

# MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, August 5, 2024 6:30 P.M.

mountain iron community center mountain iron room

# MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2024 - 6:30 P.M. A G E N D A

1.	Roll Call			
II.	Pledge of Allegiance			
III.	Consent Agenda A. Minutes of the July 15, 2024, Regular Meeting (#1-8) B. Receipts C. Bills and Payroll D. Communications			
IV.	Public Forum			
V.	Committee and Staff Reports  A. Mayor's Report  B. City Administrator's Report  C. Director of Public Work's Report  D. Library Director/Special Events Coordinator's Report (#9)  E. City Engineer's Report  F. Sheriff's Department Report  G. Fire Department's Report  H. Liaison Reports			
VI.	Unfinished Business A. Resolution Number 09-24 Municipal Consent (#10-12)			
VII.	New Business A. Special Events Permit (#13-14) B. Road Closures – Merritt Days (#15)			

Merritt Days – August 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

VIII. Communications (#16-18)

Announcements

A.

Adjourn

IX.

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# MINUTES MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL July 15, 2024

Mayor Anderson called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30p.m. with the following members present: Councilor Ed Roskoski, Al Stanaway, Joe Prebeg Jr., and Mayor Peggy Anderson. Also, present were: Craig Wainio, City Administrator; Tim Satrang, Director of Public Works; Amanda Inmon, Municipal Services Secretary; Al Johnson, City Engineer; and SGT Grant Toma, Sherriff's Dept. Absent members: Councilor Julia Buria

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway the consent agenda be approved as follows:

- 1. Approve the minutes of the July 1, 2024, regular meeting.
- 2. That the communications be accepted and placed on file and those requiring further action by the City Council be acted upon during their proper sequence on the agenda.
- 3. To acknowledge the receipts for the period July 1-15, \$1,219,357.98 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
- 4. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period July 1-15, totaling \$453,536.14 a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried with Councilor Buria absent (Yes: Stanaway, Prebeg and Anderson; No: Roskoski).

It was moved by Roskoski to amend the motion, to remove the bills from MTI Distributing in the amount of \$25,298.62 with trade, Napa/Christenson in the amount of \$377.00 and Taconite Tire in the amount of \$115.00, from the consent agenda for separate consideration. The motion failed due to lack of support.

### Public Forum:

- > Steve Giorgi, resident of Mountain Iron spoke regarding the proposed J-turn project and its negative effects
- Andrew Gruis, representative for Northern St. Louis County Arrival Life Coordinator for TZD Safe Roads Coalition, spoke regarding the proposed J-turn project and its positive effects
- Mark Madden, Mountain Iron Fire Chief, spoke regarding proposed J-turn project and its benefits

The Mayor reported on the following:

> No formal report

# City Administrator:

No formal report

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway to authorize Mrs. Elizabeth Bloch to become a permanent employee and continue her employment as a secretary for the City of Mountain Iron, as she completed her probationary period. The motion carried with Councilor Buria absent.

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### Director of Public Works:

- ➤ Working with Insurance Company regarding hailstorms and damage to buildings
- First phase of water service inventory been met, next phase
- > Pilot study at the Wastewater Plant technology starting in the next couple of weeks

# City Engineering:

> No formal report

It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Roskoski to approve Pay Request No. 8 – Proposed Well #3 project in the amount of \$27,783.00 to Peterson Well Drilling, Inc. Mtn Iron. The motion carried on roll call vote with Councilor Buria absent.

# Sheriff's Department:

➤ No formal report

# City Attorney:

➤ No formal report

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by Prebeg, for the public record, that the Collective Bargaining Union Agreement motion on June 17, 2024, be changed to show "It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Roskoski," staff can double check, motion amended to be contingent upon verification.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway to table Resolution #09-24; Approval of the US 169 at CSAH 103(Mud Lake Rd)/CSAH 109 (Nichols Ave) J-Turn Project St. Louis County Project Numbers: SP 069-070-073, CP 0103-677359, MNDOT Project Number: SP 6935-100. The motion carried with Councilor Buria absent (Yes: Stanaway, Prebeg and Anderson; No: Roskoski).

- Victor Lund, St. Louis County representative spoke regarding the J-turn project, gave statistics and facts regarding the project
- Alex Peritz, Lead Project Manager for MnDOT spoke regarding the J-turn project
- Councilor Prebeg spoke regarding the J-turn project and a round-about
- Councilor Roskoski spoke regarding the J-turn project and proposed simpler ideas

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway to approve Resolution #10-24; Authorizing Submittal of an Application to AARP for Participation in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities Program (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried with Councilor Buria absent.

