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July City Commission Work Session

Johnson Controls' Final Performance Contract

4:00 p.m, Wednesday, July 26
City Hall, Room 103

Agendas available online at:
marquette.novusagenda.com/Agendapublic/

City Commission Special Budget Meetings

4:00 p.m, Wednesday, Aug. 16
5:15 p.m, Monday, Aug. 21
3:00 p.m, Wednesday, Aug. 23
5:15 p.m, Wednesday, Aug. 30

City Commission Chambers

Agendas will be available online at:
marquette.novusagenda.com/Agendapublic/

Message from Mike

In each issue, the Marquette City Manager shares his comments in the form of a column. This issue, City Manager Mike Angeli (pictured right) shares comments on current goings of the City. City Manager Angeli can be reached at 906-228-0435.



Well, we've officially begun the summer season but if you've lived around here long enough you know that could mean anything from cool to hot and wet to dry weather. It looks like we're in for cool and wet which can't, and won't, prevent us from doing what we do here in the U.P. For many of us, including those of us who run the City, it often means cramming all of our winter made plans into action during the few short months of summer. But before I say anything further, I feel that I need to reiterate my previous apology (in the last newsletter) for any inconvenience we are causing by all the construction taking place. Especially the traffic congestion that is caused by detours. Sorry about that.

No matter the inconveniences, it looks like our summer is shaping up in fine Marquette style with our calendar filled with usual array of festivals, parades and events. The Fourth of July holiday is right around the corner and all indications are that the parade and fireworks organizers are at full

speed to make this year's events the best ever. I happen to have an inside track through one of our City Commissioners who is at the tip of the fireworks spear and I can tell by his demeanor (and just knowing him) that he will not fail.

On another note, the construction of the new Duke LifePoint Hospital is on schedule and moving along very nicely. Because we are responsible for the road projects surrounding the new hospital we are essentially "partners" with DLP in this project. We continue to meet and share information on a regular basis and are very confident that, once completed, the project will have a tremendously positive impact on the entire community.

-Mike

Summer Tax Information

Summer Taxes: Summer Property Tax statements were mailed to City residents on Friday, June 30. Tax collection begins July 1 and payments are accepted without interest through Sept. 14. The summer property tax bill includes taxes for the School, Marquette-Alger RESA, State Education, Library, City, Senior Millage, County Operations and the Iron Ore Heritage Trail.

Summer Tax Deferment: Eligible taxpayers may defer their summer taxes by submitting an application for deferment to the City Treasurer by Sept. 15. To qualify, the gross annual household income cannot exceed \$40,000 and the applicant is either: 1) age 62 years or older 2) paraplegic or quadriplegic, 3) eligible service person who served in the active military forces during a period of "war" 4) blind or 5) totally and permanently disabled. A deferment postpones the due date of the summer taxes without interest from Sept. 14 to Feb. 14.



2017 Summer Events

Food Fest: July 2-4, Lower Harbor Ellwood A. Mattson Park

City Band Concerts: July 4 and 13, Aug. 3 and 12, Lower Harbor Ellwood A. Mattson Park (July 4) and the Presque Isle Park Bandshell

Music on Third: July 20 and Aug. 17, Third Street Businesses

Dead River Derby Bout: Aug. 19, Lakeview Arena

Hiawatha Music Festival : July 21-23, Tourist Park Campground

CAT Show hosted by Peter White Public Library: July 26 10 a.m.-Noon, Lakeview Arena

Blueberry Fest: July 28, Downtown Marquette

Art on the Rocks: July 29-30, Lower Harbor Ellwood A Mattson Park

Outback Art Fair: July 29-30, Picnic Rocks Park

Guts Frisbee: Aug. 5-6, Tourist Park Campground

Ore to Shore: Aug. 12, Lakeview Arena

Marquette Ultra 50: Aug. 19, Forestville Trailhead

Moose on the Loose 5K: Aug. 26, Presque Isle Park

Harbor Fest: Aug. 25-26, Lower Harbor Ellwood A. Mattson Park



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City Commission Meetings

The Commission usually meets the second and last Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Chambers at 300 W. Baraga Avenue, unless otherwise noted. Citizens are invited to attend.

