



City of Norway

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CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE



On April 24th Governor Whitmer issue Executive Order 2020-59 extending the original stay at home order, EO 2020-21 until May 15th. The new order does allow some businesses to open and there are continued discussions between the governor and the state legislature to slowly bring more businesses back and restart the economy. Within the new order there are still social distancing restrictions that we need to be mindful of and try and comply with. Starting on April 26th, anyone who is medically able to tolerate a face mask must do so when in an enclosed public space. The order still requires people to stay at home, bans public and private gatherings of any number of people who are not part of the same household which includes those recreational activities identified as acceptable under the order.

With the improved weather conditions, warmer temperatures, and the onset of summer we all know that it will become more difficult to adhere to the distancing guidelines. We anticipate that many if not all of our normal summer programs such as city band, music in the park, and even our Memorial Day and 4th of July celebrations are more than likely going to be canceled. Public facilities such as the public restrooms and the Norway Spring must be kept closed as we just cannot ensure proper sanitation if opened up. Of course we are taking this week by week and month by month but public health has to be the most important factor in 2020. Please help by trying to adhere to the distancing guidelines as prescribed by our Governor's executive orders.



2020 Census Operational Adjustments Due to COVID-19

The 2020 Census is underway and households across America are responding every day. Over 70 million households have responded to date, representing over 48% of all households in America. For a summary of adjustments to operations or additional information visit www.2020census.gov



NORWAY AREA COMPOST SITE

The Norway Area compost site is now open and available for both



Norway City and Township residents **only!!!**

The site is currently open on a 24/7 basis for the benefit and convenience of our residents provided the following rules are followed:

- Follow Signs and deposit in designated areas
- Grass Clippings and Leaves (NO BAGS!!)
- Brush must be under 2 inch diameter (NO Stumps)
- Residents only

Unapproved uses include the following:

- No Contractors (residential only- *this includes contractors hired by residents to remove trees and brush*).
- No Construction Material or household trash
- No brush over 2 inches in diameter, stumps, full trees, trash, and bags.

Compost site will remain open as long as we do not have any issues with illegal dumping. If illegal dumping occurs, we will close down 24/7 access.

As a reminder, there is NO curb side pick-up. Please do not place or cut your yard clippings into the street or place your yard clippings, brush, or rubbish on the boulevard, no one will be picking them up and doing so will constitute littering.

UTILITY PAYMENTS DURING COVID-19

The City of Norway Public Utilities understands the difficult issues facing many of our customers during the "shelter-in-place" executive order. Many of our customers are either unemployed or in the case of small businesses have nearly closed their doors. With this we realize that paying your utility bills in the short term will be difficult if not impossible. During the executive order the city has decided not to implement shut-offs or charge any late fees. This does not mean, however, that the charges will be dropped. Once we get through this pandemic and back to normal disconnects will occur.

We suggest that if you are having difficulty making payment please contact us immediately to discuss arrangements. Do not wait until this is over to communicate payment plans. Programs like DHS have been increased and we can assist in connecting you with people who can help



NORWAY SPRING CLOSED

Until Further Notice

Due to Governor's Executive Order 2020-21 and to protect the public health.



Memorial Day Closing

City Hall and all departments will be closed Monday, May 25th



Norway Community Easter Egg Hunt

MOVED TO JULY 25th

Line-up at Noon, Starts at 1pm. Marion Park

Pending Governor Orders

** Also looking for new organizers to run event, please contact City Hall if interested.*

City Wide Rummage Sale - CANCELED

Saturday, May 16th

Pending Governor Orders

Hoping to reschedule at a later date, to be determined.

NO SPRING DROP-OFF DUMPSTER

Spring cleanup rubbish dumpster will not be available until the governor lifts her executive order.

Until we are able to get the dumpster, please take your rubbish to the GAD transfer station located in Quinnesec.

There will be NO ROAD SIDE pick-up.

The recycling dumpster at the DPW shop will remain open



2020 Music In The Park

Concert series at the Historic Band Shell Downtown Norway



Delayed until further notice.

TEMPORARY STOP LIGHT - US2/US8

A temporary stoplight has been installed at the intersection of US2 & US8 by MDOT to assist with the increased traffic expected with the closing of US 141 through Niagara. A detour will direct traffic through Norway. The stoplight

is expected to be in place throughout the summer.



Scrap Tire Grant

Beginning May 1st through November 30th residents can drop off loose passenger tires at the Solid Waste Transfer Facility located near the movie theatre in Quinnesec. A property tax receipt and picture ID are needed to verify residency and a signature



Summer Residential Sewer Credit

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Residential Sewer Credit Application
June, July & August 2020

Date: _____

Name: _____

Name on Utility Account

Address _____

Physical Address

Credit is effective June 1, 2020 and goes thru August 31, 2020. This credit is based on your average consumption for the months of September thru May. Water charges will remain as charged on your city utility bill.

Cut out and return to City Hall.



JAKE MENGHINI MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP

It's Spring and that usually means we will be opening soon...but due to the Coronavirus the museum will remain closed until further notice.

Children are always free to see the museum, but adults are charged \$5 per visit. Yearly admission is \$10 and includes three issues of the museum newsletter.

Yearly memberships are \$10.00 per year, with a lifetime membership being \$100.00

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Yearly membership \$10.00

Lifetime membership \$100.00

*Please fill in and mail to; Jake Menghini Museum,
P.O. Box 99, Norway, MI 49870*

Thank you.