

# NEWSLETTER

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## Mayor's Message

CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS 906-875-3212

Just a reminder that City Ordinance states that "ORV'S shall utilize the outermost five-(5) feet of the alley or street, and shall travel in single file, with the flow of traffic." Please also remember that per City Ordinance, children "between the ages of twelve and sixteen shall not operate an ORV on any street or alley in the City unless the child is under the direct visual supervision of an adult and the child has in his or her immediate possession a Michigan issued ORV safety certificate..." Finally, please note that ORV'S "shall operate in a manner that does not interfere with traffic on a road or street." For more information, please contact the Chief of Police, Tim Bean, at (906) 875-3012 or City Manager Gerard Valesano at (906) 875-3212 ext. 101.



Chipping away at blight.....

Most of the letters and comments I receive are in regards to blight throughout our City. Our City Manager and Police Chief have made blight reduction one of their top priorities in the past year. In the month of July our Police Chief has issued 21 Ordinance violations/warnings. This is the most noted in any previous months to date. Additionally, last month, 90 people took advantage of the \$10 dump at Bristol Mine and an additional 12 took advantage of the curbside pick up. This has been the best recorded use of the citywide cleanup. As long as the Citizens and the City continue working together we will take care of the blight successfully. The key after that point will be maintaining these standards. Remember the blight and ordinance violations did not happen overnight, therefore it will take time and cooperation to get it rectified.

By the time you have read this, Waste Management will have already made a change in their schedule. Please note that Monday (North of US2) trash pickup will be done on Thursdays. IMPORTANT NOTE: Tuesday (South of US2) pickup does not change.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support! Keep the letters and comments coming, we can not fix it unless we are aware.

Mike McCarthy

Mayor City of Crystal Falls, MI

"City of Community Pride"

### Calendar

Sep 7: LABOR DAY- City Hall Closed

Sep 14: Last day to pay summer tax without penalty

Sep 14: City Council Meets at 5:30 pm

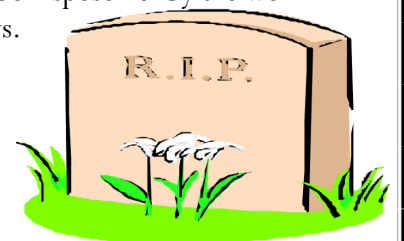
Oct 12: City Council Meets at 5:30 pm

Summer taxes are due without interest on Monday, September 14th at 3 p.m. No exceptions! After that time, interest will occur of 1% for every month not paid. The City of Crystal Falls does accept partial payments.



### REMINDER : DON'T FORGET TO REMOVE YOUR ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS

To allow for the annual fall clean up at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery, all artificial flowers must be removed by **SEPTEMBER 15th**. Flowers that remain after this date will be disposed of by the work crews.



# 2019 Annual Customer Summary

## Energy Waste Reduction (EWR) Report – (MPSC Case Number U-18288)

In 2019, The **City of Crystal Falls** participated in **Efficiency UNITED**, the statewide energy efficiency effort helping homeowners, renters and business owners with technical and financial assistance to save energy in their homes and businesses. This participation was to comply with Michigan Public Act 295, known as the Clean, Renewable and Efficient Energy Act, with amendments in 2016 by Public Act 342.

*Efficiency UNITED's* plan administrator is Michigan Community Action (MCA). MCA selected CLEAResult, a national provider of energy efficiency services, to serve as its primary contractor charged with implementing *Efficiency United's* energy efficiency programs.

We pay for participation in *Efficiency UNITED* through a surcharge applied to your monthly electric bill. The surcharge during 2019 was \$.0032 per kilowatt-hour (kWh), or about \$1.54 per month for our average residential customer.

In 2019, *Efficiency UNITED* spent \$15,739 on Energy Waste Reduction programs and services for our community, helping 489 customers save 146,140 kWh of electricity annually, about as much energy as 17 homes use in a typical year.

### 2019 Energy Waste Reduction Program Results by Customer Class

Customer Programs	EWR Credits Generated		EWR Expenditures	
	2019 Goal (kWh)	2019 Actual Savings (kWh)	2019 Budget (\$)	2019 Actual (\$)
Income Qualified	3,166	4,427	\$2,843	\$2,843
Residential	72,618	60,689	\$10,849	\$7,085
C&I (Business)	86,689	81,024	\$10,950	\$5,811
<b>Total,</b>	<b>162,473</b>	<b>146,140</b>	<b>\$24,642</b>	<b>\$15,739</b>

Join your neighbors in saving energy and money. To learn more about *Efficiency UNITED's* programs and rebates for your home or business, visit [www.encyciencyunited.com](http://www.encyciencyunited.com).