



Our Mission: To foster an environment of economic growth and opportunity through effective partnerships with our citizens, businesses, and visitors while maintaining a high standard for quality of life in a progressive community which embraces its heritage.

CITY OF OREGON

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To: Mayor Ken Williams & Oregon City Council

From: Darin J. DeHaan, City Manager

Re: Bi-monthly Report

DATE: May 28, 2024

I am pleased to provide Mayor Williams and the Oregon City Council with the following synopsis of City Business for – May 11, 2024 – May 24, 2024

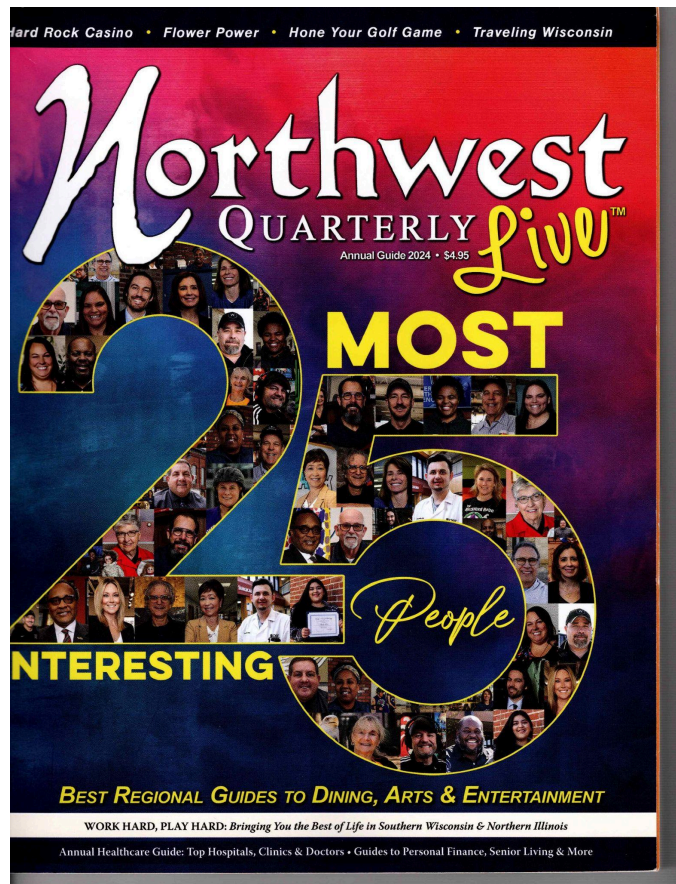
Submitted by Darin DeHaan - City Manager:

- I want to give a big shoutout to our Police Department and Public Works Department for their quick response to the high wind event we had on 05/21/24. Great job team!
- I'm working on our Garbage Contract renewal. The City Council will be asked to decide on a renewal with Republic Services or if we should go out to bid.
- Working with Mayor Williams and Rock River Energy on the electric aggregate renewals for the City this includes residential as well as Pumping and Street Lighting.
- Working on a grant that may cover our EV installation cost through ComEd.
- I continue to work with the Ogle County Bike Committee on ways to connect our communities.
- Several staff members attended the Midwest Summit on Leadership in Dixon. They do a fantastic job bringing in high quality speakers for this each year.
- I attended the Ogle County Economic Development Corporation board meeting. Thanks to our Director Charlene Coulumbe we have taken some large steps forward on economic development initiatives throughout Ogle County and the City of Oregon.
- I addressed a few citizen concerns over the past few weeks. I'm always thankful when people reach out to have a discussion. We are here to provide great service and good communication helps us accomplish that.
- I continue to work with a local group on Substance Use Disorder which has also led to discussion on possible additional medical treatment opportunities for our area. Still a work in progress.
- We held a pre-construction meeting with Fehr Graham and the contractor for the Washington streetscape project. It appears that the project may be pushed out an additional three weeks, but should be completed quickly once they begin. Bill will be notifying businesses and building owners as the start date approaches.
- Had a great meeting with the Oregon Chamber of Commerce and Visit Northwest Illinois. I'm looking forward to additional collaboration with both.

- I will be meeting with Republic this week to discuss their perspective on a possible contract renewal. Once I have this meeting we will decide if we are going to bid or renew.
- Thank you to the Public Works department for all the work they do to prepare for Memorial Day. Our new flags look great! Awesome job Team!



- I continue to work with a few potential new businesses, a few mural grants that are in the queue and building owners who are looking for retail space renters. Lots of activity in our community.
- Welcome to our summer help for our Public Works Department. Alyssa Mowry and Jameson Caposey. We always appreciate the extra help over the busy summer months to get everything completed.
- I was honored to be listed in the Northwest Quarterly 25 Most Interesting People. Certainly any positive accolades I get are a direct reflection on the great staff, officials and community members around me.



