

2024 State of the City



City Financials

2023 Year End City Financials		
	2023 Expenses	Unencumbered Balance
General Fund	\$ 11,655,914	\$ 5,475,695
Rainy Day Fund	\$ -	\$ 2,177,580
Park & Rec. Fund	\$ 4,745,746	\$ 2,011,495
ARPA	\$ 1,479,185	\$ 190,471
EDIT Fund	\$ 2,136,675	\$ 3,028,337



Heart of Jasper (HOJ) Main Street Program

- HOJ Façade Grant Program awarded \$59,000 to seven recipients.
 - \$50,000 seed money from EDIT provided by the City
 - \$177,000 in total private investment to the downtown
- \$81,000 granted to five businesses to start up or relocate to downtown
 - 10 businesses started up and 11 businesses relocated in the Heart of Jasper District
- In collaboration with the Dubois County Community Foundation, two downtown alleys were activated with public art: Astra Alley and Piano Alley
- Coordinated the Downtown Chowdown, Celebrate the Square, and Shop and Sip events
- Hosted OCRA Community Exchange with 40 attendees to share best practices on Economic Vitality

Personnel & Safety

- ▶ INSHARP Certification (IOSHA)
- ▶ 3 Recordable Injuries
- ▶ 0 Lost time accident (one year and three plus month, over 450,000 hours worked)
- ▶ Employee healthcare experience yielded no extra cost to employees in 2024.
- ▶ Avg. Age of Employees: 46
- ▶ Avg. Years of Service: 13
- ▶ Targeting “Cyber Ready Community” designation by IOT

Department	Full	Part	Total	Seasonal
Electric	19	0	19	
Gas & Water	23	1	24	
Wastewater	20	0	20	
Util Bus. Office	10	2	12	
Street	35	5	40	
Police	34	9	43	
Park	17	52	69	55
City Hall	20	1	21	
Arts	6	4	10	
Fire	1	36	37	
Councilmembers		7	7	
Util Serv. Board		7	7	
Bldg./Plan Board		11	11	
TOTALS	185	135	320	375

City of Jasper

- ▶ Retirements
 - ▶ Jerry Schitter
 - ▶ Scott Eckerle
- ▶ New Appointments/Hires
 - ▶ Stan Seifert
 - ▶ Matt Kiefer
 - ▶ Josh Gunselman
- ▶ Career Cruise at Jasper High School



