

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS –2024-2025

- **Employees**
 - MERS retirement plan, FT Employees contribute 3% of gross wages, City of Laingsburg contributes 14.57%
 - Employee Benefits changing from McLaren to BCN with premiums at a slight decrease.
 - Wages: Full and Part-time Increases across all Departments located at City Hall including a shift from one FTE Clerk/Treasurer to one Full time Clerk and one Full time Treasurer with one part time Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, 6.78% increase for Chief with parttime hour decrease, DPW \$3/hr equity increase across department where seasonal employees to start at \$12/hr to remain competitive.
 - \$10,000 grant for fellowship- Ends 08/2024
- **Computer Equipment**
 - 2024-2025 Police Department & Front Office
 - 2025-2026 DPW & Police
- **Building Improvements**
 - City Hall - Paint Front Office, Hallway & Bathroom \$1,000
 - Carpet Council Chambers and Library and replace vinyl flooring \$20,000
 - Add push button ADA opener \$3,000
 - Other- Relocate Sound Rack from Library to City Hall \$10,000
- **Park Improvements**
 - **McClintock Park**
 - Asphalt Path \$20,000, Skatepark equipment \$1,500, Woodchips (recurring) \$3,000, Paint Tennis/Pickleball Lines \$1,000, Replace Seats & Chains on swings with rubber coated
 - Portable pickle ball nets \$3,000
 - **Bates Scout Park**
 - Woodchips(recurring) \$3,000, Replace Seats & Chains on swings with rubber coated, Paint Swing Set \$1,000
 - Flooding- drainage improvement \$50,000
 - Abbott/Treat Street Park – Replace Fence \$2,500
 - Looking Glass River Public Access – Awaiting finalized contract this summer(utilize Marihuana fund?)
- **DPW Capital Outlay –Equipment/Vehicles**
 - Purchase Side by Side with broom and blade \$20,000
 - Replace 2006 Ford F150 motor blown before 2026 replacement \$30,000
 - Replace/update 1989 dump truck with underbelly and front plow mount \$150,000 (used)
 - “V” snow blade for new truck to keep all truck blades interchangeable \$10,000

- Purchase Utility trailer to avoid borrowing or hiring out to move larger equipment \$4,500)
- Slope Mower lagoons/ditches. Equal replacement roughly \$60,000
- Purchase/Build storage buildings for DPW at Lagoon Area \$25,000
- Sidewalk repairs Continue with CIP plan In-House Labor
- Gas Cement Mixer \$2,000-3,000
- Tow behind leaf blower ~\$7,000-\$10,000

Sewer Operations and Maintenance

- Generators at the Main Lift Station & at Woodbury Lift Station. Currently waiting on Consumers Energy to construct the gas service this spring for the generator at the fire station and delivery of the diesel generator for the main lift station. There will be another \$94k +/- on this project left possibly sliding onto FY 24/25
- Gravel Lagoon Access Drive \$2,500
- Boat Trailer \$1,200

Cemetery

- Looking at new mower Lawn Mower \$10,000
- Purchase 3 additional trash cans \$100
- Road work – Various work from the CIP Plan (Grant St, Treat St,)
- Grand River east limits to Woodbury will be completed with Shiawassee County Road Commission.
- Category B Application for Local Street Work as determined after bid
- Bond Project – Bond using ACT 51 Funds to pay for Road Work selected
- Parking Lots – Williams Street
- Other – New Globes on Light Poles \$500 per year to CIP for replacement
- Budgeted for Future Police Vehicle and Equipment
 - \$15,000 For Future Vehicle Purchase (2027-2028)
 - \$2,000 per year for Body Cam Replacement
 - \$1,200 per year Bullet Proof Vests
- Revenue
 - 10th year collection of 2.75 Average Mill for Roads – total expected collections \$73,469.05
 - 12th year collection of 1 Mill for Library operations – total expected collection \$
 - Collecting this Mill freed up \$25,000 from General Fund for Road Improvements each year
 - 2014 renewal of 1 Mill for Fire/Emergency Services Operations thru 2024. Looking to pass 1 Mill increase for 5 years to generate \$40,298.16 increase.

- November 2022 Ambulance Special Assessment 2 Mills, expires November 2032
- Marihuana – Local License \$3,500, State License \$59,086.35 (2023) \$51,841.21 (2022), \$56,453.44 (2021)
- Interest and Principal payments:
 - \$37,026.50 City Road Bonds, 2017 Second Series – Mature 2026
 - \$8,834 Little Wonder payment 3 of 5, \$16,853.70 balance

