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**City of Oregon Council Agenda,  
Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5:30 P.M.  
115 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

**Public Option: Join Meeting via Zoom**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **PRESENTATIONS**
5. **PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, SWEAR IN, ETC**
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026
8. **APPROVAL OF WARRANTS AND PAYROLL**
9. **ORDINANCES**
10. **RESOLUTIONS**
11. **MOTIONS**
  - a. Approve FY2026 Year End Transfers
12. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
13. **BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS**
  - a. **PLANNING**
  - b. **ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
  - c. **FINANCE**
  - d. **SUSTAINABILITY**
  - e. **TREE BOARD**
  - f. **PUBLIC ART COMMISSION**

- g. 250<sup>th</sup> COMMEMERATION COMMITTEE
- h. OTHER

#### 14. DEPARTMENT AND OFFICER REPORTS

- a. POLICE
- b. PUBLIC WORKS
- c. CITY CLERK
- d. CITY ATTORNEY
- e. CITY MANAGER  
City Manager's Report

#### 15. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. MEMBER SCHUSTER
- b. MEMBER COZZI
- c. MEMBER KRUG
- d. MEMBER FLANAGAN
- e. MAYOR WILLIAMS

#### 16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### 17. ADJOURNMENT

**\*People may attend the meeting in person at City Hall or may watch and participate via Zoom.**

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A portion of the meeting maybe closed to the Public, immediately as permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the City of Oregon, and as permitted by 5 ILCS 102/2 (c)(11) to discuss litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the City which has been filed and is pending in a court or administrative tribunal of which is imminent and as permitted by 5 ILCS (c)(21) to review and approve closed session minutes and as permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2 Collective negotiating matters. **Possible action after executive session**



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chambers  
115 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was held at City Hall in the Council Chambers and on Zoom.

Present: Mayor Ken Williams  
Council Member Terry Schuster  
Council Member Melanie Cozzi  
Council Member Tim Krug  
Council Member Josiah Flanagan  
City Manager Darin DeHaan  
Chief of Police Matt Kalnins  
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton

Also Present: Bill Covell, John Dickson, Lee Hadick, Liz Hiemstra, Earleen Hinton, and Chris Manheim.

Mayor Ken Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Council Members Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, and Mayor Williams answered roll call. A quorum was present.

Chief of Police Matt Kalnins started the pledge of allegiance.

**Presentations**

None.

**Proclamations, Commendations, Swear In, Etc.**

Mayor Ken Williams recognized Chris Manheim for his accomplishments and contributions to the City of Oregon and local businesses.

Mayor Ken Williams proclaimed the month of May 2026 as Motorcycle Awareness month.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Approval of Minutes**

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026, minutes, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

**Approval of Warrants & Payroll**

Council Member Josiah Flanagan moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$68,067.70 and the current warrants as listed:

Amazon Capital Services, Inc	\$332.18
Ancel Glink, P.C.	\$6,619.50
Anne's Landscape Supply	\$599.91
Autumn on Parade	\$2,000.00

Blackhawk Hills Regional Council	\$1,082.69
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$21,531.13
Butitta Bros Automotive - Oregon	\$59.89
Caspers Home Inspection LLC	\$1,550.00
City of Oregon	\$5,500.00
Comcast	\$1,030.28
ComEd	\$9,759.74
Discover Dixon	\$1,000.00
Dixon Glass Co	\$435.00
Dixon Well Now Urgent Care	\$115.00
Ehmen	\$490.00
EM Benefits	\$1,822.66
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$3,922.53
Fischer's	\$1,758.38
Frontier	\$139.13
Helm Electric	\$314.00
Jeff Perry Auto Group	\$357.95
Joe Cooling & Sons	\$308.38
Jordan Plock	\$141.00
Kaleel's Clothing	\$53.00
Ken Williams	\$91.14
Melanie Cozzi	\$25.00
Mobile Electronics	\$9,315.80
Nicor	\$407.98
Postmaster	\$803.98
Quill	\$110.46
Rat Worx, Inc	\$540.00
Region 1 Planning Council	\$625.00
Sauk Valley Plumbing, Inc	\$1,875.70
St Aubin Nursery	\$200.00
Sun Life Financial	\$415.51
The Police & Sheriffs Press	\$180.00
Verizon	\$1,012.63
Visa	\$2,932.83
Ward, Murray, Pace & Johnson, P.C.	\$159.00
	<b>\$79,617.38</b>

Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

**Discussion:** City Manager Darin DeHaan said the Autumn on Parade invoice was received late. The invoice was for entertainment at last year's event.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

### Ordinances

Council Member Terry Schuster moved to approve Ordinance 2026-006 adding Hotel and Motel as Permitted Uses in the General Business District, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

**Discussion:** Mayor Ken Williams stated there is a list of approved businesses in the city ordinances. Hotels are permitted in the highway commercial district but are not permitted in the regular commercial district. He said there has been one in operation directly across the street from city hall

for many years. This was an oversight when the code was redone a couple of years ago. This is basically housekeeping.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

### **Resolutions**

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve Resolution 2026-08 Bird City, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

**Discussion:** This is the second requirement for the city to be designated as a Bird City. Terry Schuster and Tom Pacey have been working on this project. Council Member Terry Schuster said a bird walk is scheduled for Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 8am behind Conover Square at Kiwanis Park. The last time the event was held, they identified forty-six species of birds in just two hours. The birds are identified by books, visuals, and audio through the Merlin App.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

### **Motions**

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve Weekly Flower, Watering, Care, and Maintenance Services Bid submitted by Hagemann Horticulture not to exceed \$40,300 with an additional contingency not to exceed \$4,000 for incidental costs, and authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

**Discussion:** City Manager Darin DeHaan said the services were bid due to the cost being over twenty-five thousand dollars. Hagemann Horticulture submitted the only bid. The service contract was reviewed and approved by City Attorney Paul Chadwick. There is also a significant reduction in cost of services this year. An analysis is being conducted to determine if this can be done by staff in the future.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to Waive the formal bid process for the watermain project in the 100 Block of West Washington and approve the project cost of \$54,325 submitted by Martin & Company Excavating due to the emergency and urgent timing need of the Oregon Fire Protection District building project and authorize the City Manager to execute any necessary agreements, Seconded by Council Member Josiah Flanagan.

**Discussion:** When the fire department went to tap in their water service line for the new addition at the fire department, Bill noticed the city watermain was pitted and aged. Since the ground was already opened, a decision was made to go ahead and do the replacement. City Manager Darin DeHaan said the reason he is asking to forgo the bid process is not to slow down the progress of the fire department's project. The watermain is on the terrace on Rt. 64. Mayor Ken Williams said with the interest of a successful partnership with the fire department the city is willing to cover the cost of the project with TIF funds. The project qualifies for TIF funds because the fire department is in the TIF zone and is new construction.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve Façade Grant for up to \$7,500.00 for East Side Cleanup and Repairs at Conover Square Mall – 201 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Oregon, IL, Seconded by Council Member Josiah Flanagan.

**Discussion:** Community members are working to help clean up this space. About a year ago, stucco on that side of the building sloughed off and the pile remains. City Manager Darin DeHaan met with the owner of the building, and they discussed improvements that need to be completed. He said a TIF redevelopment agreement could be considered in the future for the building but at this point he thought a Façade Grant would be more suitable for the clean up process. Council Member Tim Krug said volunteers with Hands on Oregon are available to help with the clean-up. Council Member Melanie Cozzi stated concerns about the structural integrity of the building. Mayor Ken Williams said an engineering study of the building has not been conducted. The City Council discussed items to consider if a broader TIF project was to be done in the future. City Manager Darin DeHaan said the grant is a matching grant and the owner is responsible for providing fifty percent towards the project.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

### **Discussion Items**

**Downtown Veterans Banners:** The VFW approached the Mayor two years ago to discuss displaying banners in honor of veterans around the courthouse. City Manager Darin DeHaan said the VFW is asking to sell more banners and expand their display locations. Twenty banners were ordered and installed around the courthouse. The public works department has been moving the banner brackets due to the veteran banners smaller size compared to the city banners. Council Member Terry Schuster said he would prefer the banners only be displayed around the courthouse, he does not want to lose all the city banners. He also said people were unclear on how to order the banners. Mayor Ken Williams said the Art Committee continues to work on other banners to display as well. The City Council decided the veterans' banners will be displayed on double brackets around the courthouse only. All future banners will need to be the same size as the city banners. Public Works Director Bill Covell will provide a cost for the double brackets to the City Council.

### **Board & Commission Reports**

**Economic & Community Development:** City Manager Darin DeHaan said the Ogle County Economic Development Corporation has launched their website. Liz Hiemstra did an excellent job and he believes it will be a valuable resource. He also said the city has been approached by four potential new businesses. Liz Hiemstra is working on space/revitalization of space. Mayor Ken Williams said the city continues to work with Kunes on marketing the location. It is on the LOIS site for lease or sale. Kunes had previously said they would list the property with a realtor. The city continues to do as much as possible to fill the location.

