

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2008

Well Folks,

Things have really changed here in Plain City. We have been a hotbed of building activity in the past few years and now everything has come to a grinding halt. I am actually relieved to see a slowing but we don't want it to get too bad. I am fearful of some bad times ahead as we see some new policies implemented nationally. We will do our best locally to keep things under control and not spend more than what we have.

We just picked up a second hand trailer for our super sound system we purchased last year with some grant money. Brett Ferrin headed up that project and it should serve us well for our 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration and other events here in town.

Things are progressing quite nicely down at our sewer treatment facility. We are very close to being able to start up our PooGloos and have them start treating water. We had quite a bit of work to do to run air lines to each one and also put in a blower to service them with air. We have a new shed which is jointly used by the Sewer dept. and the landfill and all of the equipment is in that building. We were able to get all of our plans, with the exception of the wetlands discussed last month, through the state and now will build our new chlorination basin. It should drastically decrease the amount of chlorine we have to use and allow it to work better in our system. Don Weston has completely remodeled the chemical building and it is now ready for the new equipment we will use with the chlorine.

We were able to buy a new plow to put on our new truck. We are anticipating a rough winter with snow this coming year and will probably need it.

We were successful in purchasing from the Weber School District, the northwest quarter of the old Plain City Town Square. We have been very worried about this and what might happen to it with the district pulling out of the old city center and moving to the new elementary on 3600w. We are continuing to negotiate with them on the old elementary and are not making any headway. I have personally sat through two school board meetings only to have them pull us from the agenda at the end of the meeting. We are upset with their attempts to sell it to a group wanting to put a troubled youth facility in it. I will keep you updated on any progress made.

We are trying to get some help with some designs for the Pioneer Park. This is the park on Pioneer Rd. that we received in trade from the Cemetery District this year. Now that we own the entire piece we are trying to plan for its best use for the city.

Beth Koford has finished the emergency plan started two years ago by Darwin Smith and we were able to adopt it as a city.

Last but certainly not least, we received our year-end audit for our fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. We received an excellent rating and I am pleased to announce we are financially sound. As I mentioned earlier, we are a bit worried going into this year and as of year-end 2009, we are half way through our fiscal year, we are in good shape with greatly reduced revenues. We are holding the line on spending to compensate and we should come through the year in good shape.

I appreciate your support,  
Mayor Jenkins