



CITY OF IONIA



City Recognizes Employee Milestone Anniversaries!

Congratulations to City employees celebrating employment anniversaries during 2020

5 Years

Benjamin T. Fryc, Public Safety (IPS)
Christian A. Flanders, Public Safety (IPS)

15 Years

Jason R. Eppler, City Manager (City Hall)
Bruce O. Stedman, Dial-A-Ride (I-DART)
Todd J. Verduin, Public Safety (IPS)
Geoffrey S. Petersen, Public Works (DPW)
Scott D. Ruehs, Public Works (DPW)

30 Years

Troy S. Thomas, Director Public Safety (IPS)

10 Years

Bethany J. Guernsey, City Hall Administration
Dianne L. Cochrun, City Hall Administration

20 Years

Kathleen R. Wickerink, Dial-A-Ride (I-DART)
Gordon Kelley, Councilmember (1st Ward)
Joshua J. Ewalt, Public Utilities (DPU/WWTP)
Christopher O. Springsteen, Public Works (DPW)
Randy L. Dankenbring, Public Safety (IPS)

35 Years

Gary F. Cunningham, Director Public Works (DPW)

2021 Meeting Schedules: City Council, Planning Commission and Downtown Development Authority are as follow:

<u>CITY COUNCIL</u>		<u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u>		<u>DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY</u>	
Meetings begin at 7:00 PM at City Hall:		Meetings begin at 4:30 PM at City Hall:		Meetings begin at 8:00 AM at City Hall:	
January 5, 2021	July 6, 2021	January 13, 2021	July 14, 2021	January 20, 2021	July 21, 2021
February 2, 2021	August 3, 2021	February 10, 2021	August 11, 2021	February 17, 2021	August 18, 2021
March 2, 2021	September 7, 2021	March 10, 2021	September 8, 2021	March 17, 2021	September 15, 2021
April 13, 2021*	October 5, 2021	April 14, 2021	October 15, 2021	April 21, 2021	October 20, 2021
May 4, 2021	November 2, 2021	May 12, 2021	November 10, 2021	May 19, 2021	November 17, 2021
June 1, 2021	December 7, 2021	June 9, 2021	December 8, 2021	June 16, 2021	December 15, 2021



Code Enforcement

Odd/Even Parking: Residents are reminded of the odd/even parking ordinance which pertains to vehicles parked in the street overnight. The ordinance, in effect from **December 1 through March 31** each year, states that vehicles must be parked on the side of the street that coincides with the date of the month. For example, if the date after midnight is an even numbered date, vehicles must be parked on the side of the street that carries even house numbers. If the date after midnight is an odd number, vehicles must be parked on the side of the street that carries odd house numbers. Keep in mind what the date will be after midnight when parking a vehicle. The ordinance is in affect from **7 AM to 10 PM.**

The odd/even parking ordinance does not apply to areas with parking on only one side of the street. Contact the Public Safety Department at 527-4431 with questions regarding the ordinance.

Sidewalk Snow Removal: The City requires that every property owner or resident keep the sidewalk bordering his or her property free of snow and ice after every snowfall. The City code does permit the City to have the snow and ice removed at the property owner's expense if they do not comply with this request. The City code also states that there is no advance warning required. Residents are encouraged to contact Public Safety Officer Vos at 523-0157 with questions regarding the ordinance.

Golf Carts/ORVs/ATVs: A reminder that golf carts, off-road vehicles (ORVs), and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) may not operate on streets within/under the jurisdiction of the City.

 <u>Granger Recycle Schedule</u> 		
January	February	March
Monday, 4 th Monday, 18 th	Monday, 1 st Monday, 15 th	Monday, 1 st Monday, 15 th Monday, 29 th

Trash and recycling containers must be streetside by 7 AM on the day of pickup. If it is placed later than 7 AM, it may not be picked up. If you are billed for trash pickup and/or recycling by the City, call 523-1041 for any issues regarding pickup or trash/recycling carts.

Visit Granger's website www.grangernet.com/ionia-recycling for details on recycling.

