



THE YEAR 2019 IN REVIEW



City Manager Karen Kurt in conjunction with Platteville Area Industrial Development Corporation Director Ela Kakde and Economic Development Specialist Kate Koziol worked with Kristin Mitchell Design, Inc. to create new cohesive logos. The City logos will be officially rolled out in 2020.



Mary Huck retired from the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums after 32 years of service.

Mary is estimated to have educated as many as 65,000 students during museum field trips, educational programs and outreach activities.

New Faces and Promotions



Joshua Stowe

Angela Wright

Jennifer Smith

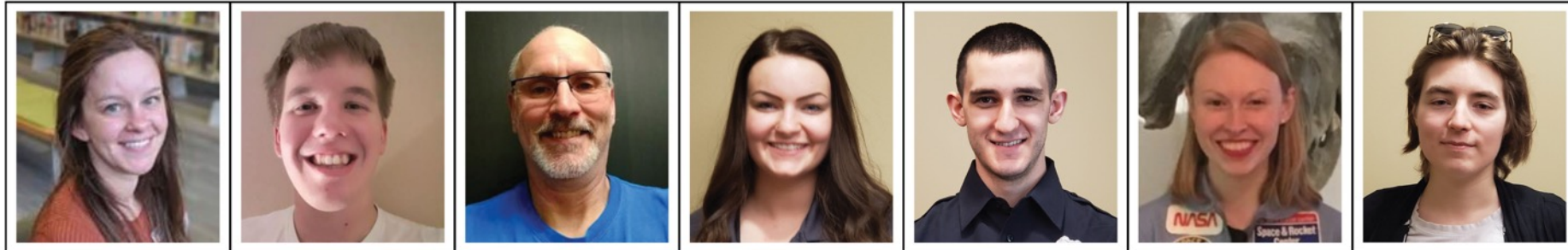
Brooklyn Goldthorpe

Alex Watson

Jerica Schultz

Kelli Mueller

Ryan Pink



Binga Manwiller

Rob Hackett

Mike Bradley

Christal Bean

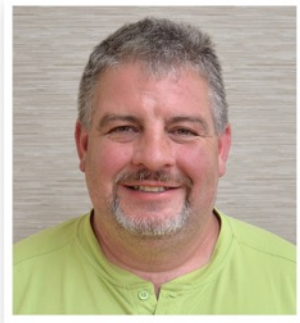
Ethan Glendenning

Amanda Heinsohn

Brianna Miller

During 2019, the City welcomed several new staff, while other staff were promoted to new roles.

New and Departing Council Members



Isaac Shanley, Alderperson District 1
Elected April 2019



Jason Artz, Alderperson At-large
Appointed October 2019



Don Francis, term ended April 2019



Cena Sharp, resigned July 2019



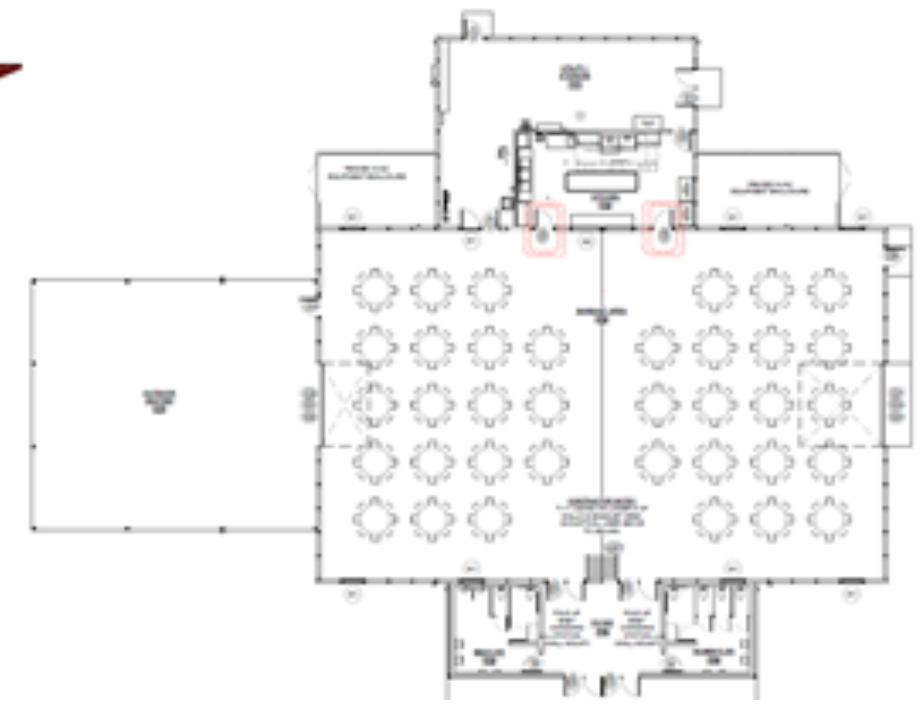
Lewis and Court Streets were reconstructed. Despite some challenges which delayed the project, curb & gutter, sidewalks and paving were completed in late fall. Crews will come back in Spring 2020 to grass seed and mulch.