Regular Meetings:

Monday, July 10, 2017, 6 p.m.
Monday, July 31, 2017, 6 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 14, 2017, 6 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 28, 2017, 6 p.m.

Meetings are televised on local (Charter Cable) Channel 191. Additional meetings may be called, and changes may be made in accordance with the City Charter. Notices will be posted for such changes in compliance with Public Act 267 of 1976.

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Interested in serving your community?

The City of Marquette has several openings for various volunteer advisory boards and committees.

Check out the City's website for an application and the most up-to-date vacancy information: www.mqctcy.org/government.php

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| • Arts and Culture Advisory Committee | One Opening |
| • Board of Zoning Appeals | Four Openings |
| • Brownfield Redevelopment Authority | One Opening |
| • Harbor Advisory Committee | Four Openings |
| • Local Development Finance Authority | Two Openings |
| • Local Officers Compensation Commission | One Opening |
| • Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Advisory Board | One Alternate Opening |
| • Planning Commission | Two Openings |
| • Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee | One Opening |
| • Traffic-Parking Advisory Committee | Two Openings |

Holiday Closures

City offices located at Marquette City Hall, 300 W. Baraga Ave.; the Lakeview Arena, 401 E. Fair Ave.; and the Marquette Arts & Culture Center, 217 N. Front St. (Peter White Public Library) will be closed on July 4 for Independence Day. The Fire, Police and Public Works and Utilities Departments will remain open and staffed during this time.

Manager Open Office Hours

City Manager Mike Angeli holds community office hours on the second Wednesday of each month, from 10 a.m. until noon in the main floor conference room of the Peter White Public Library. The next community office hours sessions are scheduled for July 12 and Aug. 9.

The meetings are intended to provide informal opportunities to discuss issues within the community, and to give citizens a chance for direct dialogue with City staff about interests and concerns.

Live Streaming Available

Live streaming of all regular City Commission meetings is available! Go to mqctcy.org and click on the Live Stream button on the top of the page to watch the meetings on YouTube.

New City Website Coming Soon!

The City of Marquette has been developing a brand new City website over the past few months and is set to launch it in August. The site has been given a fresh look and feel in addition to enhanced functionality. There will be a new URL associated with the site, however we're not ready to release it just yet! When the switch occurs, "mqctcy.org" will forward to the new site automatically so you won't miss anything.

New Election Equipment

Marquette is one of several Michigan communities that will be utilizing new election equipment during the Aug. 8 Primary Election. Though a handful of counties throughout the state have opted to get on board early and utilize the new election machines this summer, Marquette County is the only Upper Peninsula county running new tabulators in August. Marquette is also the largest county using the machines for the August Primary.



These state-of-the-art machines – stand-alone units that will not be networked or connected to the Internet – will allow Michigan to improve the voting experience, while maintaining our current high level of election security.

Regarding security, Michigan elections have many features that ensure the integrity of the entire process. Importantly, Michigan uses paper ballots,

These tabulators will replace aging equipment that was showing noticeable wear in recent elections. A City voter will notice almost no difference when they walk into the polls now; though the machines look newer, they will read a ballot in the same manner. The new and better designed equipment should lead to fewer issues (like jammed ballots) and should create an overall smoother voting experience.

The majority of the cost of the machines was covered by a combination of State-appropriated funds and dollars from the federal Help America Vote Act. Election supply company Dominion agreed to provide the new equipment at no additional cost, and will provide maintenance free of charge until 2022. At that point, the City will begin paying a standard annual maintenance fee for the equipment.



and Secretary of State Ruth Johnson has recently stated that the state has no plans to ever change that practice. This means that if there are ever questions regarding election results or concerns about any part of the voting process, there is a physical record of every vote cast statewide. Following a given election, these voted ballots are retained for months.

