Copper & Lead Sampling

The Department of Water and Sewer is currently looking for new lead & copper sampling sites. Due to a change in the MDEQ sampling requirements, additional sites are now needed. In Auburn, the ideal location will have copper interior plumbing that was installed prior to 1988; We don’t believe there to be any lead lines within the City. If you think your residence may meet this criterion, please contact City Hall at (989) 662-6761 prior to April 30th. We will schedule a free inspection of your water lines to see if they meet the requirements prior to testing. There are no obligations to you, we just want to ensure a safe water supply for you and your family.

Auburn Chamber of Commerce

Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce is Back! We are pleased to announce that as of September 2018, the Chamber has reorganized and is going strong with a real commitment from area businesses thus far. General Membership meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month. Location varies monthly. Watch the Chamber Facebook page for location, news, updates, and vendor info.

If you have any questions or are in need of information, please contact us via email at AuburnMIChamber@gmail.com. You may also call Samantha at (989) 600-3317 or Misty at (231) 633-9318.

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Brush Chipping Changes

City Commission has approved some changes to the Brush Chipping schedule for this year. DPW will be out once per week in April, May, September and October. From June - August pick up will occur every other week, opposite of recycling days. These are marked on the included calendar with a circle. Brush must be set out by 7 a.m. on Tuesday and the pile should be clear from any obstructions (i.e. vehicles, mailboxes, utility poles, etc.)

Park Rental Changes

The City Commission has approved changes to the City Ordinances which will allow for reservations at the park to begin DECEMBER 1st for residents.

Trash Carts

City Ordinance states that trash carts shall not be set out for collection prior to noon preceding the day of collection (Tuesday), and shall be removed from the street by noon the next day (Thursday). Large items should be called into Waste Management at 1-800-796-9696 to schedule a pickup.
Auburn Farmers Market

Auburn Farmers Market is currently accepting vendor applications for the upcoming 2019 season! Applications can be found online at www.AuburnFM.com. Email completed forms to AuburnFM@gmail.com or drop off at City Hall located at 113 E. Elm St., Auburn. Our new schedule this season will begin June 4th through September 26th on Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:00-7:00 pm. Please note, we will not be open on Saturdays this season. Vendor cost this year is $5 per space per day. Discounts are available for annual membership. Please see our website or our Facebook page for complete details. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Misty Michelle at (231) 633-9318.

THE WORLD OF RECYCLING IS CHANGING

From www.RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com:

Have you ever heard the phrase, “one bad apple spoils the bunch?” The same is true for recycling, where one non-recyclable item can spoil an entire batch of otherwise good materials. It may seem like such a small detail – a wrong item in the recycling bin – but it represents a global problem that’s preventing thousands of tons of recyclables from ever seeing a second life.

For more detailed guidelines on recycling please visit: www.RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com.

- Recycle all my empty bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.
- Keep loose plastic bags and bagged recyclables out of my recycling.
- Keep foods and liquids out of my recycling.

The City of Auburn is once again teaming up with Williams Township to offer an E-Waste Recycling clean up event. This year we will only be collecting electronic waste and it will be self-serve so we can be available to more people. The receiving container will be located at Williams Township Hall at 1080 W. Midland Rd. from May 20th – May 23rd. Once again CRT or “tube” style TV’s/computer monitors are NOT accepted.

Dates to Remember...

April 13
Jaycee’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt
1pm @ Auburn Park fairgrounds

April 15
City Commission, 7pm

May 20
City Commission, 7pm

April 19
Good Friday
City Hall Closed

May 16 – 18
Treasure Hunt Days

May 19
Spring Festival @ Auburn Square

May 20 – 23
E-Waste Recycling Days

May 27
Memorial Day
City Hall Closed

June 17
City Commission, 7pm

This year’s Cornfest theme: Cornfield of Dreams

July 11-14
Jaycee Drive - A section of road leading into the Auburn Park, is about to get an overhaul! Dates have not been set for the project, but could begin early this spring. Renovation also includes parking spaces and curb and gutter. As always, the City will try to minimize any inconveniences this may cause.

Garfield Road - Bay County Road Commission is going to be resurfacing Garfield Rd between Midland Rd and US-10 beginning sometime in mid-May. Be prepared to detour around the area as it transitions to a three-lane road. Please refer to Williams Township for additional information.

Bay County Library System Earns 2018 State Librarian's Excellence Award

BCLS has earned the 2018 State Librarian’s Excellence Award for its superior customer service. State Librarian Randy Riley presents the annual award at the Michigan Library Association’s annual conference in Novi on October 17, 2018.

“With all of the great libraries in Michigan, it’s very difficult to pick just one for this award,” Riley said. “The Bay County Library System has transformed its community by providing vital opportunities to learn and connect. Community is at the forefront of everything it does.”

The Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan (LM) present the State Librarian’s Excellence and Citations of Excellence awards each year to highlight the important services provided by Michigan’s libraries.

Comprised of representatives from public, school, academic and special libraries, the award selection committee evaluates libraries all across Michigan on the following factors:

- Demonstrating that the library provides superior service to its customers and community in a cost-effective manner, with a can-do attitude
- Always delivering on promises
- Fulfilling the library’s commitment to high standards of customer service

Riley said BCLS was recognized for a number of initiatives, including its partnership with Saginaw Valley State University to create the Bay Area Writing Center, housed at the Wrt Library. The center offers free writing workshops and one-on-one tutoring to everyone in the community. Increased staff outreach in the community, staff involvement with service clubs and local boards and organizations, and generously giving back to the community were also noted achievements.

The Auburn Shooting Range is open to the public during select times courtesy of the Auburn-Williams Recreation Board. You will have limited access to the rifle, pistol and archery ranges on the following Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.:

- April 20
- May 18
- June 15
- July 13
- Aug 3

- Aug 24
- Sept 7
- Sept 14
- Oct 5
- Oct 12

- Oct 26
- Nov 2*
- Nov 9*
- *Starts at 9 a.m.
Notes from the Mayor

Volunteerism, on the internet it is defined in many ways, but let’s look at this one: the policy or practice of volunteering one's time or talents for charitable, educational, or other worthwhile activities, especially in one's community.

What is it that makes Auburn really what it is? The people that live and work here; the people that call it home. Thank you to all who have given so generously of your time and talents. The fantastic job our firefighters do both on medical runs and fire calls in saving neighbors lives, they risk their lives for ours. Civic groups like the Jaycees and Lions Club made up of people from all backgrounds and ages, working to make Auburn better by putting on community wide events and activities that help make Auburn a better place to raise a family. We have to stop and say thanks to them and all the others. The newly reorganized Auburn Chamber has new life and purpose to help Auburn grow, to become more, to become better, to help us all have a better life. Volunteerism, we believe in it, but it’s getting harder for many to find the time in our very busy lives to join in and help out. If I may paraphrase JFK, I would like to encourage you to stop and think and ask not what Auburn can do for you – ask what you can do for Auburn. How can I contribute in some way to the public good? We are a small community, just over 2,000 people. The City has a limited budget and can only do so much, the rest relies on us, the people of Auburn to make Auburn that great place to live. There are many great groups that need your help, please make the time to check them out and see how together we can make our home better.

Thank you

Utility Billing Dates to Remember:

- Apr 1 – Bills delivered to the Post Office.
- Apr 21 – Due date to avoid penalty.
- Apr 22 – Penalties due.
- Apr 25 – Reminder/Past Due Notices delivered to Post Office.
- May 7 – Due date to avoid disconnection.
- May 8 – Disconnection tags are delivered and water turned off for non-payment.

Please remember to adjust your mailing date so your payment is received by the due date.

POOLS & SPRINKLERS – It is that time of year where sprinklers and pools are set up for the summer. The City of Auburn uses an estimated seasonal usage calculation from April 1 – mid September. For a more accurate accounting please inquire about a 2nd meter.

Auburn Beautification

Is your yard the envy of the neighborhood? Do you just love gardening and watching things grow? We are looking for volunteer members to help us form the Auburn Beautification Committee. The mission of this committee is to develop gardens and beautify public areas throughout Auburn for everyone to enjoy. We’re seeking the support and cooperation of individuals, civic groups, church groups, sports organizations and clubs to further our goals. A little bit of your time goes a long way. Let’s make Auburn bloom! Contact City Hall to join. (989) 662-6761.
Auburn Newsletter
Spring 2019

2019 Waste Management Yard Waste collection starts April 3 and ends November 27. Christmas trees are collected the first two weeks of January.

For large item picking please call Waste Management at 800-796-9696.

Please clearly mark all yard waste and Recycle containers (stickers are no longer provided by WM) and keep at least 5 feet from trash containers.

Trash will be collected on the day listed due to the following holidays: Memorial Day - May 27, Labor Day - September 2, Christmas Day - December 25, New Year's Day - January 1, 2020.

Trash days are bolded and recycle days are marked with a box. Normal trash pickup is every Wednesday. Highlighted days are holidays observed.

Notes:

City of Auburn 2019 Trash Calendar
Meeting agendas & minutes can be found on the city website.

www.auburnmi.org

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**JOB OPENING:**

**DPW Crew Member.** The City is seeking qualified applicants for a full-time crew member position. Required knowledge, skills and abilities as well as a job description can be found at www.auburnmi.org or request a copy at City Hall. Return applications to City of Auburn, 113 E. Elm, Auburn, MI 48611 by April 5, 2019.