

A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE WATER UTILITY

I hope winter has finally struck out with warmer weather on deck for the only Swayzee in the world! Our utility team has been working hard this winter and we are anticipating spring's arrival. Our list of projects has grown, and we are excited to get busy.

A few spring projects that are already lined up include a drainage tile for the Carter Lane subdivision. This drainage tile will help significantly with the storm water/flooding issues during periods of wet weather. Our utility team is also committed to fixing slow-moving storm drains. Many of these drains are old, backed up, and even broken down. It's our focus to locate these areas and make the necessary repairs.

We will also be working on a Sanitary Sewer Evaluation. We hope this review of our sewer system will determine areas where rain water is causing excessive flows to our Waste Water Treatment Plant. Isolating and keeping rain water out of our sewer system will cause our "aging" WWTP to operate longer and run more efficiently.

Another project our team will be working on is the construction of a new building at the WWTP. The building will serve as a bigger laboratory and a new polymer pump house.

We also plan to update our water meters and our water meter reading system. A new reading system will streamline our billing/meter-reading process all while ensuring accuracy in accounting for our water usage.

On March 13 and 14, council member Bridgette Boswell and I were able to attend the annual Alliance of Indiana Rural Water Spring Conference in French Lick, Indiana. It was a great opportunity to network with other operators in the industry and attend several classes/events for operators and administrators. Our favorite class was "How to fund building and re-vitalization projects for your town?" It was an exciting learning experience and we look forward to serving in this community for a long time.

The Swayzee Utility team is committed to the continued success of our great town. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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