Additionally, Michigan elections are completely decentralized. While many states run elections on a County level, each jurisdiction in Michigan handles its own elections. In Marquette County alone, there are 23 separate jurisdictions conducting their own elections. On a practical

level, this means that the election process, as well as the results, are reviewed and verified locally, at a County level and at a State level.

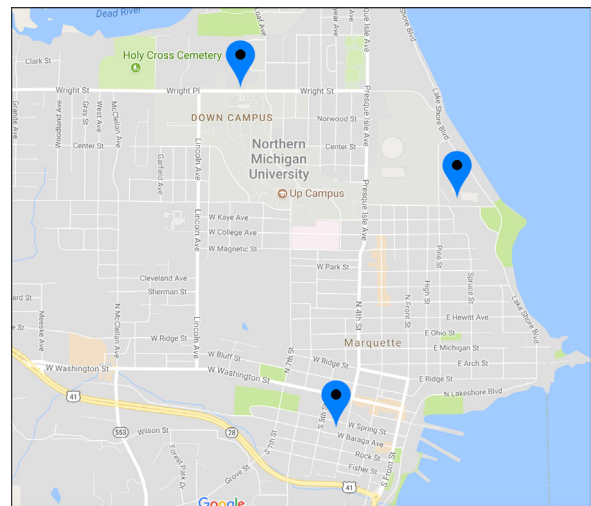
Polling Locations

A quick reminder: Some City voters will be voting in a new polling location beginning in the Aug. 8 Primary Election.

Voters in Precincts 1, 2 and 3 will vote in the Baraga Gym, located in Marquette City Hall at 300 W. Baraga Ave.

Voters in Precinct 4 will vote in the City's new Municipal Service Center, located at 1100 Wright Street.

Voters in Precincts 5, 6 and 7 will vote in the YMCA of Marquette County, located at 1420 Pine Street.



Election Myths vs Facts

Myth	Fact
I can't vote without showing a photo ID.	If you do not have a photo ID with you, you can sign an affidavit and vote.
I can't vote because I'm a college student living on campus.	College students can keep their voter registration at their parents' address or re-register at their college address. The address on your voter registration and your driver's license must match – changing one changes both.
If I change my address to vote at college, I lose access to my parents' health insurance.	Insurance eligibility is not affected by voter registration.
If I lose my voter registration card, I can't vote.	Your voter registration card is not required for voting.
I can't vote if I've been in jail.	Michigan residents can register and vote, even if they've been convicted of a crime, unless they are currently incarcerated.
I can't vote if I'm behind on my child support or have been through foreclosure.	Financial challenges do not affect your right to vote, so long as you are registered at the correct address.

Rental Registration and Short-Term Rentals Updates/Changes

Since 2004 the Marquette City Code has required that all rental properties be registered, meet zoning and parking requirements and pass a fire safety inspection to be allowed and certified within the City. Due to an increase in short-term vacation rentals, the City Commission approved changes to the Rental Fire Safety Code which took effect on May 18. These changes now allow for short-term rental properties to be legally registered within the City.

Definitions:

- Long-Term Rental means a residential rental structure which may be rented for periods of 30 days or more.
- Short-Term Rental means a residential rental property for which a dwelling unit or rooms may be rented for overnight accommodations, for periods as short as one overnight stay. Meals are not provided with rental, but kitchen and/or dining facilities customarily are available for guests to prepare their own meals. Homestays and Vacation Home Rentals, as defined in this ordinance, are the two types of short-term rentals permitted in the City of Marquette.
- Homestay means an owner occupied single family home, or a dwelling unit in a duplex or multi-family dwelling structure, which may rent up to three single bedrooms with bathroom access for overnight accommodations, to a single lessee or renter, for periods as short as one overnight stay. Meals are not provided with rental, but kitchen and/or dining facilities may be available for guests to prepare their own meals.
- Vacation Home Rental means a single-family home, or a dwelling unit in a duplex or multi-family dwelling structure, in which up to four bedrooms are rented by a single lessee

or renter for overnight accommodations, for periods as short as one overnight stay. Meals are not provided with the rental, but kitchen and/or dining facilities are available for guests to prepare their own meals. The property owner may or may not live in the dwelling unit for part of the year.