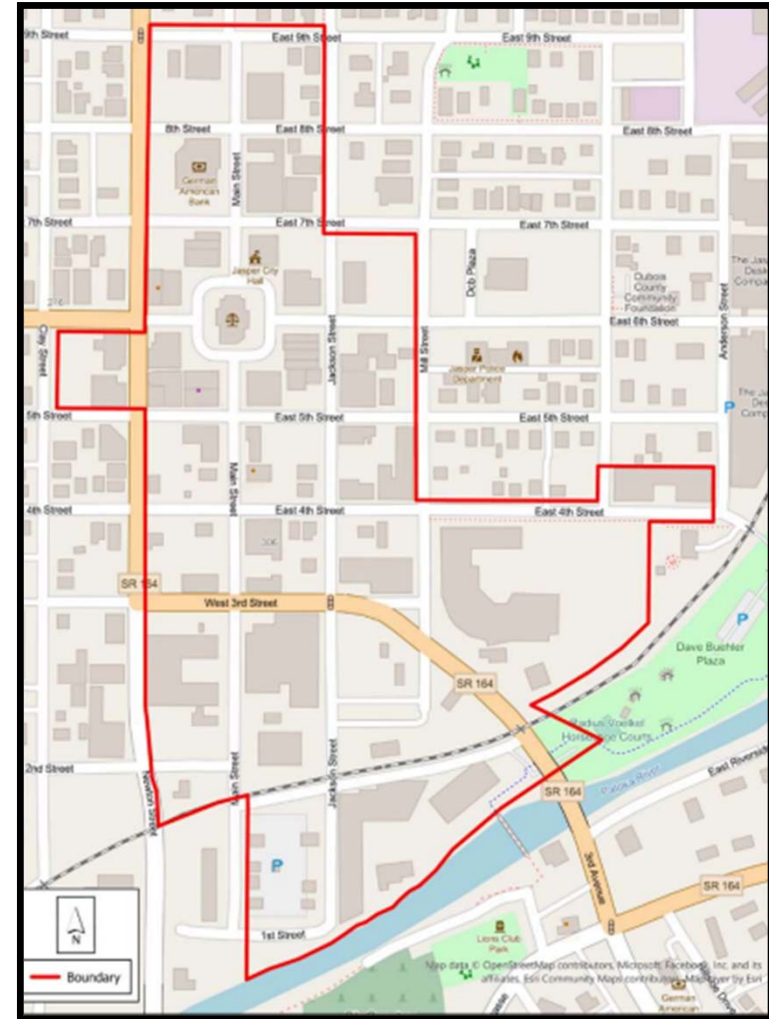
City of Jasper

- ▶ Phase 1 Downtown Revitalization completed
- ▶ Four Corner Gathering Spaces – Private Donors
- ▶ Awarded the 2023 Indiana Uplands Quality of Place Attraction Award



Planning Department

- ▶ 327 Permits Issued
 - ▶ 162 Building Permits
 - ▶ 23 Mobile Food Vendors
 - ▶ 33 Single-Family
 - ▶ 66 Duplex/Multi-Family Units Created
- ▶ \$35,946,063 for investments from permits
- ▶ UDO updated
- ▶ DORA District Established



Utilities Office

- ▶ Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project for Electric, Water, and Gas Utilities is approx. 50.5% complete
- ▶ Online credit card payments account for approx. 17% of monthly payments
- ▶ Challenges include replacing the extensive job knowledge of UBO staff that has retired in the past year or will be retiring in the coming year(s)



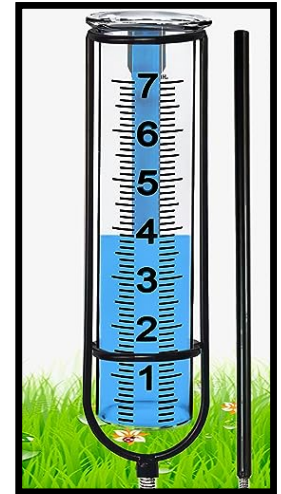
Utilities Office

- ▶ Annual bad debt write-off amount totaled \$14,086.61 out of estimated \$44,221,080 in sales – represents .0319% of sales
- ▶ Collected \$17,106.65 through Small Claims collection process
- ▶ Collected \$9,065.03 through the Tax Refund Exchange and Compliance System



Wastewater Department

- ▶ Treated 867 million gallons of wastewater
- ▶ Inspected 235 laterals in which 54 failed
- ▶ Applied 322.63 tons of bio solids to farm grounds
- ▶ Recorded 40.54 inches of rain in 2023
- ▶ Completed 3rd and final phase of the SCADA upgrade



Gas and Water Department

- ▶ Tested 1,864 drinking water samples and 2,446 swimming pool samples
- ▶ Processed 643,300,810 gallons of water at the filtration plant
- ▶ Smart Points were installed
 - ▶ 1,721 Water
 - ▶ 686 Gas
- ▶ Replaced / Added 8 hydrants
- ▶ 6,595' of new gas main installed
- ▶ 3,330' of new water main installed
- ▶ 36 water main breaks were fixed
- ▶ 18 gas services installed



Electric Department

- ▶ 4650 meters of new AMI installed
 - ▶ 4503 were changed out to existing services/customers
 - ▶ 147 were to new services/customers
- ▶ 1.25 miles of new primary underground lines installed
- ▶ Added 12 new decorative light poles downtown
- ▶ Updated SCADA system to get ready for fiber to the substation
- ▶ Installed new meters at north substation



Jasper Police Department

- ▶ Retired
 - ▶ SGT. Adam Bower
- ▶ Hired
 - ▶ 2 Part-Time Dispatchers
 - ▶ Jon Fleck & Daniel Moore
 - ▶ K9 Officer Gator
- ▶ New Guns and Optics
- ▶ Exterior Vests
- ▶ 19,167 Calls for Service
- ▶ 482 Arrests (196 for Drugs)
- ▶ 552 Property Damage Accidents
- ▶ Traffic
 - ▶ 3,952 Warnings
 - ▶ 954 Citations