• Cheryl Elj, St. Louis County Public Health representative, spoke regarding Aging population withing the Community and participating in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by Prebeg to authorize the Merritt Days Committee a Temporary On-sale Liquor License, for their event to be held on August 9<sup>th</sup> – August 10<sup>th</sup> in Downtown Mountain Iron, contingent on requiring liability insurance and setting a boundary/plan for setup. The motion carried with Councilor Buria absent.

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# Announcements:

➤ Merritt Days celebration – August 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

At 8:24p.m., it was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Roskoski the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried with Councilor Buria absent.

Submitted by:

Amarida Inmon

Municipal Services Secretary

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# **Distribution Summary**

Category	Distribution	GL Account	Amount
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 101	101-36-6200-000	71t.71
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 378	378-36-6210-000	321.42
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 601	601-36-6200-010	11.48
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 602	602-36-2100-062	34.44
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 603	603-34-4400-010	68.88
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	ELECTRIC-CHG FOR SERVICES	604-37-4100-000	974.26
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	REFUSE REMOVAL-CHG FOR SERVICE	603-34-4400-003	165.54
FINES	CRIMINAL	101-35-5100-000	196.62
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	604-22000	950.00
METER DEPOSITS	WATER	601-22000	80.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	101-38-6200-070	40.00
MISCELLANEOUS	BC/BS - MEDICA PAYABLE	101-21709	2,500.00
MISCELLANEOUS	CHARITABLE GAMBLING PROCEEDS	230-31-1010-000	1,195.38
MISCELLANEOUS	DELTA DENTAL PAYABLE	101-21708	230.00
MISCELLANEOUS	FIRE DEPT-MISC INCOME	101-36-6200-087	945.00
MISCELLANEOUS	LIBRARY-MISC, INCOME	101-45-1501-217	250.00
MISCELLANEOUS	MISC GENERAL	101-37-7100-023	9.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	101-37-7100-022	1.28
PERMITS	BUILDING	101-32-2100-000	2,059.42
PERMITS	VENDOR	101-32-2100-000	50.00
TAXES	BOND LEVY	101-31-1010-003	3.16
TAXES	DUE TO MOUNTAIN IRON EDA	101-20802	30,139.03
TAXES	MISCELLANEOUS TAXES	101-31-1010-007	13,847.69
TAXES	PENALTIES & INTEREST	101-37-7100-023	2.60
TAXES	PENALTIES & INTEREST-378 FUND	378-36-1020-000	12.45
TAXES	SPEC. ASSMTS-378 FUND-CURRENT	378-12100	14,377,56
TAXES	TAX LEVY	101-31-1010-000	821,747.60
TAXES	TAXES RECEIVABLE-DELINQUENT	101-10700	3,200.21
TAXES	TIF #15 INCREMENT COLLECTED	102-31-1010-015	7,152.34
TAXES	TIF #16 INCREMENT COLLECTED	102-31-1010-016	5,082.14
UTILITY	UTILITY	001-11105	312,998.77
Grand Totals:			1,219,357.98

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07/24	07/17/2024	160812	2043	BILLY TEMPLE	101-20200	66.23
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07/24	07/17/2024	160814	20051	BSN SPORTS, LLC	101-20200	303.80
07/24	07/17/2024	160815	30055	BTAC ACQUISITION CORP.	101-20200	726.54
07/24	07/17/2024	160816	30084	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	603-20200	10,064.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160817	8058	CASEY JOHN KINTNER	101-20200	550.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160818	170001	CENTURY LINK	101-20200	273.02
07/24	07/17/2024	160819	30016	CHAMPION AUTO	101-20200	25.95
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07/24	07/17/2024	160823	190096	CURTIS SCHRAMM	101-20200	360.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160824	14006	DANA SUE SORENSEN	101-20200	1,770.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160825	40058	DISTINGUISHED TROPHY CO	101-20200	207.30
07/24	07/17/2024	160826	2039	DONNA JAGUNICH	101-20200	53.69
07/24	07/17/2024	160827		EJ EQUIPMENT, INC.	603-20200	968.93
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07/24	07/17/2024	160829		ERIC MONSON	101-20200	980.00
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07/24	07/17/2024	160837		HOMETOWN MEDIA PARTNERS	101-20200	376.50
07/24	07/17/2024	160838		HUNTER MATTHEW GILBERT	101-20200	60.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160839		HUSKY SPRING	604-20200	941.02
07/24	07/17/2024	160840		INDUSTRIAL LUBRICANT COMPANY	602-20200	337.50
07/24	07/17/2024	160841		IRON RANGE ENGINEERING & CONSULTING	604-20200	3,221,25
07/24	07/17/2024	160842		ITALIAN BAKERY INC	101-20200	66.00
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07/24	07/17/2024	160847		JULIE NYMAN	101-20200	110.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160848		KEITH NYMAN	101-20200	300.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160849		KYLE LEE TOMCYZK	101-20200	147.52
07/24	07/17/2024	160850		L & L RENTALS INC	101-20200	19.68
07/24	07/17/2024	160851		L & M SUPPLY	101-20200	3,605.24
07/24	07/17/2024	160852		LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	101-20200	901.84
07/24	07/17/2024	160853		LISA MARIE RICHARDS	101-20200	60.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160854		MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	101-20200	949,15

