

THE COMMUNITY UPDATE

A means to keep the community informed about the City's services, programs, activities and opportunities to participate.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Downtown Development Authority 05/06 at 7:30 a.m.
- Manager's Call 05/07 at 6:00 p.m.
- City Council 05/07 at 7:00 p.m.
- Harbor Advisory Committee 05/12 at 5:00 p.m.
- Recreation Advisory Committee 05/12 at 5:00 p.m.
- 911 Dispatch 05/13 at 9:00 a.m.
- Brownfield Redevelopment Authority 05/13 at 10:00 a.m.
- Joint Government 05/13 at 12:00 noon
- Electrical Advisory Committee 05/13 at 6:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission 05/14 at 6:00 p.m.
- Historic District Committee 05/18 at 4:00 p.m.
- Board of Library Trustees 05/18 at 5:00 p.m.
- Java With Jim 05/20 at 8:30 a.m.
- Manager's Call 05/21 at 6:00 p.m.
- City Council Meeting 05/21 at 7:00 p.m.
- PS Retirement Board 05/26 at 8:00 a.m.
- Delta Solid Waste 05/26 at 7:00 p.m.



TRASH TO CASH DAY

Residents of the City of Escanaba are invited and encouraged to participate in the Annual City-Wide *Trash to Cash Day City-Wide Garage Sale Event.*

JUNE 5 and JUNE 6, 2015
8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

Any resident wishing to participate in the program should call the Escanaba City Hall at 906-786-9402 no later than May 22, 2015.

City of Escanaba

TRASH to TREASURE

City of Escanaba residents are invited and encouraged to participate in the community-wide: "Trash to Treasure Day".

June 7, 2015
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon



?s call 786-9402

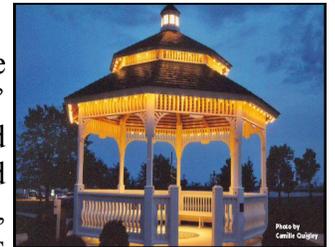
CITY OF ESCANABA RECREATION DEPARTMENT HAS FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR RENT



LUDINGTON PARK PAVILION—The Ludington Park Pavilion is located near the south end of the 120 acre Ludington Park. The Pavilion support facilities include: Ample 110-volt electric service, potable water for cooking/cleaning and a large capacity barbeque grill. The facility is capable of accommodating 10 eight-person picnic tables with ample green space in the surrounding area to facilitate additional tables/persons. Clean, modern restroom facilities are located conveniently close to the Pavilion. Parking accommodations are also close by at the tennis court lot, Jenkin’s Drive or the Band Shell parking lot.

Advance reservations required for family socials, picnics and outings. One-half day reservation fee of \$75 resident and \$100 non-resident. Half-day reservation can be made before or after 4:00 p.m. Full day reservation fee of \$100 resident and \$125 non-resident .

LUDINGTON PARK GAZEBO—The Gazebo is located across from the Sand Point Lighthouse near the east end of Ludington Park. The 20’ x 20’ Gazebo is equipped with both internal and external electrical outlets and external lighting for subtle nighttime illumination. Many people have found the Ludington Park Gazebo an excellent location for wedding ceremonies, wedding pictures and family reunion pictures. This facility provides beautiful views of the Ludington Park Fountain and the Harbor. On-street parking is available. Restrooms are nearby at the Municipal Marina.



Advance reservations required for wedding ceremonies, family/group pictures, etc. \$50 fee per two-hour block for resident and \$75 for non-resident.

LUDINGTON PARK BAND SHELL—The Band Shell is a multi-use facility capable of accommodating performances, plays, concerts, religious functions and other ceremonies and social events. Located on the south end of Ludington Park, the facility is capable of seating 300 people with a large expanse of green area and hills to accommodate hundreds of other spectators. Support facilities for the Band Shell include parking for approximately 100 vehicles and restroom facilities immediately north of the Band Shell area.

Advanced reservations required for use of the Ludington Park Band Shell. One-half day reservation fee of \$75 for resident and \$100 for non-resident. Half-day reservations can be made before or after 4:00 p.m. Full-day reservation fee of \$100 for resident and \$125 for non-resident.



