

# City Administrator Report

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**Public Works Recommendation:** I am presenting to the Mayor and Council a recommendation to promote Kevin McCullough to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Works. Historically, Kevin has always shared responsibility with Mike in many of the daily operations of both the water and sewer systems, including sampling, maintenance and testing. Due to there being only two individuals in the entire department, one of them must be on-call 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. On days when Mike cannot be available, Kevin has full responsibility of the entire operation. Recently, Kevin has been testing for his sewer license and training with Clinton sewer plant personnel to learn how to conduct lab tests on samples on site, rather than outsourcing them. Mike and Kevin have also acquired the necessary equipment we did not already have for our current lab. I believe this promotion is warranted and compensation should be adjusted accordingly as budgeted. I will be requesting a closed session during the meeting to discuss the matter more in-depth, as required for the evaluation, promotion, dispensation or compensation of employee(s).

**Prevailing Wage:** Public Act 100-1177 amends the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act and will go into effect on June 1, 2019. The Act governs the wages of all laborers, workers and mechanics who perform work on public works projects by any public body, which includes municipalities. Among other changes, municipalities no longer are required to pass an ordinance ascertaining the local prevailing wage.

**Zoning Board of Appeals/Planning Commission Status:** After reviewing the statutory requirements and City records, I have compiled a correct listing for all seven seats, as well as their expiration dates. This listing was provided to the Zoning/Planning Joint Committee during their scheduled meeting on May 16. There are currently two available seats pending appointment by the Mayor and consent of City Council.

Yuenger	Judy	1	2020
VACANT		2	2021
Kennedy	Doug	3	2022
Wilkey	Brad	4	2023
VACANT		5	2024
Lawson	Rachel	6	2020
Stoutenborough	Toni	7	2021

All seats are 5 year terms

**State Grant Opportunity:** I have submitted an additional application of our Wood Street project to the State of Illinois in an attempt to receive State funding. This was the roadway and sidewalk upgrade plan in which we applied for an ITEP grant, but were denied. We are requesting the full project amount of \$1.3 Million and should know the status of this request in the coming weeks.