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Mayor & Board of Aldermen(Women):

Please accept the following as the **Town Manager's Weekly Report for the Week-ended, Friday, June 13, 2014.**

- The Town received \$11,000 in sales proceeds for the old, orange trash truck that was recently declared as surplus and offered for sale on the Govdeals website. This was \$1,000 greater than the minimum "reserve" we had placed on the unit, and an amount which we feel fortunate to have achieved. These funds will be returned to the General Fund as "sale of asset" revenues for the FY 2014 Budget year.
- This last week, an inspector with the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR) spent two days comprehensively reviewing and inspecting the Town's Waste-water treatment plant and gave us a clean bill of health. This particular individual had not been to the plant since he had served as the inspector when the Town received the large fines and sanctions resulting from the 2007 spill. Given that history, he was favorably impressed as to how the Town has progressed in its maintenance and management of the facility since.
- I am scheduled to speak to a large segment of the local Latino/Hispanic community who reside in Dallas, next Thursday, June 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Oak Grove Trailer park where many are residents. I have graciously accepted the invitation to go and answer questions and to provide updates on Town efforts and issues and to make clear that the Town is constantly striving to improve its level of service and outreach to all segments of our citizenry.
- We are finalizing the Request For Proposals (RFP) for Auditing services for the upcoming Fiscal-Year 2014-2015 and expect to distribute the "request" by next Tuesday, June 17th. From there, we will allow interested firms until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 3rd to return fully-completed proposals. With those in hand, we then expect to make a recommendation for Contract award at the July 15th Board Meeting. We again received contact today from the Office of the State Treasurer inquiring as to why we have continued to remain delinquent in the submission of our FY2013 Audit. I explained the situation with our existing Auditors and further described how we are seeking a new provider for next year. The Treasurer's Office accepted our explanation and efforts as adequate but have now asked that we provide certain financial statements, as well as the Draft Audit that was produced, as an interim measure as we await Collis & Associates certification and submittal of the final Audit.
- Effective this week, we now have all the budgeted police positions filled. Further, we have now begun the process of advertising for the soon-to-be open position of Police Detective, which is becoming available due to the pending retirement of Detective Stoneburner, effective August 30th.

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