



## Summer 2011 City News

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City Hall	695-3844	Building Dept.	695-0011	Cemetery	695-3971	Code Enforcement	695-0006
Police Dept.	695-5120	Public Works	695-7547	Wastewater	695-5291	Water Dept.	695-3846

### **Yard Waste Pick-Up**

The City will pick up grass clippings, leaves, hedge trimmings or garden waste on a "pay per bag" basis in City approved 30-gallon Kraft paper bags, which can be purchased at City Hall for \$2.50 each. Pick-up will be on Mondays, from April 4th through October 24th. Residents must call the City's yard waste line at 695-2440 (24-hour answering machine) to request pick-up. **DO NOT PLACE LEAVES, GRASS CLIPPINGS, ETC. IN THE STREET.**

### **Brush Pick-Up**

From Monday, April 4th through Monday, October 3rd, the City will pick up brush and limbs. Crews will make one pass through the City each month. Brush and limbs must be neatly stacked and laying in one direction on the area between the curb and sidewalk. Items will not be accepted if tied in bundles or exceeds 10' in length or exceeds an amount of 6' high by 6' wide. If the brush is a result of pruning/removal on private property by the owner, renter or a hired service provider, that brush shall not be placed for City pick-up. No branches or tree trunks with a diameter greater than 4 inches will be collected. Tree stumps are not acceptable.

### **Summer Tax Deferment**

If you are a senior citizen (62 years of age or older), paraplegic, quadriplegic, eligible serviceperson, eligible veteran, eligible widow, blind person or a totally and permanently disabled person with an income of \$40,000 or less you are eligible to file for a tax deferment. If you are eligible to file, bring your summer tax bill into our office and fill out an application for deferment. You must file by September 15th to be eligible. The payment date for your winter taxes will be deferred without penalty until February 14<sup>th</sup>. A tax deferment is valid for only the current year. You must file a new deferment each year to be eligible for the summer tax deferment.

### **Tax Assessment Information**

Summer tax notices are payable on or before Wednesday, August 10, 2011, after this date, add 4% penalty. Postmarks are not accepted. If your taxes are paid by your mortgage company and you received the actual tax bill indicating the amount you owe, you must send them your tax bill immediately. Failure to do so may result in taxes going delinquent. In this case, any late or delinquent charges will be the responsibility of the homeowner. If you no longer own this property, please forward the tax notice to the new owner.

### **City of Buchanan offers four convenient ways to pay your City bills:**

- Drop box located at the entrance of City Hall
  - City Hall Lobby
  - Chemical Bank's Main Branch
  - Free electronic bill payment service on our City website at [www.cityofbuchanan.com](http://www.cityofbuchanan.com)
- \*If paying your taxes electronically, call 695-3846 for payment processing instructions **before** making online transaction



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