

City of Montague
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Montague Messenger

New Boat Launch Permit Kiosk:

Our new kiosk is up and running at the boat launch. The machine is easy to use, accepts cards, and issues a sticker all in one transaction! Launch permits may also be purchased online at www.cityofmontague.org or in-person at City Hall. Resident and Senior discounts only available online or at City Hall.



Brush Pick Up Schedule:

The City of Montague will offer brush pick up the **week of May 22nd**. Materials must be placed roadside before Sunday, May 21st, as only one trip will be made through the City. All materials must be placed near the edge of the street and **should not be more than four feet (4') long and four inches (4") in diameter**. No stumps, branches, or logs created by property owners removing mature trees will be collected. In addition, **no** materials created by commercial trimming, building / construction materials, or other debris will be collected. Brush can also be brought to the White Lake Area Solid Waste Authority, 2100 Holton-Whitehall Rd., and disposed of according to their fee schedule.

4th of July Fireworks & Parade:

A beloved tradition is back: fireworks will be held on Tuesday, July 4th, this year! Securing the fireworks on the 4th has been a combined effort of local residents and business owners, forming the White Lake Fireworks Committee. The cities of Montague and Whitehall contributed equally to the cost. Fireworks will be held at dusk and the White Lake Area Chamber of Commerce 4th of July Parade will take place at 2 p.m. on the holiday.



Montague Pride Days/Free Dump Coupon:

The free dump coupon, used at the Solid Waste Authority at 2100 Holton-Whitehall Rd., has been postponed this year. Information on the new date will be posted as soon as available.

Dog Licensing:

Have a dog that needs to be licensed? Save a trip to the County building and register your furry companions at Montague City Hall. Simply bring in proof of rabies vaccination and select which type of license you need: puppy, spayed/neutered, unfixed, or service dog. This service is provided to City residents at no extra cost. No charge for a service dog license.



Frequently Requested Info

City Hall Staff: 893-1155
City Manager: Jeff Auch
City Clerk: Kelly Markley
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Treasurer: Melissa Beegle
Zoning: Steve Coverly

Police Department: 893-0810
Chief: Rick Johnson
Secretary: Jennifer Wildfong

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:
Permit Coordinator:
Tina Ramthun
Building Official:
Val Jensen 638-0529
Electrical Inspector:
Jeff Johnson 329-4465
Mechanical & Plumbing
Inspector: Jim Callender
206-6563

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

Montague Branch Library:
893-2675 - Librarian:
Christina Le Vey-Rowland

Montague Museum
8717 Meade Street, Montague

City Council Meetings:

Council Room: 8778 Ferry St.
3rd Monday of the month
@ 5:30 p.m.

Mayor:
Tom Lohman 893-5545
tomlohman@yahoo.com

City Councilmembers:
Lisa Kiel Susan Newhof
Jeri Wonders Robert Hires
Laura LaGuire Paul Schultz



Montague Farmers Market:

Market season is coming! New this year: the Tuesday evening market will be hosted in the Artisan Village. Church Street will continue to be closed to traffic on Saturday market mornings, a new tradition that is appreciated by vendors and customers alike. The farmers market features only locally made or grown goods—the best of Michigan summer! Check out the Montague Farmers Market Facebook!

Farmers Market Hours:

Saturdays, May 13th—October 28th, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, June 13th—August 15th, 5 p.m.—7 p.m.

Artisan Village:

The City is excited for the fourth season of the Artisan Market Village this summer! Cottages open May 13th, just in time for Mother's Day. The artisans at the Village are area residents using the space for their small businesses. Come down and check out some of our new vendors this summer and support your neighbors!

Artisan Village hours for 2023:

Fridays, May 26th—October 27th, 5 p.m.—9 p.m.

Saturdays, May 13th — October 28th, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, June 13th— August 15th, 5 p.m.—7 p.m.

Stay tuned for FUN events coming to the Village this summer season. Movies in the Moonlight, live music, food trucks, giveaways, non-profit fundraisers and more!

Short & Long Term Rentals:

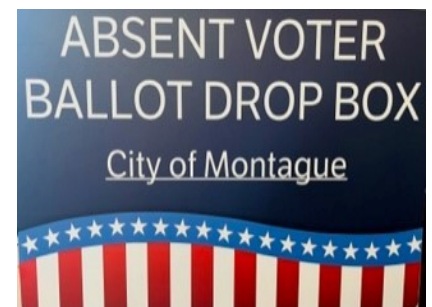
Summer rentals and Airbnbs are very popular in our area. Have a house or apartment in the City you rent out for periods of time? Make sure your rental is registered with the City before the rental occurs. Simply stop in for an application or visit our website at <https://cityofmontague.org/links/> for the online form and City rental ordinance.

City Facility Rentals:

The City of Montague offers many beautiful facilities available to rent for your spring, summer, and fall events! The Maple Beach Pavilion, Trailhead Pavilion, Farmers Market Pavilion, and the Band Shell are wonderfully maintained by our DPW crew and available to the public for fee, with a discounted price offered to City residents and non-profits. Applications and payment options available on the City website at <https://cityofmontague.org/parks-amenities/>, or call or visit City Hall to make your reservation.

Special Election, May 2nd, 2023:

There will be a county-wide election May 2nd, 2023 for the Muskegon Area Intermediate School District (MAISD). If you are a registered voter in the City and would like to vote by mail, stop by City Hall for an Absentee Voter (AV) Application **or** submit one online at <https://www.michigan.gov/sos/>. City residents on the Permanent AV Application list have already been sent an application in the mail, which includes an option to be on the Permanent AV Ballot list per the recently passed Proposal 2-22. Another new feature of Proposal 2-22: the application was sent with an addressed and prepaid return envelope. Applications can be submitted to the City Clerk via drop-box, mail, or email at clerk@cityofmontague.org. In-person voting will proceed as usual in the City Council Room the day of the election from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Prescription Disposal:

If you have expired or unwanted prescription medications or sharps (needles), they can be safely and confidentially disposed of at the Montague Police Department in a secure medical waste drop box. Front desk hours for the Montague Police Department are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.