

## The Village of Friendliness - Since 1870

This is the City Manager's week in review for the week of July 24, 2023.

**Retirement** – Congratulations to Pam Aalderink on her retirement from the City of Douglas. Friday was her last day and City staff gathered for lunch to wish her well and give her a few small gifts of gratitude. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to give her love and support.

**City Clerk Posting** – With the City Clerk's retirement, the City has posted a job announcement for the open position. Interested candidates may apply by filling out an application on the City's website. The posting will be open until filled.

**City Council Election** – The City received two candidates nominating petitions for the three council seats open in the November 7<sup>th</sup> General Election. Candidates interested in running must now file as a write-in with the county.

**Summer Tax Bills** – Tax bills have been sent out. If you have not received your bill, please contact the City Treasurer.

Master Plan Update – I met this week with the City's planning consultant to start the process to update the City's master plan. The plan requires updating every five years and will be a community process. Please watch for announcements as the community engagement piece comes together. Your input is vital to the future development of the City.

**City Manager Announcement** – On Monday, I submitted my resignation to the City Council. Over the course of the next few weeks, I will be working on documenting ongoing projects so that the next City Manager is set up for a successful transition. It has been wonderful working for the citizens of Douglas. I want to thank everyone who has read the weekly Manager's memo. I have received a lot of positive feedback and support from the community through this format. My last day will be August 25<sup>th</sup>.

Have a great weekend.

Rich LaBombard City Manager