



City of the Village of Douglas Administration Review Week August 19th, 2024

Recognition & Honor: Monday, September 16th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. We are proud to announce that the City of Douglas will be recognizing and honoring the heroic efforts of five brave individuals who saved a man's life on August 15th. When he fell unconscious and his vehicle entered Kalamazoo Lake, these incredible individuals immediately jumped into action, ensuring his safety, and saving his life.

Please join us in celebrating these local heroes at the upcoming City Council meeting on September 16th at 7:00 p.m. We look forward to acknowledging their courage and quick thinking.

Let us come together as a community to honor these amazing individuals! The meeting will also be available via zoom. The link will be provided on the city website at www.douglasmi.gov.

Tri-Community Wildlife Committee: The City of Douglas is working with the City of Saugatuck and Saugatuck Township on plans to create a Tri-Community Wildlife Committee.

The purpose of the Committee is to seek options and make recommendations to manage the overgrowth of deer and other wildlife within the jurisdictions of the City of Douglas, Saugatuck Township, and the City of Saugatuck. The Authority will discuss wildlife management strategies, particularly focusing on the hunting season periods set by the State of Michigan for culling purposes and make recommendations to the respective councils and boards of each community. Please watch for updates on this matter.

Incredible Volunteer's Alert! Check this out! Eagle Scout Troop 29, you are amazing!

The fantastic young people and their Troop leaders from Eagle Scout Troop 29, stepped up to help the City of Douglas DPW with a Berry Field Dugout Beautification project last weekend.

They spent time power washing the dugouts and benches and will be back to add fresh coats of paint. What a great group.

A HUGE thank you from the City of Douglas goes out to:

Myles Broadwater
Sam Young
Alex Carlotto
Jack Parkison
Frankie Bullinger
Tommy Bullinger
Joey Bullinger

We have such a bright future of young people ahead of us!

We All Love Douglas Beach, Let's Keep It Beautiful Together! We all know how much Douglas Beach means to our community—it is a treasure we are lucky to have. But with the high number of visitors we have been seeing, we are also facing more challenges, like increased trash and less tidy facilities. As a city with limited staffing, we are doing our best to keep up, but we could use a little extra help from our amazing community.

If you are at the beach or in the parking area and happen to see any trash or debris, we would be so grateful if you could lend a hand in picking it up. We will provide bags, and our DPW team will take care of picking them up—every little bit helps as we work to balance all our responsibilities.

We also want you to know that we are making plans to either rehab or replace our outdated bathroom facilities and hope to add more options that will keep everything in better condition. We are even considering bringing on a few part-time folks during the summer months to check the facilities more often.

Thank you to everyone who is willing to pitch in. We love our community, and together we can keep Douglas Beach a clean and welcoming place for everyone. We have so many amazing volunteers already stepping up to keep our city looking great. A few more helps greatly! Who is in?

New Park/Marina Signage: The City Council approved new signs in the most recently passed budget for Schultz Park, Wade's Bayou, Douglas Marina, and Beery Field. We are excited to see them installed soon, they are going to look amazing and really improve the entrances to our parks/marina.

Reminder: The Ferry Street Culvert/Bridge is only open for public safety vehicles until further notice. Any unauthorized vehicles attempting to pass through the area will be ticketed. We appreciate everyone's cooperation as we continue to work on plans for the bridge replacement project.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Tuesday, August 27th, 2024: Last Farmer's Market Day at Beery Field for the Season from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 28th, 2024: DDA Meeting @ 2:00 p.m. at City Hall

Monday, September 2nd, 2024: City Offices are closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 3rd, 2024: City Council meeting @ 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Tuesday, September 12th, 2024: Planning Commission meeting @ 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Tuesday, September 17th, 2024: Douglas Harbor Authority meeting @ 4:30 p.m. at City Hall

Tuesday, September 17th, 2024: KLHA meeting @ 5:30 p.m. at Saugatuck Township

City of the Village of Douglas City Council:

Cathy North, Mayor

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Jerry Donovan, Councilmember

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