**FOR RESERVATIONS CALL THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT
AT (906) 786-4141**



Bark in the Park

Saturday, May 30, 2015
11:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Ludington Park Pavilion



**ESKYMO
5K RUN/WALK**

Saturday, May 16, 2015
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Ludington Park



CITY BAND
Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. starting June 17, 2015.
Rain day will be on Thursdays



BOAT LAUNCH PERMITS

Seasonal boat launch permits may be purchased at the Civic Center for \$45.00 or daily permits can be purchased at the launch for \$4.00 per day. Permits will also be available at the City Utility Window. The North Shore Boat Launch is now open.



NEWS RELEASE

The City of Escanaba only collects leaves in the fall, any yard waste you have should not be raked into the street.

Our sweepers are out trying to pick up the sand in the streets and the large piles of yard waste slows down the process.

?s please contact the Dept. of Public Works
786-1842

CITY SERVICES AND INFORMATION

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Marc Tall
mtall@escanaba.org
786-4798

Mayor Pro-Tem
Ron Beauchamp
rbeauchamp@escanaba.org
280-8378

Councilmember
Patricia Baribeau
pbaribeau@escanaba.org
786-0532

Councilmember Ralph Blasier
rblasier@escanaba.org
786-6493

Councilmember Michael Sattem
msattem@escanaba.org
399-0316

GENERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE STAFF

City Manager - Jim O'Toole	jotoole@escanaba.org	786-9402
City Controller - Melissa Becotte	mbecotte@escanaba.org	786-0605
Water/Wastewater Sup.—Jeff Lampi	jlampi@escanaba.org	786-3291
Public Works Sup./City Eng. - Bill Farrell	bfarrell@escanaba.org	786-1842
Electric Superintendent - Mike Furmanski	mfurmanski@escanaba.org	786-0061
Public Safety Director - Ken Vanderlinden	kvanderlinden@escanaba.org	786-5911
Recreation Director -Tom Penegor	tpenegor@escanaba.org	786-4141
City Clerk - Bob Richards	clerk@escanaba.org	786-1194
Library Director - Carolyn Stacey	cstacey@escanaba.org	789-7323
HR Director/City Treasurer - Bob Valentine	bvalentine@escanaba.org	786-0552
City Assessor - Daina Norden	dnorden@escanaba.org	786-9402
Harbor Master - Larry Gravatt	lgravatt@escanaba.org	786-9614
Code Compliance Inspector—Blaine DeGrave	bdegrave@escanaba.org	786-9402

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Escanaba Public Safety—Emergency 911	Wastewater Questions/Issues—786-1301
Escanaba Public Safety—General 786-5911	Escanaba Public Library—789-7323
Garbage/Recycling Information—786-1842	Escanaba DDA—789-8696
Snow Plowing/Removal—786-1842	Electrical Questions/Issues—786-0061
Potable Water Questions/Issues—786-3291	Civic Center/Recreation—786-4141
Neighborhood Complaint Hotline—789-7317	



Left to right: Councilmember Ralph Blasier, Councilmember Patricia Baribeau, Mayor Marc Tall, Councilmember Michael Sattem and Mayor Pro-Tem Ron Beauchamp

CITY OF ESCANABA NEIGHBORHOOD ENFORCEMENT HOTLINE

Do you have rubbish, un-shoveled sidewalks, dilapidated buildings or non-running vehicles in your neighborhood? You can call the City of Escanaba's Neighborhood Code Enforcement Hotline to report your concerns.

CALL: 789-7317

or e-mail: bdegrave@escanaba.org



CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY—FRIDAY—7:30 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

City Council Meetings are held the first and third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 410 Ludington Street, Escanaba, MI 49829.



Rock the Dock 2015

July 3, 2015 - 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

City of Escanaba will be hosting a friends and family night at the Municipal Dock.



**Rock the Dock
July 3, 2015**



**Don't Forget Your
Lawn Chair!**

Photographs Wanted!

Do you enjoy taking pictures and sharing them with your friends and neighbors? If so, the City of Escanaba is looking for current photographs of people, places and events taking place in the City of Escanaba. If you are interested in contributing a photograph for possible publishing in our Community Update, please forward the picture to Kim Peterson at kpeterson@escanaba.org.



Birthday Party Packages Escanaba Civic Center

For youth ages 5th thru 12th grades only. Package includes room rental, open gym and game room use. Parties limited to 3 hours and a maximum of 30 children per party. Please call 786-4141 for information and available times. Fee is \$40 for City resident and \$50 for non-resident.

