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City Manager's Report

Projects are continuing to progress. The SCADA system to control our water and sewer systems is currently being installed. We currently have the control system installed in the office. When the remainder of the control units are installed we will be fully restored. The AMR (Automatically Read Meters) serving our water customers are working very well, but the vendor will replace the drive by technology with permanently installed hardware to improve the services we can offer our customers and complete the install.

Roads: With the time usually spent reading water meters, we have applied that time to the roads that are badly in need of maintenance. We have applied more than 15 tons of cold patch asphalt to fill the worst potholes. We will resume using hot patch for the majority of our repairs when the weather warms up.

Admin: Sales Tax: December: \$40,568.29 (Up 24.36% from the prior month and down 31.48% from the previous year.) Half way through the fiscal period, reports show that General Government has spent 56.1% of our planned expenditures and received 50.0% of our expected revenues. Tax revenues have declined substantially below our budget projections, and the City continues to take steps to reduce expenses and cut costs. Public Works have spent 51.2% of our planned expenditures and received 61.3% of our expected revenues. All of these budgetary figures include payments for grant funded projects, not yet reimbursed.

Projects: The electronic water meter project is completed, however the contractor will now exchange our mobile AMR reader and install a fixed mounted AMI antenna to provide the services described in sales presentations. The Indian Health Services water line extension project is completed. The community center roofing project is completed. The library parking and driveway project is prepared for final compaction and asphalt when the weather is warm enough to install it. Ongoing meetings with FEMA to determine project eligibility and assistance.

Parks: Our parks are winterized, however they are looking poor at the moment. The Public Works department will begin improving the condition of the parks in preparation for Spring.

Library: Operating smoothly. The library hours remain (M & W 10-4, Tu & Th 10-6, F 11-2). The library saw a decrease in patrons in the month of December...probably due to the Holidays.. The parking lot being partially complete has also contributed to the decrease. Upcoming events include story time and crafts, a book sale, a bookmark competition and book bingo.

-Ryan Wallace, City Manager