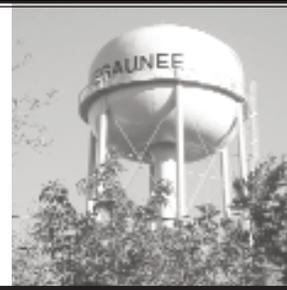




City of Negaunee Municipal News

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November election results

Fifty-nine percent of the registered voters of the City of Negaunee voted in the November 8, 2016 election for a total of 2,235 ballots cast. In 2012, seventy-eight percent of the registered voters in the City of Negaunee turned out for the November 2012 election.

=Election Comparison=	2012	2016
Registered Voters	2,736	3,761
Voter Turnout	2,124	2,235
% of Registered Voters who voted	78%	59%

The seat of city mayor was open, with two candidates running for the open seat. The voters elected Don Gladwell as mayor with a total of 1,086 votes. David R. Kangas received a total of 740 votes. The city thanks outgoing Mayor Dawn Schuhknecht for her years of service to our community.

There were two seats open on the Negaunee City Council. Both seats are for a three-year term expiring November 2019.

Voters chose two city council members from six candidates: Bill Anderson, Jr. received 810 votes and Jim Kantola received 1,118 votes to fill the seats on the City Council.

Candidate Gary Sjolund received 594 votes, incumbent candidate Nick Visser received 623 votes, write-in candidate Peter Joseph Paris received two votes and write-in candidate Bernard James Stanaway, Jr. received 14 votes. The city would like to thank outgoing council member Nick Visser for his years of service to the city.

City Council meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at the Negaunee Senior Center.

The public is welcome to attend and are asked to use the Tobin Street entrance. Regular council meetings are also broadcast each month on Charter Cable channel #188 and Negaunee Cable Company channel #90.

There were three seats open on the Negaunee Board of Review. All open seats are for unexpired terms ending November 30, 2017. There were no candidates to choose from. The vacancies will be filled by City Council appointment.

Other City of Negaunee boards with openings include: the Commission on Aging, Library/Cable Editorial, Zoning, Local Officers Compensation, Personnel Board and Housing Commission. Residents interested in serving can stop by City Hall to obtain an application.

The first round of appointments will be made in December.

Details about when each board meets, who is currently seated on the board and other information is available at www.cityofnegaunee.com.

All results are final based upon Certification by the Marquette County Board of Canvassers.

Assessor hours set

The City of Negaunee continues to contract with Marquette County for assessing. Hours for City of Negaunee assessing business this winter will be December 8 and January 12. There are no hours in March due to the Board of Review. Call 225-8411 for details.

Anyone wishing to conduct business in relation to assessing services should go to the assessor's office, which is located on the second floor of Negaunee City Hall, on these dates and times.

Assessing questions also can be directed to Jackie at the county by calling 225-8411 or visiting the County Courthouse.

Emergency outage listing available

If you rely on electricity for medical devices, you can be added to the City's "emergency list."

When possible, city staff will notify individuals on this list of scheduled power outages within the city.

Please call 475-7700, ext. 17 for more information or to be added to the emergency call list.

Assistance available for those in need

To prevent a shut-off of services and additional fees, the balance due on your utility bill must be received in City Hall by 4 p.m. on or before the due date.

If you need assistance, you may try the following agencies. Please allow these agencies adequate time for processing funding requests. Last minute requests may result in accruing late fees.

- Marquette County DHS at 228-9691
- Salvation Army at 486-8121
- St. Vincent de Paul at 475-4284
- UPCAP Call Center at 211
- CAAM at 228-6522
- True North Agency 855-300-8013

New burn permit procedure in place

To better serve the community, the Negaunee Fire Department will now issue yearly burn permits at Negaunee City Hall.

The administrative fee will be \$10 for a yearly permit and will improve the commu-

nity service. All current permits are null and void beginning January 1, 2017.

Everyone wishing to use the annual recreational burn permit can visit City Hall during normal business hours, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Winter parking ban reminder

Winter parking is now being enforced. Here are key points to remember:

- The Winter/Overnight Parking Ban runs through April 30, and is in effect from 2 a.m. until 6 a.m., **regardless of weather**. This ban includes all City roads, alleys, city-maintained sidewalks and city-maintained parking lots. For details, see Chapter 686 (686.05)

- **City Right-of-Way:** During the overnight parking ban months, drivers will not be ticketed for parking on City rights-of-way as long as no traffic hazard or other negative impact situation is being created. However, be advised that if you choose to park on City right-of-way during these

months, you do so at your own risk and the City is not liable for any damages. For full details, see Chapter 692 (692.03L)

- Make a phone call to save \$50: If your vehicle breaks down and is at risk for violating the overnight parking ban, notify the Negaunee Police Department at 475-4154 immediately, or, if the break-down happens after business hours, call Central Dispatch at 475-9912, leave your name and number and ask for an officer to contact you. Leaving a message on the department voicemail is not appropriate as the officer on patrol may issue the ticket prior to receiving that message. You must speak directly with an officer to avoid being cited.

City Information

City Hall hours

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,
Monday through Friday

City phone extensions

475-7700

Ext. 17—Utility Billing

Ext. 16—City Treasurer

Ext. 11—City Manager

Ext. 15—City Clerk

Ext. 10—Police Department

Ext. 18—City Library

Assessor—225-8411

City Mailing Address

City of Negaunee

P.O. Box 70

Negaunee, MI 49866

After-Hour Assistance

Call (800)458-3132 or
visit www.cityofnegaunee.com
for forms, details and other
information at any time.

Police Department Activity

To review complete monthly
Police Department reports, visit
[www.cityofnegaunee.com/
policy.html](http://www.cityofnegaunee.com/policy.html) and click on
“Monthly Reports.”

To reach the police department
directly, call 475-4154.

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2016-17 Ice Arena Open Skating Schedule

Hours

Monday 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Tuesday 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Wednesday 2:00-3:00 (adults only)

Wednesday 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Thursday 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Friday 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Sunday 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Hourly Ice Rentals for the Public

8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m., M-F \$80/hr

2:30 p.m.-Midnight, M-S \$135/hr

Birthday Party Rental Rates

Public Rental of Conference

Rm/Party: \$60/Resident,

\$65/Non-Resident

Public Rental of Mezzanine/Party:

\$50/Resident, \$55/Non-Resident



Charges

Adult Admission \$5

Child Admission \$4

Adult Skate Rental \$5

Child Skate Rental \$4

Skate Sharpening \$6

Adult Pass \$100 for 25 Sessions

Student Pass \$75 for 25 Sessions

Library closed for holidays, Valentine's tea details set

The Negaunee Public Library will be closed Friday, December 23 through Monday, December 26, for Christmas. The library will again be closed Friday, December 30 through Monday, January 2, for in observance of the new year.

There are several weekly storytimes held at the library for children of various ages. Reading Rugrats meets at 10:30 a.m. Mondays and is for babies and young toddlers.

There is an after-school variety storytime

at 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays, for children ages five years and older. This storytime includes crafts or building with LEGO blocks. An additional storytime for toddlers and preschoolers may be added in January.

Please check the library's Facebook page for more information.

The Friends of the Library will hold its annual Valentine's Tea and Book Sale from noon to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 14, in the library. The public is invited to attend, enjoy refreshments and shop.