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- The Assessment Office's top priority currently is to wrap up 2024 assessment work to be ready for publication. Some of the items we are working on are:
 - The overall revaluation of land and buildings for the quadrennial reassessment townships (S. Dixon, Marion, E. Grove, Harmon and Nelson)
 - Valuing new construction of commercial buildings, which there is a significant increase due to the new development south of Dixon.
 - Completing valuation of wind projects. There has been some communication issues and a delay getting the required information and documentation. Alice in the Zoning Office has been collaborating with me and been very helpful in communicating with the wind companies.
 - I was able to provide some preliminary estimates of new construction for the county's levy preparation based on permits recorded and estimates of completion dates on some of the larger projects.
- All Assessment Office and GIS Staff participated in a Laredo training webinar. Laredo is the software provided by the Clerk and Recorder's office where deeds and sales transfers are stored. This webinar was very helpful in learning how to navigate the new web-based Laredo application. We appreciate the Clerk and Recorder's Office making this program available to us and their support in getting us set up for the new application.
- I attended a one-day Legal Symposium in Naperville September 24th which provided educational sessions for both assessors and attorneys. Some of the sessions I attended included an informational panel session by Property Tax Appeal Board Administrative Judges; an instructional session about important court decisions for assessors to know, an informational session on Certificates of Error, as presentation about the valuation of data centers and a presentation about sovereign citizens and tax deniers.
- GIS Tech, Logan Griswald has been dealing with a catastrophic computer crash in the last couple of weeks. Logan had one of the oldest computers in our office and we had slated to replace it this year but had not taken action yet. Thank you to the IT Department for the time spent trying to revive Logan's old computer and their fast response getting the new one ordered and installed.

Respectfully submitted,

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