

2024 Public Works/Utilities Major Projects

- Downtown Street Project, addressing deficits of aging infrastructure.
- Athletic Field
- Completed Market Street Mill and Overlay Project.
- Opened Dog Park – a very popular new amenity
- New fence installation in downtown parking lot under the bridge.
- Completed new bike shelter with help of Bill Kay, new roof Bruegger Park.
- Finalized tree grant- 368 trees planted.
- Veteran's Park upgrades completed, new statute and plaques.
- Touch a Truck Event, City-Wide Clean Up, High School Wastewater Treatment Plant Tours
- Jetting



2024 Public Works Operations

- 2655 Work Orders completed (+ 542 tasks from 2023)
- 925: Recurring weekly tasks : garbage, restroom maintenance, pool testing, etc.)
- 447: Parks and Bike Paths
- 166 Tasks for Special Events (Riverboat Days, Septoberfest, etc.)
- 152 Streets
- 133 Building Maintenance
- 187 Truck/Equipment Maintenance
- 59 Forestry
- 88 Flood Response/Recovery
- 64 Water and Utilities



Snow



22 Snow Events:

67 tons of salt used.

65 tons of sand used.

2,2250 gallons of brine used.



Emergency Management

- Riley Costello appointed new Emergency Management Director. Completed two certificate programs.
- Back-to-back spring flood response- All departments worked together on a coordinated flood response. 4th Highest River Crests in 2023 (17 feet) and 13th highest in 2024 (15 feet).
- \$273,821 in flood response grants received 2023 and 2024. Will move the skate park in 2025. Also secured funding to add rip rap to the river banks.
- New lighting along Malone Park Bike Path.
- Recovered costs of labor and equipment during 2024 flood.
- Regular updates posted on Facebook and on website.



2024 Pool Highlights

- 2,200 paid visitors, 257 students using the free pass program
- Offered 212 swim lessons, 14 pool parties
- Average of 50 people participating in water aerobics, offered daily.
- New management!
- Completed new skimmer replacement and piping leaks at city pool which saved on water usage and heating costs.
- Pool revenues exceeded budget by \$3463. Continued support for WKAF Foundation for free pool pass program.



