

A LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

As the year, and my time as the Mayor of Lafayette are coming to a close, I wanted to take this last opportunity to thank the citizens of Lafayette for allowing me to represent the town over the last 2 years. I have enjoyed working with the Council and staff and am proud of the accomplishments that this town has made during the last few years.

As one of the fastest growing cities in the state, our population has reached 3,060, and there are 5 more subdivisions that will produce about 400 more homes in the next couple of years. The city's water system has been upgraded significantly as the joint water project with Dayton has finally been completed. This project has resulted in two new wells, a reservoir (located in Dayton), and new transmission lines for the City. The new water sources have taken the pressure off of our existing wells, which were struggling to get us through peak usage times in the summer. The long awaited sewer treatment plant is in the bidding stages right now, with hopes of construction beginning this summer. The City has also completed a parks master plan, which is necessary before we can apply for grants to improve existing parks, as well as developing new ones. Thanks to the large efforts of the Watershed Citizen's Advisory Board, the City has adopted a Watershed Management Action Plan, which provides some guidance for optimizing the resources that the City's watershed has to offer.

I am proud of the positive strides that the City has made in recent years and look forward to seeing the new accomplishments of 2005.


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