

**City Administrator's Report
December 7, 2023**

Public Works

The North Public Works was originally constructed in 2018-19 as a storage building to replace the use of the old fire hall. It has worked well in that regard but has limited use in winter months. As reported last month, the building is now insulated, and heat will be installed soon. Natural gas has been trenched and installed. Staff also had additional conduit trenched in at that time for potential future use from the main shop building. The overhead doors still need to be insulated. Once complete, the building will be more versatile and useful in the winter months.

Water

The Water Tower was inspected last month. Report attached for Mayor and Council review.

Streets

C&J Construction has completed the 2023 priority alley paving projects, finishing up the 3rd and final project for this year: The alley on the east side of 2nd Street between State and Church Streets.

Snow removal equipment is prepared and ready. Staff has met and discussed snow and ice removal procedures.

Parks/Rec

Eli Porter Memorial Project

The Big Give was a success! The preliminary report is that \$57,635 in new donations were received, and more is expected. The preliminary amount represents 13% of the total project cost and over 1/3rd of the fundraising goal. We believe that the project will also qualify for additional Nebraska Community Matching Funds based upon the number of individual donations received through the Big Give Event!

Approximately \$93,000 remains to be raised by fundraising. Other grant opportunities are also being pursued to close this gap.

Pool

Off-season work to be completed includes repair of piping leak at deep end of the pool.

General Administration / Other:

Planning Commission Vacancy

There is still one (1) vacancy.

***Please direct any interested parties to City Hall or to the Mayor.**

Attached is the current month Sales Tax Report – showing the monthly trend of sales tax receipts.
Also attached is an unaudited Treasurer's Report/Budget Performance Report and an unaudited Balance Sheet Comparison Report.