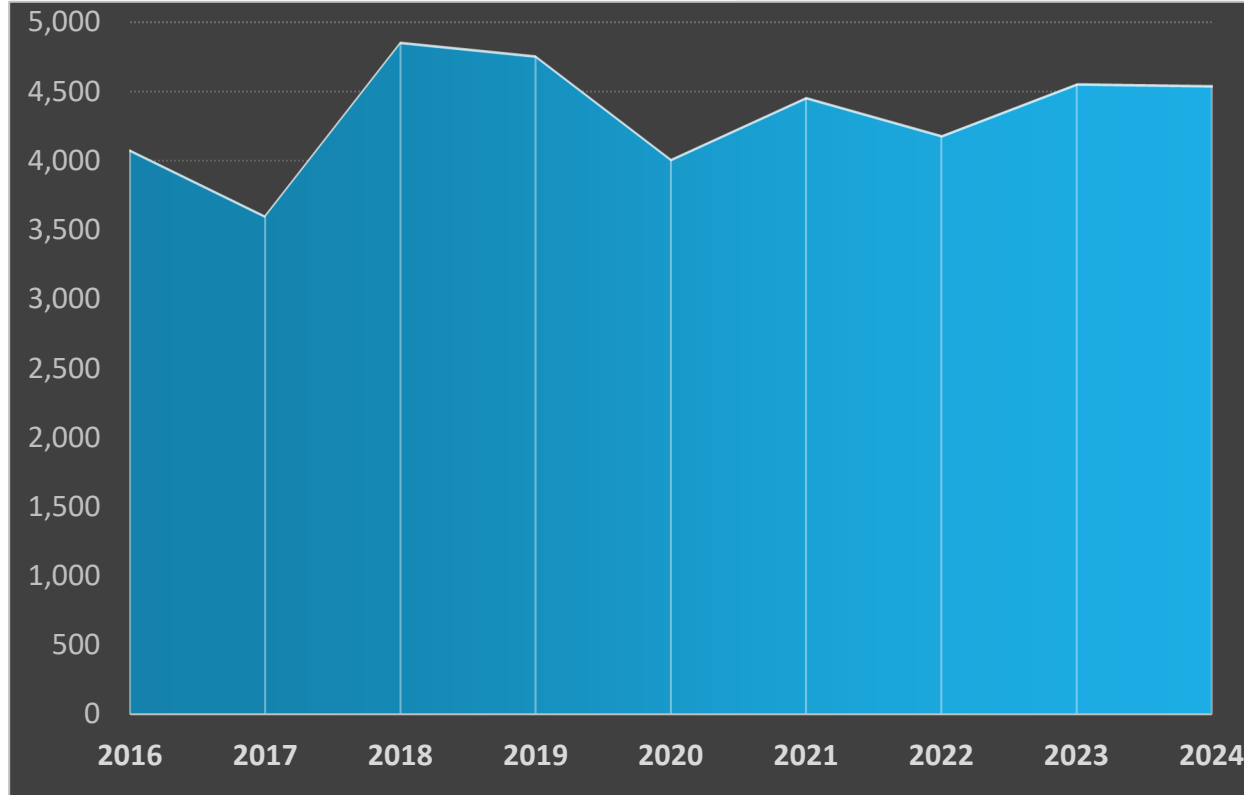
Testimonials

“ My daughter was afraid to get in the water and would cry. After lessons with Leah, she is jumping off the diving board and loving being in the pool! Leah was wonderful”

“Hannah was amazing with my daughter Jenny. Thank you for being so kind, patient, and caring with my daughter with special needs. It means more than you will ever know!”



Police Calls for Service



29 search warrants performed this year- drugs, sexual assault, vehicle theft, armed robbery, burglary fraud, theft, harboring a fugitive and fleeing, 123 misdemeanors, 79 higher offenses.



Compassionate, Experienced Staff

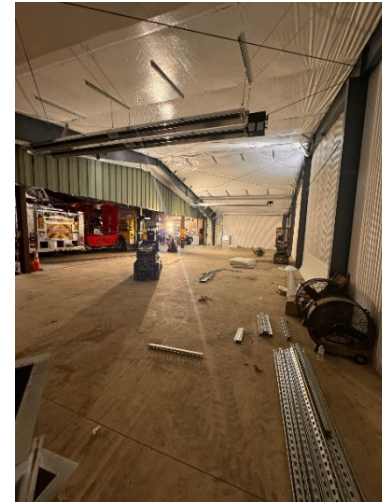
Good Morning,

I had a client in crisis this morning in my office with self-inflicted injuries. As usual, I turned to your officers for assistance. Investigator Metcalf immediately worked with dispatch and Sergeant Wagoner to arrange a squad courtesy transport for my client to Generose for care. Their quick, calm, and supportive response ensured the situation resolved without any further issues. While your officers are always helpful and available, today really stood out to me about their dedication to their community. I wanted to ensure you understand how grateful I am for their assistance today and everyday.



2024 Fire Department

- Wabasha Fire had 120 runs (fires, lift assists, power lines, motor vehicle crashes, water rescues). (+7 calls)
- 31 volunteers, adding three more volunteer firefighters.
- Air boat in operation for water rescues
- New fire hall expansion to improve department readiness, ventilation, HVAC.
- \$8260 grant for training.
- Fundraising: Riverboat Days Chicken Feed, raffle tickets for cash prizes, calendar donations.
- Wabasha Fire has pull tabs at four locations that resulted an \$15,000 contribution to Department.