City Hall - Cheryl Hilton - City Clerk:

City Hall will be closed Monday 05/27 for Memorial Day.

MEETING INFORMATION

Economic and Community Development Committee:

Next meeting Jun 4, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Oregon City Hall Conference Room

Sustainability Committee:

Next meeting Jun 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Oregon City Hall Conference Room

We continue to work with Region1 Planning Council to complete our Sustainability Plan. Region1 will make themselves available at several community events to answer questions and solicit public input on the plan.

- June 13th - City Night - River's Edge Farmer's Market
- June 20th - River's Edge Farmer's Market
- 7-16-24 City Sponsored Concert in the Park - Three Good Men
- September 4th we are planning a public presentation.

City Council Meeting:

Next meeting Jun 11, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. Oregon City Hall Council Chambers

Planning & Zoning:

Next meeting Jun 18, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. Oregon City Hall Council Chambers

Public Art Commission:

Next Meeting TBD

Tree Board:

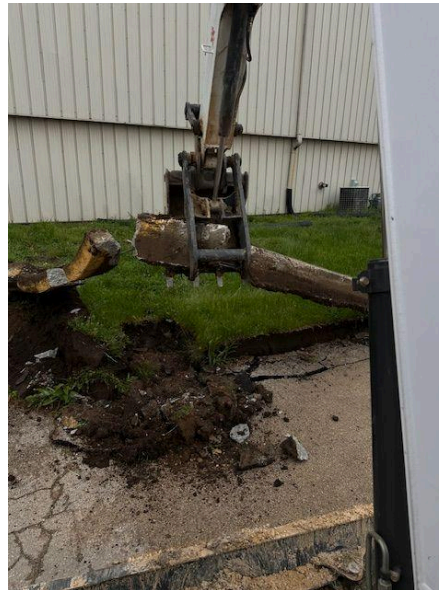
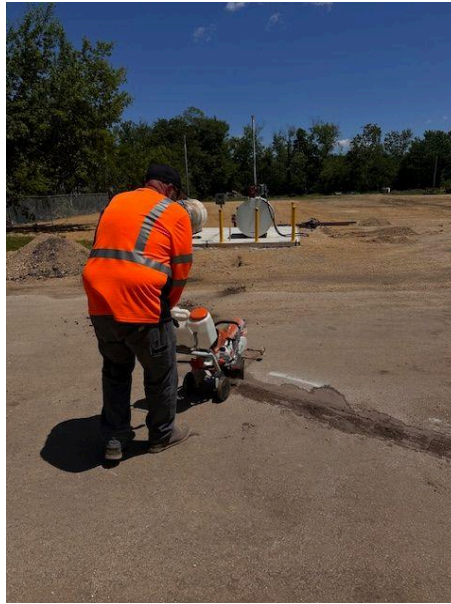
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PUBLIC WORKS:

Director of Public Works Submitted by Bill Covell:

- Helped layout, excavate and pour concrete for the fuel tank relocate project. Project included a new concrete pad, painting existing double wall tanks, relocating existing tanks, new fuel management system and new electrical.
- Submit permit for fuel tank relocation to State Fire Marshal
- Approve driveway permits
- Help with brush clean-up
- Finish rough sketches for pedestrian crossings.
- Work with crew on SPP and Farmers Market projects including watering of flowers
- Help with installing 40 flags for Memorial day
- Help with daily scheduling
- Work with Fehr Graham on questions for Lead Service inventory, headworks project and road projects.
- Help get summer help paperwork completed
- Bid opening for Streetscape project
- Resolved personnel issues
- Picked up daily supplies
- Prepared bills for payment
- Finalized City Hall roof project

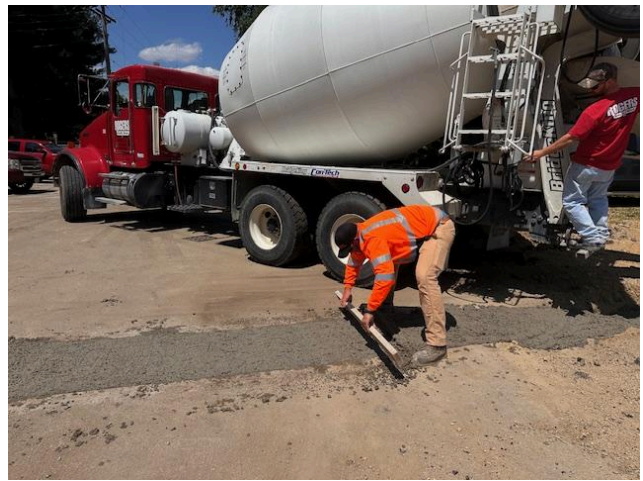
- Finalized Coliseum Roof Project
- Helped with SCADA upgrade



