

City of the Village of Douglas Administration Report Week of January 13th, 2025

Ferry Street Culvert Replacement: The City Administration and City Engineers held a pre-construction meeting for the Ferry Street Culvert replacement project this week. Due to the upcoming frigid weather conditions, the project start has been moved to the first week of February. If conditions improve, some of the work could commence sooner. We will have a more thorough update and a timeline to share very soon. It is still our goal to have the work complete before Memorial Day 2025. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding. We appreciate it!



415 Wiley Road Groundbreaking Ceremony: Please join the Douglas City Council on Tuesday, January 21st, 2025, for a groundbreaking ceremony at 415 Wiley Road where the new city hall and police station will be relocating in the late fall of 2025.

Due to frigid temperatures, the event will be held indoors, and light refreshments will be served. The doors will open at 4:30 p.m. and the ceremony will commence promptly at 5:00 p.m. We look forward to celebrating this momentous occasion with you.



Tri-Community Wildlife Deer Survey: In response to concerns/complaints regarding the deer population, the City of Douglas, City of Saugatuck, and Saugatuck Township created the Tri-Community Wildlife Committee. The City of Douglas is requesting your help to provide input regarding deer within the City of Douglas.

City staff are seeking your assistance to document your thoughts, knowledge, and opinion of deer in the city. Our objective is to make the survey as simple as possible by providing an online link for you to complete. For those unable to complete the online survey, please stop in City Hall for a printed copy.

The Deer Survey results will be presented to the Tri-Community Wildlife Committee in February for review and discussion.

· Digital option - Complete the survey online at <u>https://forms.office.com/r/jSZTeUQgi5</u>

· Paper option – Pick up at:

City Hall - 86 W Center St., Douglas, MI 49406

Please submit/return by January 31, 2025.



REMINDER City Council Meeting Time Change: Starting in January 2025, the Douglas City Council will be changing their meeting time from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. This is not. temporary and will be a permanent change



REMINDER The Douglas Downtown Development Authority Shop & Dine Passport Program EXTENDED: Now through January 31st!

There are THREE, yes 3...chances to win a gift card package that has FIVE gift cards for local businesses available in each. There's more!

We want to also extend our heartfelt thanks to our friends at **UPSCALE MERCANTILE** who donated, yes, donated, TW0 gift cards that have also been added to this amazing shop and dine experience!

We won't reveal the breakdown of the gift card packages until the February drawing, but we want to give you a little teaser of who is participating. But first, make sure to grab your passport from city hall or a participating business (marked with an asterisk), have it stamped FIVE times and turn it in by January 31st to City Hall or one of the participating businesses for a chance to win one of these amazing prize packages. Soup Stroll Saturday from 12:30-5 pm in downtown Douglas on January 11th, is a wonderful time to get stamped!

Water Street Gallery ** limited hours Mr. Miller's Art Emporium ** Ruth Crowe Artist Studio ** Lakeshore Pet Boutique ** Happystance Dinette ** Borrowed Time Now and Then ** Everyday People Cafe ** Wild Dog Grille Brackett and Company ** limited hours Button Street Gallery Back Alley Pizza Joint Ox-Bow House ** Upscale Mercantile

REMINDER Christmas Tree Disposal: The Department of Public Works <u>does not pick</u> <u>up</u> Christmas Trees at curbside but does offer an alternative. During the month of January Douglas residents may drop off their live cut Christmas Tree at Schultz Park across from the dog park. Please remove all lights, ornaments, decorations, and the tree stand.



Upcoming Meetings & Events

Monday, January 20th, 2025: City offices will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Tuesday, January 21st, 2025: 415 Wiley Groundbreaking Ceremony at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend! (Indoors!)

Tuesday, January 21st, 2025: Douglas City Council Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025: Douglas Downtown Development Authority Meeting @ 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

City of the Village of Douglas Contact Information:

Website: <u>https://douglasmi.gov/</u> <u>Facebook:</u> www.facbook.com/douglasmi.gov

City Hall: 269-857-1438 Police Department Non-Emergency: 269-857-4339 Saugatuck Township Fire District Non-Emergency: 269-857-3000 Department of Public Works: 269-857-2763 Kalamazoo Lake Sewer and Water Authority: 269-857-2709 Saugatuck-Douglas District Library: 269-857-8241

For emergencies, please call 911

City Hall Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.