**Finance:** City Manager Darin DeHaan recognized Cheryl for putting the year end transfers together and getting everyone to finalize their bills for the year. The year-end transfers look better than expected. He gave credit to the department heads for watching budgets closely. Transfers were about eighty thousand dollars less than last year.

**Tree Board:** City Manager Darin DeHaan thanked everyone who attended the Arbor Day tree planting. He thanked the street department for choosing an excellent location.

**250<sup>th</sup> Commemoration Committee:** John Dickson listed the events that have been planned for the three-day event in June.

### **Department & Officer Reports**

**Public Works Director Bill Covell:** The public works department will have an extra brush pick up on Monday. The department was also able to aid the Village of Lena with storm clean-up. They hauled about sixty loads of debris. Bill Covell said the homeowners were grateful for their help.

**City Manager Darin DeHaan:** City Manager Darin DeHaan commended Public Works Director Bill Covell. He said he was in constant contact with him during the storm as well as the sheriff. He said he is very appreciative of the guys that went over and spent their weekend helping the Lena community.

**Council Reports**

**Mayor Ken Williams:** Expressed the importance of the year end transfers. He said we will see how it plays into the budget. He said the police department had ninety thousand dollars less than last year.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Flanagan, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays.

Adjourn: 6:16 P.M.

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Ken Williams, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk



May 12, 2026

Payroll in amount \$68,114.89

Aaron Montoya	\$320.00
Aidan Ellsworth	\$320.00
Amazon Capital Services Inc	\$164.52
Andres Bonilla	\$320.00
Bill Covell	\$320.00
Bobcat of Dixon	\$866.91
Breanna Wakefield	\$320.00
Butitta Bros. Automotive - Oregon	\$68.46
Cheryl Hilton	\$320.00
Comcast	\$285.00
Ehmen	\$400.00
Envision Healthcare	\$237.00
Eric Higby	\$320.00
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$6,476.16
Fidelity Security Life Insurance	\$175.40
Frontier	\$299.12
Hawkins, Inc	\$369.31
Helm Electric	\$477.50
Hey Tree Service, LLC	\$2,500.00
Highstar Traffic	\$1,416.40
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$6,528.00
Illinois EPA	\$13,033.16
Jeff Pennington	\$320.00
Joe Cooling & Sons	\$286.20
Jordan Plock	\$320.00
Josh Pickering	\$320.00
Joshua Cofield	\$320.00
Josiah Flanagan	\$320.00
Ken Willaims	\$51.98
Ken Williams	\$320.00
Kevin Most	\$320.00
Lexipol LLC	\$3,276.66
Lisa Payne	\$320.00
Lynn Baylor-Zies	\$320.00
Martin and Company Excavating	\$3,000.00
Martin and Company Excavating	\$54,325.00
Mary Elliott	\$320.00
Matthew Kalnins	\$560.00
MCS	\$145.00
Melanie Cozzi	\$320.00

Menards	\$252.97
Northern Illinois Disposal Services	\$25,649.92
Northern Illinois Mayors Association	\$125.00
Old National Bank	\$1,925.60
Oregon Supervalu	\$13.14
Paul Larson Concrete	\$1,000.00
Postmaster	\$24.00
Postmaster	\$83.84
Quill	\$127.15
Scott Wallace	\$320.00
Shaw Media	\$68.79
Shaw Media Dixon Paper	\$348.40
Shawn Melville	\$250.00
Skyler Bethel	\$320.00
Snyder's Pharmacy	\$742.97
Stillman BancCorp	\$4,047.15
Stratus Network Inc	\$77.08
SundogIT	\$2,693.68
Taryn Bradley	\$780.00
Taylor Buckwalter	\$320.00
Terry Lester	\$320.00
Terry Schuster	\$320.00
Tim Krug	\$320.00
Timothy Brechon	\$320.00
Van Buren Equipment Services LLC	\$400.00
Village of Progress	\$1,280.00
Waste Water Management of Northern Illinois LLC	\$14,310.00
Wipfli	\$795.00
Zions Bank	\$4,213.50
Zions Bank	\$18,935.00
Zoro Tools	\$86.65