South



West



2019 saw a great deal of planning for the Legion Park Event Center. This collaboration added to the Platteville experience of public-private partnerships benefitting the community.



The Community Development Department completed a GIS layer with interactive maps for both Greenwood and Hillside cemeteries that can be resourced by staff and citizens.

The Friends of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums continued its philanthropic work, with the goal of raising \$73,000 in 2019 for the Museums – including \$47,000 to support museum operations in response to the reduction in funding from tax levy dollars.

As of December 4, the Friends are at 61% of their annual goal, and 81% of their Museum Operations Support goal!





The revised and redesigned Employee Handbook was finalized and adopted in February.



Reconstruction of the Legion Field Parking Lot was started in fall 2018, but work was delayed due to extremely wet weather.

The project was completed in spring 2019.

In May and June, City staff relocated to temporary offices in preparation for Phase 1 construction of the City Hall remodel.





Bonson Street between Furnace and Market Street was converted to a one-way street to reduce crashes at the intersection of Bonson and Furnace.

The conversion included a handicapped parking stall with curbing to direct Bonson Street traffic onto Market Street. Landscaping was completed by the Parks Division.

Approximately 80 community members attended Loud @ the Library, and the Foundation raised over \$1,600 at the event.



Total attendance at the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums from January to November was 9,455 people!



Heavy rain this year delayed many projects and created new projects, including replacing the bridge along the David Canny Rountree Branch Trail.

City staff and Digman Construction reset the bridge at a higher elevation to reduce the chance of further washouts.

