

Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

Cc: Dan Buchholtz, City Administrator

From: George Linngren, Public Works Director

Date: January 29, 2025

Subject: January Public Works Report

Here is my summary of our work activities that were carried out in January. With out snow it has been relatively quiet.

1. Winter maintenance.

• We had one day we came in to salt early mornings and salted during the day also.

2. Plowing.

• We had 1 day of plowing and sidewalk maintenance.

3. Skating rinks.

• We have been making ice all month and the cold snap helped with building good ice but with the warm weather now, it is up and down. We will continue to maintain the rinks as long as the cold weather holds on.

4. Water Main breaks.

• So far, we have been lucky this year. We have had only the one on News years day and got through the extreme cold with having no issues besides some frozen service lines and meters.

5. Misc.

- The crew helped get stuff moved over to the new administration office and set up shelving for storage. It's nice to have extra space rather than being short. We still have more to do but it's almost done.
- We have been cleaning out odds and ends at the shop and making some racking for our plow cutting edges to get them off the floor.
- We have been doing some maintenance on the dump trucks as the older ones are starting to wear from the salt and age. New springs, a fuel tank and some plow repair.

• Meetings and Community Engagement:

- I attended two council meetings and one work session.
- I attended the weekly construction meetings.
- I attended the yearly pipeline safety meeting put on by the Minnesota office of pipeline safety.
- I attended the Quarterly SRA meeting.