**\$181,171.62**

**City Manager**





## 5/12/2026 Council Meeting

April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Year End Transfers from Public Affairs to the following accounts:

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Police Department	\$470,000.00	\$555,000.00
Street Lighting	\$26,000.00	\$29,000.00
Street Department	\$573,000.00	\$579,000.00
Social Security	\$3,000.00	\$0
City Hall Fund	\$28,000.00	\$47,000.00
<u>Group Insurance</u>	<u>\$210,000.00</u>	<u>\$179,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,310,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,389,000.00</b>



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## CITY OF OREGON

115 N. 3rd Street, Oregon, IL 61061

Phn: 815-732-6321/ website: [cityoforegon.org](http://cityoforegon.org)

To: Mayor Ken Williams & Oregon City Council

From: Darin J. DeHaan, City Manager & Staff

**DATE: May 12, 2026**

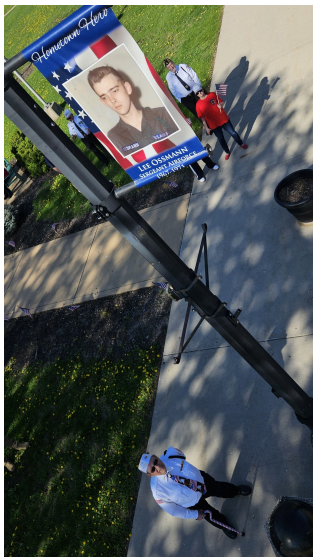
I am pleased to provide Mayor Williams and the Oregon City Council with the following synopsis of City Business for – **Apr 11, 2026 – May 8, 2026**

### Submitted by Darin DeHaan - City Manager

- Created the RFP for bids for new welcome sign(s) the bid request will have two options depending on costs. Option 1 for the East Rt. 64 sign replacement Option 2 would be for all three sign replacements. Bids are due August 7th by 10:00 a.m. Bid information is on the city website: <https://cityoforegon.org/bids/>
- Council member Tim Krug, his wife Kim, John Dickson and I attended the IHDA Revitalization Kick-off meeting with Amy Bashiti of IHDA. Thank you to Liz Hiemstra with OCEDC for coordinating the meeting. The next step will be to launch a community survey to gather information and public input.
- I attended a webinar through ILCMA on Professional Mental Wellness Checks for Police Officers. I continue to seek education and insights on how to best protect the mental health of our police officers.
- We held a Bridge-to-Bridge recreation path planning meeting in order to coordinate this potential future recreation path along the rock river.
- I attended the Ogle Co. Economic Development Corporation Stakeholder and Board Meeting. We are working on several issues including housing, creating a database of potential development space and other resources. Our new website has launched <https://www.oglecountyedc.com/> I encourage everyone to check it out. It looks great. Thank you to Liz Hiemstra and Matthew Lenox for all the hard work on it.
- I have had multiple inquiries from several potential new businesses in Oregon. I'm working closely with those entrepreneurs and Liz Hiemstra to find space, answer questions and smooth the path for small business creation in Oregon.
- I met with officials to discuss questions and concerns about public demonstrations around the courthouse. I continue to coordinate with the demonstration planners to maintain a safe environment in our community. I continue to respond to citizen's questions and other concerns as well. Oregon staunchly supports protecting the First Amendment and we work diligently to coordinate resources and responses accordingly.

- I attended the Candlelight walk planning meeting in a dual role as a volunteer but also as City Manager to help coordinate city resources and support for this great event. Thank you to the entire group of volunteers who work so hard to make this magical event happen!
- Cheryl and I held our annual meeting with our insurance brokers in preparation for this year’s renewals and budget considerations.
- We held a Leadership Team Meeting and discussed several items. I walked the group through an exercise recognizing green flags in leadership styles. I appreciate the team's efforts to learn and grow as the leaders for our departments.
- Follow ups, legal research, and continued coordination efforts as I continue to vet out the new “Main Street Director” position. I’m still working on some details how this will work and will be formulated. I hope to launch the candidate search very soon.
- The City of Oregon is honored to partner with the Oregon VFW on a banner program recognizing our local military heroes. The [Oregon, IL VFW Post 8739 and Mess Hall](#) approached Mayor Williams and the City with this idea. City Manager Darin DeHaan worked closely with Lee Ossmann and VFW representatives to help bring this meaningful project to life.

