

**City of Seward, NE**  
**Tuesday, July 5, 2016**  
**Regular Session**

**Item G7**

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- Bruce Smith**

*Update on July 4 Celebration*

**Administrative Report: The City Council will receive an update on capital and other on-going projects.**

**Staff Contact:**

## CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT - 7-5-16

- Department head meetings as well as many individual meetings with employees and members of the public throughout the weeks.
- Attended the 6/21 Council Meeting.
- Continuing discussions with Blue Stem on the wind turbine.
- Bonnie and I continue working with our bond company, getting information to them for the Bond Issues. The bonds are all sold and the rates are better than anticipated adding to the refinance savings. Paul Grieger of DA Davidson will be attending a future council meeting to discuss the results of the new bond issues and the bond refinancing.
- Met with Channel 8 about the new camera we have on the water tower.
- Met with Nebraska Department of Economic Development to discuss projects in Seward, specifically the rail campus and how to get funding to help develop the area.
- Attended the 4<sup>th</sup> of July committee meeting along with our department heads.
- Met with a company about a new VOiP telephone system for the City.
- Worked with companies on TIF and had 2 TIF closings.
- Continue working on the 2016-2017 Budget.

The departments are working on the following projects to name a few:

- All departments have been preparing for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration.
- Concrete removal and replacement in streets that had heaved because of the heat.
- Sweeping streets.
- Painting crosswalks, striping parking lots, and painting no parking areas.
- Spraying for mosquitos.
- Repaired washout by bridge #2 on Seward Trail.
- Working with Schmader Electric on the Roberts Street Project.
- Put up streamers on Seward Street.
- Checking power around the square for vendors.
- Hung transformer on Locust Street.
- Advertising for 2 new police officers.
- Meeting with Crime Commission on juvenile arrests
- Seward County Justice Center inspections.
- CU - Ruth Dormitory remodel inspections.
- Right-of-way permit reviews.
- Working on Code Red.
- Golf Leagues continue.
- Put up tee box marker signs at golf course.
- Had a baseball and softball tournament utilizing all fields.
- Swimming pool has been very busy.
- Spraying fields and parks for weeds.
- Summer concerts at the Band Shell have started.
- Working on the new dog park.
- Summer programs and summer hours are in effect at the Library.
- Used book sale on the 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Jetting sewers.
- UV light repairs at WWTP.

- Security gate at WWTP is operational. It was paid for with grant money.
- General maintenance of all facilities, doing lots of utility locates.
- Working on NMPP Rate update information for budget.
- Working on wage and benefit survey.
- Bonnie did 2 TIF closings.
- Working on 2016/17 budgets.
- Departments are busy with locates for companies digging in our right of way.