

**City Administrator's Report
July 17, 2026**

Water & Sewer

David has reported that he's begun prioritizing fire hydrant replacements for next fiscal year – there is currently one leaking.

As reported in the preliminary budget documents we're looking into leveraging a DHHS grant next fiscal year in order to purchase a combination vac/jet truck to be shared by water/sewer departments.

Park

The Trail/Clark Park Project is nearing completion. We've reviewed the project with Gehring and JEO and created a punchlist for their contract items. The Burke play equipment was delivered on Friday, July 17th, and will be installed as soon as possible. The basketball/pickleball court will be painted in August – by the same vendor who painted our sports complex courts in 2017.

The City has engaged with JEO regarding the required remediation review of the Cardinal Cage project. They are waiting for some as built information from the concrete contractor before they begin their review.

Pool

The pool opened on May 30th. Attendance has been good. Revenues are up significantly this season for both general admission and concessions. This is a testament to sound management. Workforce wages continue to be a challenge on the expense side of the ledger. We are budgeting for significant maintenance items – pumps and valves – for next season as the pool will be entering it's 13th season next year.

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Street

C&J Construction has completed half of the repair work near Dollar General. Ron will be working on fixing sunken utility patches on Park street later this month/early August.

As reported in the preliminary budget documents Ron is seeking to replace the Ford Dump Truck and would like a side-by-side for parks and streets to share that could be used for snow removal on the trail.

Police Department

Michael Lipker resigned effective July 1st. The PD is seeking applications.

General Administration / Other:

The city-wide clean up event was held during the last week of May with great success. Amber Wynn has provided the attached report for your review.

I was able to host Bob Poehling, the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool Executive Director on Tuesday July 14th for a community visit. He was very impressed with our community and everything it has to offer. Quote of the day: "You make it very hard for people to want to move away from here." He also noted that everything is so new – 15 years old or less. I explained that we have many people and organizations such as the economic development groups and the Boone County Foundation that push our community forward through planning and active philanthropy. He was extremely impressed with our proactive community.

It appears that the new Verizon equipment at the new tower is now active!

I have not had much time/opportunity to finish developing a building inspector scope / agreement for an independent contractor arrangement. I will continue to work on this as time allows.

Attached is the previous 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.