



Department Report

Report Title: Finance and Administration Department – August 2024
Report Highlight: New website testing ongoing – anticipated launch 9/26/24.
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Recently Completed:

- We received the first payment from the Lead and Copper Grant and submitted the second draw. .
- Staff met with Hazen, our Lead and Copper consultant group, to review their findings after a review of our data and to discuss the public communication portion of the mandate.
- Zoning map referred to Planning Commisison.
- CPL is on-site weekly and conducts meetings with developers and staff.
- Continued meetings with Lumpkin County Water Authority.

Underway:

- Inventory module discovery for design and implementation.
- Internal audit of assets – 95% complete
- Administration of American Rescue Plan (ARP) grant
- Establish and set up the Employee Portal on new software; implement and train employees on benefits and use.
- Update employee evaluation forms and document procedures for employee review processes and performance development plans.
- Staff are updating forms for standardization.

Near Term:

- Update financial policies.
- Update the purchasing policy to include a vendor preference provision.
- Develop and implement employee meetings to provide appropriate training and update HR forms;
- Review additional finance files in long-term storage to determine what should be destroyed per the retention schedule.
- Audit of Utility Billing address points against MSAG/E911/USPS data.