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# Utilities, Trash & Recycling

## Pay Your Utility Bill Online

City of Houghton Utility Bill Pay Website (<https://bsaonline.com/?sitetransition=true&uid=773>)

## City Utilities

Water, sewer, and landfill (trash) are billed monthly by the City of Houghton to each residence.

## Water

Water meters are read every month. The charge for water is \$3.44 per 100 cubic feet.

## Sewer

Sewer is \$6.54 per 100 cubic feet based upon water consumption. Lawn watering meters can be purchased at City Hall for \$100. Sewer charges are then credited for water that does not enter the sanitary sewer system.

## Automatic City Utility Payment Form

Pay your utility bills automatically on the due date by ACH. Print out the form and fill it out and send it to the City of Houghton, PO Box 606, Houghton, MI 49931. The City will then automatically take the amount of your bill out of your checking account on the due date. You will still receive your postcard bill every month showing you the amount due and informing you that it will be automatically deducted. If you have any questions, please call 483-4643 and ask for Cleo. ACH Form (<https://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/automatic-payment-sign-up-sheet.pdf>).

## High Water Bill?

If you have a high water bill you may have a leak. Below is a link to instructions on how to look for leaks in your home.

How to check for water leaks (PDF Format) ([http://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/high\\_water\\_bill.pdf](http://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/high_water_bill.pdf))

## Water Quality Consumer Confidence Report

2018 Water Quality Consumer Confidence Report (PDF Format) (<http://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Consumer-Confidence-Report-2019-for-year-2018.pdf>)

## Policies Regarding Frozen Water Pipes, Seasonal Let-Runs, and Catastrophic Water Bills

Resolution 2014-1508 (PDF Format) ([http://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Water\\_2014-1508.pdf](http://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Water_2014-1508.pdf))

## Other Utility Providers

**Natural Gas:**

SEMCO Energy

800-624-2019 (tel:800-624-2019)

**Electricity:**

Upper Peninsula Power Company

800-562-7680 (tel:800-562-7680)

**Cable Television:**

Charter Communications

877-840-9914 (tel:877-840-9914)

## Trash Collection & Recycling

Trash and recycling is collected on Tuesday mornings East of Bridge Street and Thursday mornings West of Bridge Street. Items to be picked up must be placed at the curb BEFORE 7:00 a.m.

Waste Management honors the following holidays. Your trash pick-up will be delayed one day later after these holidays for the week of the holiday:

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

If the holiday falls on the weekend, there is no disruption in service.

## Trash

Trash must be placed in special city bags. The bags are sold for \$10 for a package of 10 – 33 gallon bags and \$5 for a package of 10 – 16 gallon bags.

These bags can be purchased at: the City of Houghton office, Swift Hardware, Surplus Outlet, Jim's Foodmart, Econo Foods and Wal-Mart.

## Recycling

The City provides wheeled recycling containers to residents for a one-time \$10 fee that will be placed on your water bill. These containers can be purchased while supplies last. In order to receive a container, please call the office at 482-1700 and request one.

**Special bins are NOT required for recycling.** Recyclables can be placed in any bin or tote that is marked "recyclables" to distinguish them from the trash.

Please read the attached pdf list of what can and cannot go into the recycle bin and how to prepare your recycling materials.

A lot of things not accepted curbside can be recycled elsewhere. The link below will bring you to the Copper Country Recycle/Reuse website for other information.

## Resource Links

List of acceptable Recycling Items (<http://www.cityofhoughton.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/HOUGHTON-HANCOCK-RECYLING-FLYER09-20-19.pdf>)

Mattress Disposal (<https://www.tuck.com/mattress-disposal/>)

[www.Coppercountryrecyclereuse.com](http://www.coppercountryrecyclereuse.com) (<http://www.coppercountryrecyclereuse.com/>)

Questions can be directed to the City of Houghton at 906-482-1700 (tel:906-482-1700) or Waste Management at 800-963-4776 (tel:800-963-4776) or [www.wmsolutions.com/locations](http://www.wmsolutions.com/locations) (<https://www.wmsolutions.com/locations>).



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