

CITY OF WINDOM

NEWS & NOTES

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Department Head Meeting Highlights

On June 11th the topics discussed included the following:

- Budgeting for 2020 – At the end of June reports for YTD actual expenses will be completed and drafts provided to Department Heads in July for input on 2020 budget.
- Employee Appreciation Recognition Event – Department Head volunteers were being sought to help organize the 2019 Employee recognition event for later this summer. Brian Cooley and Drew Hage volunteered.

Activities & Project Updates

- Liquor Store – Riverfest was busy and they worked with the Lion's Club on the supplies they needed for their event. The sign has been upgraded to LED and they are doing some A\C repairs.
- City Hall – The 2018 audit is completed and will be presented to the City Council on June 18. The summer intern will start in June and be shared with the pool in June, with full-time at City Hall, Liquor Store, Library, Community Center and Wastewater Treatment Plant starting in July.
- Library – Summer reading program has started. Several summer activities will be coming up with Wonder Weavers at the Community Center on June 18th and Ralph's World at Winfair Elementary on June 27th. Work on the windows for the Children's library will start at the end of June. The Friends of the Library are getting a \$7,500 grant and applying it to the window project.
- Arena – The staff is working on maintenance items.
- Electric Department – Lucas took a job in Redwood Falls at their utility, so this position will be replaced. Towers at the powerhouse are being repainted and Jason will be gone the week of June 17th.
- Pool – The pool was opened on June 10th. Swimming lessons start on June 12th. The slide is down for maintenance as an underground pipe appears to be broken.
- Telecom – Staff continuing to work on migration of equipment for customers.
- Police – Keeping busy will calls.
- Building and Zoning – Nuisance complaints continue.
- EDA – Public Hearing for the TIF covering the apartment site, Cemstone property and parts of the Windom Rec Area and Community Center is June 18th. The Highway 60/71 Corridor Study will be starting soon with the selection of a consultant.

- Parks – Crew is working on tree cutting in the parks, work on shelters will start in July. A dog park at Island Park is being discussed and the need for a fish cleaning shack has been raised.
- Street Department – Pothole filling continues and work on the 2020 Street Project is progressing.
- Water\Wastewater – Working with Streets on the 2020 Project, finishing up with the work at the pool. The County is looking at reconstructing County Road 13 through town in 2020.
- Community Center – Weddings and auctions are upcoming events at the Center. Spencer will be gone the week of June 17th.

CITY COUNCIL – June 18, 2019

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these highlights:

1. **Residential property tax abatement public hearing – 3055 Matthew Drive**
2. **TIF 1-22 Public Hearing, TIF Plan and Inter-fund Loan Agreement**
3. **Presentation of 2018 Audit**
4. **Development Agreement & Resolution – Market Rate Apartment Project**
5. **Tax Forfeited Property Resolution**
6. **Apprentice Agreement – Electric Department**
7. **Hiring Recommendations – Electric Line worker and Community Center On-call**
8. **Designation of Re-use for 2005 City Jeep**
9. **July 2nd City Council Meeting – Scheduling**

KUDOS

Last, but not least, I want to thank all of you for all your efforts on behalf of the City. To help recognize City staff that go above and beyond, I am asking that **if you have a co-worker you want to thank or recognize for their work please send me an email** and I will include their name in the News & Notes Kudos.

- **Tim Hogan and Eliza Jacobs** for getting the Windom Pool ready and opened up
- **Denise Nichols** for coordinating the Spring Clean-up Day activities
- Thank you to **Eric Ward and Steve Willard** for working on the Windom Pool

Thank you to everyone for your hard work and dedication to the citizens of our community.