



City of the Village of Douglas Administration Review Week of April 1st-5th, 2024

Earth Day Events:

1. Saturday, April 20th, 2024: Please join the City and the Downtown Development Authority for a downtown beautification day from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Our primary focus will be prepping the bump outs downtown for new mulch and plantings. The meet up location is Douglas City Hall. Rakes, bags, gloves, gardening tools, and water will be provided to all volunteers.
2. Monday, April 22nd, 2024: The Douglas Department of Public Works will be hosting the Douglas Elementary preschoolers at Schultz Park where they will plant four new trees on the property together. The children will also have a chance to “touch a truck” and learn more about the Public Works vehicles. This event will start at 9:00 a.m.

Congratulations: The City of the Village of Douglas would like to offer our heartfelt congratulations to Matthew Balmer, who was selected to fill the vacant position on the Douglas City Council, during the Monday, April 1st, 2024, City Council meeting. The City would also like to thank residents Laura Peterson and Demetrhea Terrien for applying for the open seat.

Beats on Beery & Sidewalk Sales: This week, the Douglas City Council approved two amazing events taking place this summer. First, on June 28th, there will be live music at Beery Field from 4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. This is a free event. The performers have not yet been announced.

Next, on August 15th, there will be both Beats on Beery and sidewalk sales. The sidewalk sales will commence at 10:00 a.m. and run through 5:00 p.m. Beats on Beery will be from 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. at Beery Field.

Vendor sale/show space will be available for the sidewalk sales for \$30.00. For more information, please contact April Gundy at eventssaugatuckdouglas@gmail.com.

The City would like to thank the Saugatuck Douglas Convention & Visitors Bureau and April Gundy for organizing these fantastic events.

2024 Leaf and Brush Pick-Up REMINDER: This is a reminder that leaf and brush pickup will for 2024 will commence in April. Please remember to follow the guidelines in the flyer that was sent to all public road residences. If piles are not in compliance with the leaf and bush program, they will not be picked up and a door hanger may be placed indicating what was found and correction action necessary, by the Code Enforcement Officer or Department of Public Works.

- Leaves must be unbagged (paper yard waste bags accepted).
- Leaves and brush **must be separated** and placed behind the curb or road edge of the paved portion of the roadway; however, it must be reachable with the leaf truck or grapple claw.
- Leaves and brush can be placed out up to, but not earlier than, three (3) days before scheduled pick-up. Leaves and brush placed out after 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled day will not be picked up.
- Brush must be stacked neatly in the same direction parallel to the road.
- Leave and brush piles must not exceed 8-feet in length, 6-feet in width, and 4-feet in height. If pile exceeds the required size, please separate them into multiple piles.
- Branches cannot be larger than 6-feet long and 6-inches in diameter.

Pick-up Schedule for the month of April is as follows:

East of Blue Star Highway

April 16th: Leaf and Brush (First pick-up on April 2nd-Complete)

West of Blue Star Highway

April 9th and 23rd: Leaf and Brush

For future pick-up dates, please refer to the leaf and brush pick-up schedule and guidelines.

Upcoming Meetings:

Thursday, April 11th, 2024: Planning Commission Meeting at 7:00 pm. At City Hall

Monday, April 15th, 2024: Budget Workshop #2 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Monday, April 15th, 2024: City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Tuesday, April 16th, 2024: Douglas Harbor Authority Meeting at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall

Wednesday, April 24th, 2024: Douglas DDA Meeting at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall

City of the Village of Douglas City Council:

Cathy North, Mayor

Randy Walker, Mayor Pro-Tem

Neal Seabert, Councilmember

Jerry Donovan, Councilmember

John O'Malley, Councilmember

Greg Freeman, Councilmember

Matthew Balmer, Councilmember

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For emergencies, please call 911