



# The CITY REVIEW

Enjoy Downtown Cheboygan!!

*Summer Events*

- July 14:** Arts Festival @ Festival Square [Contact the Cheboygan Area Arts Council at 627-5432.]
- July 27-28:** Downtown Music Festival [see insert for all the details]
- July 28:** Rockin' Rivertown Ride [see insert for all the details]
- August 2-4:** Downtown Cheboygan Sidewalk Sales - Don't miss the deals your local retailers offer during this special 3-day event. Enjoy the shopping convenience of your Downtown Cheboygan merchants this summer. For more information, please contact Kirsten Guenther, 627-9931.

## PROPERTY INSPECTIONS CONTINUE

The City of Cheboygan is in the process of updating all property record cards over the course of the next few years. Someone may be stopping at your property to update the property record card this year or in the near future. The inspection includes a complete re-measuring of the land improvements along with listing the building improvements. Also, digital images will be taken for the record. Some questions such as how many bedrooms, bathrooms and interior finish may be asked if you are home. Access to your home is not asked for or required for this project.

## WATER & SEWER RATE INCREASES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

The City of Cheboygan water and sewer system is a multi-million dollar investment that directly affects the health, safety, and overall quality of life in our community. With every water and sewer bill, our customers are investing to preserve and protect that system. It is the City's responsibility to protect the water and sewer system investments for today's customers, as well as tomorrow's customers. It would be a disservice to our customers to charge inadequate rates and thus compromise the effective, reliable system upon which we all rely. In protecting the community's water and sewer investment, it is the City's responsibility to evaluate rates and adjust them accordingly. All revenues derived from the water and sewer utility bills are used exclusively for water and sewer system expenditures.

The proposed increase was determined through a Rate Study conducted with the Michigan Rural Water Association and is mandated by the MDEQ to be submitted with a rate calculation demonstrating sufficient revenues to cover expenses. This mandated information has been submitted to MDEQ and this information shows a need to raise rates in both water and sewer departments.

**Water Rate:** from \$4.71 per 1000 gallons to \$7.05 per 1000 gallons with Ready to Serve Fee of \$6.00 per Quarter (Residential)

**Sewer Rate:** from \$5.20 per 1000 gallons to \$8.48 per 1000 gallons with Ready to Serve Fee of \$15.00 per Quarter (Residential and Commercial)

**Flat Fee Sewer:** 14 Units of Sewer charges per Quarter as a Flat Fee

**Lease Deposits:** Lease deposit increase from \$100 to \$250

### **THE FOLLOWING ARE THE METER SIZE IN INCHES AND THE CORRESPONDING QUARTERLY READY-TO-SERVE CHARGE BY METER SIZE:**

<u>METER SIZE</u>	<u>QUARTERLY READY TO SERVE CHARGE BY METER SIZE</u>
3/4	\$6.00 (Residential)
1	\$10.02 (Commercial)
1 1/4	\$14.04 (Commercial)
1 1/2	\$19.98 (Commercial)
2	\$31.98 (Commercial)
3	\$64.02 (Commercial)
4	\$100.02 (Commercial)
6	\$199.98 (Commercial)
8	\$319.98 (Commercial)
10	\$460.02 (Commercial)
12	\$859.98 (Commercial)

**NOTICE:**

*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 (231) 627-9931 for more information.*

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## 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, the City staff is committed to providing emergency response. To provide that response, 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.

*Please help us keep this system up and operating for the benefit of the entire City of Cheboygan.*



## WATER SHUT-OFF INFORMATION

Customers who have their water shut off and have to have Department of Public Works personnel restore service will be charged a \$40.00 Turn On Fee. This will include seasonal customers, non-payment customers and anyone discontinuing service for a period of 30 days or more.

## 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.*

## PERMITS REQUIRED FOR WORK IN STREET RIGHTS-OF-WAY



Anyone planning to perform any type of work within a City street right-of-way **must** secure a Permit from the City of Cheboygan's Department of Public Works. Work requiring a Permit within a street right-of-way includes patch work, culvert installation, curb, sidewalk or driveway repair, tree or shrub planting or any other type of work within the street right-of-way. Please contact Jason L. Karmol, Director, Department of Public Works, at 627-2592, if you plan work in the street right-of-way or have questions concerning street rights-of-way.



## City Marina & Public Restroom Information

The Cheboygan City Marina consists of over 800' of broad-side dockage at two dock sites on the west side of the Cheboygan River just south of the State Street Drawbridge. Interested boaters may make reservations for overnight docking through the D.N.R. web site at [midnreservations.com](http://midnreservations.com) or by simply tying up along the Marina wall and a dock attendant will stop by morning, noon.

The Cheboygan City Marina provides restroom facilities along with water and power hook-ups for registered boaters. Fuel and pump out facilities are available at the County Marina at the mouth of the Cheboygan River and the Straits of Mackinac. Interested parties may contact the City of Cheboygan for more information at Cheboygan Public Safety at 231-627-4321; or Parks and Recreation at 231-627-2151.



