## Mayor Boelk April 2025 Report

Hello Friends and Residents of Mayville!

I want to address concerns raised this month involving the city's chicken ordinance. As of this week we have a dozen residents not in compliance with the chicken ordinance. I want to emphasize the importance of compliance and yearly permitting that need to take place. When the City passed this ordinance, it was for the convenience of residents to have the ability to raise fresh eggs and meat. However, if this is going to be an issue then we will have to readdress the ordinance, so please comply with the law.

Next, I want to inform everyone that we just installed a new tornado siren system in our community. This state-of-the-art siren system is an upgrade from the sirens we previously had. The sirens spin in a 360-degree motion to better alert all citizens in our city. This upgraded system was something I wanted to implement in previous years but did not have the opportunity to upgrade the system. Now we have a reliable alert system for years to come.

I want to thank the City Clerk and all the election/poll workers who gave their time to make the spring election a remarkable success and turn out, thank you! I also would like to thank all the candidates who ran for public office as these elections are especially important.

As we enter spring, when mowing your lawn, it is just a reminder that grass clippings are **not** allowed in the road. This is a city ordinance that we will enforce if needed. Grass clippings on the road is a matter of safety. Please keep this in mind!

And on to a sore note that this past week our city contracted out our Bonding/Borrowing with Ehlers Company who went on the open market and found us the best possible deal so we can receive on borrowing and interest. I want to inform everyone that the sale did not go well, meaning we only had one company bid for the sale (Baird) and the anticipated dollar amount we would spend on interest was around \$400K over the projected target amount. I spoke with the City Administrator, City Treasurer and the Ehlers representative on this issue and made the determination to reject the bid price. As of right now we have

a healthy fund balance in our general fund/savings, and we will do the sale in 3-4 weeks' time.

Lastly, we have a new Alderman of Ward 3, Molly Heinkel will serve in this role for a two-year term. The former Alderman of Ward 3 Mike Schmidt is leaving us, and I would like to wish him well in the future. I have known Mike Schmidt for many years as he served our community and on behalf of the City of Mayville, I want to personally thank him for his dedication toward the city. Thank You!!!

As always, I hope to see you around town, and I want to wish you all a blessed Easter.

Mayor Rob