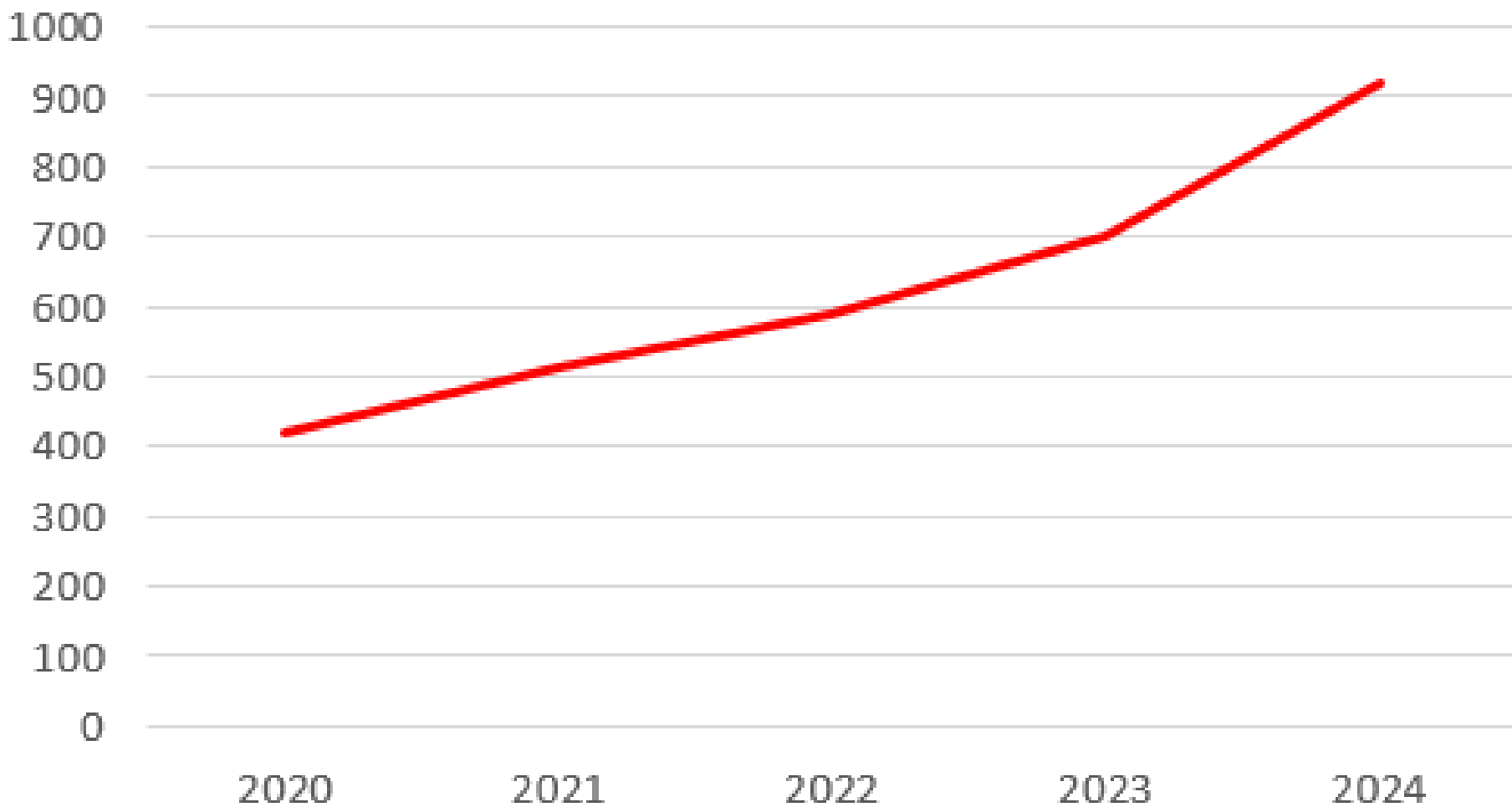
2024 Ambulance Department

- Responded to 919 calls for service. + **217 calls** 31%
- Billing Revenue is up 10% since last year. 10%
\$70K more than budgeted.
- 19 CPR Classes delivered- 140 people
- Delivered EMR course with 5 participants.
- First full-year of ALS. 82 pre-hospital medications, 29 ALS infusions on transfers.
- 17 Paid-On Call, 8 full/part-time staff cover 17,520 hours
- Full participation by townships in contributions.



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5 Year Call Volume Comparison





2024 Wabasha Public Library

- Library held successful summer reading, completed new mural
- 31,829 visits to the library so far this year
- 1,125 public internet computer sessions
- 3,147 wireless sessions
- 39,420 physical media circulation and 5,267 ebooks/eaudio
- 164 programs with attendance of 4,496 for both adults, youth, and children
- \$12,100 in grants toward programs



