

## City of the Village of Douglas Administration Review Week of June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Farmer's Market in Douglas**: The Douglas Farmer's Market will kick off the market season at the Beery Field picnic area on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Market hours are from 10 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., and the future dates are listed below:

June 25th

July 2<sup>nd</sup>; 9<sup>th</sup>; 16<sup>th</sup>; 23<sup>rd</sup>; 30<sup>th</sup> August 6<sup>th</sup>; 13<sup>th</sup>; 20<sup>th</sup>; 27<sup>th</sup>

Please spread the word so we can ensure that the market is successful moving forward.

**Beery Field Playground Perimeter:** The City appreciates all the hard work that the Douglas Department of Public Works has been doing at the Beery Field Playground. They are sprucing things up and continuing to make it a beautiful place for families to enjoy. Please check it out!

**415 Wiley Road:** The City Council conducted a workshop on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, for discussion regarding the 415 Wiley Road property build-out for a future City Hall and Police Department, with Carbon Six Construction. I will have more to report in the future about this project, but we appear to have started a path forward. The former doctor's space on the opposite side of the building has been vacated and the City will be advertising the approximately 5252-square foot space for rent. Please direct any questions about the project and rental space to the City Manager, Lisa Nocerini at - <a href="mailto:citymanager@douglasmi.gov">citymanager@douglasmi.gov</a> or call 269-857-1438.

**200 Blue Star Highway:** This is a work in progress. The weeds will be cut down to the ground, and the City will continue efforts to do as much as possible while we continue to work through the U.S. EPA grant requirements. The City is making progress on the grant, but we are on a federal timeline, which can be quite cumbersome. In the meantime, we have had discussions with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, EGLE, and will be convening a conversation with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MHSDA), about future opportunities including funding options to address the sites conditions.

**Root Beer Barrel:** The Root Beer Barrel is having a successful first month and continues to improve the property and grow the menu. We are excited about the new plumbing, parking spaces, refrigeration upgrades, bathrooms, ability to accept debit/credit cards, and the option to order online and pick-up soon. Todd continues to make many of these improvements at no cost to the City. We are grateful to Todd for stepping up to help ensure the Root Beer Barrel continues to be a cool attraction for those who live, work, and visit Douglas. P.S.- The menu now includes a veggie brat with more options coming soon!

**Art in Douglas:** Art in Douglas takes place the second Saturday of each month through September. If you missed the June event, please join the galleries in Downtown Douglas on

Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. Future dates: July 13<sup>th</sup>, August 10<sup>th</sup> and September 14<sup>th</sup>. Support small. Support local.

**Keep our City and Parks Clean:** We all love our community and want to ensure it remains beautiful. We encourage everyone to ensure that trash is picked up and placed in the appropriate containers when you see it. Every bit helps. Thank you for being an amazing community partner!

**New Signs:** The City Council approved new signage in the upcoming budget, for Beery Field, Schultz Park, Wade's Bayou, and the Douglas Marina. The signage will match the wayfinding theme that you see throughout the City. We hope to have it designed and installed soon! Keep an eye out! You will love them!

## **Upcoming Meetings, Events, & Notices:**

- Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024: City Council meeting @ City Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 18th<sup>th</sup>, 2024: Farmer's Market @ Berry Field from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 26th, 2024: DDA Meeting at City Hall @ 2:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 28th, 2024: Beats on Berry at Beery Field, from 4:30-9:00 p.m.

## **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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<sup>\*</sup>For emergencies, please call 911\*