

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council
FROM: Josh Finch, City Administrator
DATE: October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021
RE: Monthly Newsletter

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:** Due to the rising cases of COVID-19, until further notice we will be requesting individuals to please wear a mask when entering City Hall.

Administrator Update: September proved to be a very exciting month here in Hillsboro between the Ribbon Cutting for Mr. B's Smokehouse to Spring St reconstruction to finalizing our approach to bring our trains home. October will prove to be just as exciting and busy with finishing the budget proposal to present to Council as well as continuing discussions regarding our treatment plant. Lastly, Trick-or-Treating will be taking place within the City on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:00 PM- 7:00 PM.

Library Spotlight: From the Desk of the Library Director- On October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Westby Area Performing Art Center the library will be supporting a Wisconsin Author, Victoria Houston, visit put on by the Vernon County Libraries and Driftless Writing Center. Come see our Halloween display and kids word search (starts mid-October). Watch our website and Facebook page for events.

**Fall Clean Up:** The Fall clean up will be taking place on Saturday October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7-11 AM located at the Public Works building: 1056 Crest Ave. A full list of allowed items to recycle can be found on our website and Facebook page!



**Police Spotlight:** The Hillsboro Police Department is thrilled to announce that upon the gracious support of many donors, we will be able to purchase our first ever thermal imaging-ariel drone! This drone will be able to be a multi-purpose drone used not only by the Police Department, but can also be utilized by Fire and EMS to respond to calls, observe fires etc. This is a great and unique thing for our community. Additionally, we received the blueprints for the Life Jacket Stand in collaboration with the DNR and our local Boy Scout Troop and while unfortunately it won't be ready this year, we aim to have it ready to go for next year!

**Hillsboro School District Spotlight:** Leonard Thompson has been serving as a custodian at Hillsboro School District for twenty-seven years. Over his time in the district, he's worked different shifts, taken on different roles and managed a multitude of projects. But one thing has remained constant - his dedication to the students and staff, and his continued commitment to making our district better. Mr. Thompson received a commendation for his outstanding contribution to the district on September 13, 2021.

**Community Spotlight:** In September, HBC led the charge for collecting donations fa and wide to help support the Red Cross. Overall, 37 pallets of items were collected, and it is a great representation of what Hillsboro really is about- community!

**Your Spotlight!:** Have something you would like to share in the Administrators Newsletter, feel free to email me at <u>Admin@hillsborowi.com</u> 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: <u>https://www.hillsborowi.com/agendas\_minutes</u>

Respectfully, Josh Finch City Administrator- Hillsboro, WI