CITY SETS STREET PROJECTS

The City Council has approved various street projects over the summer months. First, will be the completion of the North 8th street project from Amos to 9th street. Besides the new bridge, the City will widen and lay down new asphalt to complete the project. Next, the City will address the added traffic and safety issues south of the Community Field House. This project will include assistance from Allen County Public Works in reworking and widen streets around the high school. Finally, again with the help of Allen County, the City will perform maintenance on south 8th street, north 2nd street and the entrance to Mt. Hope Cemetery. Please check the City web site at www.humboldtks.org to find out information regarding street repairs and closings. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall.

SEWER REPAIRS CONTINUE

Sewer line and manhole repairs continue during the summer months. With the help of I-CON Underground from Lawrence, over $1 million worth of repairs and replacement to the sewer system will have been completed. Questions, call City Hall.

HUMBOLDT SWIMMING POOL

The City swimming pool is open daily through Labor Day during the following hours:
- 1-5 PM Open Pool
- 6-8 PM Open Pool
- 8-10 PM Pool parties

Daily admission rates are $1.25 for children and seniors and $1.50 for adults. Children under six (6) are free.

Season passes are on sale at the pool. Questions, call 473-3291.
CITY OPENS NEOSHO STREET

At the June meeting, the City Council voted to re-open Neosho Street to two way traffic again north of the grade school. The street had been one way during the school year on a trial basis. However, one way traffic routes will continue south of the Humboldt Community Field House on New York and 11th street. Humboldt schools have also announced they will work to improve pedestrian safety with new sidewalks and lighting.

REBUILDING THE SQUARE SETS MISSION AND GOALS

At its Vision Retreat held in May, the Rebuilding the Public Square Steering Committee was presented with a mission and goals to help Humboldt build on its assets. The mission statement “A community of faith built on values where opportunities flourish. Come, live well and love it” included the following goals;
1. Develop new housing.
2. Identify volunteers for Mission Humboldt projects.
3. Improve community activities.
4. Involve youth in government.
5. Start shadowing programs for high school students.
Local citizen volunteers will now begin leadership training and learn how to turn the goals into reality. For more information, contact City Hall or go to www.humboldtkansas.org.

CITY CONTINUES WITH HOME REPAIR GRANT

The City has received 18 grant applications to help citizens of moderate and lower incomes in Humboldt get financial assistance to repair or upgrade their homes. Site inspections will be completed this summer with repairs to start later.

TAX REFUND INCENTIVES FOR PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The City has implemented a tax refund program for property owners located in the Central Business District or in South Humboldt. Called the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan, property owners can apply for tax refunds on any new improvements made after January 1, 2008 that exceed $3,000 for residential and $5,000 for commercial property. The refunds are good for a period of ten years. To find out if you qualify, contact City Hall at 473-3232 or go to web site at www.humboldtkansas.org.

CITY TARGETS NUISANCES

The City has hired a new Code Compliance Director to work with homeowners to bring their properties up to current housing code. Several nuisance abatements have been ordered by the City and demolitions started. If you have questions, contact Craig Mintz at 473-3232.