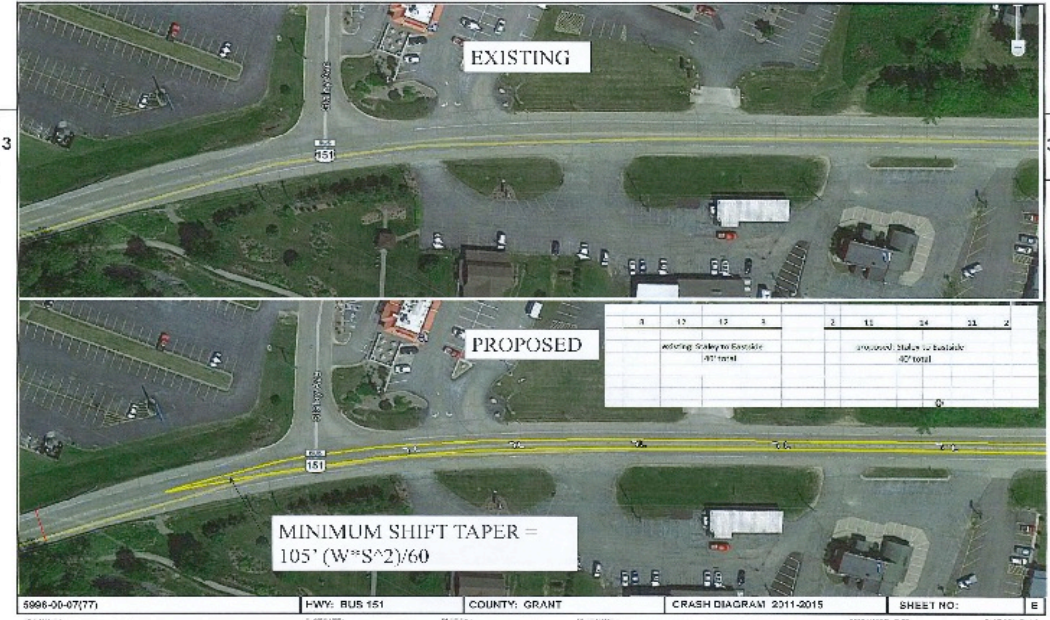
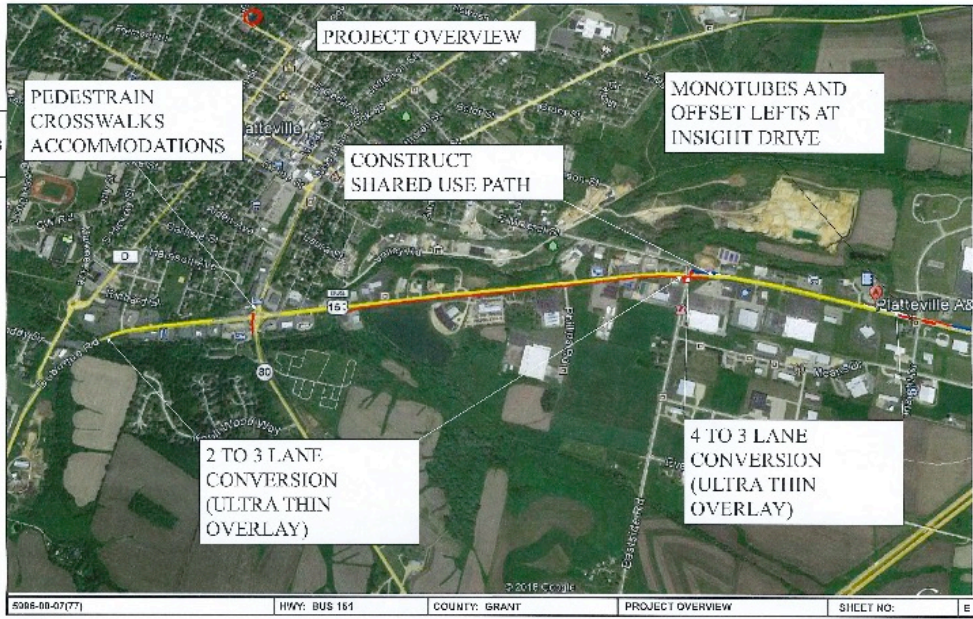


Sergeant Josh Grabandt volunteered for the Westview dunk tank at the end of the year school party held in June.





Community Development staff completed the grant administration for the former Pioneer Ford property redevelopment which assisted with the construction of the Ruxton Apartments.



Community input resulted in an increase in project scope for the Business 151 Highway Safety Improvement Program. The scope was increased to include pedestrian crossings at Water Street and bike accommodations from Staley Avenue to Water Street.



Volunteers worked 910 hours at The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums from January to November 2019!

- Dave Ralph was voted Volunteer of the Year
- The Sigma Pi fraternity continued its partnership with the Museums
- A new partnership was forged with the Grant County Master Gardener Association
- The Wednesday Green Team Volunteer program began



As part of the renovation, new HVAC units were installed on the roof of City Hall.



