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We have been working towards making the shift from the “recreation” department into the “community development” department. We are building capacity within all employees under the community development department which allows each employee to find their niche and really excel in it while still having opportunities to continue learning and growing.

Jim Kook RecPlex:

- Both ice surfaces are out and the pads are cleaned.
- Staff are training for outdoor summer season.
- Drop-in bowling times are being organized for consistent drop in opportunities
- Capital Projects being completed in 2024 include: compressor 2 + motor replacement on the arena plant, sportsgrounds irrigation installation and ball diamond 1 dugout rehabilitation.
- OAS and Town of Outlook are working on an MOU for the Jim Kook Memorial Scholarship.

Tourism:

- The events guide for May-October 2024 has been completed – digital and paper copies will be available. Digital copies will be updated throughout the year with any last-minute additional events or activities that may take place so we will have a QR code on the events guide that links to the digital copy so people can always check for any updates.

Economic Development:

- I am still completing going around to the businesses with the tourism maps as well as some policy incentives that businesses may be interested in.
- I am working on property identification for the HAF funding project
- Community Safety and Well-being plan has been completed and we are working on finding a time to meet with the consultants as a group one last time to start planning the next steps.

Upcoming Events:

- Paint and Sip night with Janet Akre at the Jim Kook RecPlex – May 4th @ 7pm
- Mothers Day Market in the Park as well as the annual town wide garage sale – May 11th
- Stock Car Races begin May 11th-12th
- Highway 45 golf tournament – May 11th-12th
- The Outlook and District Heritage Museum Prairie Festival – May 24th-26th
- Equinox Theatre Production – May 24th-26th
- Senior Ice Hawks Golf tournament – May 25th