

CITY OF WINDOM

NEWS & NOTES

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118th Edition

March 28, 2023

Department Head Meeting Highlights

- Welcome Tiffany Lamb, new EDA Director
- 2023 Employee Recognition Event \ Golf
- MMUA Safety Coordinator Change
- Windom Area Health – Mental Health Walk-in Clinic – May 1st
- Department Updates
- City Council Agenda Review

Activities & Project Updates

- **Arena** –Private ice rentals finish this week. Ice system shut down this weekend. Start conversion to horseshows.
- **Community Center** – This week Staples’ luncheon, SC Coop meeting, Ducks Unlimited and Lions Pancake Breakfast. Part-time maintenance position hired, still looking for full-time maintenance position. Community Center admin, Jill Wolff, is leaving so position will be advertised.
- **Telecom** – NOC tech Andrew Rossow working out well. Issues with call completions due to another provider’s problems, could be possible fraud. Co-location racks going in and will be energized. New session board controller is being installed and set up.
- **Liquor** – Phase II design meeting this week. Farm 40 free event with Century Farms Whiskey went well and a couple serious inquiries. Ducks Unlimited doing a pallet of beer raffle.
- **Water\Wastewater** – Rolling Green lift piping needs repair\replacement so working on specs and cost estimates. A couple of staff attending school this week.
- **Police** – Good week.
- **Economic Development Authority** – Rebuilding Together meeting last week. Did tour of City facilities. Masters will be doing landscaping at NWIP.
- **Library** – Library as a Driver’s License testing station did first test. State annual report completed. Good participation with about 50 people in the Winter book reading event that is wrapping up.
- **Electric** – Designs for truck shed are being finalized for March 29th Commission meeting. Crew removed overhead lines on 6th Street and may do poles next week or so. ITC is prepping for transmission project so we are on alternate (East) feed currently. Working on mapping updates. Unsolicited proposal for solar project.

- **Building\Zoning** – Land use code work continuing with plans for public hearing in June. The Perkins Creek flood plain study is progressing but probably not any new information or changes. Workforce housing project has two buildings drywalled. City Hall roof and old fire hall roof maybe done this week. Family Dollar parking lot storm water issue is completed. Shopko framing in two spaces for Elite and will have three tenant spaces. Windom Area Health is planning for a 46,000 expansion project.
- **Streets & Parks** – Crew has been doing cold mix on potholes. V-plow cylinder broken and will be repaired this week.
- **City Hall Office** – Remote audit work will start April 3rd. Accounts Payable schedule in April will be slightly changed to April 4th and 13th.
- **Recreation** – Working with the school on ball field use agreements. First ball game is scheduled for Friday this week, but fields still wet and have snow.
- **Pool** – N\A
- **Ambulance** – Three EMTs in final training.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – April 4, 2023

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these items:

1. Minutes and licenses
2. Public Hearing – Proposed Utility Easement Vacation – Lot 5, Block 2 of Windom Ind Park Subd.
3. Donation – Windom Fire Department
4. Legal Services Agreement with Jackson County – Prosecution Services
5. Airport – Agreement with SEH for services
6. Personnel – City Hall Office Summer Hours & FT Administrative Assistant Recommendations
7. Urban Deer Hunt Discussion

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