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Hastings Highlights

What's going on this month.....

- 01 Monday - Library Board 4:30 PM
- 01 Monday - Planning Commission 7:00 PM
- 08 Monday - Council 7:00 PM
- 10 Wednesday - Cemetery Advisory Board 3:00 PM
- 15 Monday - Cable Access 7:00 PM
- 16 Tuesday - ZBA 7:00 PM
- 17 Wednesday - JPC 5:30 PM (Rutland Twp. Hall)
- 18 Thursday - DDA 8:00 AM
- 22 Monday - Council 7:00 PM
- 24 Wednesday - Airport Commission 4:30 PM
- 25 Thursday - LDFA/BRA 3:00 PM



2020 Winter Taxes

The last day to pay your 2020 Winter City Tax Bill without penalty or interest is

5:00 PM Tuesday, February 16, 2021.



Taxes paid after February 16, 2021 will have 3% penalty and 1% interest added to the total. If you are unable to pay your tax bill during our normal Monday through Friday 8:00-5:00 PM business hours, you may utilize the drop box located in the middle drive-thru lane behind City Hall. **All payments left in the drop box after 5:00 PM, February 16, will be credited the next business day (February 17, 2021.)**

All unpaid 2020 City taxes will be turned over to the Barry County Treasurer on **March 1, 2021.**



Notice

Calling all community-minded volunteers:

The City of Hastings seeks candidates for appointment to the **Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA)/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA)**, the **Cable Access Committee**, and the **Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)**.

Interested persons are encouraged to apply for appointment by completing an application form for volunteer positions available at City Hall, 201 East State Street, Hastings.

Application forms are also available on the City's Website: hastingsmi.org/online-services/

Mayor David Tossava

Winter Reminders

No on-street parking is allowed between the hours of 2:00 AM to 6:00 AM. This is strictly enforced in the winter months to allow us to keep our streets cleared of snow.

Please remember that sidewalks should be kept clear of snow. Doing so allows pedestrians, including children walking to school, to use the sidewalk as opposed to walking in the street. The use of sidewalks by pedestrians makes it safer for everyone.

Reminder that 'tis the season and snow removal has begun. Please be courteous and remind your snow removal professionals to not push snow across City streets.

Private plow operators should take extra care to keep snow piles low enough so as not to block vision of the driving public. Business owners should monitor the plowing of their respective parking areas to insure compliance and reduce traffic accidents. It is not lawful and may increase individual liability to plow snow high enough in areas near intersections that blocks or interferes with the visibility of motorists.

Please take time to shovel around fire hydrants. This allows quick access if there is a fire.





Camp Algonquin is putting together a 75th anniversary historical book. Pre-orders have begun at ymcaofbarrycounty.square.site, and the book is scheduled to be available in the fall of 2021.

- **SPROUTS Nature Based Learning: For 3 & 4-year-olds in the mornings at YMCA Camp Algonquin**
 - Winter Session: January 18 - March 11 (Register Any Time)
 - **Camp Algonquin: NOW HIRING for 16+ - Registrations and applications online**
 - Registration for Summer Camp 2021 is now OPEN!
 - Overnight Camp, Junior Overnight Camp, Day Camp, Tiny Tots, Teen Trip, Counselor-in-Training, and Family Camp
 - **Y Time Childcare: NOW HIRING for 18+ Applications online**
 - For infants – 6th grade
- Contact marci@ymcaofbarrycounty.org or call 269-945-4574 for more information**

Sports:

- Winter Field Games @ the Y
- Young 5's - 2nd Grade on Tuesday nights beginning 2/16
- 3rd Grade - 5th Grade on Thursday nights beginning 2/18
- REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, 2/10 (Late registration fees apply)

Financial Aid applications are available for most programs. E-mail office@ymcaofbarrycounty.org for more information.



Please visit our website ymcaofbarrycounty.org or call our office at 269-945-4574 weekdays between 9am-4pm for all dates, times, fees, locations, or register for a program.

Hastings Public Library has many cool resources available by appointment or through the **Drive Thru**.

- Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 10:00am - 6:00pm
- Wednesday, Thursday: 10:00am - 7:00pm
- Saturday: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Computer time is available by appointment for 30 minute sessions to do with school, work, medical or other urgent business. Please call us at 269-945-4263 to reserve a computer. Health screening and mask are required.

Tax Forms are just starting to arrive and as the forms are available, you can pick them up at the Drive-Thru. Call, Text or Email to see what forms are available for free. Forms that have to be printed will be \$.25 per page.

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) will be coming back to the Library. Make your appointment by calling **211**. The library cannot make an appointment or put you in contact with anyone.

Book Bundles: Fill out our Book Bundle Request under Forms on our webpage and we will find materials for kids, teens and adults. Librarians are your Personal Shopper when you use this service.

New Library App: Carry the Power of the Library in your Phone. Search, Request, Manage Library Accounts, Check Out with Your Device and MORE.

Winter Reading is traveling "Around The States in 90 Days": Patrons will be able to participate online through Beanstack running January 1st – March 31st. Reading, Virtual Tours and Book Reviews have us traveling the States. Other fun will be available like a Facebook Book Group "Reader's Rendezvous", State Bookmark and more.

Items including the Library of Things can be reserved for pickup in 5 ways: Through our New App; patron's online account at <http://frodo.llcoop.org/>; by texting us at 269-818-8590, calling us at 269-945-4263, or emailing us at staff@hastingspubliclibrary.org.

