

City of Iron River Pending Issue list March 19, 2008

Cloverland Hotel

(No significant changes since last report.) Success!! The Cloverland Hotel and Bar is down. Eckert Demolition Contracting has completed the removal of this blighted and dangerous structure. The project was completed in about a six week period and required that the majority of work was done by hand to protect the Martin Accounting building next door. Work items remaining are to cap the remaining portion of the south wall and determine if it is in fact a "common wall" with the Martin building. The determination will be put off until spring at which time the final site work cleanup will also take place.

Central School

The development committee has continued to meet regularly in efforts to promote this project. The DEQ has rejected our request for consideration for grant dollars to assist with the cleanup activities. The committee will consider 2% loan money as well as a possible appeal of the DEQ decision. Although this is somewhat disappointing, there are other options available which need to be explored. The committee will continue to vigorously pursue alternative funds.

(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 ACO. I met briefly with DEQ representative Ben Theory and discussed remaining compliance issues and targeted dates for verification for compliance. I will be scheduling a phone conference with the DEQ to determine if any further action is required by the city at this time.

(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:

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.

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

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.

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

(No activity since last update). Work completed to date on the project includes all sewer 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.

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.

Nelson Field MDNR Grant Application – Playground Improvements

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.