425 Agreement (2 mills) on parcels with Sciota Township at a Taxable Value of \$1,953,363.00

Accomplishments

- 2011 Installed new 100,000 BTU 95% efficient furnace in City Hall
- 2011 Purchased and demolished two blighted houses in the Downtown District
- 2011 Purchased the Elevator Property and the Warehouse Property for future demo and redevelopment
- 2012 Demolished Elevator and improved site conditions
- 2012 Façade Grant – completed exterior improvements \$381,000 at 116 & 124 East Grand River
- 2012 Took over the operations of the Laingsburg Cemetery
- 2013 Cleaned Lagoons \$50,000
- 2013 Purchased 104 W. Grand River for redevelopment
- 2013 Celebrated 175 Years
- 2013 Installed new signage at City Entrances & McClintock Park
- 2014 Paved Roads including Crum Street & Part of 1st North
- 2015 Completed SRTS Project – New Sidewalks Woodbury & Grand River
- 2015 Reconstructed Doyle Road, New Sidewalks & Bike Lanes
- 2016 Implemented \$750,000 SAW Grant – Televised storm & sanitary, Map Printer & CIP
- 2016 Sold Property at 104 W. Grand River Road – 10 year Tax Abatement for improvements
- 2017 Combined Clerk and Treasurer’s Position
- 2016 Façade Grant Completed exterior improvements 259 E. Grand River \$83,216 Grant Funds
- 2017 Purchased DPW Vehicle 2008 Ford Dump Truck
- 2017 Remodel City Offices
- 2017 Updated Zoning Ordinance
- 2017 Purchased New Furnace – Library Building
- 2017 Installed new sidewalk 3rd North connecting West St to Crum Street – Elementary School
- 2017 Purchased New Police Vehicle and Equipment
- 2017 Replaced Valves at Lagoons
- 2017 \$260,000 Mil and Overlay various City Streets – Bond Funds
- 2017 Repaired and improved drainage at McClintock Park
- 2018 Updated City Website
- 2018 Basketball Courts constructed at Bates Park – Laingsburg Lions Club
- 2019 Redevelopment Ready Community Certification (RRC)
- 2019 Painted City Hall exterior, signage and windows
- 2019 Purchased 72” Kabota Mower
- 2019 Storm & Wastewater Improvement, Shiawassee St Project \$1,235,000 Grant
- 2020 Demolished Warehouses on Roosevelt Row
- 2020 Built Amphitheater at McClintock Park, \$438,894 of Grant Funds
- 2020 Purchased Little Wonder Leaf Vac, Financing \$40,100

- 2021 Purchased 72" Lawn Mower
- 2021 Purchased Used 1-Ton Pick up
- 2021 Installed one Infrared Heater in DPW Garage
- 2021 Installed new Playground Equipment at Bates Scout Park – Lions Club
- 2021 Completed Woodbury Road & other local streets with CAT B Grant \$368K
- 2021 Constructed Recycling Center with GLR, School & Grant EGGLE
- 2021 Purchased 300 E. Grand River with Schools to Demo & Build Parking Lot
- 2021 Moved Large Trees from Lagoons to Amphitheater (shade)
- 2021 New Roof McClintock Park, City Hall, DPW Garage & Library -Storm Damage Insurance Claim
- 2022 Updated 5-year Park and Recreation Plan
- 2022 Installed Infrared Tube Heater, DPW Garage
- 2022 Updated Library Façade – Clean, seal windows, repair and paint
- 2022 Bates Park – Installed Play Equipment Purchased by the Lions Club
 - New Trash cans with cement pads, updated drive with new gravel
- 2022 Sidewalk repairs were completed on Grand River from Woodhull to Benson
- 2022 Cemetery - Repaired and updated shed, purchased forks for the John Deer and a cremation heat box.
- 2023 Park Improvement: Amphitheater Cement received coolant paint coat.
- 2023 Purchased Bucket Truck, heated power washer, battery charger, vehicle hoist, electrical jack for Leaf Vac, Replaced 2006 Chevy truck w/blade.
- 2023 CIP Road work: East 1st North(Laing-Elm), Benson Ln, E.Camrose Ct., Haley Ct, N. Iris Ln, Laing St., N. Oakland Dr., Sciota St., West Windy Way, GR Woodhull-Woodbury, Crum Laing-3rd North, Doyle East 1st North-Woodbury, High St GR-McClintock, Crum-1st North, N. Woodhull GR-McClintock, McClintock High-End, 3rd north West-Crum, Prospect Elm St.- End of Pavement, Shiawassee- High, Sciota High-End, West St. GR-Meridian, Woodbury GR-City limits.
- 2023 City Hall parking lots redone.
- 2023 Main Server replaced.
- 2023 Building Improvement: Exterior Council Chamber Door replaced.
- 2023 Purchased Police Radios, patrol vehicle.
- 2024 City Road Bonds, 2014 First Series – Matured 04/01/2024
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CURRENT AND FUTURE PLANS
FOR THE
City of Laingsburg

- IMPLEMENT 2022 FIVE YEAR PARK AND RECREATION PLAN
 - Develop Public River Access point Looking Glass River
 - Bates Scout Park Drainage & Water Line

- CITY HALL IMPROVEMENTS
 - Concrete Repairs

- REVISE CITY CHARTER/Ordinance updates

- UPDATE & IMPLEMENT STREET EVALUATION PLAN
 - Road Millage through 2026 to fund improvements

- UPDATE & IMPLEMENT SIDEWALK AND TRAIL PLANS

- UPDATE & IMPLEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- IMPLEMENT SANITARY & STORM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – DRAFTED IN 2017

- MANAGE ABATEMENT IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROPERTY AT 104 W. GRAND RIVER

- ESTABLISH YEARLY MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE. (Brandy Gabbard-overhead doors, Tyler heating and Cooling- furnaces)