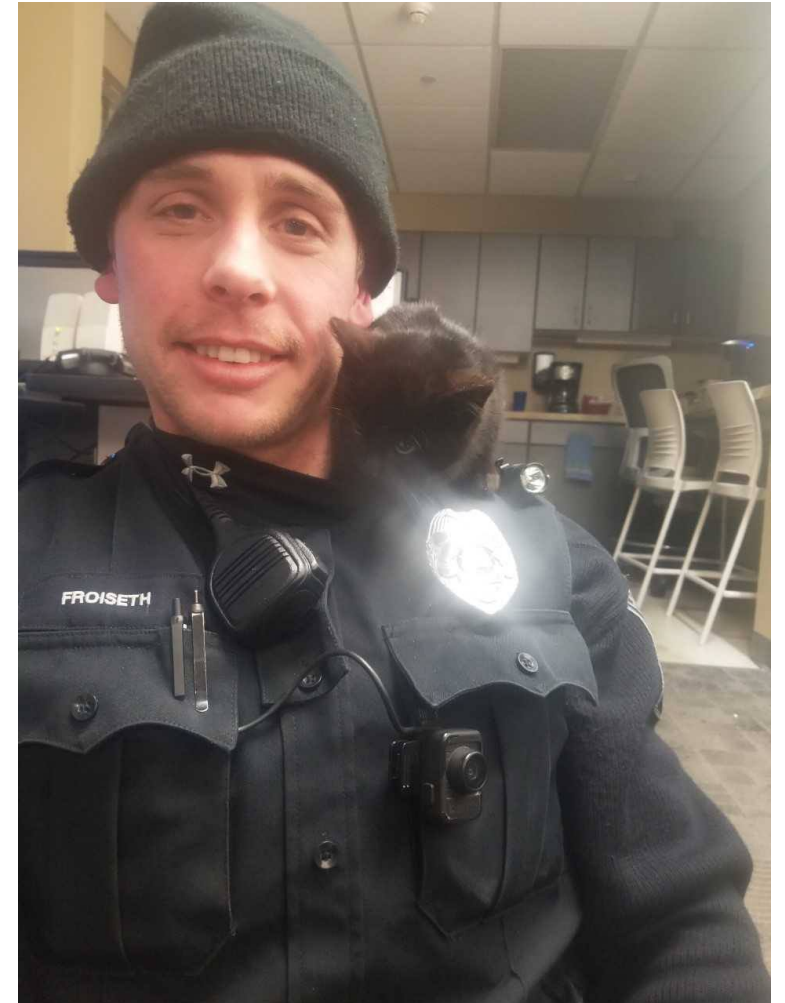
Former City Manager Karen Kurt wished us farewell in August. After a three-month search process, the Council announced the selection of Adam Ruechel of Marshall, WI as our new City Manager.



Animal Rescues!

In January, Donut the kitty was rescued from a snowbank and adopted by Platteville PD Officer Froiseth. They both became instant celebrities!

In July, Sgt. Grabandt rescued nine ducklings after the mother of the ducklings had been struck by a car.





PEAK Program Volunteer of the Year Eileen McCartney's yoga and strength class has become a favorite senior activity.



Hillside Cemetery paving was completed in July with extensive support to prepare the road base by the Street Division and J&N Stone.



Library employees serve on the Main Street Promotions Committee, the PATH Board, and work with a variety of community service organizations.



Officer Paul Rehlinger and Officer Coree Lee of the Platteville Police Department serve as members of the local Law Enforcement Honor Guard. Officer Simeon Morrell participates as well by playing *Taps* during services.



The Platteville Police Department participated in the *Cops on a Rooftop* fundraiser at Dunkin' Donuts to collect donations on behalf of the Special Olympics.



With grant support from the Platteville Community Fund and Inspiring Community, the Madison/Water Street and Markee Avenue roundabouts received makeovers.



City and University of Wisconsin-Platteville staff partnered on these projects.

The Department of Public Works has removed 20% of the City's public ash trees.

This work was leveraged for a grant to aid homeowners with removals and replacements on private property.



Volunteers put together Delta 3 Packs – nonperishable foods provided to students who may not have enough to eat at home.





Community Development staff completed the zoning approval for the conversion of the former Kmart building to a U-haul moving and storage facility.

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The Museums designed and installed a Museum Terrace Pollinator in partnership with the Grant County Master Gardeners Association.



The Library sponsored the second annual Community Involvement Fair in January 2019. Approximately thirty organizations participated in the event.

The fair will happen again on January 25, 2020. Mark your calendars!