Jasper Volunteer Fire Department

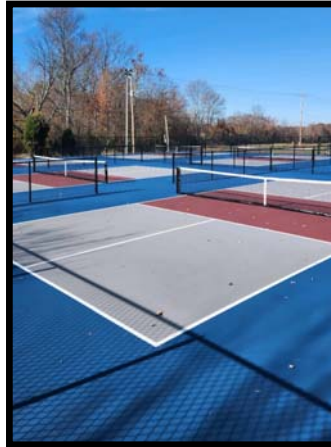
- Purchased four new Thermal Imaging Cameras
- Purchased Gear Washer
- 452 Total Alarm Responses
 - 229 Medical Assists
 - 23 Fire
 - 23 Smoke or odor removal
 - 26 Public Service Assistance
 - 120 False alarm calls
 - 31 Misc.
- Completed New Asset Management Program
- 37 Volunteer Fire Fighters



JFD Asset Mgt 2024											
		Inflation	2%	Invest	0.00%						
Items:	Reserve Item:	P.	Replace Date	Basis Cost	Qty	Units	Current Cost	Est Life	Rem Life	Future Cost	
	Roof Station 1		01/01/2043	\$ 27,000.00	1		\$ 27,000.00	20	20	\$ 40,265.86	
	Roof Station 2		01/01/2033	\$ 23,000.00	1		\$ 23,000.00	20	10	\$ 28,087.59	
	Roof Station 3		01/01/2033	\$ 23,000.00	1		\$ 23,000.00	20	10	\$ 28,087.59	
	Buildings & Structures		01/01/2024	\$ 10,000.00	0		\$ 10,000.00	1	0	\$ 10,000.00	
	Equipment		01/01/2024	\$ 34,000.00	0		\$ 34,000.00	1	0	\$ 34,000.00	
							\$ 117,000.00			\$ 140,441.03	
	Paint all 3 stations inside		01/01/2024	\$ 27,000.00	1		\$ 27,000.00	15	0	\$ 27,000.00	
	Subscriptions & Dues		01/01/2024	\$ 650.00	0		\$ 650.00	1	0	\$ 650.00	
	Retirement Plant Contrib		01/01/2024	\$ 39,000.00	0		\$ 39,000.00	1	0	\$ 39,000.00	
	Retirement Pensions		01/01/2024	\$ 22,500.00	0		\$ 22,500.00	1	0	\$ 22,500.00	
	Funeral Benefits		01/01/2024	\$ 8,000.00	0		\$ 8,000.00	1	0	\$ 8,000.00	
							\$ 97,150.00			\$ 97,150.00	
	Trucks										
	100' Mid Mount Tower 1994		01/01/2024	\$ 1,850,000.00	1		\$ 1,850,000.00	25	0	\$ 1,850,000.00	
	Pumper Engine 2 Purchased 2000		01/01/2029	\$ 600,000.00	1		\$ 600,000.00	25	6	\$ 676,430.54	
	75' Aerial ladder truck 2005		01/01/2030	\$ 1,500,000.00	1		\$ 1,500,000.00	25	7	\$ 1,725,209.64	
	Pumper Engine 7 Purchased 2011		01/01/2037	\$ 600,000.00	1		\$ 600,000.00	25	14	\$ 793,692.88	

Parks Department

- ▶ Buffalo Trace Golf Course
 - ▶ Record number of rounds played (25,686)
 - ▶ Driving Range completed with anticipation to open in April
- ▶ Completed 6 Pickleball Courts at Buehler Park
- ▶ Ruxer 18 Hole Disc Golf Course completed and opened – 1162 rounds played
- ▶ Key fobs installed at all Park facilities
- ▶ City Mill wheel repaired (\$20,000)



Parks Department

- ▶ Parklands Wetlands Inspection Passed Year 2
- ▶ New Water Bottle Fill/Fountains at multiple locations
- ▶ Concrete Ping Pong Table and Cornhole Boards at Dave Buehler Plaza
- ▶ Habig Center record number of exercise participants - 87
- ▶ Pooch's Playground membership up - 87
- ▶ Universal Carousel installed at Jaycee Park



Arts Department

- ▶ Completed remodel of auditorium lobby
 - ▶ About \$630,000 project
 - ▶ Additional restroom capacity
- ▶ Soup-port the Arts Fundraiser = over \$3,000 raised for Riverwalk mural
- ▶ Michelangelo Exhibit
 - ▶ Brought the Sistine Chapel to Jasper
- ▶ Celebrated 20 years at Chalk Walk
- ▶ Record Rental Usage
 - ▶ \$89,752 in revenue



