

# CITY OF SYLVAN LAKE

December 2008

City Hall 1820 Inverness, Sylvan Lake MI 48320 Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.  
Mayor: Paul Hungerman - 681-4390, Mayor Pro Tem: Aron Lorenz - 682-7857  
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**Local Election Results** We had 1129 voters for the November election which is an 83.44% turnout. The results for the one available City Council seat were as follows:

Justin Hatch - 210

Paul Hungerman - 339

**Mike Zubrzycki - 435**

Congratulations Mike and we look forward to working with you for the next three years as a City Council member. Thank you to all of the candidates for working hard for this election and expressing a great deal of interest in the City.

Millage Proposal:

Yes 424

**No 642**

A big thanks to all the election inspectors who worked a long, hard day.

**Thank You Paul Hungerman** for your time, dedication and having the City's best interest at heart. Paul sat on City Council for the past three years and served as Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem during his term. He has also donated many years of his time to the Planning Commission.

**Public Hearing and Planning Commission meeting** The December Planning Commission will be moved back one week to December 9. There will be a Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center to receive input on a proposed amendment to the Zoning Map and two proposed text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed Zoning Map amendment is to Change the current zoning of 2615 Orchard Lake Road (Dr. Donner's office) from I-1 Limited Industrial, to C-1 Neighborhood Commercial to allow Visions Optical to relocate to that location. This proposed map amendment follows the vision of Sylvan Lake's Master Plan. The first proposed text amendment is regarding Accessory Structures - allowing two accessory structures with restrictions and establishing guidelines for tree houses and certain types of play structures. The second proposed amendment is regarding wireless communication towers.

**City Council Meeting** The regular City Council meeting will be at 7:30 December 10<sup>th</sup>. At the beginning of the meeting, the City Council will elect the Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem for the following year. On the agenda will be consideration to approve the zoning map amendment discussed at the Planning Commission meeting.

**Holiday Lighting Contest** The judging will be Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 p.m. So have all your lights and decorations out in full glory! Every year the displays get better!! The categories are: Best Christmas Tree, Artistic, Lights, Living Christmas Card, Neighborhood Group, Religious and Christmas Theme. We are in need of a few residents willing to ***judge the holiday lights this year.*** If you are interested, please contact City Hall right away.

**City Hall will be closed** for the holidays on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Blood Drive** Niche Retail is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive late December or early January. The holiday season is typically a time of short supply for blood donations. Interest parties can call 248-738-6200, extension 249 for more information and to sign up and donate to save a life. Niche is located at the end of Greer Boulevard, across from Forster's Auto Wash.

**Snow will be here soon** Please try not to park your car on the street during bad weather. It makes it very difficult to maneuver the plow trucks around parked cars. Remember that there is no parking on any street between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

**Boat Dock Policy** At the last City Council meeting, Council adopted some of the proposed changes which the Boat Dock Committee suggested. A one-time non-refundable \$100 administration fee will be required to be placed on the boat dock waiting list. The top 25 people on the waiting list must notify City Hall on whether they will accept a permanent dock space if one becomes available. Docks or mooring posts must be in each space by June 1. The rack storage for non-motorized boats, at the Community Center, is available for \$25 a space. A boat lunch sticker will be provided for these watercraft and they may only be stored on the rack from April 1 to November 15 of each year. The detailed policy will be included in the boat dock renewal letter. A separate letter will be sent to all those on the boat dock waiting list. If you are interested in the rack storage and do not have a dock and are not on the wait list, please contact City Hall of your interest.

**Tax Time Again** Tax bills have been mailed out. Taxes are payable through February 14, 2008 without a penalty. Please note due to the new tax system the due date is the due date. If the due date is on a weekend, it will NOT be extended to Monday. Please call City Hall immediately if you have not received your tax bill.

**Greater West Bloomfield Historical Society** will host their monthly Open House on December 7, 2008 at the Museum. The Museum is located at the corner of Orchard Lake Road and Long Lake Road. The Open House is from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. At 3:00 p.m. there will be a talk about the Interurban presented by Brian Golden. The Interurban traveled down Garland Ave. In Sylvan Lake from 1895 to 1928.

**Leaf collection** will end the second week of December. Remember that the collection of yard waste has ended for the season. If you have yard waste, you will have to keep it on your property (in your back yard or garage) until spring. Richfield Management will pick up *Christmas trees* until January 7<sup>th</sup>, but they need to be *cut into four foot sections*.



## December Calender of Events

- 9<sup>th</sup> - Planning Commission Meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center
- 10<sup>th</sup> - Council Meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center
- 13<sup>th</sup> - Holiday display judging from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- 21<sup>st</sup> - Winter begins
- 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>th</sup> & January 1<sup>st</sup> - Closed for Holidays

Everyone here at City Hall would like to extend to you our best wishes for the holiday season and the coming year.

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Happy Holidays!

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