Street Department Submitted by Jordan Plock:

- Crew completed city wide brush cleanup.
- Crew continued mowing for the 2024 season
- Crew continued street sweeping in heavy areas.
- 2 crew members continue their work to complete their Illinois CDL
- Street Department Foreman continued with his continuing education classes
- Crew did cleanup for minor storm debris after the thunderstorm

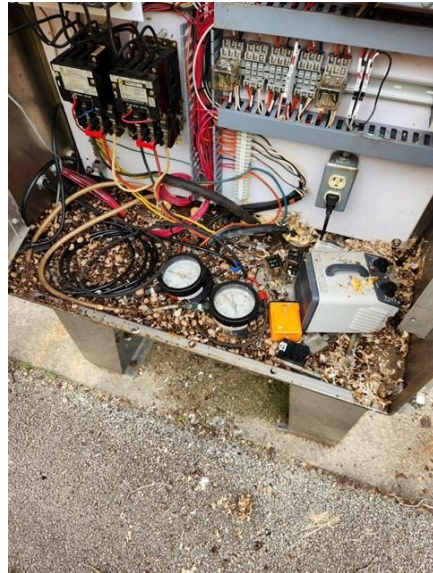
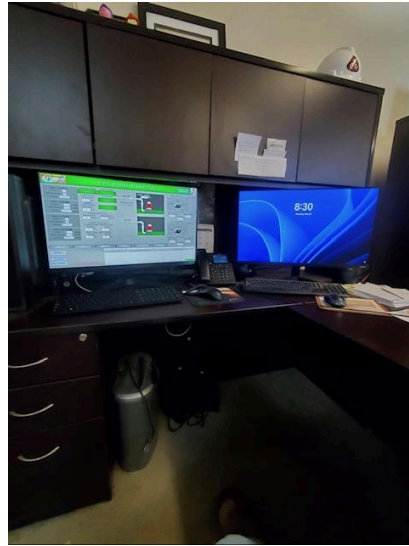
- Crew is continuing with stump removal and restoration of the terrace.
- Street foreman did the initial spraying for weeds in the downtown district.
- Street Department Foreman attended the Midwest Summit on Leadership. It was a great learning experience.
- Crew dug a trench and installed conduit for power for the new fuel pumps.
- Crew installed 40 new flag pole mounts in the downtown district for the new American flags.
- Crew put up 40 American flags for the Memorial Day weekend.
- Crew moved bleachers from the Oregon Park District over to the 3rd st for the Memorial Day event. Thank you to the Oregon Park District for allowing the City to borrow these.



Sewer Department Submitted by Scott Wallace:

- Daily chores
- Full testing (process control/EPA Monitoring)
- Half testing (process control)
- Pumped Sludge
- Cleaned Rotomat daily- Multiple times a day
- Daily netting of headworks
- Daily reporting of National weather service recordings
- Lift Station usage recording
- Assisted Water department when needed

- Worked with Scada personnel and Blower Company to integrate blowers into Scada System
- Cleaned clarifiers (weirs, and channels)
- Cleaned Sewer on 8th and Pines rd. due to roots
- Cleaned Sewer on S. 6th St. and Webster St. due to roots
- Cleaned level transducers at East side lift station
- Training on Scada upgrade
- Installed signage on the WWTP gate



Water Department Submitted by Jeff Pennington:

- Daily water chores
- Daily water testing
- Repair and Replacement of Chemical feed pump issues as needed
- Julie Locates
- Worked on monthly paperwork
- Assisted Sewer department when needed
- Well #4 piping has been painted and looking to reinstall Well assembly in 2 ½ -3 weeks
- Final reads
- Assisted Sewer Department while Department head was on vacation
- Cleaned and repaired woods lift station panel from mice
- Worked on Consumer Confidence Report with City manager, Public Works Director, and City hall staff
- Started working on implementing Unidirectional flushing into flushing program
- Installed signage at well #5
- Training on Scada upgrade
- Bac-t samples were taken for EPA compliance on May 9th

Submitted by Deputy Chief Matthew Kalnins: Police Department:

The Oregon Police Department would like to congratulate all of the school district students and staff on another great school year. Please have a great summer and we will see everyone next year. We will try to keep SRO Brechon busy until classes start again in the fall.



The Oregon Police Department has achieved Gold level recognition for 2023 as part of the Lexipol Connect Customer Recognition Program.

Up-to-date policies and ongoing training are a priority for our agency, and we are honored and excited to be recognized for our continued commitment to serving the community of Oregon in this way. This recognition would not be possible without the dedication of all our personnel to reading, understanding and acknowledging policy updates and completing Daily Training Bulletins (DTBs). This is the highest level of recognition currently offered by lexipol.