A huge thank you goes out to our Public Works team—Bill Covell, Jordan Plock, Josh Pickering, Aaron Montoya, and Andy Bonilla—for their work installing the banners. Veterans along with their families and friends gathered to watch the installation of the first banner. The banners will be displayed surrounding the Ogle County Courthouse



along Routes 2 and 64. This location provides a fitting backdrop, complementing the beauty of the courthouse and nearby memorials. “This is a small token to honor our heroes who have served in the military, and we are grateful for all of our veterans! Huge

shoutout to Lee for his tireless work on this project. The first 20 banners will be displayed, and the City Council will discuss potential expansion to additional areas in the near future,” said Darin DeHaan, City Manager.

\*Group photo credit Earlene Hinton\*

🌳 Happy Arbor Day! 🌳

- "The City of Oregon celebrated by planting a new tree just behind the city welcome sign along South Route 2. We're excited to watch it grow into a beautiful backdrop that greets everyone entering our community." - Darin DeHaan, City Manager

A special thank you to our Public Works Department: Jordan, Josh, Skyler and Andy as well as: Mayor Ken Williams, Council Member Tim Krug, and Tree Board Member Grant Afferbaugh for taking part in today's planting and helping make this effort possible.



- I continue to coordinate city responses on citizen concerns.
- I attended the NorthCog board meeting in Rockford. As a group we are working on several issues including continual communication with our State Legislators and monitoring potential state bills that impact local government.
- I've had several discussions coordinating potential grants for various projects.
- Follow ups on Facade grants, Mural Application, and various TIF projects.

“As always I want to remind the community that I am always open to hearing your perspectives if there are things you feel need addressed. I'm available via phone, email, or you can always message me via facebook messenger from the City page. We work for you and your input and communication is vital for our success.” - Darin DeHaan

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*City Hall - Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk*

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**MEETING INFORMATION**

**Planning & Zoning:**

Next meeting Tuesday **May 19, 2026 5:30 PM** Oregon City Hall Council Chambers.  
Public Hearing for a Short-Term rental request.

**Public Art Commission:**

Next meeting TBD at Oregon City Hall Council Chambers.

**Tree Board:**

Next meeting Wednesday **May 20, 2026 4:00 PM** Oregon City Hall Conference Room.

**250th Anniversary of US Ad Hoc:**

Next Meeting **May 21, 2026 5:00 PM** Oregon City Hall Conference Room.

**City Council Meeting:**

Next meeting Tuesday **May 26, 2026 5:30 PM** Oregon City Hall Council Chambers.

**Sustainability Committee:**

Next meeting Monday **Jun 8, 2026 9:00 AM** Oregon City Hall Conference Room.

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**Public Works**

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*Director of Public Works Submitted by Bill Covell*

**Daily Tasks**

- Help Schedule
- Approve Bills
- Purchased supplies
- Monthly Fuel Reports
- Safety Training

**Projects**

- Headworks
  - Review project estimate
  - Review plans for SCADA integration
- Lead Service Inventory

- Updated Lead Line Inventory
- 2026 Local Road Projects
  - Century Hill Subdivision
    - Check on quantities
    - Review with engineer
- 2026 MFT Project
  - Reviewed engineers cost estimate
  - Added block on south 8th Street
  - City Hall Parking Lot
  - Street Garage Parking Lot
    - Plan out drainage
- 2025 East Side Sidewalk
  - Followed up with Fehr Graham
- Pedestrian Crossing
  - Spoke with IDOT and IDOT will be staking locations for pedestals
- Assisted in help in Lena
- Helped install cameras a WWTP & Street Department
- Worked on Budgets
- Produced floor plan of building in town
- Helped with brush clean-up

**Meetings**

- Department Head
- Safety Meeting

**Miscellaneous**

- Worked on Fulcrum report



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## *Street Department Submitted by Jordan Plock*

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### **A. Daily Tasks**

- Trash pickup of city trash cans
- City mechanic working on daily maintenance tasks
- Crew has started the yearly mowing projects.

### **B. Projects**

- Crew worked on a drainage ditch project on Daysville Rd.
- Crew installed sod along Rt 64 near the courthouse where the prior plant beds were removed.
- A few members of the team gave up their weekend to go help the Village of Lena with cleanup after the recent tornado. We appreciate all of their hard work to help out others in need.
- Crew installed new veterans banners along the old county courthouse.
- Crew recently installed more security cameras at the sewage treatment plant as well as the street garage.
- Crew planted a tree for the Arbor Day celebration. They also planted multiple trees as part of the city tree replacement program. This program is an 80/20 cost split with the city up to 100 dollars. Please contact the city if you are interested in this program.
- Crew worked on a drainage issue on N 7th st.
- Crew prepped an area on N Etnyre Ave for new parking spots. That area was paved by Martin and Co.
- Crew removed 100 ft of sidewalk along S 5th street that will be replaced in the coming week.

