Clerk's office for an application.*

The City of Cheboygan does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The City will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals desiring to attend City hearings or meetings. Three weeks advance notice is requested. Please call the City Clerk at 627-9931 for more information.

## Telephone Numbers for City Offices

City Hall	627-9931	403 N. Huron Street	Dept. of Public Works	627-2582
Utility Billing	627-3592		(Wastewater Treatment Plant, Water, Sewer, Streets)	
Parks & Rec. Dept. (Recreation Center)	627-2151	480 Cleveland Avenue	975 N. Huron Street	
Ice Rink/Pavilion	627-3255	400 Cleveland Avenue		
Police & Fire Non-Emergency	627-4321	Hearing Impaired Only TDD 597-0315		
403 N. Huron Street				



**Mayor:** Mark C. Bronson, 597-8234  
**Mayor Pro Tem:** Nicholas C. Couture, 420-3644 (cell)  
**Council Members:**  
 Nathan H. King, 989-854-0846 (cell)  
 Betty Kwiatkowski, 290-3417 (cell)  
 Winifred L. Riddle, 627-6604  
 Vaughn Temple, 625-2465  
 Joseph Lavender, 420-8420(cell)

**Management:**  
 City Manager: Thomas E. Eustice  
 Dir. of Public Safety: Kurt R. Jones  
 City Clerk/Treasurer: Kenneth J. Kwiatkowski  
 City Assessor: Thomas E. Eustice  
 Fire Chief: Thomas Bancroft  
 DPW Director: Jason L. Karmol  
 Parks & Rec. Director: Scott Hancock  
 Ice Rink Manager: Craig Coxe

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Polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm on Election Day. Voting takes place at the Recreation Center, 480 Cleveland Avenue for all City electors (non-Township). You must be registered to vote no later than October 11, 2016 to be eligible to vote in this election.