Short-term rental properties must meet additional requirements such as:

- Have an evacuation map posted in each bedroom.
- Comply with capacity limits determined by inspection and based on square footage of bedroom space. (Over-capacity violations are subject to a \$1000 citation).
- Meet zoning proximity restrictions.
- A total of 250 registered short-term rentals will be allowed within the City.
- Currently registered properties that have not specifically been registered as a Short-Term Rental, but are being rented as such, will need to complete a new registration.
- Anytime a rental property changes ownership the new owner is required to register the property in their name. The previous owner's certificate is no longer valid. Unregistered properties are subject to citation.

Registration forms and ordinance information are available at the Marquette City Fire Department, 418 S. Third St. or on the City website (<http://www.mqtcty.org/>).

For any questions contact the Marquette Fire Department Rental Program at 225-8596.

2017 Farmers Market Season in Full Swing!



The 2017 season of the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market is well under way. Enjoy shopping and socializing every Saturday through Dec. 16 at the Marquette Commons, in beautiful Downtown Marquette. Over 80

independently owned, local, small businesses participate throughout the season. Shop for the freshest, locally grown, small farm produced food and most unique, handmade artisan goods. Shop often to see all of the vendors, as there are some different ones each week. Market hours are 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Enjoy live music, weekly, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Shop at the market when you are looking for a unique gift or something special for yourself, browse at the 38 specialty food and artisan vendors. Shopping at the market gives you the privilege of speaking directly with the creator of the product.



Along with the fabulous, seasonal, local food and quality artisan goods, there will be various programming and food demonstrations throughout the market season. Be sure to visit the market website, mqtfarmersmarket.com and Facebook pages [facebook.com/downtownmarquettfarmersartistsmarket](https://www.facebook.com/downtownmarquettfarmersartistsmarket) for the latest information, vendor schedule and market programming.

The Downtown Marquette Farmers Market accepts cash, credit/debit cards, SNAP benefits, Senior Market FRESH and WIC Project FRESH. We also distribute Double Up Food Bucks as a matching grant with SNAP usage and Hoophouses for Health vouchers to qualifying customers. Visit the market information tent for additional information while at the market and the website www.mqtfarmersmarket.com.

See you at the market, the place to be on Saturday mornings.

Blueberry Festival Poster Contest Winner Announced

The Marquette Downtown Development Authority is pleased to announce Liz Olli with her poster "Handmade in the U.P." (pictured on right) as the winner of this year's Blueberry Festival Poster Contest. Liz Olli, originally from Marquette, Mich., is a 25-year-old network administrator from Milwaukee, Wisc.. She wanted to depict the classic shot of hand-picked blueberries with a Yooper twist. "Picking blueberries each summer in the U.P. was one of my favorite things to do growing up," says Olli. Now that she lives in Milwaukee, Wisc., she appreciates the Upper Peninsula more than ever and enjoys making it back home as often as possible.

Olli enjoys dabbling in all different art mediums. "Last Christmas, I was gifted with a nice camera and have recently started learning how to take better photographs," she stated.

This winning entry will be utilized as the official poster for the 16th annual Blueberry Festival in Downtown Marquette on July 28 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Blueberry Festival will feature a combination of traditional sidewalk sales, artists and crafters, food vendors, family activities and live musical acts set in the streets of Downtown Marquette. The popular Blueberry Festival Youth Talent Show sponsored by the Lake

Superior Youth Theatre will also return to complement the festivities. For more information, contact the DDA office at (906) 228-9475 or email Tara Laase-McKinney at Tara@downtownmarquette.org.