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07/24	07/17/2024	160858	130008	MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	604-20200	4,323.03
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07/24	07/17/2024	160860	40063	MN DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	604-20200	8.43
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07/24	07/17/2024	160862	130155	MN PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY	602-20200	62,944.34
07/24	07/17/2024	160863	130015	MOUNTAIN IRON PUBLIC UTILITIES	602-20200	15,211.37
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07/24	07/17/2024	160865	30001	NAPA AUTO PARTS	101-20200	401.12
07/24	07/17/2024	160866	140004	NORTHERN ENGINE & SUPPLY INC	603-20200	20.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160867	2040	PATRICK GAMBLE	101-20200	99.34
07/24	07/17/2024	160868	16000	PETERSON WELL DRILLING, INC.	601-20200	27,783.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160869	160038	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	101-20200	280.98
07/24	07/17/2024	160870	170007	QUILL CORPORATION	101-20200	252.93
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07/24	07/17/2024	160872	180004	RANGE COOPERATIVES	101-20200	138.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160873	2044	REBEKAH MAINQUIST	101-20200	33.11
07/24	07/17/2024	160874	180012	RESCO	604-20200	43,347.00
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07/24	07/17/2024	160877	200003	TACONITE TIRE SERVICE	101-20200	115.45
07/24	07/17/2024	160878	1689	TALON PRATT	604-20200	11.90
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07/24	07/17/2024	160880	14003	TYLER NYGAARD	101-20200	360.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160881	30072	VC3	101-20200	4,679.70
07/24	07/17/2024	160882	10075	VESTIS	603-20200	197.52
07/24	07/17/2024	160883	220014	VIKING INDUSTRIAL NORTH	101-20200	98.86
07/24	07/17/2024	160884	220020	VISA OR PARK STATE BANK CC PMT	101-20200	3,424.16
07/24	07/17/2024	160885	240001	XEROX CORPORATION	101-20200	481.77
07/24	07/17/2024	160886	1867	ZAK RADZAK	101-20200	250.00
07/24	07/17/2024	160887	130011	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	604-20200	676.43
07/24	07/22/2024	160888	80009	HIBBING SUMMER SOFTBALL	101-20200	325.00
Grand	d Totals:					399,927.70

PP-Ending 07/05

53,608.44

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** 

\$453,536.14

# CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON



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# **RESOLUTION NUMBER 10-24**

# AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO AARP FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE AARP NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the health and safety of residents of all ages are of the highest concern to the citizens of the City of Mountain Iron; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has noted that "making cities and communities age friendly is one of the most effective policy approaches for responding to demographic ageing,"; and

WHEREAS, the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities (the Network) is an affiliate of the World Health Organization's (WHO) Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities, an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid population aging; and

WHEREAS, members of the Network become part of a global network of communities that are committed to giving residents of all ages the opportunity to live rewarding, productive and healthy lives; and

WHEREAS, the Network helps participating communities become great places for all ages by adopting such features as: safe, walkable streets; better housing and transportation options; access to key services; and opportunities for residents to participate in community activities; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of joining the AARP Network include, but are not limited to: access to key information about best practices among age-friendly communities; access to a global network of participating communities; technical expertise; financial assistance; and public recognition of the City of Mountain Iron for its commitment to becoming a more age-friendly community; and

WHEREAS, well-designed, livable communities promote health and sustain economic growth, and they make for happier, healthier residents of all ages; and

WHEREAS, as the U.S. population ages and people stay healthy and active longer, communities must adapt; and

