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CITY OF WAYLAND

FALL/WINTER 2008

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## GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR'S OFFICE



It has been 4 months since I have taken office, and I have now officially gotten my feet wet. As I promised you during my campaign, I have made arrangements with City Hall for those citizens interested in sending me suggestions, to drop them in the Payment Box located outside the front door of City Hall. I look forward to hearing from you and will do my best to implement your ideas if at all possible. We have a great group of people on the City Council who work hard for you, who have been very

helpful to me and made me feel welcome. We meet the first and third Monday of each month. We encourage everyone to come see what we are doing for you and our City. Please jot down your ideas and thoughts about what we can do to better our town, and think about getting involved to help make Wayland a better place to live.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tim Bala, Mayor

## FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER FOR WINTER 2008

With colder weather around the corner, for those who use alternative heating, i.e. woodburning stoves, etc., make sure you have your chimney cleaned out, as well as the pipes themselves.

Are your smoke detectors in good working order? As a reminder, they should be checked once a month with the batteries replaced every 6 months. A good time to do the battery change would be when the time changes.

An important item for Wayland citizens is making sure your address is on the mailbox where it can be seen. This is not only for the fire department, but any emergency.



We hope you have a safe and happy Fall/Winter Season.

# TREASURER'S TWO CENTS

Another fiscal year is here and the City is moving forward with some interesting and ambitious projects! According to the City Charter, the council must adopt an operating budget no later than the second meeting in May. The following table is the budget that was approved for the 2008-09 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009):

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Fund Balance</u>
<b>General</b>	\$2,368,025.36	\$2,339,798.04	\$28,227.32
<b>Major St</b>	\$827,812.17	\$821,214.26	\$6,597.91
<b>Local St</b>	\$90,000.00	\$80,912.05	\$9,087.95
<b>Special Road</b>	\$92,460.00	\$92,460.00	\$0.00
<b>Dora Weaver</b>	\$696,000.00	\$696,000.00	\$0.00
<b>Justice Training</b>	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$0.00
<b>WHIF</b>	\$22,200.00	\$12,900.97	\$9,299.03
<b>DDA</b>	\$2,232,653.76	\$2,139,516.15	\$93,137.61
<b>Sewer</b>	\$1,147,967.00	\$789,549.64	\$358,417.36
<b>Water</b>	\$1,209,968.00	\$1,057,903.08	\$152,064.92
<b>Equipment</b>	\$305,050.00	\$296,096.28	\$8,953.72
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,994,436.29</b>	<b>\$8,328,650.47</b>	<b>\$665,785.82</b>



For a complete copy of the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year Budget, please contact the City Clerk at City Hall at (269) 792-2265, hermannm@cityofwayland.com or stop by at the City Hall (103 S. Main St.). I hope everyone enjoyed the summer and please let us know if we can be of any assistance.

Finance Director/Treasurer

## NEW MULTI-TASKER CAIRNS COMES TO WAYLAND CITY HALL

by Charlotte Weick  
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There is a new employee at Wayland City Hall: Bhama V. Cairns.

Cairns enjoys multi-tasking, which is fortunate because she has many duties as Wayland's new Deputy City Manager/Finance Director/Treasurer.

Among her responsibilities are the management of the city's fiscal operations, including budget and financial statement preparation.

"Wayland is a great city," Cairns said. "There are many things happening and we have the DDA (Downtown Development Authority) looking at ways to attract new business and people."



**BHAMA V. CAIRNS**

# POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER FOR FALL/WINTER 2008



Time speeds by fast, especially now that school is back in session. With that in mind, please watch out for students walking and riding their bicycles. Also, watch out for students waiting for busses. Be especially careful and watch those bus lights.

Autumn is coming to an end and this means that the leaves have fallen from trees. Remember there is a **No Burning Ordinance** in the City. The only burning allowed is a small campfire. Keep in mind that children like to play in piles of leaves; so be cautious when driving near those piles of leaves. Leaves make surfaces slippery when they get wet, especially on the roadway. This impairs stopping distances, so allow ample time to stop; judge your distance. Do not deposit your leaves and tree trimmings in the City streets or where they block the sight distance of drivers. Leaves impede the City drains when it rains, so do not place your leaves in the roadway. The Department of Public Works picks up brush every Tuesday. If you place brush in such a manner where it causes a crash, this could subject you to a ticket, plus being sued in civil court.

Make sure your vehicles are ready for winter and check your exhaust system for proper working condition. Having a poor exhaust system could subject you to sickness and possible death. Carbon monoxide is odorless. Dig out your windshield scraper as well. Do not drive with your windows frosted over. This is not only hazardous, but against the law and could subject you to a ticket. Have your headlights, brakes and turn signals checked to make sure they are working properly.

