

City Administrator's Friday Report

January 11, 2019

Public Works

New Plan Retrieval Process for Engineering Bids. Beginning in January 2019, project plans and proposals will be available for electronic download in pdf format through our website, with pages scaled to print on standard 8.5"x 11" letter size or 11"x 17" tabloid size paper. Paper copies of plans and proposals will no longer be available for pick up. Letters were sent out to all plan holders from projects bid in 2018. Job No. 1322 was the first project to be submitted and 28 plan holders have received bids and the new process is running smooth at this time.

Project Out for Bid. *Job No. 1322 - 2019 Pavement Patching & Sidewalk Replacement* Program bid packages are currently available online only from Sunday, January 6th, 2019 to Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019, with the bid opening scheduled on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Project work includes replacement of PCC and HMA patches throughout Moline and replacement and/or installation of PCC sidewalk and sidewalk ramps throughout Moline. Other work shall include, but is not limited to, curb and gutter replacements, driveway replacements, minor utility work, and minor seeding and landscaping.

Construction Report

- MFT Resurfacing Project at 12th Avenue – McCarthy Improvement Co. MCI will wrap up with the punch list in the spring.
- 18th Street B – Needham Excavating. Needham will wrap up in the spring with final grading and seeding.
- 5th Avenue, 39th – 41st Street – Valley Construction. Valley plans to wrap up restoration in the spring.
- Radar Road Water Main Extension – Brandt Construction. Brandt is working with utility contractors to get all utilities out of the way of the bore pit for the 30" water main casing. Geneseo Communications has relocated their fiber. Century Link's contractor finished with their bore so now we are waiting on the splice before MidAmerican starts with their temp relocation. Century Link has scheduled a splice to the John Deere fiber on 2-1-19.
- I-74 Relocation Project - Valley Construction. Valley has wrapped up on pavement replacement on 19th Street so we are just waiting on the state to open 19th Street south of 12th Avenue.
- In-house Water Main Ext. at 15th Street B – City of Moline Water. Moline staff plans to extend the water main on to 15th Street B off of 36th Avenue starting the week of January 14th.

- Non-City Project – MidAmerican Energy. MidAmerican’s contractor plans to start potholing locations to start off a 5-year gas main replacement plan. They will start this winter with locating mains and then start designing projects to prepare for summertime construction. Public notices will come out soon to residents that are affected. These locations vary throughout the City of Moline.

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Human Trafficking Prevention Month. At last Tuesday’s City Council meeting, Mayor Acri read a proclamation declaring January as Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention and Awareness Month. Maggie Tinsman, Elise Harden, and Jessie Tapia from Family Resources were present to receive the proclamation from Mayor Acri (photo at right). To learn more about Family Resources and their efforts, visit www.FamRes.org.



QComm911. As of January 7th at 7:00 AM, QComm911 was operating entirely out of the new dispatch center on the third floor of the Milan Municipal Center. The transition was relatively seamless for the public safety agencies and no major issues arising.

Finance Department

Allocation of Private Activity Bonding Authority. The Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 imposed a limit on the aggregate amount of “tax exempt private activity” bonds (also known as “Volume Cap”) that can be issued by a state during a calendar year. The State of Illinois allocates its ceiling amount to governmental units based on population. In 2019, the City of Moline’s volume cap is \$105 x 42,231 or \$4,434,255.

By utilizing this cap, a manufacturer can obtain tax-exempt financing (lower interest rates and federal income tax exemptions) for a new plant or plant expansion. The cap may also be used for multi-family affordable housing projects, first time home buyer programs, airports, docks, wharves, mass commuting facilities, solid waste or hazardous waste disposal facilities, or environmental enhancements of electric or gas facilities. The City must transfer its authority by May 1st or the allocation reverts back to the State for reallocation to other entities. A staff recommendation will be presented to City Council in April.

Massage Licensing. At the January 8, 2019 COW Meeting, speaker Maggie Tinsman requested that City Council consider the implementation of a massage license. At one time, the City did require Massage Establishment and Massage Therapist licenses. In 2004, the last year it was required, the City issued 30 massage establishment licenses and 75 massage therapist licenses. The State of Illinois has since preempted that ability as follows:

(225 ILCS 57/55) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022) Sec. 55. Exclusive jurisdiction. The regulation and licensing of massage therapy is an exclusive power and function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate or license massage therapists. This Section is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution. (Source: P.A. 97-514, eff. 8-23-11.)

Amendment to SEC Rule 15c2-12. In August 2018, the Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) approved amendments to Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12 designed to better inform investors and other market participants about the current financial condition of issuers of municipal securities. On January 9th Director Carr participated in a two hour webinar to prepare for the changes in the law that will be effective February 27th. The changes require the City to disclose any material changes in its financial obligations or any default of any financial obligations within ten business days of the event's occurrence. The Finance Department maintains a formal written Continuing Disclosure Policy that will be updated to include the new requirements.