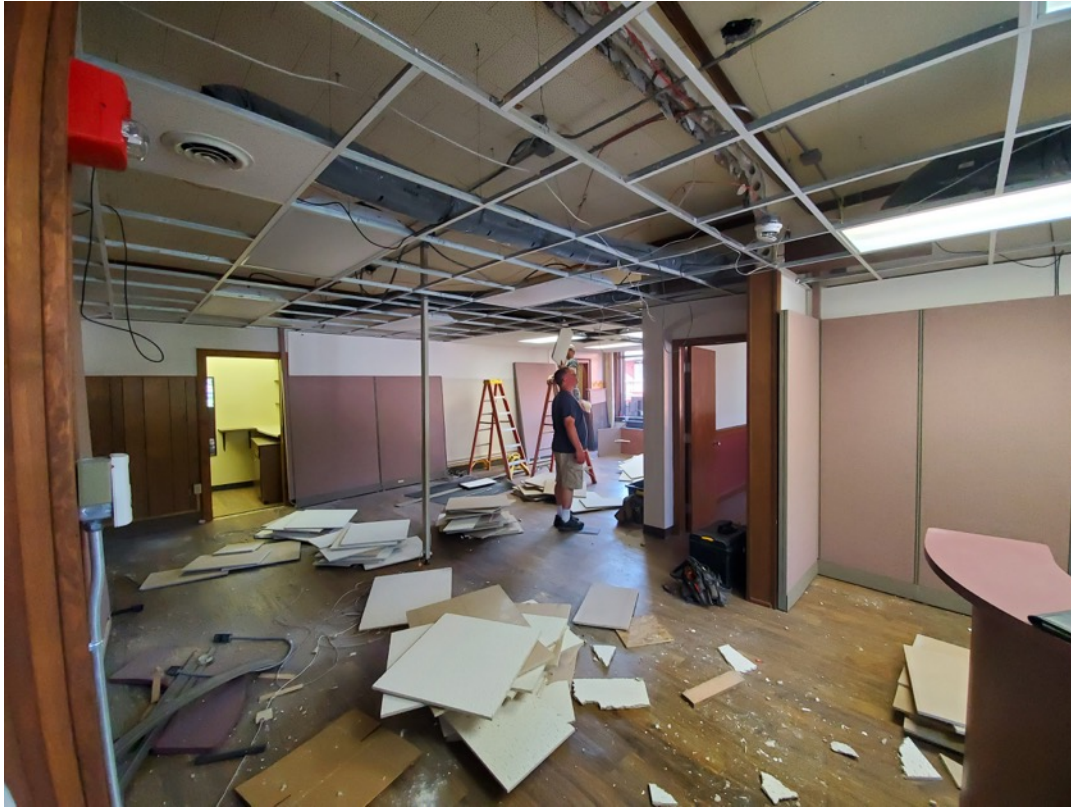


A thin overlay was completed on Camp Street from Lancaster Street to Western Avenue.



In lieu of the citizen's academy, the Platteville Police Department chose to have an Open House.

Over 80 attendees toured the Police Department and participated in demos which included areas of: Fingerprinting, Dispatch, Body Cameras, Firearms, Child Safety Seat Checks, Arrest Tactics and more!



In July, contractors began gutting the former City Manager/City Clerk office and all upstairs offices.



The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums collaborated with the UW-Platteville College of Engineering, Math & Sciences on a mining engineers' reunion over Homecoming Weekend.



*Distinguished
Budget
PRESENTATION
Award*

For the third consecutive year, the City received the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

The award, given for the 2019 Budget, was accomplished with the dedicated work of the Administration Department, Department Directors and City Manager.

New park signs were created and installed over the summer. The new signs are a continuation of a city-wide branding effort.



