City of Lodi Winter Newsletter - 2020

City Hall Holiday Schedule

Thursday, December 24 – Closed Friday, December 25 – Closed Friday, January 1 – Closed

City Hall remains closed to the public. City Hall Staff are onsite during regular business hours (Mon-Fri: 7:30 am until 4:00 pm) and continue to conduct city business via phone and email.

Electric Lines – Utility Tree Trimming

Lodi Utilities has identified wind-blown tree limbs in contact with power lines as a major cause of interruptions of electrical service. To maintain the reliability and safety of your electric service, tree limbs must be trimmed away from power lines. We will be working throughout the city from December – February to trim trees in accordance with arboricultural standards. These standards include removing all limbs to provide a minimum of 3-4 years' clearance from regrowth or back to the next available limb fork so no branch stubs are left. Any limbs overhanging within eight feet of the line will be trimmed back to eliminate the danger of them falling on the power lines. Written permission is not required for line clearance trimming. Questions or concerns should be directed to the Director of Operations, Terry Weter, at 608-592-0709.

Elections in 2021

The following elections will take place in 2021:

February 16 - Spring Primary (if needed) **April 6** - Spring Election

Are you registered to vote in 2021? If not, go to www.myvote.wi.gov. If registering online, proof of residence is required. If you have recently moved, you will need to register at your current residence.

Brush/Christmas Tree Pick Up

Starting on January 11, the winter schedule for brush pick up will be every other Monday. Please place Christmas trees with stump to the curb for disposal. Make sure to remove all ornaments, lights, and decorations. Please do not place trees in the street or block sidewalks. Pick up may be affected by weather. Check the city's website for updates.

Snow Emergency Parking Restrictions

From November 15, 2020 - April 15, 2021, a snow emergency exists in the City of Lodi whenever a snowfall is predicted to reach a depth of three inches or more during any period of 24 hours or less. No person shall park, stop or leave standing any vehicle upon the streets or any portion of the streets during the hours of 12:00 midnight to 7:00 AM. For more information, please visit the city's website at www.cityoflodi.us.

Snow & Ice Removal from Sidewalks

Property owners, occupants, or the person in charge of each building, structure, or unoccupied lot in the city are responsible for cleaning the full width of the sidewalk in front of or adjoining each home, building or unoccupied lot, including the portion of the sidewalk bordering the crosswalk. This includes the curb ramp, if any, regardless of the source of the snow accumulation or ice. Snow and ice must be cleared by 11:00 AM. If snow continues to fall after 11:00 AM, it must be removed within three hours of daylight the day after the snow stops falling. *Please do not shovel or blow snow onto city streets*.

2021 Dog Licenses Available Now

Dog licenses are renewed at the beginning of each year and expire at the end of each year. If the dog license is renewed after March 31, there will be a \$5.00 late fee per dog license. A copy of the rabies certificate must accompany the dog license application for each dog. Please write a separate check for each if paying for taxes and dog licenses at the same time.

Property Taxes

Property tax bills will be in the mail by mid-December. They will be available on the county website at <u>www.co.columbia.wi.us</u> as soon as they are generated. Property tax bill information can be found by clicking on *Property & Taxes* and then *Ascent Land Records*.

The first installment or full payment must be paid by January 31st, 2021. Please see the instructions on the back for payment options.

City of Lodi 130 South Main Street December 2020

Options for paying tax bills:

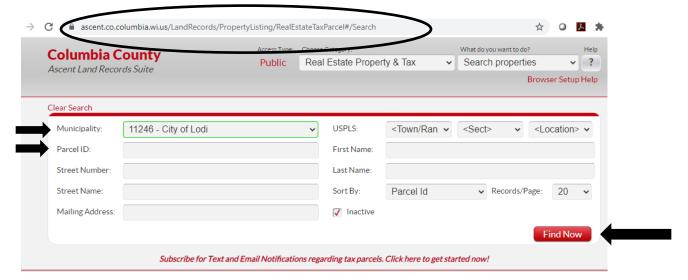
- Mail your payment to 130 S Main St, Lodi WI 53555
- During regular business hours of 7:30 am to 4 pm, M-F, put your payment in the drop box in the entryway of City Hall (outside doors will be open)
- After-hours and weekends, put your payment in the utility drop box located outside of City Hall
- Via Payment Service Network by phone or on the City's website (see the tax bill insert for further instructions)

Dog licenses:

• Dog License applications may be mailed or put in the drop boxes listed above. Remember to include a copy of the rabies certificate for each dog being licensed. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

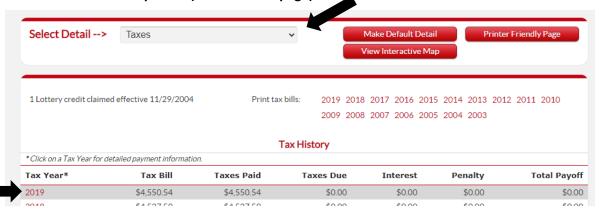
If you want a receipt for your tax payment:

- Visit the county land record website and print your receipt (see instructions below)
- Include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment
- Request receipt via email (be sure to include your email address)



Click on the parcel number (listed in red print below the search box)

In the Select Detail dropdown (middle of the page) choose Taxes.



Pick Tax Year 2020. On the right, select Printer Friendly. Then right click on the page and choose print.

