

# WEDDINGS

The Mayor will be available to officiate weddings in 2018. Please call to check availability.

Under no circumstances does the Vice Mayor have the authority to officiate a marriage ceremony.

## Questions?

Please contact the City Manager's office at (989) 779-5323 or via e-mail at [apritchard@mt-pleasant.org](mailto:apritchard@mt-pleasant.org)

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Under Michigan law the Mayor of a municipality has the authority to officiate at a marriage ceremony conducted within Isabella County. This service is offered by the Mayor of Mount Pleasant under the following conditions:

1. The Mayor's availability is the sole determining factor in responding to a request to officiate at a marriage ceremony. Please note that the Mayor is elected at the first City Commission meeting each year, and each Mayor is free to establish his or her own calendar of availability.
2. The ceremony must take place within Isabella County. The location should be reviewed with the City Manager's staff to confirm that this requirement is satisfied.
3. City Commission resolution requires that the Mayor charge \$30 to officiate at a marriage ceremony. The fee for a rehearsal is \$10. **These fees must be paid prior to the day of the ceremony.** Payment may be made at City Hall, 320 West Broadway, at the Treasurer's Office. (Checks should be payable to the City of Mount Pleasant.)
4. Ceremonies conducted at City Hall must take place during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday).
5. The parties to the marriage assume responsibility for all wedding arrangements. This includes but is not limited to determining availability of and possible conflicting activities in a City park if the wedding is scheduled to take place in same.
6. The prospective bride and groom are encouraged to select one of the sample ceremonies provided in this booklet or compose their own vows and convey them to the City Manager's staff no less than ten days before the scheduled date of the ceremony.