2017 Land Development Code Process Update

The City of Marquette, through the Land Development Code (LDC) project, will modernize its land-use codes, and create a user-friendly document that updates and combines various ordinance/code elements. The intended impacts of this project are to update zoning districts and standards, to incorporate new standards for increased environmental protection and the mitigation of the negative impacts of urbanization and growth, and to reduce the complexity of the current land-use ordinances and reduce the number of variance cases caused by outdated standards. The envisioned Code

document will be designed to assist in implementing the City's vision to become a premiere sustainable community with a strong sense of place that provides unique opportunities for living, learning and business.

The City Planning Commission, supported by the Community Development Department, held a project kick-off meeting on June 20. The meeting was well-attended by citizens and interested parties.

Citizens are encouraged to participate in the project and stay tuned to the City website for more information.

New Municipal Service Center Almost Finished!



Former Service Center (Baraga Avenue)



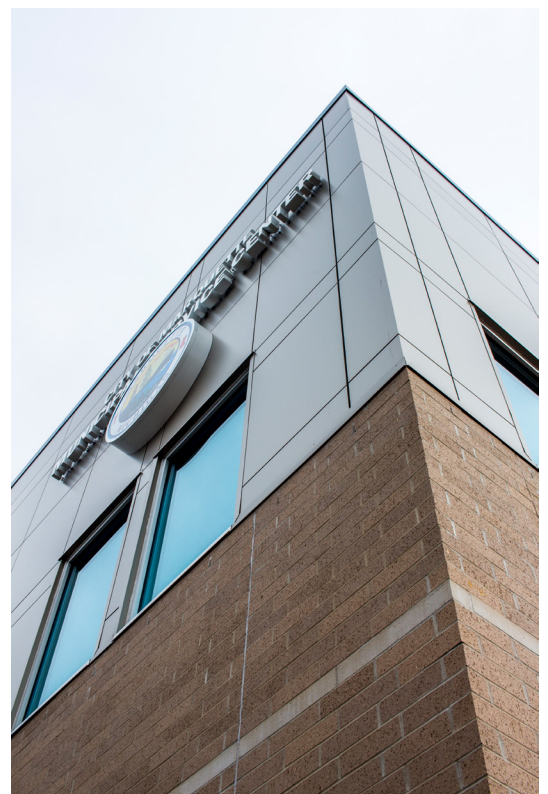
Former Service Center Demolition



New Service Center Under Construction



New Service Center (1100 Wright Street)



The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center (MACC) is located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library at 217 N. Front St. in Marquette. For more information or questions on any of the articles on this page or the following, please call 906-228-0472 or email arts-culture@mqctcy.org.



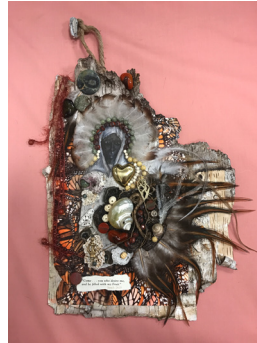
July Exhibits: Kathleen Mooney and Paula Kiesling

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center announces its July LSAA Gallery exhibition: "Orkney Inspirations – Scotland" by Kathleen Mooney. The 28 acrylic and water media paintings in this show are abstract landscapes of the islands of Orkney, Scotland. The art and archeology from the islands of North Atlantic Europe have been the artist's principal inspiration for the last two decades. A special feature of this exhibit is free verse poetry that responds to the World Heritage Neolithic sites of Orkney. Mooney's paintings are exhibited in national and international art competitions, cultural centers, and museums.

The SmallWorks Gallery features "An Old Woman's Perception" by Paula Kiesling.

Paula Kiesling incorporates different elements into her pieces that create a tactile as well as visual feature. She is influenced by mythology and a love of nature. Incorporating fiber beads, wood, stones and other exotic bits and pieces make her art natural and inspirational.