Mural Project: The community's rich history will again come alive on the brick exterior on the east wall of the Ionia Theatre. The mural will provide a snap shot of history from the late 1800's to the 1960's. The locomotive depicts the mode of travel used by thousands of visitors, the beginning of the industrial age, and those looking to settle in the community. If you wish to help sponsor the mural project, view details on the DDA page on the City website www.cityofionia.org and click on the red drawer titled Ionia Mural Project.

Ionia Theatre: Curbside Concessions are available on Fridays and Saturdays, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM., and on Sunday, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM., through January 15, 2021.

Purchase a Gift Card for \$20.00 or more, and receive 1 Free Large Curbside Popcorn!

**Popcorn, Candy, Beverages (non-alcohol)*



Reserve your Ionia Theatre seats online at the following link:
<http://2380.formovietickets.com:2235/>

Visit the Ionia Theatre website page at: www.cityofionia.org

Thank you for supporting your hometown theatre!

City Income Taxes – 2020 Filings: A reminder that city income taxes are due April 30 for everyone working or residing in the city. Individuals employed at any of the local correctional facilities are also required to file. City income tax forms are available at City Hall, the Ionia Community Library, or on the City of Ionia website at www.cityofionia.org.

Questions regarding the city income tax may be directed to incometax@ci.ionia.mi.us or 523-0142. *A reminder that the city does not accept any e-filed returns, whether from Turbo Tax or your professional tax preparer, due to issues with how the electronic information interfaces with our software.

*Print out your city return, and drop off, or mail to City Hall.

Hydrant Snow Removal: If you have a fire hydrant located in front of, or in close proximity to your home, please keep the snow removed from around it. When responding to an emergency, every second counts. Quicker access to the hydrant is greatly appreciated.



Rental Registration: If you own residential rental property in the City, it must be registered with the City. Contact Officer Brian Vos at the Public Safety Department via e-mail at bvos@ci.ionia.mi.us or at 523-0157 to register your rental and to schedule an inspection.

Parks & Recreation

***T-Ball:** Registration is February 15, through April 23, 2021. Cost: \$40/Residents and \$50/Non-Residents. Teams are Coed. Boys and Girls ages 3 and 4 years old are Division 1. Boys and Girls ages 5 and 6 years old are Division 2. T-ball games and practices begin in May and are held at the Harwood Road Sports Complex softball fields behind the ISD school.

***Spring Soccer:** Registration is January 25, through March, 26, 2021. Cost: \$40/Residents and \$50/Non-Residents. Teams are Coed. Games are played at the soccer fields in front of the Ionia High school.

***Flag Football:** Registration is January 25, through March 26, 2021. Age 4 through 3rd Grade \$40 Residents/\$50 Non. Six games will be played on Wednesdays, on the outfields softball diamonds, at the Harwood Sports Complex. Times: 5:30 pm, 6:30 pm, and 7:30 pm.

***Adult Summer Softball League:** Registration is February 1, 2021 through April 9, 2021. Team entry fee: \$275 with no player fees. Men and Women eighteen years or older. Teams: Sunday Coed, Monday Coed, and Tuesday Nights. Umpire fees are \$12 per game per team and are paid at the field.

***Tae-Kwon-Do:** Youth and Adults. \$25.00 first student, \$15.00 each additional family member per month. Tuesday 6 pm - 7:30 pm & Saturday 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm (Seasonal) Classes promote self defense, fitness, health, well being and strength.

*Due to Covid-19 restrictions; all programs and events are subject to change. Please check the Parks and Recreation website page on the City of Ionia website for updates. All registrations are refundable if programs or events are cancelled.

The Armory Community Center has three rooms available to rent at various fees for personal, or business use; the gymnasium, the Lions Room, the American Bumper room.



Visit the Ionia Parks and Recreation department web page on the City website, for details on all programs and rentals:
<https://cityofionia.org/parks-and-recreation.php>

Water Quality Report Available Online: The City's 'Annual Drinking Water Quality Report' is available for review online at the City's website www.cityofionia.org. Select the *Departments* tab at the top of the home page, then select *Public Utilities* and choose the *Water Quality Report* document located in the maroon color file cabinet.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!