



Summer 2021 Newsletter



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by nature.*

Meet your City Council:



**Mayor
Chris Emerick**



**Mayor Pro Tem
Sandra Szeliga**



**Councilmember
Sean Duffy**



**Councilmember
Dan Elliott**



**Councilmember
Matt Hildebrand**



**City Clerk
Kathy Fiebig**

City Council is here to represent and serve our amazing community. To learn more about the council members, how to contact them with concerns, or how to become involved, visit our website at evart.org

Meter Upgrades

The City of Ewart has begun to replace all water meters throughout the City with a new automated meter system at no cost to the resident. The City Council approved system will include a smartphone app, free to download and utilize, that will allow residents to have real-time updates of their water usage. This is a **required upgrade and all meters will be replaced**. This process will continue throughout the Spring and Summer months of 2021. It should only take approximately one hour to complete. If you have questions, please call City Hall at (231) 734-2181 and check out our website for the most recent updates and information: www.evart.org

Lead Service Lines

Healthy drinking water for our residents is a top priority! In 2019, the City of Ewart participated in Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's Pilot Drinking Water Community Water Supply Grant, which determined that nearly 500 of the City's service lines contain galvanized pipe and will therefore require replacement under the Lead and Copper Rule. The City has implemented the program and has started the process of replacing the lines using Gerber Construction. All residents who need to have any lines replaced have been contacted by the City. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at (231) 734-2181. More information is available at our website: www.evart.org

Sustainable Built Environment Initiative (SBEI) Community Input Meeting

The City of Ewart and Downtown Development Authority is collaborating with Michigan State University (MSU) on a proposed project that would focus on improving walkability and pedestrian mobility in the Main Street District and its potential connections to the adjacent Muskegon River, City-owned parks, and the US-10 Corridor. The project would create a visionary document with conceptual images including street design, pedestrian mobility, and connectivity in order to create a more comprehensive, refined planning document the City could use to implement changes and improvements. Please join us for our Community Input Meeting so you can meet the MSU team working on this project, hear some info on the project, and share your thoughts, ideas, and concerns.

Wednesday July 7th at 6:00pm at the Ewart Fairgrounds Community Room

The Ewart Fairgrounds is located at 101 Recreation Ave.

City of Ewart 5814 100th Ave. Ewart, MI 49631 (231) 734-2181 Mon - Thurs 7AM - 5PM

For after hours, non-emergency questions, please call the City Manager at (231) 580-6516

Check out our website for real time updates & information evart.org



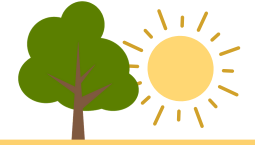
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The days are getting longer and the warm weather has arrived! Check out some of the fun outdoor events we have lined up for Summer 2021:

Farmers Market: Find fresh, locally grown, and handmade products at The Evert Farmers Market held every Saturday from 9 AM – 1 PM. The market season began on June 12th and will continue thru October 9th. It is located at 200 South Main St. at the Evert Depot and next to the Pere Marquette Rails to Trails.

Camping: While Riverside West is closed for camping, primitive camping is open and available at our beautiful Riverside East campground for \$10.00 a night on a first-come basis - no reservations needed! Please deposit money in the provided envelopes and pay tube.

Splash Pad: Come cool down in our amazing splash pad at Riverside West, free of charge! It will be open 11:00am to 8:00pm daily! Donations to support Splash Pad maintenance are appreciated and can be made using the pay tube.

Muskegon River Trash Bash: Help keep the river beautiful by joining in the fun. Registration begins July 1st and cleanups can be anytime in the month of August. There will be great prizes too!

Summer Concert Series at the Farmer's Market: Join us for fan-favorite Jake Slater on August 14th! More artists will be announced as planning is finalized. Check out the website for further details: www.evert.org

Osceola County 4H and FFA Fair: The fair will be held this year, including animal exhibitions, grandstand events, and the midway! The fair will be held from July 24th to the 31st.

Yard Sales: The 2021 Yard Sale season is upon us! Call City Hall to schedule your yard sale - the first one is free - and all are limited to three consecutive days. Call City Hall for more details at (231) 734-2181.

Fee Updates

Camping Reservations

THERE WILL BE NO RESERVATIONS FOR CAMPING at either park location. No camping is available at Riverside West. Primitive only camping is available at Riverside East for \$10/night

Pavilion Reservations

Park Pavilions for both park locations can be reserved:
West: \$50/day for residents
\$75/day for non-residents
East: \$75/day for residents
\$100/day for non-residents

Park Day/Parking Passes

Park passes will not be issued for the 2021 season; typical use of the park and its equipment will be free of charge.

Yard Sales

All yardsales within the City limits require a permit. The first yard sale is free; all subsequent ones will have a small fee with a total limit of four sales for the season.

Forest Hill Cemetery: Reminders

When placing flowers or mementos at a loved one's gravesite, please consider the following guidelines:

- Solar lights are not permitted due to the "Glowing Tombstones" and will be removed;
- Any wooded crosses or wired decorations MUST be contained within an urn and all urns must be located near the headstone;
- Toys, stuffed animals, statues, personal items, and fencing trees are not allowed.

In part, these guidelines are in place to allow City staff to maintain the grounds and walkways without endangering the equipment. If you have any questions on what these regulations, please contact City Hall at (231) 734-2181

Hazardous Waste Clean-Up

To be held on October 9th, 2021 from 9am to 12pm at the Road Commission North Facility, 13353 20 Mile Rd, Tustin, MI 49688. Check out this website for more information: <https://www.mecostacd.org/hazardous-waste-collection>

Trash & Recycle; Leaf & Brush Pick Up

- Trash pick up runs weekly on Wednesday
- All trash must be in secured bags and in the blue bins provided by the City; additional bags can be purchased at City Hall for \$2.75 a piece
- Recycle is bi-weekly on Wednesdays
- Trash pick and recycle pick up can come very early in the morning, so it is recommended to have your bins out on Tuesday evening
- All residents can have one large item picked up each week; mattresses and box springs are two separate items; all mattresses and box springs must be wrapped in painter's plastic
- Leaf pick up runs every Monday, all leaves must be in biodegradable bags and placed to the curb Sunday night
- Brush pick up will be the first week of each month; please have any brush in an orderly pile on the curb, ends facing the street by the end of the last week of the month