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### NEWS AND INFORMATION

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### Trick or Treating in the Village of Lawton

Trick or treating in the Village is on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 5:30pm -7:30pm. Please review the trick-or-treating precautions issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human services in 2020. These precautions are located on the back page of this newsletter.

### **Ordiance Violation Complaint Forms**

If you have a concern with a potential ordinance violation, visit our website for a complaint form at www.lawtonmi.gov. you can also call 269.624.6407 or stop in the Clerk's Office to receive a paper copy.

### Leaf Pick-Up

Leaf pick-up will begin when the majority of the leaves start to fall and continue to the end of November or the first snow fall. As a reminder, please place leaves to the curb, not the street. Contact the Department of Public Works at 269.624.6406 with any questions or concerns. We are no longer selling leaf bags. You can find biodegradable bags locally at Adams Hardware, Walmart, or online at Amazon.com.

#### Christmas Cards in the Village

We are continuing our annual Christmas Card tradition! Please spread the word - the contest is open to all Lawton residents, not just those within the village limits. Residents outside of the Village wishing to participate in the contest need to have their Christmas Card to the DPW by December 6th to be included in the judging. Residents inside the village may put their display in their yard at any time, or if they wish to add to the downtown displays, have them to the DPW by December 6th.

In order to participate, make sure you are registered (entry forms will be available after Halloween at www.lawtonmi.gov or in the Village Clerk's Office). A map will be created of all participant locations to create a sightseeing tour of Christmas cheer!

The contest is FREE, and besides a year's worth of bragging rights, 1st, 2nd, and People's Choice winners will receive a gift card from the local business of their choice!

Winners will be announced at the Holiday Parade, tentatively scheduled for Friday, December 10th. More details will be forthcoming in the November newsletter. This community event is sponsored by local holiday elves!!

## Villlage Hours

Clerk's Office Hours: M-F 8:00am - 5:00PM Library Hours: M-W; F 10:00am - 6:00pm Th; Sat-Sun Closed Museum Hours: Please call 269.624.5481 to schedule a tour.

### **Holiday Closings**

Thanksgiving ~ November 25 & 26 Christmas ~ December 23 & 24 New Year's ~ 30 & 31

## **Contact Us!**

Ask billing questions, sign up for our email newsletters, update your account information, get an explanation of rates, or makeservice changes: Phone: 269.624.6407 Website: www.lawtonmi.gov Mail: PO Box 367 After-hours water/sewer emergency: 269.251.0148

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# Village of Lawton 2021 Halloween Guidance

We can't believe it is that time of the year already, can you?!? The Village of Lawton will be holding TRICK-OR-TREATING hours on Sunday, October 31st from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. As usual, the emergency siren will blow to announce the beginning and end of the designated TRICK-OR-TREATING hours. This year we will all be celebrating a little bit differently and we can all agree that we have one thing on our minds: Staying Safe. MDHHS has released a few guidelines to do just that.

## HOMEOWNERS

• Do not hand out candy if you are sick

• If you are passing out candy or treats, leave your porch light on, this way TRICK-OR-TREATERS know what houses to visit. If you are not participating, leave your porch light off for the evening

- Wear a face mask to cover BOTH your mouth and nose
- Wash hands often

## PARENTS AND TRICK-OR-TREATERS

- •Stay home if you are sick
- Wear a face mask to cover BOTH your mouth and nose
- Talk with your children about safety and social distancing guidelines and expectations
- Use hand sanitizer frequently
- Only visit homes with their porch light on and have safety measures in place

## **IDEAS FOR SAFE GATHERINGS**

 Consider refraining from Halloween gatherings this year or use an online meeting platform to have a virtual party instead

- If you choose to have a gathering:
  - Only have a few people over to limit the possibility of crowding
  - Have all food and party favors set out individually to prevent cross contamination
  - Make sure there are plenty of areas with hand sanitizer
  - Wear a fun face mask, instead of a costume mask

These guidelines were adapted from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Service in 2020, please visit their website, www.michigan.gov/coronavirus for more tips and guidelines to help you stay safe this year!



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### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Josh Appleby President

Eric Dudek President Pro-tem

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Judy Peterson

Nicole Smith

Ren Turner

### Vacant

Council meets the second Tuesday at 7pm at the Village Hall. Subject to change with COVID-19 restrictions

Planning commi<mark>ssio</mark>n meets the first Tueday at 7pm at the Village Hall.

DDA meets the third Wednesday at 7pm at the Village Hall.