## Grass & Weed Notice

Property owners, residential & business, are required to cut the right-of-way (berm area), as well as their personal property. City crews are mowing private properties that are in violation of the City Ordinance. The minimum charge is \$175/per hour and will be placed on property taxes levied in July. Also, the property owner can be cited for the violation.

Brush, tree limbs, grass clippings, etc. can be taken to the drop-off area at the Department of Public Works garage for disposal between 7:00 am & 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday at no charge.



## Public Notice

Any citizen having experienced an overflow or backup of a sewage disposal or storm water system must file a written claim with the City of Cheboygan within 45 days after the discovery or in the exercise of reasonable diligence should have been discovered. Failure to provide the required notice to the City Manager, 403 N. Huron St., PO Box 39, Cheboygan, MI 49721 will prevent recovery of damages.



In addition to personal checks, money orders, cashiers checks & cash, we now accept credit/debit cards. There is a 3% convenience fee, or a minimum of \$2.00, which will be added to all payments made using credit/debit cards. There is an e-check option for payment; the fee is \$3.00 – up to \$10,000.00. Visit us online at [www.cheboygan.org](http://www.cheboygan.org) to view and pay your water/sewer (utility) bill and tax bills.



**July 27 - 5-11 pm**  
**July 28 - Noon-11 pm**  
 in **FESTIVAL SQUARE**  
 Downtown Cheboygan's Open Air Pavilion!  
**FREE ADMISSION!**

## Festival Square Schedule:

Friday, July 27

5:00 pm The Brewhouse Band  
 8:00 pm The Rock Show

Saturday, July 28

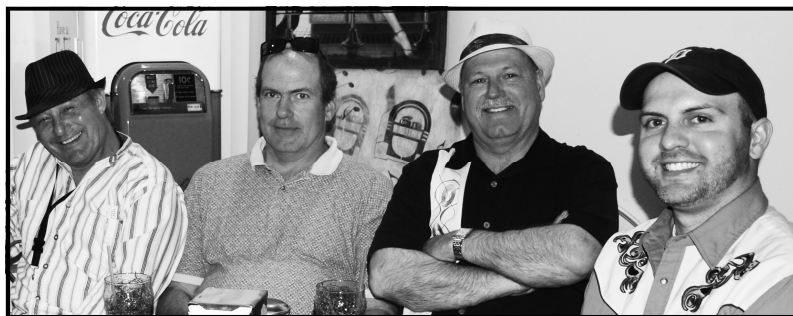
8:00 am-1:00 pm Farmers Market  
 Noon Charlie Reager  
 1:00 pm Owen James Trio  
 2:00 pm Lara Fullford  
 3:00 pm Oh Brother, Big Sister  
 4:00 pm Evan Archambo  
 5:00 pm Jon Archambault Band  
 8:00 pm Drew Hale Band

For more information,  
**CALL - (231) 627-9931**

[www.cheboyganmusicfest.com](http://www.cheboyganmusicfest.com)



*The place to shop, dine & unwind!*



The Brewhouse Band - July 27 @ 5 pm



The Rock Show - July 26 @ 8 pm



Jon Archambault Band - 5 pm



Drew Hale Band - 8 pm







*Downtown Cheboygan Michigan*

**Schedule of Events:**

10:00 am - Noon	Registration in Festival Square
12:00 pm	Poker Run throughout Cheboygan County
12:00 pm	Entertainment Tent opens:
4:30 pm	Rolling Thunder Parade on Main Street
5:00 pm	Bike Show on Main Street/Judging & People's Choice Ballots
6:30 pm	Motorcycle & Poker Run Winner Announced

**POKER RUN REGISTRATION FORM: *Driver/Rider: \$25 each***

Driver Name: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: Ladies: S M L XL/ Mens: S M L XL XXL

Rider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: Ladies: S M L XL/ Mens: S M L XL XXL

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please mail completed form and payment to:  
City of Cheboygan DDA, c/o Kirsten Guenther, 403 N. Huron, P.O. Box 39, Cheboygan, MI 49721*

**Participation Fees:**

**Poker Run:**

**\$25/person**

**(includes an event t-shirt)**



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## ORDINANCE REMINDERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



### ADDRESS NUMBER REQUIRED:

Chapter 98.62 & 98.63 of the City Ordinance states "All premises and/or mailboxes shall bear a distinctive street number in accordance with and as designated upon the street numbering maps on file in the offices of the City." Numbers should be at least 3 inches tall and reflective.

### 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
- Yard Sale Signs are not to be placed in the public right of way or placed on any utility pole. They should be placed behind the curb, sidewalk or ditch line, with permission of the property owner.

### BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE:

Chapter 154.136 of the City Ordinance states "all trailer coaches or boats owned by residents of the City and stored of their individuals lots shall not be stored within any required front or side yard." **MUST BE IN REAR YARD.**

### GRASS AND NOXIOUS WEEDS:

Chapter 95.04 of the City Ordinance "No person occupying any premises, and no person owning any unoccupied premises shall permit or maintain on any such premises any growth of noxious weeds nor any growth of grass or other rank vegetation to a greater height than five inches on the average; nor any accumulation of dead weeds, grass or brush. Lawns shall be cut (grass can be no higher than five inches) and maintained 50 feet from the property line in developed areas, whether or not the same is occupied, and of a primary business structure." Cutting by the City is **\$175.00 per hour** and placed on the tax roll.

### UNLICENSED/INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLES:

Chapter 94.02 of the City Ordinance states that "Any motor vehicle parked on your property in the City must be in operating condition and be licensed and insured for use in accordance with the requirements of the Michigan Vehicle Code" Vehicles not being used for original intended purpose **are in violation.**

### TRASH PICKUP:

Chapter 95.02 prohibits "The placing of garbage containers, dumpsters or trash receptacles in a public right-of-way except on collection day." Placing furniture or other items out for trash pickup is not allowed except on trash day and must be prearranged for pickup with your trash company. Trash is to be in approved containers (metal or plastic) not just trash bags that can be torn apart by animals and containers must be removed from the right-of-way after trash is picked up at the end of the day.

### NOISE:

Chapter 95.03 prohibits "The playing of any radio, television set, phonograph or any musical instrument in such a manner or such volume, particularly during the hours between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. or any time or place so to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of person in any office or any dwelling, hotel or other type of residence, or of any persons in the vicinity; Yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling, or singing or the making of any other loud noise on the public streets between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. or the making of any such noise at any time so as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of persons."

### FIREWORKS:

Chapter 130.03 prohibits "The Fire, discharge, display or possess any Fireworks except of the type permitted by state law." No fireworks are to be discharged between the hours of 1:00 am and 8:00 am; fireworks are only permitted to be discharged on the day before a national holiday, the day of the national holiday, and the day after a national holiday. A person must be at least 18 years of age to purchase, acquire or obtain any legal fireworks. Michigan Fireworks Safety Act 256 of 2011 can be found on the complied laws website at Michigan.gov and the City of Cheboygan Website under City Ordinances Chapter 95.03, Noise Nuisance at [www.cheboygan.org](http://www.cheboygan.org).

**BLIGHT:** Chapter 95.06 states that "It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or maintain a garish exterior upon any vacant structure, building, dwelling, garage, or outbuilding, factory shop, store, or warehouse..." "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."

# Recreation Center



400 Cleveland Avenue, 627-2151  
 Scott Hancock, Director of Parks and Recreation

Cheboygan's Pedestrian Footbridge



The Center offers basketball, foosball, ping-pong, bumper pool, pool, air hockey and two (2) weight rooms (weight rooms for high school students & adult only). Also, Mini Bowling and Mini Hoops.

**Men's fast pitch softball is looking for ump's. Call Scott, 627-2151.**

**Men's open gym – Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm**  
**High School open gym – Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm**



**Little League District State Tournament Begins July 5<sup>th</sup>**

Call Scott Hancock, Parks & Recreation Director, at 627-2582 for dates and locations.

**Beach volleyball at Gordon Turner Park on Friday nights at 6:30 p.m. Join in the fun.**

Pickleball - Monday & Friday, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm  
 Wednesday, 9:00 am to 11:30 am

**Play with X-Box 360 and Wii – Call Scott at 627-2151 to set up a time.**



Ping Pong players are needed for Friday night ping pong. Call Scott at 627-2151 to sign up or for additional information.

**Special Olympics are held on Saturday mornings. If you would like to join or help, call Scott at 627-2151.**

**Note:** If you work nights and are unable to use our schedule, call the Recreation Center at 627-2151 and they will try and work you into a time that fits your schedule. Also, if you would like to use the facility for basketball or volleyball, contact Scott Hancock.

## Telephone Numbers for City Offices

City Hall [Hearing Impaired Only: TDD 597-0315]	627-9931	Mayor	627-9931	Parks & Rec. Dept. (Recreation Center) 400 Cleveland Avenue	627-2151
Assessor	627-9931	Manager	627-9931		
Clerk/Treasurer	627-9931	Ice Rink/Pavilion 480 Cleveland Avenue	627-3255	Utility Billing	627-3592
Police & Fire *Non-Emergency 403 N. Huron Street	627-4321*	Marina	627-9931	Public Works (inc. Water, Sewer, Wastewater Treatment Plan t & Street Dept.) 975 N. Huron Street	627-2582

**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: Bridget E. Brown

City Assessor: Thomas E. Eustice

Fire Chief: Donald Dailey

DPW Director: Jason L. Karmol

Parks & Rec. Director: Scott Hancock

Ice Rink Manager: Craig Cox