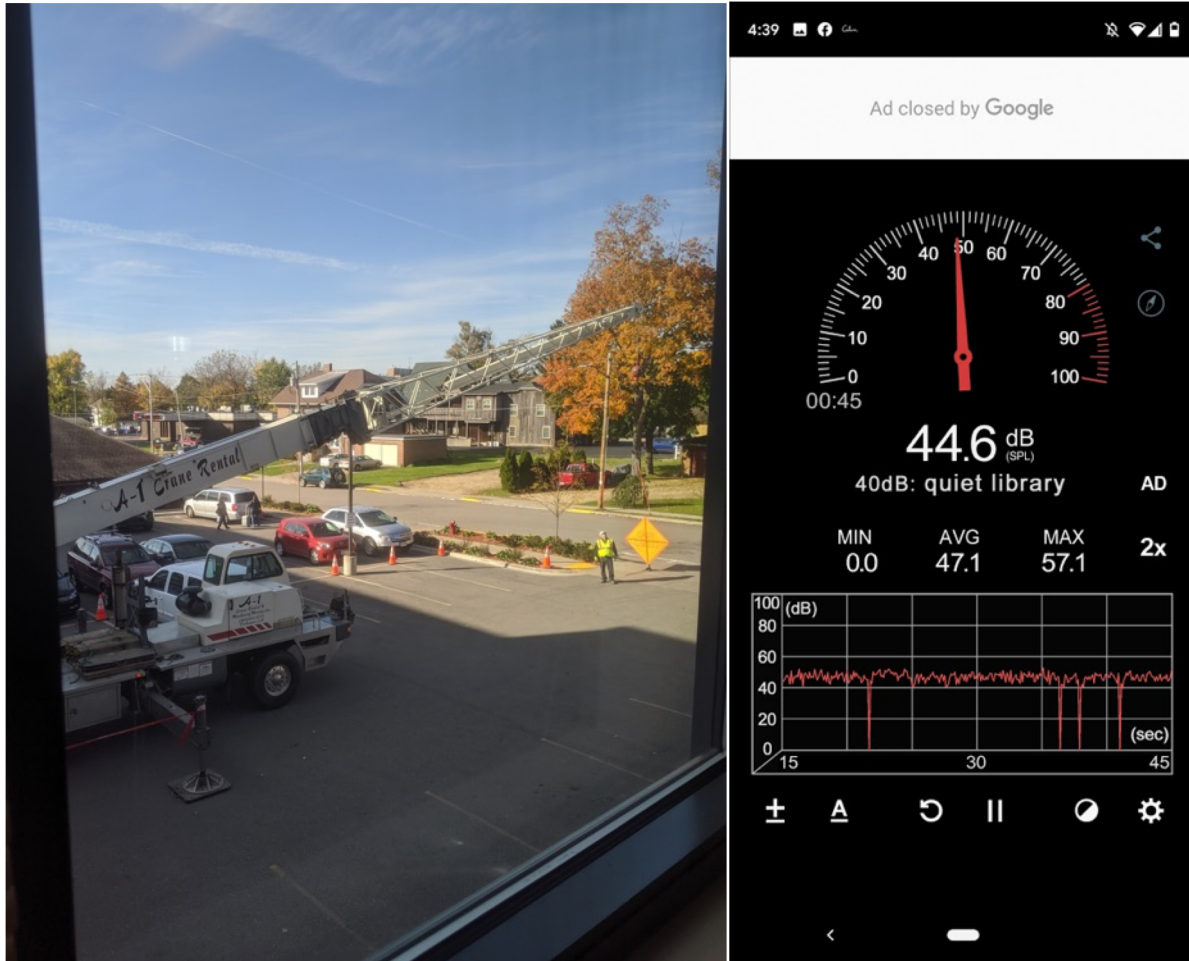


Senior Center participants were treated to a free breakfast and tour of the Holiday Inn Express and Platteville Public Library.



The African American Miners Exhibit was awarded the Beselme-Orrell Heritage Award by the Mining History Association.

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- Building Maintenance Specialist Shannon Butson installed hail guards to protect the Library rooftop HVAC units.
- Rooftop units were moved to lower the noise levels in the Community Room.
- Electronic locks were added to three of the Library public entrance doors.



City of Platteville Police Chief Doug McKinley and University of Wisconsin-Platteville Police Chief Joe Hallman participated in the Stuff-The-Cruiser Event in October. Items collected were provided to a local food pantry.



Senior Center participants were treated to a sneak peak of Platteville High School's musical *The Addams Family*.



The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums refinished and relocated two 1957 Koehring Dumptor dump trucks.

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The culminating project of the NEA Our Town grant-supported PATH project was the Chalk & Cheese festival – a food and art festival in City Park on June 22. The event was attended by more than 150 visitors.

A partnership was established with Platteville Public Schools, PAIDC, Southwest Health and local banks to conduct a housing study.