Accepted at Delta Wide Recycling Facility

♻️ RECYCLE HERE ♻️



Newspaper & inserts



Aluminum cans



Tin or steel cans



Office paper & file folders



Cardboard (flatten all boxes)
Paper bags



Telephone books



Junk mail



Magazines & catalogs



Plastic bottles & containers



PLEASE

No Glass

No Styrofoam

No Pizza Boxes

No Waxed Boxes

No Cereal / Cake Mix Boxes

No Food Contaminated

Paper or Containers

Find Holiday Hours And
Authority Board Meetings At:
www.dswma.org or call (906)786-9056

HOURS: M-W 8am-3pm

Thurs 8am-6pm

F 8am-3pm

Sat 8am-12pm

Contact your waste provider for accepted
pick up materials and scheduled pick up times

Historical Photograph—Compliments of the Delta County Historical Society

The Sand Point Lighthouse

The Sand Point Lighthouse was built in 1867, by the National Lighthouse Service, at a cost of \$11K. It was a story-and-a-half, rectangular building, standard for the times, with an attached brick tower topped by a cast iron lantern room which housed a fourth order Fresnel lens. The light, a fixed red signal, first showed on the night of May 13, 1868. Ships, first schooners and later steamers and whalebacks, carried iron ore out from the several ore docks, and lumber from sawmills. Even before the railroad reached Escanaba from Green Bay, passengers arrived by boat from the south.

The light warned the ships off Sand Point and the sand reef which reached out into the Bay.

The Sand Point Lighthouse served mariners continuously from 1868 until 1939, except for a short time in 1886 when it was out of commission because of a fire which severely damaged the building. This also cost the life of Mary Terry, one of the first women light keepers on the Great Lakes.

Nine keepers and their families lived in the Sand Point Lighthouse and kept the light burning in its tower and shining out over Little Bay De Noc.

When the US Coast Guard took over all navigational lights in the country from the National Lighthouse Service in 1939, changes came to the Sand Point Lighthouse.

By 1939, the contours of Escanaba Harbor had been changed by dredging and filling, leaving the lighthouse some distance from the hazard for which it had been giving warning. So, upon taking responsibilities for navigational lights that year, the Coast Guard constructed a crib light several hundred feet offshore. This crib light is still in use today, and may be seen from the windows of the old Sand Point Lighthouse.

The Coast Guard then established an Aids to Navigation Team in Escanaba, its activities centered in the Lighthouse location.

The building itself, after major alterations, became the family residence for the Officer-in-Charge of the station. The lens and lantern room were removed, and the height of the tower reduced by ten feet. This necessitated the removal of the circular metal stairway and construction of a wooden stair within the square tower. The roof of the main building was raised four feet to permit the construction of three bedrooms and a bath on the second floor. Additional windows were cut into the original walls, and door openings and walls changed in the interior of the building. In later years, sheet insulation and aluminum siding were applied over the entire exterior, thus, destroying any semblance to a lighthouse.



In 1985, the Coast Guard decided to discontinue the use of the building as a residence and indicated that it might be razed. This aroused the interest of the Delta County Historical Society, since it was known that under the modern facade was the Lighthouse building, one of the oldest and most historic buildings in the area.

A lease from the Coast Guard was negotiated, and research and fundraising began.

A copy of the original 1867 plan of the building, which may be seen in the exhibits room of the restored Lighthouse existed in the Archives of the Society. This with other information from the National Archives, gave sufficient information to begin to restore the exterior to the original appearance. A duplicate cast iron lantern room from Poverty Island, and a 4th order lens completed the authenticity of the restoration.

COUNCIL ACTIONS—APRIL 2015

Regular Council Meeting, April 1, 2015

1. Approved Use of Public Spaces for Community Events.
2. Approved to contract with Fox Power of Gladstone, Michigan, in an amount up to \$79,800.00 for the annual distribution pole replacement.

Special Council Meeting, April 8, 2015

1. Council directed Administration to complete the following regarding the Escanaba Power Plant and the proposal from the Sterling Energy Group:
 - 1) Negotiate Term Sheet with Sterling Energy Group between now and June 10, 2015.
 - 2) Develop and prepare an RFP seeking Reuse/Repurpose possibilities appropriate for the existing site over the next 60 days.

Regular Council Meeting, April 16, 2015

1. Approved the following request for the use of public space: request from the Krusin Klassic Car Club to use Ludington Park and Ludington Street on May 29, 2015, for their annual “Krusin Klassics Fun Run”.
2. Approved the following request for the use of public space: request from Blues for a Cause to use the Karas Memorial Band Shell for Blues for a Cause Music Mondays for June 22, July 6, July 20 and August 3, 2015.
3. Approved the following requests for the use of public space: request from the Bonifas Arts Center to use the Karas Memorial Band Shell for the Bonifas Music Mondays for June 29, July 13, July 27 and August 10, 2015.
4. Approved to set May 7, 2015, as a public hearing on the 2015-16 City Fiscal Year Budget.
5. Council directed Administration to begin termination of the City Power Plant operating agreement with Pro Energy Services, Inc.

HOLIDAY NOTICE—IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY

All City of Escanaba business offices will be closed on Monday, May 25, 2015, in observance of Memorial Day. The Escanaba Public Library and the Catherine Bonifas Civic Center will also be closed on Monday, May 25, 2015.

All City garbage collections scheduled for the week of May 25th will be as follows:

Monday pick up will be on Tuesday

Tuesday pick up will be on Thursday

Thursday pick up will be on Friday

Friday pick up will be on Saturday

All scheduled recycling pick up will be on Wednesday.

Emergency services may be obtained by calling the Public Safety Department at 786-5911.

Jeremy Angel was recently hired at the Water/Wastewater Departments as an Operator S-4. He is happily married to Jessica and is the proud parent of five daughters, Justine 23, Taylor 20, Lannie 19, Mariah 17, Trysten 13. Recently moved here from Hillsdale County, Michigan, where he worked at the board of public utilities with 12 years of experience in water distribution. In his free time he enjoys hunting, fishing, kayaking, and playing softball.



RE-USE/DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY **ESCANABA POWER PLANT SITE**

The City of Escanaba, Michigan is seeking experienced individuals and/or firms to submit interest to prepare and implement a reuse and/or redevelopment plan which would be appropriate for the existing site at the Escanaba Power Plant, 2000 Power Plant Road, Escanaba, Michigan. The City is desirous of partnering with developer(s) with a good track record, sound financial backing, and commitment in implementing creative and high-quality developments in a timely manner. Currently, there is a Power Generating Plant on the property which includes two 12.5 MW coal-fired steam generation apparatus and a 15 MW oil-fired combustion turbine (CT) unit, along with outbuildings and fuel storage facilities and areas.



The current zoning of the site is a Heavy Manufacturing “G” District, a detailed listing of principal uses permitted by right and uses allowed by special land use permit can be found in in the request for proposal. Uses outside those permitted by the current zoning designation will be considered by the City, and the City strongly encourages developers/users to submit new and innovative alternatives.

The subject property is comprised of up to approximately 17 acres +/- with water frontage along Little Bay de Noc of approximately 640 feet +/- . There is a possibility the developer can obtain an additional 13 acres +/- depending on the scope of the development proposal. The 17 +/- acre parcel has access to Lake Michigan, railroad facilities and Class “A” roads with a full service airport located within 2 miles +/- . In addition, the parcel is surrounded by a mix of uses such as a shipping dock, iron ore storage, loading and shipping facility and boat construction/repair and boat storage.

Link for the Power Plant Reuse RFP:

<http://www.escanaba.org/images/5/file/City%20News/pprpf4-21-15.pdf>

HELP WANTED!
Boards, Commissions and Committees
Currently Recruiting Boards, Commissions and Committees
Applications are accepted anytime—submit yours today!

City of Escanaba residents are invited to participate in the process of the City of Escanaba government. One of the most effective ways to participate is through service on one of the City's citizen boards, commissions or committees. Through these services, civic minded citizens become involved in their local government and make recommendations to the Escanaba City Council. As a result, the City benefits from the vast knowledge, experience and expertise of its citizens.

Board and commission member positions are all voluntary and are appointed by the Mayor with the consensus of City Council. Once appointed, the time commitment for each board/commission varies, some meet on a regular schedule, others on an as needed basis. Preparation for some meetings may require additional time obligations. Once committed, your attendance at all regularly scheduled meetings is critical.

How to apply for Boards, Commissions and Committee Appointment:

Board, Commission and Committee members are appointed by the Mayor with the consensus of the Escanaba City Council.

