



MEMORANDUM

Date: December 10, 2024

To: Mayor Nemecek and the Boyne City City Commission
From: Michael Cain, City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Report – Final

Note: Updated or new items are highlighted
Last minute additions

+The newly installed pump 1 at the Rivermouth pump station continues to run without issues. We now have two pumps there that have been working without issue. As of Monday night, they are both operating and alternating one and then the other. We are looking to bring a recommendation to the January 14th meeting on replacing pump 3.

+The Rivermouth station SCADA (electronic control system) work by Windemuller Electric for the pumps was to take place on Monday the 9th but additional work is required from the project's main electrical sub-contractor before that can be done. We are working thru our engineers to get that accomplished.

+DPW staff were very busy last week with the winter weather are obviously doing their best to maintain the roads and keep up with the ice and snow. That changed greatly over the weekend with our DPW and then Mother Nature finishing the winter cleanup, for now.

+The Avalanche warming hut was open this weekend. Once cold weather returns the warming hut will reopen and our DPW will start on the ice rink.

+Our new groomer for the Avalanche Trails arrived last week, was put to work on Friday and performed well. It is ready to go for the rest of the season with the old one serving as a backup for the time being.

+DPW also prepped our gator with the tracks for the Boyne Valley trail grooming and it was done earlier today by our volunteers and was ready for this weekend.

+The parts are now in for the installation of the new pump for water production well #4. We expect that work to begin on Friday. Once installed the pump and water from the well will need to be tested before it can be used to pump water into our distribution system.

+Following up on Sandy's comments at our last meeting the 2006 Waterfront Master Plan done by consultant Mark Robinson of East Jordan did come up with concepts for various road ends, including Woodland. A link to the full plan, which is on the City's website, is here:

https://is0.gaslightmedia.com/cityofboynecity/_ORIGINAL_/fs36-1550088808-05246.pdf

+Attached is a preliminary map showing undeveloped streets and alleys in the City, along with open gravel streets and vacant parcels.

+I have met with new Evangeline Township Supervisor Dan Mercer on their interest in this matter. He suggested we meet with Pat Weeks at the Road Commission since they play a major role in Township road right-of ways. Pat is tracking down information on their role prior to a meeting.

+Our new Police Officer, Gerald Boron, started last Monday.

+The new City offices security glass was installed on last Tuesday.

+We have no applications for the Planning Director position so far. Tonight is Scott's last scheduled City Commission meeting with us.

+Work at the marina site has stopped due to the weather. They will need conditions above 40 degrees for a few days before restarting.

+We will be re-applying for the grant to help with the purchase of a new Fire truck. We were denied on that earlier this year and based on recommendations received we are reducing our request for \$400,000 to \$325,000.

+We have also applied to a new State grant program for \$95,000 to be used at the airport to help with tree trimming and removals and pavement crack sealing costs.

+The Ice Pole was installed in Sunset Park and is running water ready to make ice as conditions allow.

+Today marks the 22nd anniversary on my December 10, 2002 hiring. We had a City Commission meeting that day too.

+Attached is information from the Wood Shop on metal signs that could be installed on the public access property markers we spoke of previously. Unless there is some objection we will proceed with these. The cost would be \$400 per property.

Main Street Updates:

+Facade Grants are open with a total of \$20,000 available to approved applications. The application can be found in the home page of the Main Street web site.

+Main Street has several openings on its board. Applications are available on the Main Street and city websites. Applications close in mid-January.

+Think summer! Main Street opened up Boyne Thunder 2025 sponsorships Monday morning at 9am. By 10am, they sold more than half of the available spots.

+If you have any questions or would like additional information on these or other items, please let me know.