## February 2025 Mayor Report

Hello residents and friends of Mayville!

I wanted to inform everyone that Brad Marx has given his resignation as the Mayville Fire Chief. He would like a smooth transition during the search for a candidate being conducted by the Police and Fire Commission. His last day will be July 10, 2025. I want to wish Mr. Marx congratulations on his retirement from public service and wish him the best of luck in the future. Mr. Marx served our community for over a decade and has improved our fire department greatly over the years by improving training, managing budgets and all other fire department duties. These are big shoes to fill as we move forward into the next generation of fire service.

This month the city received a letter on our appeal from the IRS that they are forgiving around \$23,000 of our \$26,000 penalty from 2022 to 2023 tax year. This is great news so Mayville can move into 2025 for accounting/auditing purposes that will give us a better financial picture.

I had the opportunity to be part of two interviews this month with news outlets to promote our city. One was with WBEV Saturday addition and the second was with Beaver Dam Daily Citizen. We discussed the history of Mayville, last year's accomplishment and what to expect in 2025. I would like to thank both news outlets for giving me the chance to inform residents of our county where Mayville is heading.

Mayville Rotary Club hosted their yearly Bier Fest at the Mayville Park Pavillion. This year's event was outstanding with tasty food, several beer & wine vendors and music. This fund raiser gives back to our community in many ways with proceeds given back to several projects within the city. I want to thank the Mayville Rotary for hosting another great event. Thank You!

On March 2, 2025 the Mayville FFA Alumni will once again be holding their annual breakfast from 8am – 12pm with the proceeds going toward their scholarship program. This program gives students an opportunity to further their education while receiving grant funds to help with their tuition needs. The mayor will also be serving breakfast at the event so come on out and support a great cause!

Lastly, the City Administrator and I attended a Dodge County Economic Development Grant Program meeting. We discussed the counties \$2 million dollar grant that will go toward communities that apply for infrastructure, gap financing and community improvements. This will be a competitive grant process, and the city is evaluating what projects we could apply for along with additional funding needs. More to come.

January & February typically brings bitter cold temperatures and snow. Cabin fever sets in, and residents do not get out as much as they should. I encourage residents to stay active, reach out to family and friends, engage and interact with people. If you're feeling depressed and at a low point in your life, please reach out for help or call city hall for contact assistance.

I enjoy seeing everyone around town and as always stop and say hi.

Mayor Rob