### **C. Training**

- Street Foreman led safety classes on PPE.
- Worked on weekly safety training
- Foreman worked on continuing education classes
- Worked on updating our list of required OSHA training for the year.



- Street Foreman attended IPSI and institute for supervisors to learn and grow in their field.

#### **D. General**

- Street Foreman attended the department head meeting.
- Street Foreman along with the Public Works Director held one interview for a summer help position.
- We have started running the street sweeper for the season.

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### *Sewer Department Submitted by Scott Wallace*

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#### **A. Daily tasks**

- Daily chores
- Testing full set (process control/EPA Required Monitoring)
- Half testing (process control)
- Pumped Sludge
- Cleaned bar screens, netting of tanks, multiple times daily due to rags, debris
- Daily reporting of National Weather Service recordings
- Lift Station usage recording
- Assisted the Water Department
- Monthly reports to the EPA
- Generator/ Well checks
- Worked with various customers on water and sewer issues (leaks, sewer backups)

#### **B. Head Works**

- Nothing new at this time

#### **C. Scada Upgrade**

- Metro Cloud integration is coming along nicely

#### **D. Training**

- 13th Annual Training Expo at Ferguson Water Works

#### **E. General**

- Benesh hauled primary Digester
- Cleaned out back up Digester
- New meter at Digester
- Cleaned effluent channel
- Weather Related Issues (Power issues due to storms)
- Started seasonal chlorination
- Jetted out culverts @ Webster st.

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## *Water Department Submitted by Jeff Pennington*

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### **A. Daily Tasks**

- Chores
- Daily Testing
- Julie Locates
- Final reads
- Water turn-ons
- Water shut-offs
- Generator checks

### **B. Wells**

- Repaired Chemical feed pump parts as needed
- Received Chemical delivery from Hawkins for process/control
- Ordered replacement parts for Chemical feed pumps

### **C. Meter Replacement Program**

- Been scheduling and replacing meters as time allows

### **D. EPA compliance**

- Completed Monthly Bac-t/ Fluoride sampling for Epa compliance
- Collected Lead and Copper sample for Homeowner at 808 Franklin St. Awaiting results.
- Completed Monthly Operating Reports for April 2026 Epa compliance.
- Working on collecting Information for a Special exemption permit for PFAS for the IEPA. Previously acquired testing done for USEPA may be able to be used. Working with IEPA and Laboratory to get that information submitted.

### **E. Training**

- Worked with Aidan on properly filling out and submitting Monthly Epa paperwork.
- Worked with Metro cloud on new Scada software

### **F. General**

- The department head is on Intermittent Family medical leave. Will continue to work with the Public Works Director to meet needs for EPA compliance and ensure the department is fulfilling tasks to operate properly.
- Assisted the Sewer department when needed
- Worked with customers on water leaks and sewer issues.
- Worked with customers on meter repairs, and replacement of meters.
- Started biannual hydrant flushing.



### *Police Department Submitted by Chief Matthew Kalnins*

- April 17, 2025 Chief Kalnins and Lt. Brechon assisted the Byron Police Department in certifying all of their officers in the Taser 10.
- On April 11, 2025 Officer Taylor Buckwalter of the Oregon Police Department, LSSI, the Ogle County Health Department and the Oregon VFW Participated in a National Drug Take Back Day for the city of Oregon. This was an opportunity for Citizens to turn in any expired or left over prescription drugs they may have in their possession. It is important to dispose of these drugs so that they do not fall into the hands of children or anyone that should not have them. If anyone missed this event and would like to turn in any prescription drugs they can still do so at several other locations and the Oregon Police Department. Please make sure there are no sharps, needles and pour your prescription pills into a ziploc bag before putting them in the container. Any questions please contact the Oregon Police department at 815-732-2803



- April 20 Lt. Brechon and Det/Sgt Most attended Active Response training to become instructors in the topic. This will allow more training in house giving officers the important practice on how to respond to major incidents. This will also give officers credit toward ILETSB mandated training requirements.

- May 4 -May 6 Officer Josh Cofield attended Instructor training for De-Escalation tactics through Blue Shield. This will allow the Oregon Police Department to again train in-house, getting more reps and being better prepared.