

Wow! The year 2021 was quite the challenge for the City of Elysian and its citizens. We did and still do, have to deal with the uprising of Covid-19. And, while working on our street projects, MnDOT was tearing up and revitalizing Highway 60 east and west bound. This led to an enormous amount of commercial and agricultural semi traffic following the detour signs to get to their destinations. Our businesses suffered through this, months after they struggled with Covid-19. But we all persevered, got hot under the collar at times, but stuck together to make it work. I often tell elected officials I have the best job in the world being the Mayor of Elysian.

So now we have moved into 2022. I am sure resolutions have been made for various goals. They have been in our household. Now, we have another challenge ahead of us. The Minnesota Department of Health has notified us our wells need attention. Of the two wells we have, one has exceeded the allowable amount of radium and the other has a large amount of iron bacteria. Members of the city staff and I toured the Water Treatment Plants in Le Center and New Prague to get a better understanding. The city has met with State Representatives and Senators to ask for help financing the costs. They appeared very responsive to our needs and commended us for trying to get ahead of the game. We hope to learn something around June 2022.

I wish everyone a safe and prosperous 2022. I look forward to serving the best citizens and the best city in Le Sueur County.

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