



IRONWOOD

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PUBLIC INFORMATION NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2017

INFORMATION FOR YOU

MEET UP & EAT UP Free Lunch Program
Ironwood Area Schools
@ Depot Park Pavilion
June 12 - August 4
M - F @ 11 am- 12 pm

ART IN THE MINERS' PARK 2017
Take a hike. Vote on your favorite art!
June 24 - August 27 Vote Awards will be
presented at Festival Ironwood

**DEPOT PARK FARMERS
& ARTISANS MARKET**
Every Friday @ 4 - 6:30 pm
Starting June 30

**DOWNTOWN IRONWOOD
FIRST FRIDAY**
Every Friday starting July 7 @ 6:30 - 9 pm
Music in the Art Park and special events
at downtown businesses.

FESTIVAL IRONWOOD
July 19 - 22

GOGEBIC COUNTY FAIR
Gogebic County Fairgrounds
August 24 - 27

GENERAL ELECTION
Tuesday, November 7

**BRIDGES AND BLUFFS
1/2 MARATHON & 2-MILE RUN/WALK**
Saturday, September 23
www.bridgesandbluffs.com

JACK FROST PARADE
Saturday, December 2

CARNEGIE LIBRARY WORKSHOPS
The Story You, Me, Us!
Creative Writing Camp for Kids
Build a Better World Story Time for Children
Thur, July 6 @ Carnegie Library

**The Environmental Easel
Nature Program for Children**
Tuesday, July 11 @ 1:30 pm

Time for Turtles Nature Program
Tuesday, July 18 @ 1:30 pm

More Library info @ 906-932-0203
or visit their website: uproc.lib.mi.us/ironwood/

For information on area events, contact:
Ironwood Area Chamber of Commerce
906-932-1122 visit: www.ironwoodmi.org
or Western U.P. Convention & Visitor Bureau
906-932-4850

CONGRATULATIONS IRONWOOD BUSINESSES

The City of Ironwood would like to extend a "welcome" and "congratulations" to the new businesses that have made the decision to locate in the City of Ironwood. We are excited to have them as part of our community.



ABOUT THE HAIR
121 S. Suffolk St.



BALE CLOCK
Relocated to 313 N. Lake St.



CEDARS MOTEL
777 W. Cloverland Dr.



CHELSI'S CORNER
102 E. Aurora St.



CHERRY RIDGE FRAMING
151 E. Cloverland Dr.



COLD IRON BREWING
104 S. Lowell St.



IRON INK TATTOOS & PIERCINGS
337 E. Ayer St.



PUPPY PARLOR
1155 Washington St.



MIKE'S AUTO REPAIR
397 E. Aurora St.



ROYAL TIMBERLINE LODGE
105 W. Cloverland Dr.



ZAK'S REALTY
110 E. Aurora St.



NRG FITNESS
301 E. Frederick St.

If you are a business owner, or prospective business owner, and would like information about any of the various programs that exist to aid business development or start-up, please contact the City of Ironwood's Community Development Office at 906-932-5050 x126 or via email: Tom Bergman at bergmant@cityofironwood.org.

For more information about obtaining your business license, please call the City Clerk's office at 906-932-5050 ext. 122.

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PHASE 4 WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT: The City of Ironwood has opened bids for water main, sanitary sewer and street improvements for the neighborhood south of US Highway 2, east of Lake Street and west of Luxmore Street. The area includes Southerland Avenue, Washington Street, May Street, Rowe Street and Stevens Street. The project bid tabulation and associated funding approvals are currently being reviewed with the project funding agency, USDA Rural Development. The low bidder for the project is Ruotsala Construction. Prior to the start of construction, a neighborhood informational meeting will be held. The date of the neighborhood meeting and the construction start date will be identified after final funding approval has been received.

SUFFOLK STREET (BUSINESS ROUTE 2) MILL & OVERLAY: The Michigan Department of Transportation will be milling and overlaying BR 2 through the City of Ironwood. Handicapped sidewalk ramps will first be installed with the mill and overlay occurring around the mid-summer 2017.