Both exhibits will be displayed from July 1-31 with an artist reception on Tuesday, July 18 from 3 to 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend and refreshments will be provided.



Senior Arts Series

Visual Arts

Classes are offered from twice a month and take place at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center.

Tuesday, July 11 and 18, 1-3 p.m. – Metal Stamping Bracelets and Necklaces – Alex & Ani Style with Kelly Mallette
*Class size limited.

Tuesday, Aug. 1 and 8, 1-3 p.m. – TBD

Performing Arts

Senior Acting classes will take place every Monday in July and August from 2-4 p.m. at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center.

These classes are open to individuals ages 60+ and cater to a wide variety of skill levels. Participation is FREE to City of Marquette residents, but non-residents are welcome to attend for a small donation of \$5 per class to help cover the cost of instruction. Interested parties must pre-register by contacting the Senior Center at 228-0456.

Watercolors with Carl Mayer

Tuesday, July 25 and Aug. 29, 1-4:30 p.m.

\$35 Registration Fee

Students must bring their own supplies and sign up prior to class by calling 906-226-8834.

Little Art Lab

July 6, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Ages 4-8

Cost – Pay what you are able, donations for supplies welcome. Pre-registration appreciated, contact Beth at 906-250-1996 for more information.

All classes take place at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center, located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library.



Beginners Tai Chi in the Gallery

Fridays, 10-11:30 a.m.

\$50 per month registration fee.

To register call 906-228-0472.

Participants should bring a yoga mat, comfortable/loose fitting clothing and indoor athletic shoes to class.

2016 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is Available

The City of Marquette is pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. Our water source is Lake Superior. This surface water source has provided Marquette residents with excellent drinking water for over 140 years. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water and are pleased to inform you that our drinking water is safe and meets all state and federal drinking water standards.

The Marquette Water Utility routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. For the most part, the tables in the report show the results of our monitoring for the period of Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2016. However, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the US-EPA allow us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, is more than one year old. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It is important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Lake Superior water is very soft (Hardness: 44 ppm or 2.57 grains per gallon) and naturally corrosive. Left uncorrected, it can cause increased lead levels in households with copper plumbing and lead/tin solder joints. We have corrected the problem by increasing the pH of the water to around 8.20, therefore making it less corrosive. Lake Superior water has a natural pH of 7.46.

The City routinely monitors the water quality in the distribution system. Last year over 300 samples were collected from the distribution system and analyzed for

coliform bacteria. None of the samples collected contained coliform bacteria.

Chlorine and fluoride concentrations are also measured when the bacteriological samples are collected. The maximum concentration of chlorine leaving the filtration plant was 1.20 ppm (0.85 average), and distribution system monitoring ranged from 0.20 to 0.99 ppm. While there is no maximum level set for chlorine, it has always been the source of most of our water quality complaints as some people are more sensitive to its odor. Our practice has always been to add just enough chlorine to the water to maintain a minimal level throughout the distribution system. The fluoride concentration in your drinking water is typically 0.70 ppm. This year, your drinking water contains chloride at 8.0 ppm and a sodium concentration of 9.0 ppm. There are no established health limits for chloride or sodium. Nitrate and

nitrite concentrations were below detectable levels, as were iron, sulfate, and cyanide.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone

organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Curt Goodman, Director of Public Works at 906-225-4055.

The 2016 Annual Water Quality Report is also posted on the City of Marquette website under the Public Works department page (<http://mqtcty.org/Departments/PublicWorks/Files/2017/2016%20Annual%20Drinking%20Water%20Quality%20Report.pdf>).