WHEREAS, planning processes including community revitalization and economic development plans should include the needs of all people regardless of age, income, physical ability, race, gender and other factors; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Iron Age-Friendly Advisory Committee has formed with membership including residents, business and services providers, and professionals working in the age-friendly sphere, and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of all of its the residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA that to ensure Mountain Iron is a well-designed, livable community that promotes a high quality of life and sustained economic growth for residents of all ages, the Council of the City of Mountain Iron supports the Mountain Iron Age-Friendly Advisory Committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that City of Mountain Iron supports City Staff participation in the Mountain Iron Age-Friendly Advisory Committee including staff representation on Committee, as time allows, and action as its fiscal agent for funds to further age-friendly community initiatives; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Mountain Iron supports application to and requests participation as a part of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 15th DAY OF JULY, 2024.

TEST:

City Administrator

# Mountain Iron Public Library Monthly Report

June 2024

# Circulation

Items checked out: 2,602 Items checked in: 2,369

Total Circulation of materials in June: 4,971

# Attendance:

Adults: 452 Youth: 325 Patrons in June: 777 Special Events/Programs held: 4 (73 participants)

Reference Desk visits (email, phone, and messenger): 160 Computer Use Sessions: 78

Total Library usage: 896

# **Events and Activities at the library in June:**

June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>: SUMMER READING PROGRAM (137 participants)

June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>: Meet Up & Chow Down lunch program (295 meals delivered)

June 3<sup>rd</sup>: Spirit Lake 4H Club meeting June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>: City Council meetings June 4<sup>th</sup>: Friends of the Library meeting

June 5th: Jordan's going away party & Donut Day

June 7th: Lake Superior Library Symposium (UMD - Anna)

June 11th & 25th: Merritt Days Committee meetings

June 13th: Legacy Program – Tuey Juggling Show

June 18th: Traveling Lantern Theatre Co. production

June 19th: Juneteenth — Library CLOSED

June 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>: Craft Corner June 26<sup>th</sup>: Iron Range Tykes visit

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# **RESOLUTION NUMBER 09-24**

# APPROVAL OF THE US 169 AT CSAH 103 (MUD LAKE RD)/CSAH 109 (NICHOLS AVE) J-TURN PROJECT ST. LOUIS COUNTY PROJECT NUMBERS: SP 069-070-073, CP 0103-677359 MNDOT PROJECT NUMBER: SP 6935-100

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is leading a project in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, identified as SP 069-070-073 and SP 6935-100, to construct a J-turn on US 169 at the intersection of CSAH 103 (Mud Lake Rd)/CSAH 109 (Nichols Ave), in the City of Mountain Iron to improve traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, this project includes access management improvements along CSAH 109 (Nichols Ave); and

WHEREAS, this project was developed through an Intersection Control Evaluation process which considered the intersection control alternatives of a traffic signal, single-lane roundabout and J-turn; and

WHEREAS, the Intersection Control Evaluation process determined that a J-turn was the most cost-effective solution to improve traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, this project is funded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County led a public information meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at the Mountain Iron Community Center for the community to learn about this project; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes §162.02, Subd. 8 states no portion of the county state aid highway system lying within the corporate limits of any city shall be constructed, reconstructed, or improved nor the grade thereof changed without the prior approval of the plans by the governing body of such city and the approval shall be in the manner and form required by the commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the final layout for the improvements on US 169, CSAH 103 (Mud Lake Rd) and CSAH 109 (Nichols Ave), which will form the basis of the final plan, has been presented to the Mountain Iron City Council, a copy of which was before the council.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA hereby approves of the final layout for improvements on US 169, CSAH 103 (Mud Lake Rd) and CSAH 109 (Nichols Ave) and that this approval will serve as the municipal consent for these improvements to satisfy the requirements of Minnesota Statutes §162.02, Subd. 8.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the City Council of Mountain Iron. Minnesota authorizes the City of Mountain Iron engineer to sign the title sheet of the final plan identified as SP 069-070-073 and SP 6935-100.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 5th DAY OF AUGUST, 2024.

ATTEST:	Mayor Peggy Anderson
City Administrator	



# Mountain Iron Fire Department

July 15, 2024

## **Mountain Iron City Council Members:**

In my absence at this Council meeting, as your Fire Chief, I am submitting this letter to implore you to vote in favor of the J-turns at the 169 and Nichols Ave. intersection. This intersection as well as the stoplight-controlled intersections at Highway 7 and Emerald Ave. are the Department's most responded to intersections for accidents within the City of Mountain Iron. Due to the speeds on 169 and lack of, or limited, impact controls at these intersections, the accidents tend to produce more significant injuries. Our city's most recent fatal accident occurred at the 169 and Hwy 7 intersection last winter as the result of a t-bone collision.

