Winter 2025

# ~ MUNICIPAL VIEWPOINT ~

Cherishing Our Past...Living for the Future



Winter Hours - September 3, 2024 thru May 2, 2025

Monday - Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm

Summer Hours - May 5, 2025 thru September 1, 2025

Monday - Thursday 8:00am to 4:00pm Friday 8:00am to Noon



**PAST** 

## Cherishing Our Past...Living for the Future

We welcomed two new employees to our DPW Crew this past year. John Space and Isaak Felker joined the City of Ithaca this past fall, and we are looking forward to their continued contribution to the team in the coming years.

We have also welcomed Zach Foster, who will oversee the Code Enforcement and Rental Inspection units. Zach came on late last summer and is doing a good job getting the program back up and running. We are excited to see how his work affects our residents and the general aesthetics of the city.

Upcoming: At the end of March, our current Treasurer/Finance Director is retiring after over twenty years with the city. Barb Fandell has been a valued member of our organization for a long time, and her presence and knowledge will surely be missed. That said, we are excited about who we have getting ready to step into that roll. Barb will help train the incoming Treasurer/Finance Director for a couple months before her last day on March 31, 2024.

The recent and upcoming staff changes, I believe fit right in line with our City's slogan that reads... Cherishing our Past, Living for the Future...Come Grow With Us.

We appreciate all who have come before and helped lay the groundwork. We will cherish their work, always, and are now tasked to take the city into the future and help grow it into what it is destined to become.

Join me in congratulating Barb Fandell on her retirement. Thank you for your service to the residents of the City of Ithaca over the past twenty-plus years. And welcome Zach, John and Isaak to our crew.

-City Manager

Come Grow with us!



With winter weather being around the corner, we are starting to prepare for the snow and ice. The DPW Crew starts plowing and salting the streets during the early hours of the morning. The priority order for clearing snow are the major streets, local streets, downtown and city buildings, alleys and clearing snow piles out of intersections.

By city ordinance, it is the property owner's responsibility to clear the snow and ice from the sidewalk that is front of their property. We (and the postal carriers) appreciate residents who clear their walkways and keep fire hydrants clear of snow in case of emergencies.

When clearing your driveway, please do not push snow out into the street.

City ordinance states that no vehicle can be parked on the streets during the hours of 2:00 AM to 5:00 AM. We appreciate your cooperation.

### ~IMPORTANT DATES & HOLIDAYS~

- February 2nd—Groundhog Day
- February 14th—Valentine's Day
- February 14th—Property Tax Due
- · February 15th—Water Bills Due
- · February 17th—Random Acts of Kindness Day
- February 17th—Presidents Day
- ·March 9th—Daylight Savings Time
- •March 17th—St. Patrick's Day
- ·March 20th—Spring begins







Just a reminder that property taxes are due by **Friday**, **February 14th** without penalty.

Payments can be made by mail, in person, on the City website or the after-hours drop box.

We accept cash, check or money order, debit/credit cards and eChecks\*.

\*fees apply to debit/credit cards & eChecks

2024 taxes are payable at City Hall through February 28, 2025.

## ~Keeping Our Residents & Community Informed~

## Stay up-to-date on all City information including:

- Financial Reports & Fiscal Health
- ▶ City Council meeting dates, minutes and information
- ► Downtown Development District
- ► Employment opportunities
- ► Trash service and utility information
- ▶ Parks, Library and other City services
- Property Assessing & Taxes

Visit the City of Ithaca website for more information

www.ithacami.com





## Follow Your Heart and Shop Local for Your Valentine

### **City Council Meeting Information**



The City Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

Ithaca City Hall 129 W. Emerson Street Ithaca, Michigan 48847

Agendas may be viewed the business day prior to city council on the City website at:

www.ithacami.com

Meetings are open to the public per the Open Meetings Act



## ~Cemetery Clean Up & Decorating~

Cemetery clean up is April 1 - April 30 of each year. All decorations which are not removed by April 1st shall be considered

abandoned and will be disposed of by the cemetery management.

Decorating resumes May 1st. All flowers, including artificial, must be in an urn. Urns must be placed on a foundation and maintained. Arches for hanging baskets and shepherd hooks are strictly prohibited. All glass, ceramic, or like breakable material of any type for any reason is prohibited.

A complete list of Cemetery Rules can be viewed by visiting the city website at: www.ithacami.com/residents/cemetery

### ~Cemetery Lots~

Several lots are still available in the old section of the cemetery and lots are now for sale in the new section.

Pricing for the new lots includes the cost of the foundation.

For pricing or more information call City Hall at:

989-875-3200



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