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## **CARLOS CLERK REPORT JUNE 2023**

- 1) Meters read 6/1/23. Water bills were done and sent June 6<sup>th</sup>. Late Fees this month were \$240.10.
- 2) I watched the free Webinars by the MN Small Cities Organization and the League of MN Cities pertaining to summaries of accomplishments (and items that didn't get accomplished) of the 2023 MN Legislature. I have sent a copy of the Power Point presentation from LMC to all Council members.
  - There will be a one time distribution for public safety to all MN cities based on 2022 population, ours will be \$21,792. This can be spent on a broad variety of uses: anything for fire department or to make the city safer. We could combine these funds with our ARPA funds to purchase an emergency medical vehicle. There will also be a special one time distribution for Small City Assistance which is in addition to the increase all MN Cities will receive. Before these additional allocations, we were set to receive \$105,159. Now we will receive \$58,757 more for a total of \$163,916.
  - There were a lot of funds going to transportation grants and matching funds; I plan to try to learn how Carlos can access those monies.
  - You have probably heard that Cannabis possession and home growth will become decriminalized August 1, 2023. That will take a while to get all the regulations set up on that. What I do know so far is that licenses to sell it are given by the state; Cities will do a registration process.
  - They approved a Paid Family and Medical leave Insurance program was passed to become effective January 1, 2026. This will work similarly to the Unemployment Insurance Program.
  - A new requirement for employers to provide employees of one hour paid sick and safe time for every 30 hours worked. This becomes effective January 1, 2024.
  - Juneteenth becomes an official Minnesota holiday, as well as already being a Federal holiday. That becomes effective this month on June 19.
- 3) I am registered to attend the League of Minnesota Cities annual Conference in Duluth June 21-24. I am signed up for classes to assist me in the process of obtaining some of the many grant dollars available.