



2020 Street Improvement Project

Project Update - June 18, 2020

Project Information

Installation of watermain on Birchwood Road is now complete and all properties are now connected to the new permanent water system. In preparation for the installation of drainage structures that carry drainage under the lake links trail, Xcel gas is scheduled to begin relocating gas facilities on June 29th that are in conflict with the drainage structures. These relocations are not part of the City contract, and are not being performed by Meyer Contracting. It is anticipated the Xcel gas relocations will last until mid-July. The City's contractor will resume work in mid-July on Birchwood Road starting with storm sewer installation, installing curb and gutter and preparing the road paving. No further construction activity will be take place until June 29th when XCEL Gas begins relocating their facilities.

Information about the scope of improvements, frequently asked questions and project contacts are included in this newsletter. As the project progresses, should you have any questions, please reach out to the contacts listed below. During construction, an on-site representative will be present on site each day who will be your first point of contact and fastest way to get an answer for all questions regarding construction. Newsletters will be delivered or emailed weekly, and posted on the City's website as the project progresses to inform property owners of the progress and upcoming construction schedule.

Construction working hours within the City of Mahtomedi are 7am-7pm during weekdays and 8am-5pm on Saturdays. Work is not permitted on Sundays or holidays.



Doorhangers and Email

During the course of construction, the primary method of communication will be as-needed via doorhanger. Please be sure to check your door each day for a bright-colored doorhanger to alert you to items such as the start of construction, possible water shut downs (in specific locations), temporary mail information (in specific locations), and sod or seed information, etc.

Email will also be used to communicate project schedule updates, where the work will be occurring, and upcoming impacts to residents. If you would like to be included on the email list, please send an email to the **Project Engineer, Lydia Ener, at lener@wsbeng.com**.

Project Improvements

The 2020 Street Improvements project involves street, trail, storm, and watermain improvements on Birchwood Road and Lost Lake Court.

Due to the watermain improvements, temporary water will be installed on Birchwood Road. Properties will receive a doorhanger prior to the turn over of water to the temporary system.

It will be the project team's goal to minimize impacts to residents during construction activities, however, no matter how hard we try, construction activities generate dust, noise, and temporary inconveniences. Occasionally, construction will generate vibrations that you may feel within your home. These vibrations do not typically cause problems, however, if you have any questions please contact Dylan Casey.

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Reminder about Safety in the Work Zone

We ask residents to please be patient during construction and to remember the following tips to promote a safe working and living environment:

- Stay alert & watch for signs, equipment, and workers
- Remind children to stay away from the construction site, equipment, and stockpiled materials
- Please do not enter the utility trenches, utility structures, or areas fenced off by the contractor
- Posted detours apply not only to vehicles, but pedestrians and bikers as well. Please do not walk or bike through the construction site
- Watch your speeds
- In the event of an emergency, call 911 first



Garbage/Recycling Service

During Construction garbage haulers may not have access to the front of your home. Please add your home address to your trash receptacle using a piece of tape and a permanent marker.

Please have your trash receptacles curbside by 6:00am on collection days. If necessary, the contractor will move your trash receptacle to a location accessible to the garbage hauler and will return it back to your house.



Temporary Mail

Property owners throughout the project will be given a temporary mail box at a different location during construction. Prior to the start of delivery to the temporary mailbox, you will receive a doorhanger with a date that temporary mail will begin and the location of the temporary mail boxes.

Although there were reports of recent mail theft, there will be no changes made to the temporary mail system. After speaking to the sheriff, this was a wide spread issue and believed to be an isolated incident. If you are concerned about receiving mail, USPS has a free email service that can inform you what mail you will receive that day.



Special Events

If you have any special events, such as graduation parties please let the project team know as soon as possible. If feasible, we will do our best to coordinate with the contractor's schedule.



Driveway Access & Replacement

Access will be available to your property at most times during the project. The contractor is required to provide property owners access at the beginning and end of every day. If work takes place in front of your driveway and you are without access temporarily, you will be notified, likely via doorhanger. If you have special access needs please contact a member of the project team.

As a part of the project, it may be necessary to remove and replace a portion of your driveway within the City right of way. The replacement will be an in-kind replacement, meaning any asphalt driveways will be replaced with asphalt and concrete will be replaced with concrete.



Irrigation and Pet Fences

If you have irrigation heads or pet fences next to the curb please contact a member of the project team so that we can pass the information along to the contractor. Irrigation systems and pet fences will be protected where possible but if any disturbances take place, the contractor is required to replace the system in-kind.