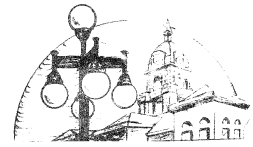


VINTON VIEWPOINT



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Coordinator Notes

On the city's website at www.vintoniowa.net, there is a link to some PowerPoint slides that try to answer the question "Why Vinton?" The slides help promote Vinton to prospective residents and businesses. We can certainly list the many things that help to answer this question.

There are a lot of good things happening in Vinton these days. Yes, there is a new high school and 21st Street is done (finally!). But, we haven't stopped there. Boomtown was a huge success and promises to be even better next year. The city has only five more lots to sell in its Maple Lane subdivision and almost a dozen new homes have been or are about to be built in the city. The city received a \$189,112 grant from FEMA to help build the storm shelter/community center in Maple Lane. The city also has a grant application in to pay for 75 percent or \$12,000 to replace the downtown warning siren. The Innovation group is looking into how to utilize the riverfront more. Did I mention the planned major expansions at several businesses, including the hospital?

Its easy to see why this is such a great place to live!

Water Department

Last month, we said goodbye to our long-time meter reader, Daryn Salger. We have now gone through the application process and are happy to announce that Shane Scott has joined the City as the new meter reader. I am sure many of you will be meeting Shane as he makes his rounds.

Water Pollution Control Department

Twice a year employees at the WPC drain a tank that holds 400,000+ gallons of Biosolids. Biosolids are waste products that are biologically and mechanically removed from the waste treatment process and stored in a tank and further stabilized for land application. Various rules and regulations need to be carried out to apply the biosolids for the safety of landowners and others. biosolids have nutrients and minerals that can be an added bonus for the croplands. Local farmers close to the plant accept the Biosolids which is beneficial to them and the taxpayers by preventing other costly ways to remove stored up waste. The wastewater plant recently purchased a new tractor to pull a slurry wagon. The Street Department also uses it for snow plowing and for the brush dump.

Want to know more about what is going on in Vinton?

Want to read the latest Council minutes or the agenda for the next meeting?

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