Fire Department

Fire Suppression Division

- During the period of December 30th thru January 5th, Fire crews responded to two false alarms for possible structure fires. In all instances, the cause was determined to be a system/detector malfunction. During the same period, the Department responded to three illegal burn and two CO detector activation calls.
- On January 1st, all Moline Fire units responded to a structure fire at 824 15th street. Upon arrival, crews encountered a small fire on the roof of this two-story residential structure. The fire was extinguished with minimal damage to the structure. The cause was determined to be from the misuse of fireworks. No injuries were reported.
- On January 4th, all Moline units responded to a structure fire at 3512 70th street, apartment #104. Upon arrival, crews encountered a fire in the kitchen and extinguished it within five minutes. Fire damage was confined to the kitchen area with smoke damage throughout the apartment. The cause was determined to be unattended cooking of food. No injuries were reported.



Emergency Medical Services Division

- The Fire Department responded to 108 calls for emergency medical service between December 30th and January 5th.

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- The members of the Moline Fire Department continue to mourn the loss of Clinton Fire Department Lieutenant Eric Hosette and pray for the recovery of injured firefighter



Adam Cain. Approximately 20 personnel from the Moline Fire Department will be in-attendance at the visitation and funeral for Lieutenant Hosette on January 11th and 12th. Rest in peace brother Hosette.

Human Resources

Personnel Moves.

- Stephen Scritchfield starts January 14th as a Police Officer.
- Tess Hurt starts January 14th as a Library Assistant in Children's.
- Jeri Miranda starts January 21st as a Utility Billing and GIS/Records Specialist.
- Ryan Berger starts February 4th as the Land Development Manager.

Recruitments. We have had very positive responses to our recent Facebook postings for career opportunities! Our most successful post (shown at right) reached 10,405 people.

The HR/Police Department Recruitment Committee met again on January 10th to discuss and move forward with short-term and long-term plans to enhance our recruitment efforts. We are finalizing dates for the next testing process and are arranging visits to colleges and military units, both in and out of the area. Stay tuned!



Looking to make some changes in the New Year? Join us for the How Not to Die program series. Weekly presentations about healthy living and finding your best health will be offered by local medical, fitness, and cooking experts.



How Not to Diet; the Relationship Between Food and Chronic Disease
Monday, January 7th 6PM
Beth Bryant, DPT



Whole Food Plant-Based Cooking 101 with Demo
Monday, January 14th 6PM
Anne Haring



Popeye or Wimpy: Fitness and Functionality on WFPB Lifestyle and Eating Healthy on the Road
Monday, January 21st 6PM
Teri and Del Preston



Lifestyle Medicine: Putting Evidence into Action to Rebalance the Healthy/Disease Equation
Monday, January 28th 6PM
Dr. Cheryl True

Moline Public Library
3210 41st Street
Moline, IL 61265
www.molinelibrary.com
309-524-2440

All presentations will be in the Meeting Rooms. No registration is required. For more information contact the Information Desk at 309-524-2470

Moline Public Library

Here's to a Healthy New Year!

The Library is hosting a four-part healthy living series on consecutive Mondays. Our first session last Monday (photo at right) attracted 98 people! Don't miss Monday, January 14th's session (6:00 PM) for a healthy cooking demo.



Community Support - Quad City Storm. The Library was the featured recipient of the Quad City Storm's Chuck-a-Puck program from the Saturday, January 5th game (photo at right). Funds received will support upcoming programs and services.



Upcoming Programs:

- The Winter Wonderland Reading Challenge encourages pre-school through 5th grade children to



read for fun during the cold winter months. The program will kick-off Saturday, January 19th with a family event – Escape to Narnia. The Winter Wonderland Reading Challenge is sponsored by Meemic Insurance – Danyelle Hatter.

The Moline Public Library's online services are open 24/7. Visit our [WEBSITE](#) for full information regarding upcoming events, services, and electronic resources.

Police Department

Retirements. Please join the Moline Police Department and the City Administrator in congratulating Officer Jamie Thomas (left in photo at right) and Officer David Griggs on their retirements. Officers Thomas and Griggs have over 64 years of combined service to Moline. Best of luck in your retirement and thank you for your service!



New Graduates from Police Academy. Six new Moline Police Officers recently graduated from the Police Academy and will be assigned for additional training with their field training officers.



At left are Devin Syler, Steven Murphy, Katherine Pennacchio, and Tyler McLaughlin. In the second photo at right are Kara Larsen and Ian Newell. Welcome to the Moline Police Department and congratulations on



your completion of the Police Academy!

Deer Harvest. Deer harvest season began October 1st and will end January 20th, 2019 in the City of Moline. As a reminder, a permit is required to participate in the harvest. Additional information on the City's Deer Management Program can be found [here](#).

Since the beginning of the season, a total of 15 harvested deer have been reported on the following dates and at the following permitted hunting locations:

Date	Site	Type
10/2/2018	1004 34th Avenue Dr	Buck/No Antlers
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10/4/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Doe
10/4/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Doe
10/7/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Buck/w Antlers
10/8/2018	625 48 th St	Doe
10/12/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Doe
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10/12/2018	625 48 St	Doe
10/19/2018	901 46th St	Doe
11/2/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Doe
11/2/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Buck w/ Antlers
11/6/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Buck w/ Antlers
11/10/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Doe
11/24/2018	2400 31 st Avenue Ct	Doe