

City of the Village of Douglas Administration Report February 10th-21st, 2025

Ferry Street Closure: The City of Douglas will close Ferry Street to all traffic, including public safety vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles, beginning Monday, February 24, 2025, as construction work commences. The closure will remain in effect until further notice.

Residents and visitors are advised to use marked alternative detour routes during this period. Updates on the project timeline and reopening will be provided as work progresses.

The City appreciates the community's patience and cooperation. It is still our goal to reopen the area by Memorial Day 2025.

415 Wiley Road Build-Out: The demolition work has commenced, and we are excited to see the project moving forward! Carbon Six anticipates that the project will be complete the first week of October 2025.

Surplus Property: The City has gone through the required process to deem City Hall and the Police Station surplus property. We can now move forward with listing both properties in March.

Subsequently, the City is also working on deeming 6825 Wiley Road (17 acres), surplus property. The first reading took place during the most recent February 18th, 2025, city council meeting. This is the property that the council is going to be seeking proposals for to add affordable/attainable housing in the community. The request for proposals for potential projects has been issued.

Master Plan Advances to City Council: On February 20th, the Douglas Planning Commissioners voted to move the Master Plan to the City Council for adoption at their upcoming meeting on March 3rd. The City will now address the ordinance/zoning matters as the next step. Great job to all!

Short-Term Rentals: If you have a short-term rental and you have not registered with the City of Douglas or had an inspection completed by the fire department, you could be in violation of the city ordinance and fire code. Please make sure to contact City Hall if you need to register or the fire department (numbers are listed below) if you need an inspection or have any questions. Both are required.

Fire Hydrants, "Keep them Clear": If you are able, please help us by clearing at least 3 feet of space around a fire hydrant located near you when we have snow events. Let's look out for one another's safety. Thank you in advance!

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Monday, February 24th, 2025: Kalamazoo Lake Sewer and Water Authority Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. at 6449 Old Allegan Road, Saugatuck, MI 49453

Wednesday, February 26th, 2025: Douglas DDA Meeting at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall

Monday, March 3rd, 2025: Douglas City Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

Wednesday, March 5th, 2025: Tri-Community Wildlife Committee Meeting at 6:00 p.m.at Douglas 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> Facebook: 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.