



City of Loveland

City Manager's Weekly Report

May 12, 2023



Volunteers from Keller Williams painted the Nisbet Park Restrooms on the company's annual day of Service call "Red Day"

Administration

The Tree and Environment Committee held their annual Litter Pickup on April 22. Forty-two volunteers hit areas all around the city collecting 57 bags of trash and three bags of recycling.



City Staff met with Buckeye Elm Contracting and Patriot Engineering on the Chestnut Street Property this week, to go over plans for final site clean-up and post-remediation restoration work. Work will continue in the coming weeks to fully address any remaining waste piles and excess debris not removed as part of the regulated waste removal activities. In addition, monitoring efforts will commence soon with remaining monitoring wells scheduled for installation upon conclusion of the site excavation activities.

Painting work continued at the McCoy Park restroom facilities. The ventilation and weatherization improvements, as well as lighting and electrical upgrades, will commence in the coming weeks. At Nisbet Park, volunteers with Keller Williams Pinnacle Group Realty completed a facelift at the Nisbet Park Restroom, painting the building historic colors to update and modernize the appearance of this prominent structure. Special thanks are owed to the many volunteers that braved warm temperatures to accomplish this task in record time!

Building and Zoning

This week in the Building and Zoning Department, the department issued several Certificates of Occupancy (CO) for properties located at 618 Centre Street, and 118 Southbend, which was destroyed by fire in 2022. At the BentOn catering location located along Loveland Madeira Road, a hood and suppression inspection was carried out and the work received a passing grade. Inspections continue at Blossom Hill, with insulation inspections conducted at 123 Blossom View. In addition, slab and decking pier inspections were completed for the five (5) unit building located at 125-133 Blossom View.

Here is a summary of some additional Building and Zoning Department activities throughout the past week:

- Revised plans were received for a tenant space in Shopper's Haven. The plans were approved by the plans examiner to split unit 537 into 2 spaces. The permit will be issued, pending fire department approval.
- Children's Meeting House submitted plans for HVAC ductwork. The plans are now under review.
- The LMR Chamber was granted approval to have an extra tent at their food truck rally this Saturday, due to the impending rain. A previous permit was issued for a single tent for this planned activity.

On Wednesday of this week, the Board of Zoning Appeals met to review a proposed Flood Regulation Variance request for the project located at 115 Railroad Avenue. In addition, the Board also welcomed new member David Black, who received his oath of office at that same meeting. The requests were granted as submitted, and the project may now proceed to the Planning and Zoning Commission for site plan review.

Finance

The audit team from Clark Schaefer Hackett was at City Hall this week for the annual review of the city's financials. This is a very extensive review that ensures the city is in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code and accounting best practices. Staff was very busy pulling files and answering questions to assist the audit team in this review.

Public Works

Following action taken at Tuesdays City Council meeting, contracts for the completion of two important capital projects were executed by staff. Construction of a right turn lane on State Route 48 at the site of the former Mobil Station will soon commence. The project will be another step towards addressing traffic issues in the downtown district. Also, City Council authorized

commencement of the first phase of sidewalks on Loveland Miamiville Road, which will connect three city subdivisions to the downtown district. This project was one of the many strategies outlined in city's recently completed Comprehensive Master Plan.

On Thursday of this week, the Parks and Recreation Committee welcomed new member Chris Springborn to the committee membership, and his oath of office was administered. The board also reviewed the annual park evaluation report and held a post-event discussion regarding the City's First Annual Arbor Day Scavenger Hunt. In addition, the board discussed the work of Tigers Inc. and the park mapping initiative they have advanced this year.

The annual road program is moving along at a very good pace. This week, all the roads being resurfaced in the Loveland Heights were completed. Starting next week, the crew will begin work in the Brandywine Subdivision.



Public Safety

Loveland Symmes Fire Department welcomed members of the Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) accreditation team to the city. The peer assessment team was on site from 5/7-5/11. LSFD will now go before the commission in August with a recommendation for approval from the peer assessment team.

At the May 9 Loveland City Council Meeting, Mayor Bailey proclaimed Monday May 15, 2023, as Peace Officers Memorial Day and May 14-20, 2023, as Loveland Police Week, asking all citizens to honor all standing and fallen officers. Please help LPD give special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

The Arts Commission will meet on Tuesday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m.

For information about other upcoming community events visit www.LovinLifeLoveland.com.
