

City of Iron River Pending Issue list April 23, 2008

Cloverland Hotel

(No significant changes since last report.) Now that spring weather seems to have finally arrived, TriMedia will be called back to the Cloverland to determine if the structure shares a common wall with Martin Accounting. If a common wall does not exist, the remaining portion of the Cloverland wall will be removed and the finishing site work can be completed. Should a common wall exist, a decision will have to be made as to how to finish the remaining area. We will be contacting TriMedia to begin their work in the near future.

Central School

The development committee has continued to meet regularly. The committee has recommended that the project should be turned over to the City's Brownfield Authority and will ask the City's DDA to provide a loan to begin the cleanup process. Ron Basso and I will be traveling to Lansing the end of this month to meet with DEQ officials regarding the funding possibilities for the environmental cleanup.

(UP Engineers & Architects) Appleblossom Trail Phase II

(No significant changes since last report.) This project is 99% complete and will be closed out in the spring. The most recent pay request has been approved with only the retainage remaining to be approved upon project close out. The DNR has sent notification that they will soon be scheduling a final inspection.

(STS #103730) – MDEQ Administrative Consent Order (ACO) Review:

(No activity since last update.) The City remains in compliance with the requirements of the ACO. Results of this year's rate study have been provided during a recent workshop. Also presented for discussion was the next phase of the sewer rehabilitation plan to meet the consent order requirements. STS has recommended that the City move forward with securing funding for this phase through the MDEQ S2 program.

(STS 10272) – Iron River North District Water System Improvements:

(No activity since last update). Construction on the project has been completed. \$5,000 in retainage is being held until the "Punch-List" is completed. Snow Country has declined the opportunity of performing additional work. The \$20,000 remaining in contingency will be paid to the City by RD and will likely be used towards loan repayments.

(STS #10864B) – MEDC - Lalley Road Sanitary Sewer Improvements/Road Reconstruction – Contract I: (No activity since last update).

The certification of City project costs expended along with the single audit report have been submitted to MEDC. It is anticipated that this project will be closed out upon MEDC approval of these documents.

(STS #10864D) – MDOT Lalley Road Reconstruction - Construction:

(No activity since last update). MDOT should be sending the City their final reimbursement request within the next couple of months. All pending issues on the project have been resolved. MDOT should be sending final reimbursement to City but they have not yet been received. STS and City will reconcile cost sharing at that time.

(STS #200602314) – North District MEDC Sewer Project:

(No activity since last update). A public hearing for the project was held during last month's council meeting. This project cannot be closed out until this fiscal year's audit is completed. All work on this project is completed except for the Single Audit Report.

(STS PROJECT #200606574) – S2 Grant Project Plan:

Televising of sanitary sewer lines has been completed. The televising and flow metering data will be used in determining potential project alternatives. Cost estimates will be developed for each alternative. The Project Plan will be completed based on the selected alternatives. A public hearing will be held once the Project Plan has been completed to receive comment on the proposed project. It is required that the final project plan will be submitted to MDEQ by July 1, 2008. A workshop meeting was held on April 16 to determine the selected project alternatives and determine if the City is to enter into a new ACO in order to obtain 300 enforcement points for S2 funding. It was decided that up to a \$2.7M project would be submitted which would result in an annual payment up to \$175,000 out of the MDEQ escrow account. This would result in approximately \$100,000 remaining in the escrow account to be used elsewhere for sewer work. A public hearing will be held in mid-June to receive comment on the proposed project.

(STS Project No. 200606572) – MEDC Interceptor Phase II:

(No activity since last update). Work completed to date on the project includes all sewers on the north side of the Iron River from 5th Avenue to 8th Avenue. All work on the project is on hold until spring. There is approximately \$38,000 remaining in construction contingencies which may be used to complete work that was bid but was not originally included in the contract with Barley Excavating.

Streetscape Master Plan for DDA - Iron River and Hilltop Locations:

STS met with the Enhancement Steering Committee on March 5, 2008. The DDA verbally accepted the proposal as presented by STS and GZE and indicated they would be willing to accept the proposal at the next regularly scheduled DDA meeting contingent upon some form of financial commitment/participation by the City. The DDA indicated they will be requesting the City to participate in cost sharing of the preliminary engineering and application preparation cost because some of the proposed work is not within the DDA district. The City and DDA reached an agreement to share costs of preliminary engineering and MDOT Enhancement Grant Application preparation and submittal. A meeting will be scheduled between STS, City, DDA, GZE and MDOT to discuss potential improvement projects. This meeting is necessary to bring all parties together to review coordination of multiple potential projects, funding and scheduling.

Lay/ Washington Avenue Resurfacing- Spruce to Evergreen

(No activity since last update). The project walkthrough has been completed. STS is working with MDOT in closing out the project file. Job complete but still waiting for final accounting from MDOT. City will receive final reimbursement request for their cost sharing.

Nelson Field MDNR Grant Application – Playground Improvements

(No activity since last update). The Grant Application to the MDNR's Land and Water Conservation Fund for playground improvements at Nelson Field has been submitted to MDNR Grant staff in Lansing. The local match of this proposed project will be 50% and will be funded with a cash donation from the West Iron County Booster Club/Friends of Nelson Field and in-kind services from the City. The City will receive correspondence from the MDNR this summer indicating the preliminary scoring results, and will have an opportunity at that time to submit more information to bolster the preliminary score. The final project scoring and selected project list will be announced by November of 2008.