



PRESS CONFERENCE

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2019 Infrastructure Projects – Public Update and Information

The 2019 construction season will be very active this year in the City of Wausau. With the new construction comes detour routes and restricted access to some areas of the city. Mayor Robert Mielke would like to hold a press conference to provide information to the public related to the projects that will be reconstructed, inform residents of the detours and answer any questions related to the projects.

The City of Wausau will be reconstructing and making improvements on three main arterial roadways, two local streets, completing asphalt overlay and seal coating work, replace existing sewer pipelines crossing the Wisconsin River and continuing to plan and design the upgrades to both the water and wastewater treatment facilities. List of the projects are as follows:

- 1. Townline Road Reconstruction Project - Grand Avenue east to the city limits**
- 2. South 1st Ave. Reconstruction Project - West Thomas Street north to Stewart Avenue**
- 3. Thomas St. Phase II Reconstruction Project - South 4th Avenue east to the WI River Bridge**
- 4. Local Streets – 2nd Street (McClellan to Grant) and 1st St (Short St north to dead end)**
- 5. Asphalt Overlay and Seal Coat Projects**
- 6. Wastewater Pipeline Replacement (Siphon line under River)**
- 7. Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade**
- 8. Water Treatment Facility Upgrade**

The arterial roadway projects have been in the planning and design phase for several years and after numerous Public Involvement Meetings, design coordination with the DOT and CN Railroad these projects will be constructed this year. These are very exciting projects and the reconstruction will improve flow of traffic, create and improve bike and pedestrian accommodations, existing businesses and residents will benefit and new infrastructure always lends itself well to new development.

Other projects on the horizon for 2019 are as follows:

- 1. Fulton Street Extension – As part of the Riverlife Development**
- 2. Hwy 51/52 Rerouting and McIndoe Street Vacation**
- 3. Riverfront Completion and Opening**
- 4. Sanitary Sewer Slip Lining**

**The Press Conference will be held:
City Hall Council Chambers
Wednesday February 20, 2019 at 10:00am**