Arts Department

- ▶ Open 343 days out of the year
- ▶ 53,458 Recorded Participation
- ▶ 574 recorded activities
- ▶ 192 workshop sessions
- ▶ 16 performances
- ▶ 15 exhibits



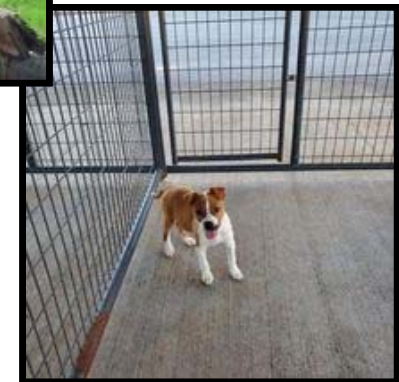
Street Department

- ▶ Awarded two INDOT Community Crossing Grants
 - ▶ \$361,920.93 for improvements to and along Dewey Street between 13th & 15th Street
 - ▶ \$492,257.81 for paving improvements to various streets throughout the city
- ▶ Replaced over 2700ft of failing storm sewers
- ▶ Replaced over 37 storm inlets



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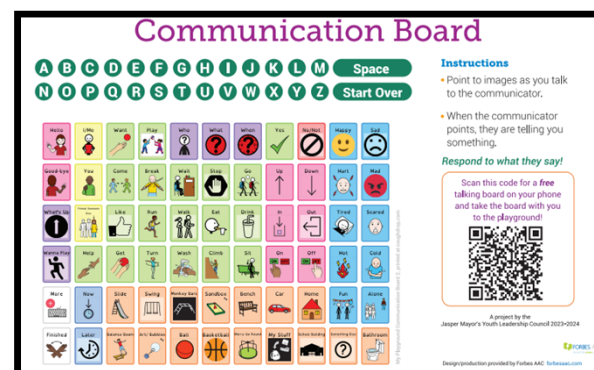
- ▶ 2184 tons of trash collected
- ▶ 633 bulk items collected
- ▶ 220 tons of recyclables collected
- ▶ 1458 loads of rubbish collected
- ▶ 855 tons of leaves collected with the vacuum units
- ▶ 240 tons of street sweepings
- ▶ 56 dogs picked up and boarded at the Street Dept. – 53 were reunited with their owners, 3 were sent to the D.C. Humane Society to find new homes



Jasper Mayors Youth Leadership Council

- ▶ Twenty-one members strong
- ▶ Past Project Completions
 - ▶ 2020 Welcome Mural
 - ▶ 2021 Welcome to Jasper Monument
 - ▶ 2022 Community Mural
 - ▶ 2023 Ruxer Disc Golf Course bridges reconstruction

2024 Project is development and construction of a **non-verbal communication board** in English and Spanish at the City Parks.



2023 Completed Projects

- ▶ Downtown Infrastructure and Revitalization Project - Phase 1
- ▶ Buehler Park Pickle Ball Courts
- ▶ Dewey Street sidewalk, curb, stormwater infrastructure replacement
- ▶ Whitey Schroeder Golf Practice Range
- ▶ Ruxer Disc Golf Course Opened
- ▶ New light fixtures in downtown



2024 Projects

- ▶ Downtown Infrastructure and Revitalization Project - Phase 2
- ▶ Regional Sewer District Project adding capacity and connecting Haysville and Portersville
- ▶ Back-up Water Supply with Patoka Water
- ▶ Multi-Use Trail Expansion from Mill St. to St. Charles
- ▶ New outdoor Aquatics Center
- ▶ Buehler Park Shelter House and Restroom
- ▶ Dewey Street sidewalk, curb, stormwater infrastructure replacement
- ▶ New deck at the Jasper Mill
- ▶ Bridge replacements on Riverwalk



2024 Projects

- ▶ Power Plant property redevelopment
- ▶ Regional Wellness Center
- ▶ Several Housing Projects are being planned.
- ▶ 15th Street Extension west to Highway 56.
- ▶ HELP Grant – Residential Rehabilitation w Region XV



2024

Let the New Year Begin!



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