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WINTER 2023-24

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR 2024

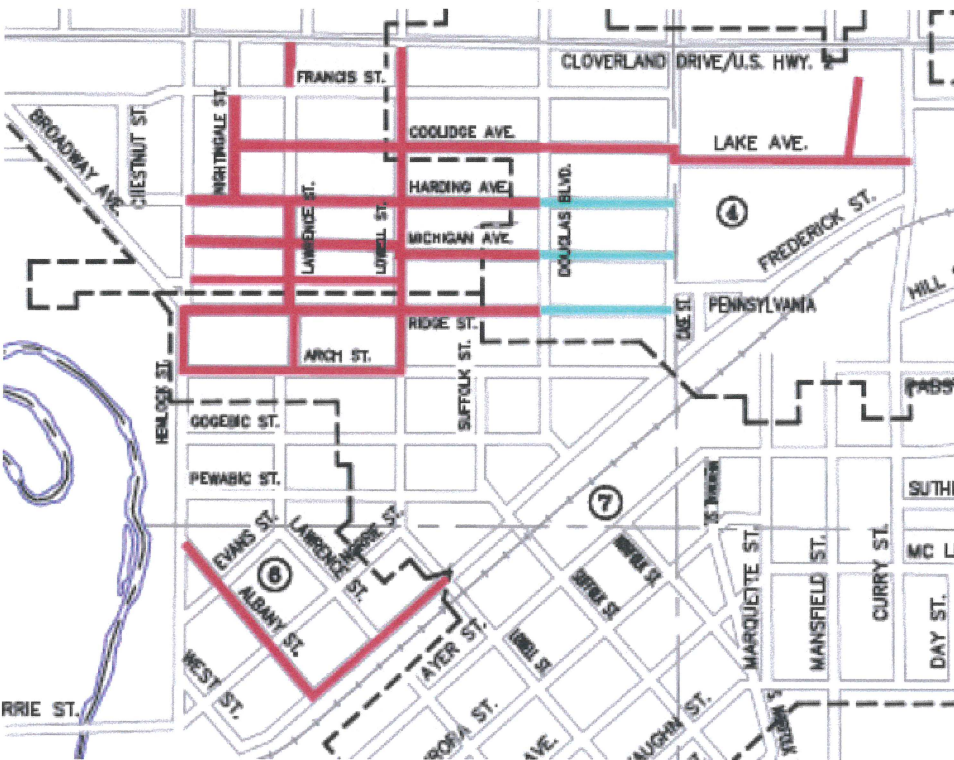
BY PAUL ANDERSON
CITY MANAGER

WATER PLANT:

Phase 1 of the water plant project began with CD Smith Construction of Fon du Lac, WI. They are currently working on concrete foundations and will continue with building construction throughout the winter. Phase 1 is funded by USDA Rural Development (loan and grant) at a price of approximately \$11 MIL and will be completed in the fall of 2024. Phase 1 will essentially create a new pump station to replace the 100 year-old pump station. Phase 2 of the project will create the actual treatment of water for iron and manganese removal. The City will be receiving a \$10.5 MIL State grant to fund Phase 2. Design will be this winter, bidding in the spring, and construction right behind Phase 1 in the fall of 2024, with project completion estimated in early 2026.

PHASE 5 WATER AND SEWER PROJECT:

Phase 5 water project has been secured with \$11.021MIL 100% State grant. State funding for sewer was not successful, so we are in the process of applying for USDA Rural Development funding for approximately 50% of the project area. Design is expected to occur this winter, bidding in Spring 2024 and then 2024-2026 construction window. The tentative map for the Phase 5 project:



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Michigan Snowmobile Trails Open
Fri, Dec 1

Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Open Skating Hours
Fri. - Sun. @ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Wed. @ 1 - 3 pm

Jack Frost Festival of Lights Parade
Saturday, Dec 2, 2023 @ 6pm

Santa's Headquarters - Aurora Club
Wed, Dec 6, 2023

City Offices & DPW - Holiday Closings
Christmas - Mon & Tues, Dec 25 & 26, 2023
New Year's
Mon & Tues, Jan 1 & 2, 2024

Mt. Zion Snocross National
Fri & Sat, Dec 15 & 16, 2023

SISU Ski Fest
Cross Country Ski Marathon
Jan 5 & 6, 2024
sisuskifest.com

American Red Cross 2024 Blood Drives
@ Memorial Building
January 17, 2024, March 20, 2024
May 1, 2024, May 15, 2024

Light Up the Night Tree Burning
Norrie Club - Sat, Jan 27, 2024

Michigan - Free Fishing Weekend
Feb 17 & 18, 2024

Carnegie Library Events
Visit on Facebook or the Web to learn more:
facebook.com/IronwoodCarnegie
ironwoodcarnegie.org

Historic Ironwood Theatre Events
Visit on Facebook or the Web to learn more:
facebook.com/ironwoodtheatre
ironwoodtheatre.net

For information on area events, contact:
Ironwood Tourism Council TravellIronwood.com
Ironwood Area Chamber of Commerce
906-932-1122 IronwoodChamber.org



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SEWER PLANT: The Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority (Hurley, Ironwood, Ironwood Township) has secured \$32 MIL to renovate the 40 year-old wastewater treatment facility in Ironwood. Significant improvements will be made to the equipment, controls, and electrical systems at the plant over the next couple of years. The project contract has been awarded to CD Smith (same contractor as the water plant) and is expected to begin in 2024 and run through 2026.

LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT: A \$3MIL (100%) State grant will allow the City to make significant progress towards meeting the State mandate to identify and replace all lead service lines in 20 years (by 2041). This project aims to replace approximately 250 of the City's galvanized services. Jakes Excavating of Ironwood, has been awarded the project and will have fall 2023, 2024 and 2025 to complete the work.

HEMLOCK STREET: The City of Ironwood completed the \$1.9MIL reconstruction of Hemlock Street from US-2 to the south side of the triangle intersection with Broadway Street during the summer of 2023. Ruotsala Construction from Ironwood did a terrific job executing the project. We thank our residents for their patience with this project.

Other Notable Upcoming 2024 Construction Projects:

- Electrical upgrades to Curry Park.
- Numerous paving projects including Clemens Street.
- Hiawatha Park playground equipment.

PUBLIC NOTICES

BY ANDREW DIGIORGIO - PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

No PARKING ON IRONWOOD CITY STREETS

October 31 - April 1 2 AM -7 AM

Vehicles must not be parked on City right-of-way.

For the safety of your vehicles, park inside your

property line. Vehicles found in violation of this

notice will be towed away at owner's expense and

subject to fines. The City will not be liable for any damage to cars illegally parked.



CLEANING SNOW AND ICE FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY

● No person shall shovel, push, plow or move snow or ice or otherwise cause to deposit any snow or ice in or upon the traveled portion of any street or sidewalk.

● No person shall remove or cause to remove any snow or ice on to any or across any street or any roadway.

● No person shall deposit or cause to deposit any snow or ice in any manner, which obstructs the safety vision of a driver of a motor vehicle.

● A person who violates these sections upon conviction shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

NOTICE - SIDEWALKS TO BE CLEARED

Property owners in the downtown Sidewalk Maintenance

Area of the City of Ironwood are required to keep clear all

sidewalks adjoining such lot or premises from snow and

ice within twenty four (24) hours after the fall or formation. Failure

to do so shall be deemed a violation of the Ordinance and may

cause the sidewalks to be cleared by the City of Ironwood at the

owner's or occupant's expense. Any questions, please contact the

Ironwood Public Safety Department 906-932-1234.

(Chapter 29, Section 29-96 Ironwood City Code)

See ironwoodmi.gov for downtown sidewalk maintenance area map.

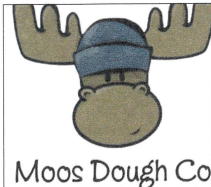


CONGRATULATIONS IRONWOOD BUSINESSES

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.

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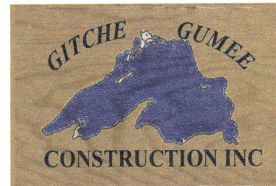


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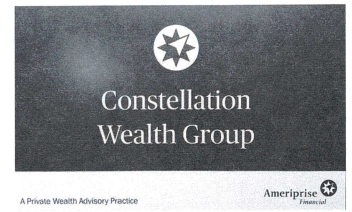
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If you are a business owner, or prospective business owner, and would like information about any of the various programs that exist or aid business development or start-up, please contact Tom Bergman in the City of Ironwood's Community Development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

REMINDER: 2023 business licenses will be expiring on February 28, 2024. The new business licenses are due March 1. For more information about obtaining your business license, please call the City Clerk's office at 906-932-5050 ext. 122.

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT SCHEDULE - WINTER TAXES

Winter taxes, including a 1% administration fee, are levied December 1st each year. They become past due if not paid by February 15th. Please note that payments must be received by the City before 3:30 p.m. on February 15th (postmark not accepted as date paid) to avoid a 3% late penalty. Any outstanding balance of summer or winter taxes will be turned over to the Gogebic County Treasurer as delinquent on March 1st.

PAYMENT METHODS INCLUDE:

- 1) Via mail
- 2) In one of the City's outdoor drop boxes at the City Municipal Building (southwest side of the building or southeast side of the building next to the flag pole)
- 3) At the payment window inside the City Municipal Building
- 4) Via credit card using the following link:

ironwoodmi.gov/government/services

CITY, VILLAGE & TOWNSHIP REVENUE SHARING

For fiscal year 2024, the State of Michigan Legislature continued the City, Village, and Township Revenue Sharing (CVTRS) program. To qualify for CVTRS payments, a local unit must provide Treasury with certain required documents, as well as make the required documents available for public viewing in the city, village, or township clerk's office or post them on a publicly accessible Internet site. The required documents include: 1) City, Village, and Township Revenue Sharing and County Incentive Program Certification (Form 4886),

2) Debt Service Report, and 3) Projected Budget Report.

The City of Ironwood's required documents associated with the CVTRS program are available for viewing in the City Clerk's office located in the Ironwood Municipal Building, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

They are also available on the City's website at the following web address:

ironwoodmi.gov/finance-treasury