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## Montague Messenger

**Absentee Voting & Permanent AV:** The General Election will be held on November 3rd. If you have not already done so, an application is enclosed that allows registered voters to sign-up to get a ballot for the November election, AND to be placed on the "Permanent Absentee Voter Application" list to automatically receive applications for future elections. To vote by mail, voters may return completed form to: Clerk, City of Montague, 8778 Ferry Street, Montague, MI 49437, drop it off in City's drop box, or scan your completed form and e-mail to clerk@cityofmontague.org Voters may also apply online with the Secretary of State at: *Michigan.gov/VOTE* 

**Election Inspectors:** As we get ready for the General Election in November, please consider signing up to be an election inspector. Election workers are the Most Valuable Players on Election Day. Become a #DemocracyMVP today and help protect and defend Michigan's elections at *Michigan.gov/DemocracyMVP* or, feel free to stop by the Montague City Hall, 8778 Ferry Street, to fill out an application. #DemocracyMVP @MichSoS

**Hydrant Flushing:** The City Department of Public Works will be flushing fire hydrants from 9AM to 3PM during the week of September 19th. Water customers are advised to not do laundry during the hours hydrants are being flushed. If a temporary discoloration of the water is noticed, you should run your cold water for about five minutes until it clears.

**Brush Pick Up:** The City of Montague will offer brush pick up the week of October 19th. Materials must be placed roadside before Monday, October 19th as only one trip will be made through town. Residents may place their brush near the edge of the street the week prior to being picked up. Brush should not be more than four (4) inches in diameter — NO STUMPS, BRANCHES, or LOGS. No materials generated by, construction activities, commercial trimming, or tree removal will be collected. After this date, residents can dispose of brush at the White Lake Area Solid Waste Authority, 2100 Holton-Whitehall Road.



**COVID-19 Update:** Montague City Hall is open to the public with a mask requirement. However, we encourage citizens to use our—NEW drop box outside the front doors of City Hall to limit in-person interactions like making payments, filing forms, or submitting your AV ballot. You may also continue to use remote interactions with City staff to keep our staff, you, your family, and neighbors safe.

**Pumpkinfest:** The Festival will return in October 2021.

**Cemetery Decorations:** All spring / summer flower decorations are to be removed from gravesites by October 15th or they will be disposed of by City personnel. Winter decorations and wreaths may be placed on gravesites after November 15th.

**Stay safe, Save Gas, Save a Trip, Pay Online:** It's safe and simple to take care of your payments due to the City of Montague at: **www.cityof montague.org** 





## **Frequently Requested Info**

City Hall Staff: 893-1155

Manager: Jeff Auch Clerk: K.P. Mahoney Utility Billing: Tina Ramthun Treasurer: Melissa Beegle Zoning Administrator: Steve Coverly

Administrative Asst.: Kelly Markley

**Police Department:** 893-0810 Chief: Robert Rought Secretary: Cherie Anderson

**DPW Maintenance:** 893-2235 Superintendent: Scott Beishuizen Foreman: Alan Weesies

Cemetery Sexton: Steve Lohman

855-1617

**Assessors:** 

Dennis Burns 329-5165 Cory Burns 329-3841

**Building Inspections:** 

Permits Coordinator: Tina Ramthun Building Inspector: Val Jensen II

Electrical & Mechanical: Ed Pulaski

894-8022

Plumbing Inspector: Jim Callender 206-6563

**Montague Fire Dist.** 893-3311 Fire Chief: Ron Anderson

**Montague Branch Library** 

893-2675

**Montague Museum** 

8717 Meade Street, Montague Saturdays & Sundays 1PM - 5PM Memorial Day to Labor Day

City Council Meetings—City Hall (Lower Level)

Council Meeting—3rd Monday of the month @ 5:30 p.m.

Mayor:

Tom Lohman tomlohman@yahoo.com

893-5545

**City Councilmembers:** 

Bruce Froelich Tim Todd Claude Babcock Lisa Kiel Susan Newhof Jeri Wonders Don't have time to wait in line?

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