STREET SEALCOATING: A street pavement sealcoat application has been applied to Van Buskirk Road from Clemens Street to Norrie Park Road. The sealcoat application is a pavement maintenance strategy utilized to extend the useful life of a road. This is a pilot project for the City of Ironwood. This section of road will be evaluated to help determine to what extent sealcoating will be applied to other City roads in the future.

CEMETERY MAUSOLEUM ROOF REPLACEMENT: As a part of the maintenance strategy to maintain the historical buildings owned by the City of Ironwood, the Ironwood City Commission approved funding to replace the mausoleum roof at the Ironwood Cemetery.

STREET PAVEMENT STRIPING: Each year the City of Ironwood repaints the street pavement striping lines and emblems to promote driver safety throughout the community. The City maintains over 63 miles of roads.

BLIGHTED HOUSE DEMOLITIONS: The City of Ironwood was the successful recipient of a blight demolition grant (residential structures) provided by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The funding will allow the City to demolish up to 20 blighted residential structures over the next two-year period.

ELECTION TIME



It is that time of year once again to elect an Ironwood City Commission. This is a nonpartisan City Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Persons desiring to qualify as candidates for the elective office of Ironwood City Commission will be able to pick up information packets from the City Clerk, Karen Gullan,

at the Memorial Building, 213 S. Marquette St. from 7:30 am to 4 pm Monday-Friday. One of the items in the packet of information will be Nominating Petitions. These Nominating Petitions require a candidate to obtain not less than twenty-five (25) or no more than forty (40) City registered electors' signatures. The deadline to file the Nominating Petitions with the City Clerk's Office in the Memorial Building, 213 S. Marquette St., Ironwood, Michigan will be Tuesday, July 25, 2017 by 4 pm (CST) in compliance with Michigan Election Law.

It is not always easy to be a City Commissioner. City Commissioners put in many hours attending meetings, events, and making decisions. Their jobs can be very rewarding, exciting, and sometimes not always pleasant. Hats off and thank you to past and future City Commissioners, for giving the time to make the City of Ironwood a better place to live!

COMMISSIONER'S CORNER BY RICK SEMO

There is a lot going on in our town this summer. The City has a number of infrastructure projects going on including streets, sewer, and water. It's a never ending work in progress to upgrade our aging systems, so we have to keep at it. As always, we are actively fighting blight and removing old houses; well over 100 in the last few years.

Beyond these, there are other things happening. **FESTIVAL IRONWOOD** runs from July 19-22. Check out their Facebook page to see the schedule of events and performances. **ART IN THE MINERS PARK** will run from June 24 through August. **THE DEPOT PARK FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET** is open on Fridays throughout the summer.

One of the recommendations in our City's Comprehensive Plan is that we have more festivals and events. Along with the ones listed above we have the **SNOWMOBILE OLYMPUS** and **SISU SKI FEST** in the winter. There are also hockey and Little League tournaments. We would like to hear new ideas about possible events. Let us know.

HOPE Animal Shelter and Friends of the Miners' Memorial Heritage Park are working together to build a dog park at the corner of Bonnie and Ayer Streets. The project is currently being reviewed by the City, and construction is slated for later this summer. Enjoy your summer.



PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT SCHEDULE – SUMMER TAXES

Summer taxes, including a 1% administration fee, and any special assessments (if applicable), are levied July 1 each year. They become past due if not paid by August 10. Please note that payments must be received by the City before 3:30 pm on August 10 to avoid a 3% late penalty. Payments are accepted via the following:

• At the payment window located on the first floor of the City Municipal Building

- In the indoor drop box located next to the payment window (referenced to the left).
- In the City's outdoor drop box (silver) located in front of the City Municipal Building
- Via credit card using the following link: www.govpaynow.com/gps/user/plc/6936
- Via mail – POSTMARK NOT ACCEPTED