

To: Mayor Ken Williams & Oregon City Council
From: Darin J. DeHaan, City Administrator
Re: Bi-monthly Report

Date: November 9th, 2021

I am pleased to provide Mayor Williams and the Oregon City Council with the following synopsis of City Business for – October 23rd – November 9th, 2021.

City Administrator:

- I joined a group of panelists to discuss “Leading People During Change” for the Sauk Valley Community Leadership Program in Rock Falls. (Great topic of discussion and clearly poignant with all we are going through as a society.
- I attended the 3rd Ogle County Econ. Development meeting to discuss the creation of a “county-wide” economic development partnership. Each community presented their current “Economic Development Ready” position for their community.
- Completed: Finished working with Emily Lauderdale with Blackhawk Hills Regional Council on our US Forestry Grant for a Tree Inventory. I have received 3 of 3 quotes for the inventory and management software for the grant. This is a 1 to 1 matching grant. We can use the funds to pay for the inventory and can use the cost of the management software towards the matching funds.
- The Feral Cat program kicked off October 23rd. A second event is scheduled for November 13th at a new location.
- Comm Shuster, Cheryl and I are starting to work on the Tax Levy for next year.

Street Department

- **5th Street project update:** I received the following update from Troy O’Brien:
 - We hope to have all curb in by the end of this week the 11-5.
 - And finish the remainder of the concrete the following week; 11-12. We would also be working on backfilling and starting to prep the finish aggregate grade this week; end 11-12.
 - Then the week of the 11-15 to 11-19 we would finish any grading and then completing the asphalt paving.
 - So, the week of the 11-15 to 11-19 we will mostly not be able to have any parking in the parking lot.

Water Department:

- Thank you to the water department for their oversight on pipe that was located during the ADA ramp project. Jeff promptly responded and helped identify the fact that the pipe was no longer in use.

Recreation Paths: No update

Coliseum:

- I continue to coordinate the ADA ramp project with Sjostrom & Sons inc. They discovered a large clay pipe at the bottom of the ditch. Thank you to Jeff Pennington for making a run over to the project to verify the pipe was abandoned. (Likely something with the old pool.).



- I am meeting with ComEd energy consultants on 10/22/21 to look at an energy assessment for the coliseum. Looking at lighting rebates and other programs they have.