**Note: Part Per Million or "PPM" corresponds to one gallon per million gallons, or one minute in two years/a single penny in \$10,000 in layman's terms.*



2017 Reconstruction Projects

Various street and utility reconstruction projects have been designed by City engineering staff and are being completed this construction season. The following are the projects planned for reconstruction this year:

Marquette Hospital Transportation Improvements Project:

Construction has begun on a portion of the US 41 corridor and various local streets to provide access to the new Marquette Hospital complex. Construction will result in a roundabout being constructed at the intersection of Grove Street and US 41, a roundabout at US 41 and the new Hospital Drive entrance, and a roundabout at the new Hospital Drive entrance at Baraga Avenue. This project is upgrading Seventh Street, and providing new curb and pavement on Spring Street west of Seventh. In addition, the intersections along Seventh Street will be upgraded with turn lanes. Baraga Avenue will be upgraded with curb and gutter, bike lanes, sidewalk and the undersized water main will be replaced and upgraded. The Fisher Street intersection will be upgraded to allow sufficient sight distance. Whetstone Brook road crossings and culverts are being upgraded to current standards and to maintain fish/aquatics passage.

Funding is being made available through the Brownfield Redevelopment Fund due to the new hospital construction.

Wright Street (Sugarloaf Avenue to Industrial Parkway):

Construction has begun on the replacement of the water main/services, sanitary sewer laterals and extension of storm sewer utilities. The street surface, subbase and curbing will be removed and upgraded with curbing and per our current street standards. The intersections of Sugarloaf and Lincoln at Wright Street will be reconstructed as roundabouts. Sidewalk will be placed on the north side of Wright Street for pedestrian access.

Funding for the street, storm and sidewalk is being paid with funding provided by Lundin Mining Corporation.

Presque Isle Avenue (College Avenue to Fair Avenue):

A reconstruction project that includes the replacement of the storm water utilities, water main/services and sanitary sewer main/services. The street surface, subbase and curbing will be removed and replaced. The intersection of Presque Isle and Fair Avenue will be

reconstructed to include a roundabout. Traffic warrants for the intersection of Kaye Avenue and Presque Isle Avenue have shown that a traffic signal will no longer be required at that intersection.

Sanitary Sewer Lateral Replacement Program:

This is an annual project where streets that receive heavy maintenance activities also receive sanitary sewer laterals replacements where necessary. Laterals replaced are those that are found to be in poor condition or consist of Orangeburg material.

Pavement Marking Program Project:

This is an annual project where streets that require lane striping and pavement markings are painted to meet the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD) standards. Currently the City of Marquette maintains pavement markings for 187 intersections and for approximately 36.5 miles of lane delineation striping.

Sidewalk Repair and Replacement Project:

This is an annual project where portions of sidewalk which have been determined by the Engineering and Public Works Departments to be hazardous to the public are removed and replaced. Sidewalk lips 1/2 inch or greater are prioritized by lip height and scheduled for replacement. The amount of sidewalk replaced is based on the amount of funds available.

Any questions regarding these projects and the specific locations can be directed toward the City Engineer, Keith Whittington, or the Engineering Division at 906-228-0440.



Fill the Boot 2017



For more than 60 years the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) has stood on the front lines for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), working together to free individuals, and the families who love them, from the harm of muscular dystrophy, ALS and related muscle-debilitating diseases that take away physical strength, independence and life.

The MDA's spirited Fill the Boot campaign is an honored tradition in which thousands of dedicated firefighters hit the streets or storefronts asking pedestrians, motorists, customers and other passersby to make a donation to MDA, using their collective strength to help kids and adults live longer and grow stronger. Since 1954, the IAFF has raised more than \$585.5 million to help kids and adults with muscle-debilitating diseases live the life they've always imagined and experience the world without any limits. In 2016, Marquette City Firefighters received donations totaling \$13,922 from the community. For additional information contact Engineer Brett Beaudry at 906-228-0412 or bbeaudry@mqctcy.org.

The 2017 Fill the Boot event will take place:

Friday, July 28 from 2-6 p.m. on
the corners of:

Cleveland & McClellan

Third & Hewitt.

Saturday, July 29 from 12-4 p.m. on
the corners of:

Pine & Fair

Third & Hewitt

Front & Washington.

Please come out and show your support for our Firefighters and for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.



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