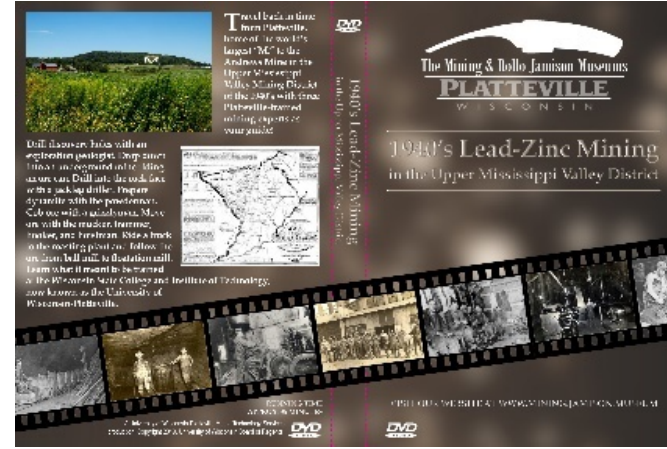
Community Development staff assisted in the completion of the housing study and needs analysis.

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Alden Avenue sewer and water replacements were completed in May and August respectively.



With grant support, The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums produced a new documentary video, now on exhibit for all museum visitors, and for sale on DVD in the Museum Store.



With grant support, a new promotional video was produced and is available on the Museums YouTube channel and social media outlets.



Sergeant Kris Purkapile successfully completed the 10-week School of Police Staff and Command.



Despite delays outside of City control, the new Camp Street sidewalk was completed in late August, before the start of the school year.



Community Development staff administered a historic preservation fund grant to assist with nominating the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums and Hanmer Robbins School and three private properties to the National Register of Historic Places.

Kindergarten students from the Platteville School District toured the Police Department. They learned what the department does and had the opportunity to ask questions.





The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums Depot and Mine Entrance were painted by Sherwin-Williams during National Painting Week.

The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums offered several programs throughout the year:

Miners Ball – January 19

Winter Lyceum (7 Talks) – February to April

Miners' Forum – May 5

Make Music Platteville – June 21

PATH Chalk & Cheese Fest – June 22

Heritage Days – July 4

College For Kids – July 8-11

Young Pioneers – July 15-18

Driftless Star Party – August 23

Historic Re-enactment – September 6-8

Haunted Mine Tour – October 26

Horse Drawn Carriage Rides – December 6, 13, 20

Holiday Mine Sing – December 14





Monday 9 am - 8 pm | Tuesday 9 am - 8 pm | Wednesday 9 am - 8 pm | Thursday 9 am - 8 pm | Friday 9 am - 6 pm | Saturday 9 am - 5 pm | Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm

New at the library

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Kids Catalog

HOME

Animals Art, Dance, Mu... Health & Medic... History Hobbies & Ga... Holidays Kid's Issues Nature

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The Library endured a major upgrade to the integrated library system (library catalog), Verso. Staff navigated this challenge with a smile and continue to adapt as the technology improves.

