

TO: Jerome Town Council

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SUBJECT: Monthly Staff Report

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More and more snow, but the courts stayed busy for February. Due to the snowstorm last week, financials are one week behind, but will be available for the Council's review next month.

As anticipated, the updated civil traffic information sheet is now in use. Other templates and court information continues to be updated and improved for use by the public in-person and on our website.

Also due to last week's snowstorm, the court security assessment scheduled for Thursday, March 2 was rescheduled to Friday, March 10. In addition to the goals for this review discussed in last month's report, I hope to evaluate the court's readiness to apply for an AOC sponsored Court Security Improvement Grant for fiscal year 2024. If we are not prepared for this grant cycle, my hope is that we will be well postured for an application in 2025.

Adjustments to the court's budget were discussed with and submitted to the town manager. I look forward to completing the process and remain available for discussion as the budget process continues.

Although the court was closed for the holiday, court staff spent a portion of President's Day with police staff engaged in a thoughtful presentation from a vendor offering possible solutions to move the parking ticket enforcement project forward. I am grateful to have been included in the discussion and welcome continued collaboration with the police department and establishing a new timeline for implementation.

While the snowstorm seemed to stall some things, we are happy to report that the snow did not cause any scheduled hearings to be delayed or postponed, thanks to our upgraded court technology. Defendants, attorneys, and court staff successfully navigated the remote appearance platforms allowing cases to move forward without unnecessary delay.

We are grateful to be part of a caring community and endeavor to always put service and justice first.