

# CITY OF HILLSDALE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



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## CITY HALL CLOSED:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 (LABOR DAY)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020 (VETERAN'S DAY)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2020 (THANKSGIVING)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2020 (THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY)

## IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

- AUGUST 31, 2020 : 2020 SUMMER TAXES DUE WITHOUT PENALTY OR INTEREST.
- NOVEMBER 1, 2020 : DEADLINE TO FILE THE PRE ON THE 2020 WINTER TAXES.

**2020 FALL LEAF PICK UP SCHEDULED FOR 11/07/2020 & 12/05/2020**

**THE 2020 GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020. CITY RESIDENTS CAN VOTE AT THE HILLSDALE COMMUNITY LIBRARY - 11 E BACON ST, HILLSDALE, MI 49242 - 7:00 A.M - 8:00 P.M.**

## **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO TAKE THE CENSUS!**

The 2020 census is more than a population count. It is an opportunity to shape the future of your community. If our county does not capture the same amount as the 2010 census, we stand to lose \$17,343,000 each year for the next TEN YEARS. Take the 2020 census today to ensure that Hillsdale County has a complete count. It is easy, confidential, and only takes 10 minutes to complete.

## EVENT CANCELLATIONS:

- 2020 HILLSDALE COUNTY FAIR
- 2020 HILLSDALE EXCHANGE CLUB PATRIOT'S DAY FLY-IN & BREAKFAST (RESCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021).

## **NEW HIRES - POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The City of Hillsdale hired Matthew Halleck as a full-time firefighter. With the hiring of Matthew, the Hillsdale City Council fulfilled a 2020 budget goal. The City also hired Eric Giacobone as a full-time police officer.

Welcome to the City of Hillsdale!

## **KEEP AN EYE OUT:**

- Neighborhood Enhancement Grant program is in the development stages. The application and guidelines should be available in the near future. Contact the Code Enforcement Office for more information - (517) 437-6455.
- Contact Parks & Recreation at (517) 437-6457 for the status of Fall 2020 programs and events.

**PLEASE CHECK THE CITY'S FACEBOOK PAGE, WCSR, AND THE HILLSDALE DAILY NEWS FREQUENTLY FOR UPDATED INFORMATION REGARDING COVID-19 AND EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY**

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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORNER

The City of Hillsdale would like to welcome these new businesses downtown:

- **The Salty Shark** - a woman's clothing boutique - 33 N Broad St.
- **Mose Art** - an artisan gallery - 41 N Broad St
- **The Pediatric Place** - pediatric healthcare 39 North St
- **ExtrOrdinary Solutions** - in-home services, home health care, community living, companion care, and housekeeping - 41 E Bacon St

The following businesses relocated to a larger space within the City of Hillsdale:

- **Smith's Flowers** - 92 N Broad St
- **The Blossom Shop** - 14 N Howell St
- **Crow's Nest** - 34 E Bacon St
- **Jilly Beans** - 18 N Howell St
- **Cottage Inn/Silo's Fun Park** - 3883 W Carleton Rd

**Current Office Solutions** is open mainly as an online business at [www.currentofficesolutions.com](http://www.currentofficesolutions.com)

Now available:

**Open Road RV Repair - Mobile RV Repair Service** - a 100% mobile service that comes directly to customer's homes, campsites, storage areas, etc. Call 1-800-708-1976 or visit [www.camperrepair.com](http://www.camperrepair.com).



## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: KRISTIN BAUER, CITY ENGINEER

Kristin received a Bachelor's of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Michigan Technological University.

For many years she worked in the industrial industry, federal government, and private consulting as a structural engineer designing buildings of all types. In the past 20 years, Kristin worked for the City of Adrian, City of Taylor, and City of Marshall - where she found her love for municipal work.

The position here at the City of Hillsdale provides an exciting opportunity for her to utilize her vast background and knowledge in development of asset management plans, project budgets, and engineering/construction management skills to improve the City's underground infrastructure, street system, and projects.

Kristin has been married for 26 years and has two adult children who are attending college.

Welcome, Kristin, to the City of Hillsdale!

## FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE:

A reminder to property owners: The Deadline to file for the Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) on the 2020 winter tax bill is **November 1st**. You *must own and occupy* the residence as of that date to qualify.

If you did not receive this exemption on a prior tax bill but believe that you would have qualified, you may submit a written request to the Board of Review prior to their December meeting for a refund of all or a portion of the school operating taxes billed in 2017-2020.

For taxes prior to 2017, you may be able to request a refund from the Michigan Department of Treasury if the bill was issued as a result of an error by the assessor.

Please contact the City Assessor by email at [assessor@cityofhillsdale.org](mailto:assessor@cityofhillsdale.org) or by phone at **(517) 437-6456** with any questions regarding the PRE.

Forms and more information about the PRE can be found online at [www.michigan.gov/PRE](http://www.michigan.gov/PRE).

## BPU - LEAD/GALVANIZED SERVICES THROUGHOUT CITY

A contractor will be working on a state mandated replacement of lead/galvanized services into the homes of residents all throughout the city. All effected property owners have been notified.

Contact Kristin Bauer for more information regarding the project at **(517) 437-6479**.