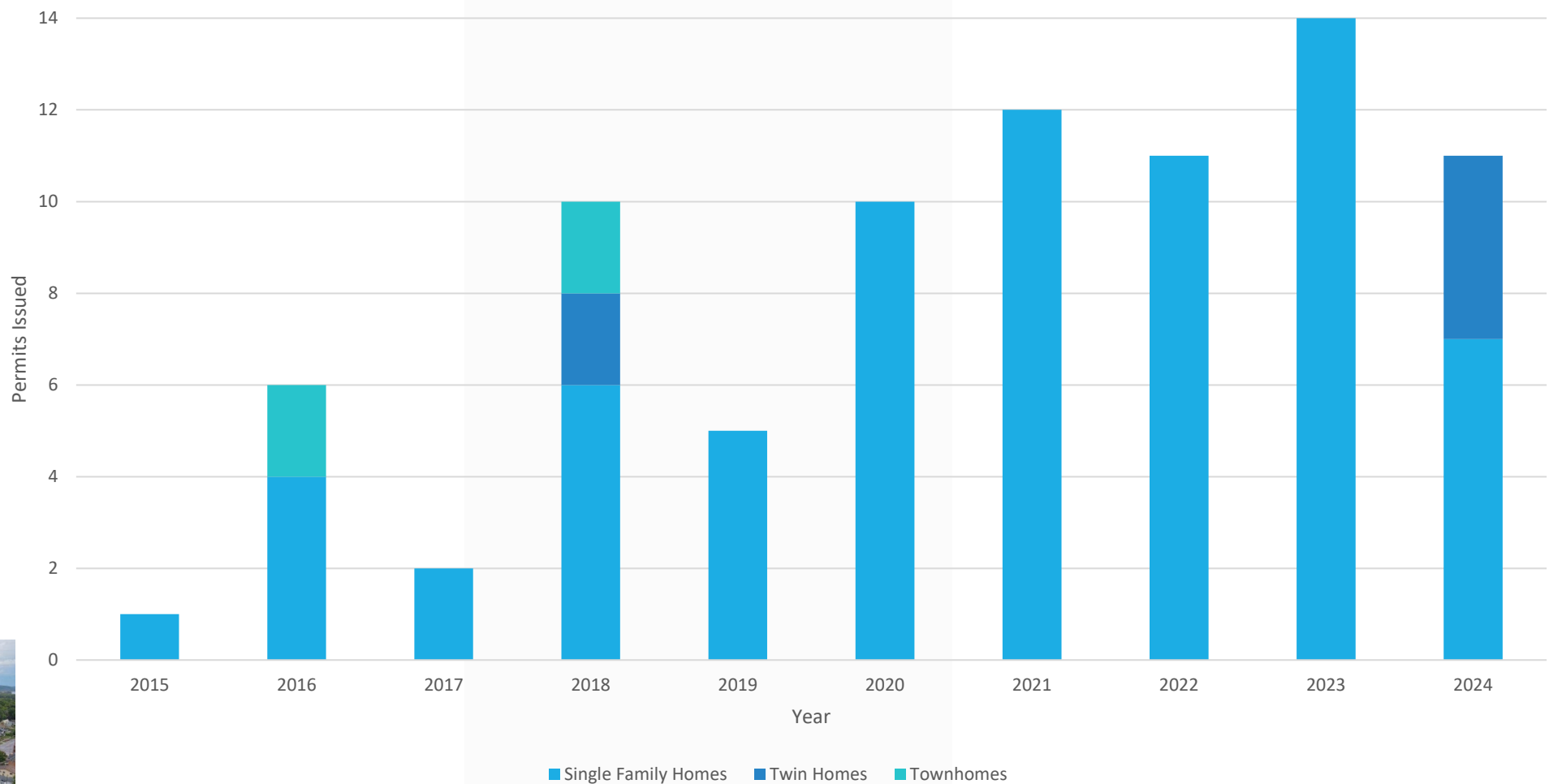
2024 City and Port Authority Highlights

- Successfully managed \$462,864 in federal and state grants and \$7,069,00 in loans, grants for street project.
- First year of revenues from Army Corps Partnership totaling \$329,000.
- Port Authority lent \$28,825 to Broken Paddle and Old Legion Coffee/5th Grant Boutique for business growth.
- Facilitated through funding, land, re-zoning future 50 unit downtown market-rate apartment building.
- Secured \$7 million towards Highway 60 Re-Alignment and 80% of total project cost (of total \$2 million recently awarded).
- National media exposure for National Eagle Center
- Continued discussions around child care.
- Released 16 press release and continued ongoing updates on the website.



2024 Building Permits Issued

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7 new single-family homes and 4 twin homes valued at \$1,711,000.
\$700,000 in permits for commercial and residential alterations.

2025



- Engaged our employees in annual feedback surveys
- Piloting paramedic program in St. Elizabeth's ER
- Implementation of flood mitigation projects.
- 2025 Street Projects.
- Building Discussions
- Begin Barge Terminal Construction Project (\$4.5 million projects funded by two grants, one federal and one state)
- Winter Haul for Army Corps
- Highway 60 Re-Alignment full funding
- Strategic Plan through 2024, should we extend or revisit ?