As a professional with more than 20 years in the traffic engineering industry I understand the hesitancy to favor J-turns because of the perceived inconvenience. The reality is that there is little to no change in travel time to traverse a J-turn versus an uncontrolled or stoplight-controlled intersection. However, the reduction to severe injury causing accident impacts is multifold.

At the end of the day, this vote is not about your convenience or preference of intersection design. This vote is 100% about the safety of our community and, in turn, the well-being of our firefighters and first responders. This is a one-time opportunity to obtain significant funds and make a substantial investment in the safety of our community. A no vote, and to leave this intersection as is, is a vote to accept the responsibility for trauma caused by future accidents, not only to the victims, but to those of us who respond to these incidents.

As your Fire Chief, I fully support the construction of the J-turns at the 169 and Nichols Ave. intersection. And again, for the safety of the community and well-being of your Firefighters and First Responders, I would implore you to vote in favor of this proposal.

Regards,

Mark Madden

Fire Chief

Mountain Iron Fire Department

Mobile (218) 750-8488

mmadden@ci.mountain-iron.mn.us

# SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

TYPE OF EVENT: Out door Band
NAME OF PERSON/BUSINESS: BG'S Bar & Grill
NAME OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR EVENT: Wayne Russo
PHONE NUMBER: 2/8. 74/. 05/2
LOCATION OF EVENT: BG'S Bar & Grill
DATE & TIME OF EVENT: Aug. 8th
IS SANITATION FACILITIES AND POTABLE WATER AVAILABLE?: 45.5
IS SECURITY/CROWD MANAGEMENT PROVIDED FOR?: 455
WHAT TYPE OF PARKING AND/OR TRAFFIC ISSUES ARE PRESENT?: Non E
WILL EMERGENCY & MEDICAL SERVICES BE NEEDED?: 100
WILL FIRE/SAFETY SERVICES BE NEEDED?: NO
INSURANCE AFFIDAVIT: 00758-411530-
PROVISIONS FOR CLEAN-UP OF PREMISES & SURROUNDING AREA/TRASH DISPOSAL: Dwns ( /2 m Play EE S
ARE TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION BARRICADES/FENCING NEEDED?: 100
PROVISIONS FOR REMOVAL OF ADVERTISING/PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS:
WILL THERE BE ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION?: $955$
IF SO, INSURANCE AFFIDAVIT:
FEE PAID PER CITY ORDINANCE :
DATE(S) PERMIT IS ACTIVE FOR: Aug 873
APPROVED BY: DATE APPROVED:



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From: Merritt Days Committee

RE: ROAD CLOSURES

The Merritt Days Committee is requesting road closures/barricades beginning Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 12:00pm – Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00am in the following location:

- Mountain Avenue from Locomotive Park (north) to the alley behind Benchmark Engineering (south).
- Main Street from Slate Street (west) to Marble Avenue (east) with barricades on the adjoining alleys along Main Street.
- NO PARKING SIGNS ALONG MAIN STREET for the race, parade and activities from Mineral Avenue to Slate Street on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 7:00am – 7:00pm.

The Merritt Days Committee is requesting road closures/ barricades beginning Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00am – 7:00pm in the following location:

- Locomotive Street from the alley on the east to the alley on the west.
- NO PARKING SIGNS ALONG LOCOMOTIVE STREET for activities at Locomotive Park

# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT BLOCK PARTY



**4PM - 7PM** 

- EAST RANGE
  ACADEMY OF
  TECHNOLOGY &
  SCIENCE
- MESABI FIT
- LOCOMOTIVE PARK

Join your neighbors & friends at one of these locations for some FUN. This national event will kick off Merritt

Days!

Mountain Iron Fire Department &
Sheriff's Department personnel will be at
each location:
ERATS 4:00

MESABI FIT 5:00 LOCOMOTIVE PARK 6:00





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## July 23 Meeting Minutes:

Courtney J., John, Gunnar, George, Lori Beth, Councilor Roskoski, Sue V., Mayor Anderson, Anna A., Jeremy J., Michelle A., Karen and Austin

Treasurer report: approved updated report additional monies came in from last meeting

Old Business:

ATM will be on site-no charge to us

Approved to sell beer-Jeremy and Jerry will be in touch with D&D and the Sheriff's Office regarding beer and trying to prevent coolers and underage

Karen will serve and we will recruit others who are familiar. Anna will get wristbands. Different colors each day.

