

## MAYOR'S REPORT MAY 2013

Our biggest news for the month of May is certainly the dedication of the Veterans Memorial Park and Gazebo. It was utilized for the first time during the Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 27, 2013. This was the vision of Council President David Reichelt and, with the help of our Service Department and Boy Scout Troop 562, we were able to have the park ready for dedication with many veterans looking on. The Veterans Memorial Park will serve as a reminder to honor our veterans for the sacrifices they endured to preserve our freedom. In addition to the beautiful stone that was placed prior to the park, the seating will allow for park usage for other ceremonies, weddings and events. It will alleviate the need to stand in the driveway of the Veterans Memorial to attend a ceremony. Our Service Department worked many hours to ensure that the park would be ready for the ceremony. They installed the benches, planted grass and flowers, brought in landscape stones, and did many other tasks to make the park a beautiful setting. Boy Scout Troop 562 was instrumental in the completion of the footbridge to the memorial. Scout member Jonathan Rullis was able to lead this project and used it as his Eagle Scout project. Some of the benches have already been “purchased” by residents and plaques commemorating their dedication will soon be placed. There are still opportunities to purchase benches, however, for a lasting memory of a service member or loved one. Please visit our website or stop by City Hall to pick up a form to be able to do this.

In closing, many thanks again to all members of our community who made this dream a reality. It will remain in our community for many years to come.