Always wear your seatbelts and please secure your children in proper restraint devices while traveling. Should you ever become involved in a crash and question whether you should or should not report it, do contact law enforcement, they will advise whether it is a reportable offense or not.

City Ordinance states that there shall be **NO** parking in City streets between the hours of 2am and 6am. This allows for street sweeping and/or snow plowing. This will be strictly enforced. If your vehicle should break down and cannot be moved, it is your responsibility to contact the Police Department to advise us of your problem. Park with the flow of traffic. To park against the flow of traffic is against City Ordinance and could subject you to a parking citation.



Please remember to obey the posted speed limits in the city. Stop signs mean you must come to a complete stop at **ALL** times, this does not mean you can roll through either. You must stop. The same goes for all traffic signals, **RED** means **STOP**. It does not mean you can speed through it. The state law states that a driver shall come to a complete stop prior to entering the roadway from a private drive or road. Please do not pass on the right where the parking spaces are marked by the boxes.

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## Other Useful Information:

- Call the Wayland City Police Department administrative number at (269) 792-9366, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., for general questions.
- Licenses to purchase handguns must be obtained at the Police Department Monday through Friday.
- If you have a group who would like to tour the Police Department, feel free to give us a call to make an appointment.
- To start a Neighborhood Watch Program in your area, contact the Police Department for information. We have one in the Windsor Woods Village Mobile Home Park that works very well.
- Outdoor Warning Sirens are tested the fourth Friday of each month at 11:00 a.m.

For **ALL EMERGENCY** and **IMMEDIATE POLICE RESPONSE CALLS**, dial 911. For all other calls, dial Allegan Central Dispatch at (269) 673-3899.

*The Police Department  
Wishes You a Safe and Happy Winter Season!*

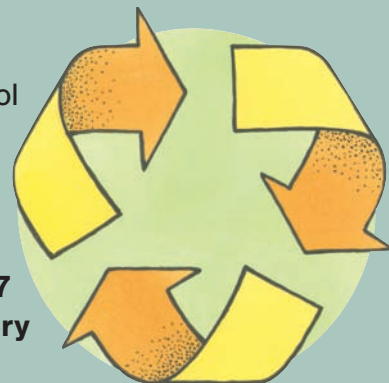
## CURB-SIDE RECYCLING

The City of Wayland Curbside Recycling Program has been used with much success. It is good to see so many residents using this benefit. The amount of materials land filled or incinerated is dramatically reduced. Sunset Waste Services provides the City with this service and picks up recyclables every other Friday. Recycling bags and yearly calendars may be picked up at Wayland City Hall. Allied Waste asks that you separate your recycling into three different bags and have them on the curb the night before or by 7:00 a.m. the morning of:

- newspapers, brown bags, phone books
- clear glass containers #1 & #2, plastic bottles & jugs, empty aerosol cans and batteries (batteries should be in a zip locked bag)
- junk mail, corrugated cardboard, box board (cereal boxes without inner liners)

**NEW!** Curbside now accepts clear, green and brown glass; #1 - #7 plastic bottles, tubs, trays and cups (no foam); #2 or #4 plastic grocery carry-out bags.

**Batteries will now be accepted with your curbside recycling. Place the batteries in a zip lock baggie and place them in the recycle bag with the clear glass containers.**







## CONTACT US CITY OF WAYLAND

103 S. Main Street, Wayland, MI 49348

*City Hall is located at the corner of Superior and Main Street.*

**Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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### Wayland City Council

Mayor - Tim Bala	792-2265
Mayor Pro-tem - Sheryl Hamilton	792-0153
Councilperson - Jennifer Antel	792-2427
Councilperson - Jeff Hudson	792-1658
Councilperson - Ron Kobish	792-2265
Councilperson - Greg Maichele	792-1534
Councilperson - Bruce Patrick	792-2739

### City Staff

*Committed To Excellence*

Deborah K. Nier	City Manager
Michelle Herman	City Clerk
Kathy Laseur	Finance Clerk
Jeannie Franck	Assessor/Deputy Treasurer
Bhama Cairns	Deputy City Manager/Finance

### Planning Commission

JD Gonzales	792-1273
Joel Frederickson	792-2350
Sam Dykstra	792-2945
Jim Ramey	792-1560
Doug Shafer	792-4527
Dorothy DeWeerd	792-6087
John Frigmanski	792-4395
Kellie Tobolic	792-6878

Ron Kobish .....Ex-officio



## CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

City Council Meetings are held the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M.

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

Planning Commission Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. Meetings are held at City Hall, 103 S. Main St., Wayland, Michigan, and are open to the public.

## COMMUNITY COFFEE

Community Coffee is held every third Wednesday at the Safety Complex Building from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.