To apply:

1. Review the list of preferences and areas of interest and determine your top choices. Every effort will be made to accommodate your first preference, but vacancies vary and demand for some boards may be higher than others.
2. Complete the required Boards and Commissions Application Form online or mail/fax it, along with your resume to: Office of the City Clerk, P. O. Box 948, 410 Ludington Street, Escanaba, MI 49829 or fax (906) 786-4755 or e-mail to clerk@escanaba.org.
3. As vacancies occur, applications are reviewed.
4. All members of boards, commissions and committees must be residents of the City of Escanaba, unless directed by the Escanaba City Council to waive the requirement or as specified in the bylaws of the board, commission or committee or as mandated by State Law. Members may not serve more than two full, consecutive terms and are expected to attend all regular and special meetings.
5. Applications will remain on file for one calendar year. A new application is required each year.

Recruiting for the following:

Electrical Advisory Committee—Meet 2nd Wednesday of month, 6:00 p.m., City Hall, Room C101

Citizens' Environmental Advisory Committee—Meet 1st Monday of month, 6:00 p.m., City Hall, Room C101

Local City Officers Compensation Commission—Meet every odd-numbered year - Nov., City Hall, Room C102

Traffic Safety Advisory Committee—Meet 3rd Tuesday of month, 6:00 p.m., City Hall, Room C101

		<p align="center">“DELTA WIDE RECYCLING” DWR DO WHAT'S RIGHT!</p>		
Items to Recycle		 Please Do Not Include 		How To Prepare
 <p align="center">Aluminum Cans</p>		No: Foil, Pie Tins, Pet Food Containers		Rinse Well Do Not Crush
 <p align="center">Steel Food Cans</p>	 <p align="center">Aerosol Cans</p>	To recycle can lid, place it inside the can and gently squeeze the top		Rinse Well, Empty Remove Plastic Lids
 <p align="center">Plastics #1 and #2 Bottle Jugs</p>		No: #1 non-bottle items #2 Motor Oil or Antifreeze Containers, Bags, Films, 5 Gallon Pails		Identify Plastics by symbol # Rinse well; Discard Caps
 <p align="center">Newsprint, Phone Books; Magazines, Catalogs, Paperback Books</p>		No: Tissue Products		Bag or Bundle
 <p align="center">Paper; Junk Mail</p>		No: Carbon Paper, Wax Paper, Transfer Paper, Paper Towels, Labels Backing Food Wrappers		Please Bag if Pre-Shredded
 <p align="center">Corrugated Cardboard, Brown Paper Bags</p>		No: Food Contaminated Paper, Wax Coated Boxes, Non Corrugated Cardboard		Flatten; Discard Paper or Plastic Liners

ESCANABA LITTLE LEAGUE

Registration forms available at the Civic Center. Registration fee \$50. Make checks payable to Little League and mail to P.O. Box 1251, Escanaba, MI 49829

Registration questions contact:
Mark Cloutier, 789-2913.



May 29-30, 2015

**Friday night parade - 7:00 p.m.
Gates open at 7 a.m. on Saturday
U.P. State Fairgrounds**

www.kruisinklassics.net

JAVA WITH JIM



Join City of Escanaba Manager Jim O'Toole for coffee and conversation at Swedish Pantry, 819 Ludington Street, every third Wednesday of the month from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

May 20, 2015
June 17, 2015



City of Escanaba 4 & 5 Year Old Soccer

For boys and girls 4 & 5 years of age. Register at the Civic Center through May 22nd. League play July 20 - Aug. 13.

Choose either Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu play from 9 - 10 a.m. and 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. at Ludington Park Soccer Field.



City of Escanaba 6 & 7 Year Old Soccer



For Boys and girls 6 & 7 years of age. Register at the Civic Center through May 22nd. League play 6/15 - 7/16. Choose either Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu play days. Sessions offered 9-10 a.m. & 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Ludington Park Soccer Field.



ZONING PERMITS REPORT

January 1, 2015 thru May 5, 2015

2	NEW RESIDENTIAL HOME	\$634,000
3	RESIDENTIAL REMODELS	\$48,000
8	NEW COMMERCIAL	\$8,325,920
6	COMMERCIAL REMODELS	\$104,000
1	CHANGE OF USE	\$0
	HOME OCCUPATION	\$0
	LAND USE PERMIT	\$0
3	DEMOLITION PERMIT	\$128,000
23	TOTAL	\$9,239,920



LUDINGTON PARK—ARBOR DAY HELD APRIL 24TH

LUDINGTON PARK TENNIS COURTS—HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Sidewalks are being put in at the Ludington Park Tennis Court as part of a Recreation Passport Grant. The sidewalk will go from the pavilion to the bathrooms connecting to the parking lot. The tennis courts will also be connected with cement slabs.

