



July 31, 2015

Mayor Donald D. Lyons
City Council Members

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:

Upcoming Meetings: None

Dowagiac Area History Museum

Artifacts are beginning to make their way to the Dowagiac Area History Museum's second floor as Museum Director Steve Arseneau is in the early stages of exhibit installation on the second floor. The primary exhibit will examine Dowagiac's history from the railroad's arrival in 1848 to present-day events such as the Dogwood Fine Arts Festival.



Arseneau is thrilled to be pulling artifacts out of storage that have not been seen by the public before, including an Oppenheim's Clothing Store bench from the 1920s. An opening date of September 30 has been tentatively set for the permanent Dowagiac exhibit.

Nubour Water Extension

Start-up testing for the city water lines to the Nubour neighborhood are scheduled to begin the week of 8/3 and landscaping restoration will begin the week of 8/29.

East Division St. Water

This week crews repaired a water line on East Division and the road will be patched on August 6.



Big Gray

Preparatory work continues for the demolition of the Goerlich building (Big Gray.) This week an underground storage tank on the site is being removed.

Highlighting Dowagiac

Dowagiac has the opportunity to partner with CGI Communications, Inc. to create a series of professionally produced online videos to highlight the resources our community offers residents, visitors, and business owners.

For a sample video, visit http://www.cgicompany.com/the_process/mayors/slide2.php

Russom Park

The Russom Park retention pond improvements authorized by Council several months ago will begin next week. The goal of the project is to keep water from standing in the ponds during the time between storm events.

Brown Bag Lunch Video Series

The lunch-time series continues each Tuesday, at noon, through August. This series features one-hour installments of *American Experience: JFK* and *American Experience: Reagan*. Bring your lunch and enjoy the air-conditioning and first-class documentaries. Free admission.



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July 7-August 25
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Free Admission

Dowagiac Area History Museum
201 E. Dakota St. • Dowagiac, MI • 268.783.3249
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Beckwith Park Free Concert Series

Dont's miss Schlitz Creek on Thursday, August 6, 7:30 pm

Sincerely,

Kevin P. Anderson
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 City Manager