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Dear Council, Office Staff, and Public Works Employees:

I turned in my resignation with feelings of gratitude and appreciation. You have made my years of service as mayor enjoyable and somewhat successful. The present council has been so supportive and capable. They have wisely made very difficult and challenging decisions. As we all know, difficult decisions will continue and I have confidence in this careful, wise council knowing that every decision will be carefully made after all the information is reviewed and discussed and their different views are open and reviewed. After the decisions are made, they become united.

When I was elected for the second time in 2004, after serving four years 1968-72, it was my good fortune to have well-trained and efficient office personnel – City Clerk Sharon Bell and Treasurer Marcie Smith, They managed to keep the city running smoothly and kept me on track and out of serious trouble. My appreciation for those two employees is beyond my ability to verbalize. Marcie was replaced in 2013 by an enthusiastic Wendy Walker (now Wendy McLaughlin). She took over the office of treasurer and was a fast learner and very efficient.

In April 2014 a faithful and qualified public servant Sharon Bell resigned after 16 years of service, and Wendy took over the clerk position. With considerable help from Sharon, she has made the adjustment well and Wendy is presently serving as Clerk-Treasurer. She has mastered both jobs and still remains enthusiastic and certainly capable and efficient. We will miss Lexie Moser, who I call "Miss Everything," as she worked during the summer months in the office, mowed lawns, and weeded flower gardens, and did whatever was asked of her.

I personally have really missed Sharon Bell for her 16 years of service, background knowledge of city affairs, information and ability. We still miss her and are grateful that she comes back occasionally and helps us often out of difficulty.

I am also grateful for the public works director, Zane Baler, and his assistant, Arlynn Jacobson. These two men carry a heavy responsibility 24 hours a day. One or both of them has to be on call for every emergency – water, sewer, snow removal. I also appreciate their pride and effort in keeping the city looking nice. The parks are superb and the streets are swept frequently and their responsibility seems never to end.

I am grateful for the Tree and Beautification Committee, who continue to work on projects to enhance the city -- the flowers on Center Street, the maintenance of the area around the city entrance signs, their constant effort to improve the appearance of the city does not go unnoticed. Their most recent project is to consider new street lighting.

The Planning and Zoning Commission are much like the council, constantly bombarded with difficult decisions, as they serve to protect the city from improper building construction as well as location, etc. Their responsibilities are numerous and difficult. ***Thanks to all who have made my job as mayor enjoyable and rewarding.***

Sincerely,

Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor