

To: City Council Members
From: Dennis B. Buckley
Re: Updates

Council,

Work is continuing on the 2012 Bond. I have made some adjustments to the costs and we are waiting a couple more estimates to come in. It is my intension to introduce a General Ordinance on first reading at the June 4th mtg. concerning the bond issue. Included in your packet are quotes on the HVAC systems at city hall and DPW. Also is a quote for restrooms in the city park. The only quote pending is for the DPW drive and that should have come last Monday. Also I'm working with Crossroads Engineering concerning Hartman Field and ADA compliance.

At the council meeting, plaques will be given to the Valedictorian (Andy Head) and Salutatorian (Scottie Manners) at BGHS. A plaque will also be given to Elizabeth Miles who is the State Champion in the uneven parallel bars. She is a student at BGMS.

We have begun charging heavy trash fees and fees to pick up brush. These fees have been established in Chapter 96 of the Code of Ordinances and have not been enforced in the past.

We are awaiting financial updates. Should the updates be good, then we will ask the BOW's to hire 3 civilian EMT's for the fire department, which have been budgeted for. We have held off on this until we seen where we are at.

We have begun doing maintenance on the sewer system. Also our jet machine which has been broken for several months is finally fixed and in service. Manhole inspections have also begun and we are preparing for our first sample test of captured storm water.

Talks with St. Francis continue. A conference call took place on 5/15/12 for updates on the property. Architects have begun the process of designing apartments for sample viewing (no cost to the city).

The trash truck bid will be awarded this Monday. CITE was the only bidder.

A meeting was held with Community Health Network on May 16th. We are set to meet again on May 23rd at city hall.

Recently Mike Jarvis was appointed to the school board. Mike is our representative on the ABC. As a result of this Mike has had to resign his position on the ABC. I have appointed James Brooks to serve as our representative on the ABC.

Recently Nikki Shearer resigned her position on the Parks Board. She was appointed by Mayor Dilk. This is a Mayors (Republican) appointment. I have asked Thomas Coons to serve on the Parks Board. I plan on swearing him in next Tuesday.

CAAS accreditation on site review is set for May 21st and 22nd. This is for our EMS division.

Contract talks begin within the next couple of weeks with the FOP and the Local 416.

All of the paperwork is back concerning the July 3rd fireworks. It is being submitted for the 5/21 BOW's mtg.

We have signed the agreement to begin the process of repaving some streets. Actual paving should begin sometime in August or early September. Including Main Street we will be paving approximately 5 miles of streets by next spring.

The Memorial Day Service in the City Park is set for Saturday 5/26 @ 11AM.