

# City Administrator Report

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**Sidewalk Project:** The sidewalk repairs are complete. Following the initial bid of \$35,400 there were various field changes eliminating portions of the original project and adding several portions where considerable risk to safety was discovered. The final areas in the project consisted of the following locations:

Pine and Jackson	115ft x 4ft
Wood and Madison	26ft x 4ft
Main and Wood	74ft x 5ft
Main (Elevator)	42ft x 4ft
Main and Oak	250ft x 4ft
City Hall	340ft x 5ft
Locust Street	330ft x 4ft

The total project cost with field changes was \$39,814. Total authorized budget for sidewalk repairs was \$40,000.

**TLC Coffee House Façade Grant:** TLC has submitted the application for a façade matching grant. The project includes a front sign and a entry canopy. All paperwork is in order and complete. The total project cost is \$6234.51 which brings the allowed matching grant funds to a total of \$2,500.00, submitted to City Council for approval and release.

**Spencer Park:** After reviewing the paperwork submitted and discussing the matter with the sales representative for Play and Park Structures, I could find no foundation for the City of Maroa to further dispute the additional cost associated with the playground equipment.

This structure was quoted as two separate phases: Phase 1 was the tower structure and was illustrated independently in the quote; Phase 2 was the Kingfisher and was illustrated showing how it would appear when attached to Phase 1. One could attempt to argue the Phase 2 illustration by itself was confusing in this case; however, both phases were received together and labeled as such. It appears the City ordered Phase 2 only when both phases should have been ordered.

The full associated costs for the additional equipment are:

Surcharge	\$586.21
Equipment	\$17,764.00
Freight	\$1,437.93
Assembly	\$5,329.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,117.34</b>

The company discounted the price to this:

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Surcharge	\$586.21
Equipment	\$17,764.00
Freight	\$1,437.93
Assembly	\$0
Grant	(\$7,993.80)

**ADJUSTED TOTAL**            **\$11,794.34**

**DISCOUNT**                **(\$13,323.00)**

Again, I could not find foundation to demand more credit than what the company has offered at this point, nor has the company agreed to discount the equipment any further.

**Circus Fundraiser:** While turnout was expectedly low due to the Apple and Pork Festival and below normal temperatures, the Circus even went smoothly and those whom were able to attend gave positive feedback. I am optimistic we will be able to host the event next year and will be working with them to secure better scheduling. Our proceeds from ticket sales were \$215.75.

**RR Parcel Appraisal:** The appraisal on the southern former railroad parcel is complete. When divided as anticipated, each of the four lots has a market value of \$13,500 for a grand total of \$54,000.

**Storm Drainage:** While repairing the inlet basin on Oak street by the elevator office, a collapsed/plugged section of storm drain running beneath Washing Street was discovered. After consulting with the Macon County Highway Dept. permission was granted for the City of Maroa to excavate and repair the section. The MCHD also agreed to reimburse half the cost for the project. The total project consisted of 130ft of 18in dual wall tile and various fittings to connect all inlets. Total project cost submitted is \$5,735.00 with \$2,867.50 recoupable from the MCHD.

**Main Street Wi-Fi:** The system is functioning well. There are costs George Campbell will incur through additional power consumption by the base system installed at the old fire station. I suggest offsetting those costs by waiving his monthly water bill for that location. His water usage at that location is only a small percentage of the minimum monthly charge. No ordinance would be required, but a simple vote of approval by the City Council would establish a record and assist the Auditor when calculating annual shrinkage of the water system.

**City Hall Parking Area:** Mike will be proceeding with having the repairs made to the pavement on Locust where the water main ruptured this summer. This is accounted for in his budget. Additionally, he would like the City Council to authorize the resurfacing of remaining parking area around this repair. This additional area would cost the City \$11,344.00 and would address the water drainage issues along Locust from Lincoln to Main.