



**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council

**FROM:** Josh Finch, City Administrator

**DATE:** July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

**RE:** Monthly Newsletter

I am pleased to present the launch of the City Administrators Newsletter which will be published the first Friday of each month in an effort to keep you informed of current City projects, issues and activities, broad City efforts, as well as the ongoing work of City staff, and of activities within our great community. My hope is that the information provided in this newsletter will engage and inform all levels of the City organization.

These are some exciting times here in the City of Hillsboro! It is extremely encouraging to see the dedication and ongoing efforts of the City Council, Commissions, and City Staff come to see completion in many of the projects and activities highlighted in this newsletter if anyone has any questions please feel free to contact us at city hall (608)-489-2521.

**City Hall Spotlight:** This last month we congratulated both our amazing Clerk and Treasurer for 20 wonderful years. Both citizens and our employees have the two of them to thank for a lot of what goes on around here.

**Administrator Update:** Having started on June 1<sup>st</sup>, I already found that no two days are alike. I have experienced both my first Committee of the Whole and Common Council Meetings and am looking forward to next months. Having only been living in Hillsboro for a little over a month, I have learned a lot about this city and what makes it tick. This is a truly vibrant community and there is a lot going on here that I look forward to being a part of. Thanks to everyone who has welcomed me to the community!



**Library Spotlight:** From the Desk of the Library Director-In June we have been very busy. Starting in June, the Library partnered up with Gundersen St. Joseph Hospital Hillsboro and Hillsboro School District to show movies for the community that was made possible due to a grant from American Library Association. There will be more movies shown this summer, dates and time will be in the Hillsboro Sentry Enterprise, library, and hospital Facebook pages plus their websites.

**Library Continued:** We kicked off the children's Summer Reading program on June 22. Participants play bingo by reading books. Once bingo is achieved the kids get a prize. Every Thursday from 2:30-3PM there will be a book reading at Hillsboro City Park, Albert Fields Memorial, weather permitting. There will be an outdoor drive-in style movie at the Hillsboro High School parking lot July 1, ~9 PM. To complete the program on July 31 there will be a Carnival, including games with prizes and a petting zoo at Hillsboro City Park, Albert Fields Memorial.

**Musicale:** On July 8 the Friends of the Hillsboro Public Library will hold the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Musicale at Field Veteran's Memorial Park. There will a fabulous line up of talent this year, as well as yummy food and pies/ice cream. Great raffle prizes (tickets are \$2.00 or 3/\$5.00) and fabulous silent auction items. A great event to get out to the park and enjoy!

**Police Spotlight:** Hillsboro PD has been working on a program with the DNR called "Kids Don't Float." This program features free day-use of life jackets for children and adults. You'll recognize a loaner station when you stumble across it. Plans for this project are in the works. Stay tuned!

**Community Spotlight:** The month of June saw Let's Shine Coffee open and we are delighted at their arrival and welcome them to the community. We wish them success! In June we also saw the start of the Hillsboro Brewing Company's Farmers market- every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, HBC will be hosting a farmer's market in their parking lot. You



can find more information on their or on our website:

<https://www.hillsborobrewingcompany.com/> ; <https://www.hillsborowi.com/tourism>

**Pool Update:** The pool opened on June 5th and upon review, common council decided to raise the pool capacity to 150 patrons. Pool passes can be bought at the pool and you can register for swimming lessons there as well. Hurry as there's only a limited amount of available!

**Wastewater Treatment Facility:** The city is in the process of creating a new treatment plan with our engineers. This will be an ongoing process to be better serve the community of Hillsboro.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July:** In just a few days we will be celebrating the Fourth of July. Remember, any firework that leaves the ground (bottle rockets etc.) or makes a noise (firecracker etc.) is illegal in Hillsboro. Please be courteous of your neighbors! Enjoy the holiday and stay safe.

**Shanesy Ave/ Mill St Alley Reconstruction:** RFPs have been announced and the City accepted bids for the Reconstruction project until June 30<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM. The winning bid will be determined by Council on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Your Spotlight!:** Have something you would like to share in the Administrators Newsletter, feel free to email me at [Admin@hillsborowi.com](mailto:Admin@hillsborowi.com) with the subject "Admins Newsletter" with the topic of your choice\*.

**MINUTES FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:** All meeting minutes are uploaded to the website upon approval. Please follow the link below for the most updated information & meeting minutes: [https://www.hillsborowi.com/agendas\\_minutes](https://www.hillsborowi.com/agendas_minutes)

Respectfully,

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