Dear Tree City USA Contact,

On behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, congratulations on earning recognition as a 2022 Tree City USA. Residents of your community should be proud to live in a place that makes the planting and care of trees a priority, and you should be proud of a job well done!

Ready to take it to the next level? If your community has been recognized in the past AND you have not already applied this year, don't forget to apply for a Growth Award. Please go to your Tree City USA profile online to access this application. If this is your first time being recognized, check out the list of Growth Award Activities and consider what you could do to grow your program in the next year.

As a 2022 Tree City, you also have access to the Tree City Center – an online portal with new, customizable Tree City marketing materials, examples of urban forest master plans, and exclusive grant opportunities. Check the Tree City Center out by clicking on the button on the top right of the Tree City USA website, and using the below credentials:

A recognition letter and press release will be sent directly to your Mayor when your recognition materials are mailed out. Your recognition materials will be shipped and distributed to you on or before your state's Arbor Day. Please reach out with any questions about when and how you will be receiving your materials.

Again, congratulations on your recognition!

The Tree City USA Team
treecity@arborday.org
March 2, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Craig Bessinger, City Manager

RE: Smith’s Bridge

On Thursday, March 2, Public Services Technician Tom Miller and I attended a virtual meeting regarding the Bridge Bundling Program. Smith’s Bridge is in a batch of 7 bridges in the design phase. Comments given:

- The bridge bundle Letting (bids due) is October 2023.
- Work on Smith’s Bridge is tentatively scheduled in March 2024.
- Boating will be limited at certain times during demolition and construction.
- AT&T has fiber running across the bridge. AT&T has concerns with providing service north of the bridge when the line is disconnected.
- Board of Light and Power has a high voltage wire crossing the bridge that provides power to Ferrysburg and North Shore Drive. The BLP is expecting minimal interruptions when work on the bridge begins as power can be fed from other directions.

c: Matt Schindlbeck, Public Services Supervisor
   Mike Olthof, Fire Chief
   Amber Schaner, City Clerk
Notice

We will be trimming trees in your area soon.

Electric service reliability and safety requires clearance between trees and distribution lines to be maintained at all times in the utility right-of-way.

Review the diagram below to avoid tree and utility conflicts, and contact our Customer Account Representatives at customerservice@ghblp.org or 616-846-6250 with any questions.

Visit our projects page at ghblp.org/projects/ for more information.

Avoiding Tree & Utility Conflicts

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GHBLP will be trimming trees in your area.

This tree would require full removal.

Proper clearance may require our crews to trim, mow, or remove trees on or around your property. These are the five common ways the Grand Haven Board of Light & Power trims or removes for safety:

Before Trimming

- "L" Trimming
- Top Trimming
- "V" Trimming
- Side Trimming
CITY OF FERRYSBURG
OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Percentage increases in assessed values by neighborhoods.
March 7, 2023

Mr. Matt Schnep
State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Michigan State Police
Emergency Management and
Homeland Security Division
P.O. Box 30634
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Mr. Schnep:

Thank you for submitting adoption documentation for the 2022 Kent County, Ottawa County and City of Grand Rapids Regional Mitigation Plan. The plan was reviewed based on the local plan criteria contained in 44 CFR Part 201, as authorized by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. The plan met the required criteria for a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan and is now approved for the City of Hudsonville, City of Coopersville, City of Ferrysburg, Zeeland Charter Township, Grand Haven Charter Township, Jamestown Charter Township, Park Township, and Robinson Township. Please submit adoption resolutions for any remaining jurisdictions who participated in the planning process.

The approval of this plan ensures continued availability of the full complement of Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Grants. All requests for funding, however, will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility and other requirements of the particular program under which the application is submitted.

We encourage the communities to follow the plan’s schedule for monitoring and updating the plan and to continue their efforts to implement the mitigation measures. The expiration date of the 2022 Kent County, Ottawa County and City of Grand Rapids Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan is January 26th, 2028. The plan must be reviewed, revised as appropriate, resubmitted, and approved no later than the plan expiration date.

Please pass on our congratulations to the City of Hudsonville, City of Coopersville, City of Ferrysburg, Zeeland Charter Township, Grand Haven Charter Township, Jamestown Charter Township, Park Township, and Robinson Township for completing this significant action. If you or the communities have any questions, please contact Meghan Cuneo at (202) 615-5294 or Meghan.Cuneo@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

JOHN A
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John Wethington
Chief (acting), Risk Analysis Branch
Mitigation Division

www.fema.gov
March 9, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Craig Bessinger, City Manager

RE: Metronet – Fiber Optic Network

This week Public Services Supervisor Matt Schindlbeck and I attended a virtual meeting with representatives from Metronet, a fiber telecom company. Metronet is in a fact gathering mode and reviewed their company and the processes they use.

Metronet discussed the process they use for a build if they come into a community, how they communicate with the City and resident's before, during and after a build, and Metronet being able to find the right people to hire for the build. The City permitting process was also discussed.

Metronet commented they will be having discussions with the City of Norton Shores and have not made contact with other adjacent communities.

Metronet commented their work was very preliminary and once they get the information needed, the project will go to their Finance Board for review to determine the feasibility of coming into Ferrysburg.

c: Matt Schindlbeck, Public Services Supervisor
Amber Schaner, City Clerk
NOTICE OF DRAIN MAINTENANCE

March 8, 2023

This notice is to inform you that a maintenance contract has been approved for the Vanderkolk Ext. Drain which runs through or near your property. The contractor will be starting work within the next two weeks. Contractor information including a map of the proposed drain cleanout area can be found on our website: http://www.miottawa.org/Departments/Drain/maintenance_projects.htm

The drain maintenance may include: brush/tree removal and sediment removal. Any debris removed from the drain will be cut into manageable pieces and stacked in neat piles within the drain easement. If you would like the debris removed or placed in specific areas, it is your responsibility to make arrangements with the contractor and pay the associated costs directly. The contractor will restore all disturbed areas created as a result of the maintenance performed.

Please remove any fences, play sets or structures that are located within the drain easement as soon as possible. Also, make sure that any invisible dog fence, underground sprinkling, sump lines/tile outlet, property corner pins, etc. are marked. Care will be taken to avoid damage to anything within the drain easement; however, contractors will not be held responsible for something damaged that was not moved or marked.

Your cooperation is always appreciated in these matters. Should you have any questions, concerns, or input that you would like us to consider, feel free to contact us at 616-994-4530 or email waterresourcescommissioner@miottawa.org.

Thank You,

Jake Swedberg
Drain Inspector

cc: City of Ferrysburg
McGilley’s Excavating (616) 218-5701