



June 13, 2014

Mayor Donald D. Lyons  
City Council Members

City Meetings: None

Calendar: June 16, 2014, noon. Special City Council Meeting  
Farmers Market, Wednesday and Saturday

Dear Mayor Lyons and City Council Members:

The following report has been prepared to provide you with an update on current issues or projects in progress:

#### Front and Main Building

Over the past 2 weeks much progress has been made on the Front and Main building construction site. The building is now fully enclosed, stairwells have been built and most of the roofing has been installed. The insulation contractor and the electrical contractor have begun their part of the project. The bricks are expected to be delivered in about 2 weeks, but now most of the progress will be less visible because the majority of the work will take place inside of the building.



#### Russom Park Playground Community Build Project

They say a picture is worth a thousand words so I've inserted four photos on the next page that will simply demonstrate the commitment the community has made to the construction of a major, handicap accessible equipment, playground that will serve Silver Creek and Dowagiac residents for many decades. Friday's crew was great and the weather cooperated. I trust that Saturday will be the same.



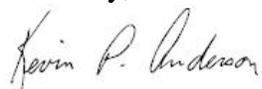
### Farmers & Artisan Market

Dowagiac's new Farm & Artisan Market is off to a great start. We have been pleased with the solid group of vendors who have committed to the market, the community support has been excellent and the Dowagiac Area Museum is proving to be a very good venue.

Collective Bargaining Agreements

Time is rapidly approaching for the start of negotiations with the POLC and the IBEW. All contracts expire on September 30<sup>th</sup> of this year and much of the summer will be committed to working through these agreements with our Police Department and Department of Public service employees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin P. Anderson".

Kevin P. Anderson  
City Manager

Attachment