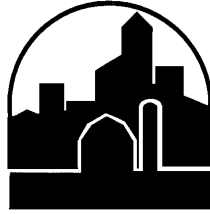


CITY OF WINDOM

NEWS & NOTES

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Department Head Meeting Highlights –

- Building Official Interviews Scheduled – March 4
- LMCIT Loss Control Meetings Upcoming (April 3 in Sleepy Eye)
- Board and Commission Appointments – Update
- March 12th Dept Head Meeting Cancelled
- City Council Agenda Review
- Department Updates

Activities & Project Updates

- **Arena** – Last ice month (March) and having some private events and Annual Ice Show March 9-10. Hockey Association is donating bleachers for the studio rink, locker room renovations and Community Room remodeling.
- **Community Center** – February and March bookings at about 75% all dates booked. Started a men's basketball league to try it. Big toy show planned for November. On-call help a struggle as they are too busy to come in when needed so may need a bigger pool of people to draw from.
- **Telecom** – Staff doing locating training and some MMUA classes. Working on system migrations in town.
- **Liquor** – All siding is on. Work inside is progressing well. Contractor request for additional day to complete project. Will close for flooring installation April 18-23.
- **Water\Wastewater** – Staff at school this week to improve skills\knowledge for licenses. Miller Avenue private sewer going in soon for a home. Ryan reviewed the I & I number from the Annual Report.
- **Police** – Was steady this week. Assistant Police Chief Hillesheim announced his resignation effective March 15th as he is leaving law enforcement as a career. Best wishes to Cory on his future endeavors.
- **Economic Development Authority** – The 3rd State Appropriation pay request has been processed. New S. Cottonwood Lake subdivision is working on an infrastructure plan to be shared with Department Heads and in process of completing a schedule for the finalization of the demolition work.
- **Library** – Staying busy and have permit testing in the mornings. Have a high school senior doing a job shadow for the rest of the school year. Hosting an event on March 16th with a St. Patrick's Day theme.
- **Electric** – Structural steel being installed. Will plan on generators being delivered and set in a couple weeks. The Department's offices have been replaced to their original location. The first DOE grant was NOT awarded to the Windom\Blue Earth joint project.

- **Building\Zoning** – Interviews have been scheduled for March 4th.
- **Streets & Parks** – Crew out still working on removing Ash trees in parks. They were out salting\sanding. The new Park pick up has been delivered. Getting quotes for the Island Park shelter dirt work. Voting booths were delivered to the Community Center for the Primary election next week.
- **City Hall Office** – Starting off with training and working through processes is going well.
- **Recreation** – JoAnn Ray to join the Parks & Recreation Commission.
- **Pool** – Looking for some citizens to serve on the ad hoc Pool Committee.
- **Ambulance** – Still busy with calls, but down a bit from last week. Have a rig at Arrow Mfg. for routine maintenance.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – March 5, 2024 (NOTE: Meeting time 8:05 pm)

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these items:

1. Minutes and Licenses
2. Flood Study – Request for Additional Funding
3. Personnel Recommendations (TBD)
4. Additional 2024 Mayor Appointments & Reappointments
5. Contractor Payments & Change Orders
6. New Business
7. Old Business
8. Council Comments

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