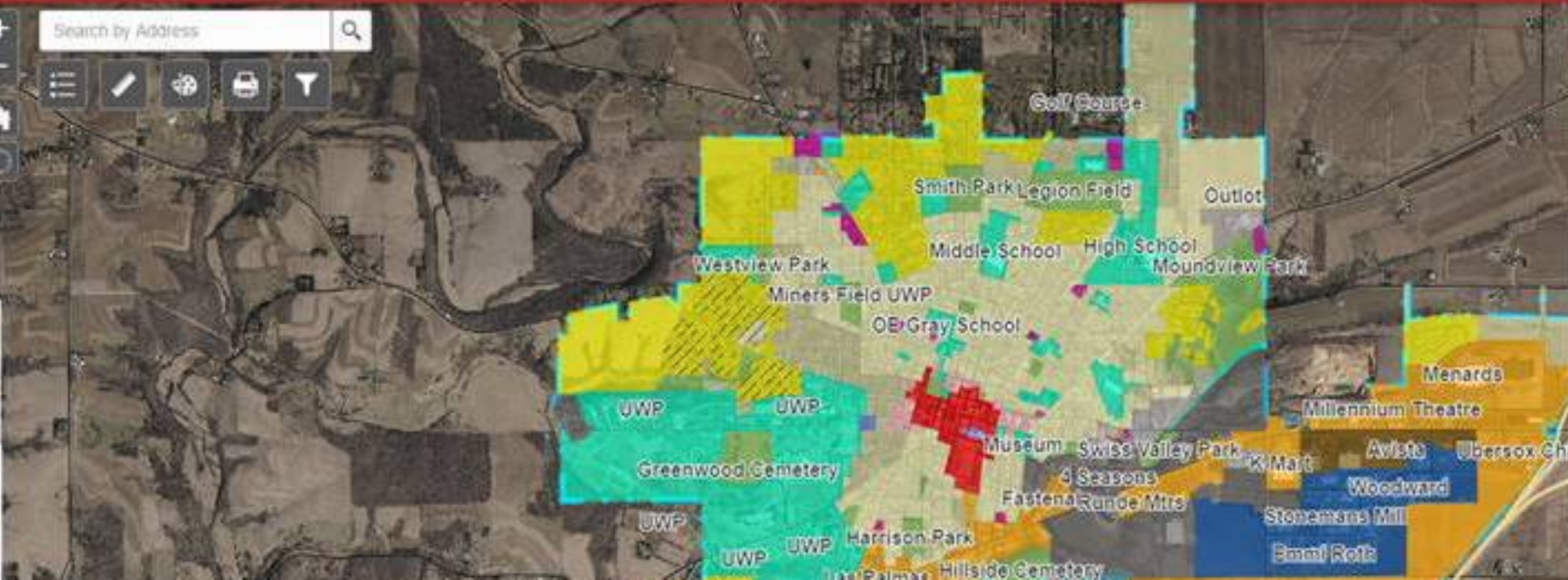


Construction began on the Legion Park Event Center.

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Platteville GIS Layers Platteville Parks Platteville Parking

PLATTEVILLE Platteville Places Public GIS



Layer List

- Zoning
 - PUD
 - RLO- LIMITED OCCUPANCY RESIDENTIAL
 - R1- ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R2- ONE & TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R3- MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - I1- INSTITUTIONAL
 - C1- CONSERVANCY
 - B1- NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS
 - B2- CENTRAL BUSINESS
 - CBT- CENTRAL BUSINESS TRANSITION
 - B3- HIGHWAY BUSINESS
 - M1- HEAVY COMMERCIAL/LIGHT INDUSTRIAL

The Community Development Department completed a comprehensive electronic and paper update to the official zoning map.



A project to restore fifty-two upper level windows of the Hanmer Robbins building, where the majority of the museum collections are kept, was completed. Clear window film and solar shades were installed to protect collections from UV radiation damage.

New pickleball court lines were added to the courts at Memorial Park.

The project was completed in partnership with UW-Platteville.





Construction in the former City Manager/City Clerk office was completed in December. This space is the new home of the combined Finance department including Water & Sewer billing. Staff moved on Friday, December 6 and an Open House was held on Friday, December 13.



The Police Department held the 9th Annual Community Picnic in September. This year's event was held at Harrison Park.



Community Development staff completed the review and inspections for the Aldi building addition and remodeling project.

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The Community Safe Routes Committee installed flags on portions of downtown Main Street to help with pedestrian visibility.

Construction on Well 6 began in fall of 2018. This project improves water clarity and lifespan.

Start up procedures took place in late June and Well 6 was completed and online July 15.

Well 4 closed when Well 6 became functional.





The City received a new bus on September 29 and a new taxi on June 26.



The Platteville Public Library offered a variety of amazing programs in 2019.

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The Platteville Airport received funding through the state Bureau of Aeronautics to replace the 30-year old underground fuel tanks.

Despite some delays in the manufacture and installation of the new tanks, they were up and running by the September 30 ribbon cutting ceremony.





The Mining and Rollo Jamison Museums installed Women's Suffrage Centennial Exhibit and hosted a special celebration.

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Community Development staff assisted with the creation and approval of a pedestrian crossing near the Rountree Commons residence hall on Chestnut Street.



People love PEAK's Day Trips! Four sold out trips in 2019 and more to come in 2020.





In December, the Platteville Police Department participated in the annual *Shop With a Cop* program. This program gives children in need a chance to shop with a cop to find gifts for their families.