Peterson Well will donate tents to use. D&D will do signs if we get them info ahead

Anna will order 150 t-shirts in various sizes for race, volunteers, etc.

Lenny=knows about pickle ball fine with marking off. We will have to do it and take off for tennis on Sunday—can he do the marker

**New Business:** 

none

agenda items for next meeting:

- 1. Advertising-radio and Ben signs up in neighborhoods and on the Walmart area
- 2. Recommend donate to x country if we make money
- 3. Approve party money for 15-20 year olds and monies=list to Peggy for prizes for that party=gift bag to first 25 to arrive-
- 4. Bubble wands
- 5. Costumes for the kids corner-Peach and Mario
- 6. Courtney checked on BMX/speaker tween updates:
- 7. DJ-
- 8. Community dinner

# 2024 Merritt Days Schedule of Events

Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>: Citywide Treasure Hunt. Clues published in the local paper, on Facebook, and posted at City Hall & Mountain Iron Public Library. The hidden "treasures" are metal pieces and are clearly marked. Bring the treasure to the City Hall to claim your prize.

# Tuesday, August 6: Activities Held City-Wide

- 4:00 7:00 pm NATIONAL NIGHT OUT CITY-WIDE KICK-OFF
- 4:00 7:00 pm Locomotive Park Community Gathering Locomotive Street & Mountain Avenue
- 4:00 7:00 pm Mesabi Fit Open House 8367 Unity Drive
- 4:00 7:00 pm East Range Academy of Technology & Science Open House 8541 Park Ridge Drive

# Wednesday, August 7: Activities Held in Old Downtown Mountain Iron

10:00 am - 1:00 pm - MN State Arts Board - Creative Individual Grantee, Willow Gentile

Interactive painting event of the historic Mountain Iron Public Library building. Kids Coloring Station.

# Thursday, August 8: Activities Held in Old Downtown Mountain Iron

12:00 - 2:00 pm - Tie Dye Day at the Mountain Iron Public Library - Bring your own t-shirt to dye.

The Ice Cream Truck will be here! All youth 17 and under can get 1 ice cream treat for FREE!

7:00 - 11:00 pm - Live Music on BG's Patio - Swamp Donkey

## Friday, August 9: Activities Held in Old Downtown Mountain Iron

- 5:00 11:00 pm Food Trucks/Beer Garden open on Main Street
- 5:00 7:00 pm Larry Nanti Race Registration/ Packet Pick-up at the Library
- 6:00 pm Bean Bag Tournament at the American Legion. Registration begins at 5:00
- 8:00 pm 11:00 pm Street Dance w/ Jason Waldron

# Saturday, August 10: Activities Held in Old Downtown Mountain Iron/South Grove

- 7:30 8:30 am Last Chance Race Registration/ Packet Pick-up at the Library
- 8:00 8:40 am Yoga by Maco Theater at the Library
- 9:00 am 16th ANNUAL LARRY NANTI 5K WALK/ RUN & 10K RUN

Sponsored by Benchmark Engineering

- 9:00 am 12:00 pm Virginia Elks Pancake Breakfast at the Senior Citizens' Center \$10 All-you-can eat pancakes/ 2 sausages/ juice & coffee
- 10:00 am Greg Petersen Memorial Wooden Bat Softball Tournament at South Grove Rec Complex \*Call BG's to register: 218-741-0512
- 10:30 11:15 am Sound Bowls by Northwoods Sound Bath basement @ the Library
- 11:00 am 2:00 pm OPEN HOUSE Mountain Iron Public Library
- 12:00 1:00 pm Author Megan Marsnik Book Reading/Signing Library
- 12:00 4:00 p.m. Kids Corner Locomotive Park Cook's Country Connection/Amazing Charles/MORE!
- 12:00 11:00 pm Food Trucks/Beer Garden open on Main Street
- 12:00 pm Pickleball Event at South Grove Rec Complex
- 12:00 4:00 pm Classic car show on Main Street. (Registration/line-up AFTER 11:00am)
- 1:00 3:00 pm CASH BINGO at the Senior Citizens' Center (All are welcome).
- 4:00 pm Parade line-up and judging at the west end of Main Street.
- 4:30 pm PARADE

# LIVE MUSIC 12 - 11 P.M.

Hutter Bunch Samuel John Band The Six 9s Ranger Things