

MAYOR'S CORNER 8-1-22

PARKING AND TRAFFIC FLOW IMPACTS DURING PHASE 2 OF BRIDGE STREET PROJECT

The Bridge Street construction project is commencing this week and is slated to be complete at the end of September.

This morning as I drove through downtown on my way to Mayville City Hall, it occurred to me that with Bridge Street being closed for several weeks between School and Main Streets, related parking and traffic flow problems will be compounded if we also keep the Allen Street Park in place, just one block to the South.

In consideration of this, I called Dawn Gindt from Main Street Mayville and John Wild, Director of Parks and asked them to meet with me at City Hall to discuss ways to alleviate the concern.

After careful deliberation of all our options, and in the spirit of cooperation, we mutually agreed that while the Bridge Street block is closed, it will be best to reopen Allen Street between School and Main Streets to aid in traffic flow and increase parking availability during the construction project.

There is one remaining event scheduled for Allen Street Park on Friday, August 5th. It will continue as planned.

As of August 6th, DPW Director Jack Hurst and Parks Director John Wild will restore Allen Street Park to its normal operating mode as an open city street. We anticipate making arrangements to use this space once again for the scheduled events related to Audubon Days in Mid-September.

Based on how close to completion the Bridge Street Project is at the end of Audubon Days, we'll then decide if it is feasible for the Allen Street Park to remain in place through October as originally planned, or if we will reopen the block permanently through 2022 until plans are made for Spring/Summer 2023.

Please email me should you have questions or concerns related to the Bridge Street construction project.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve.

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