

**City of West  
Branch  
Office of the  
City  
Administrator**

To: Mayor and Council  
From: Matt Muckler, City Administrator  
Date: April 27, 2012 Weekly Council Update

- **Dan Karr Will Retire after 37 Years:** Dan Karr announced that he will retire this summer after thirty-seven years of excellent service to the residents of West Branch. Dan will be greatly missed, but we wish him all the best for a well-deserved retirement.
- **Library News:** The West Branch Public Library will be working on the planted areas that surround the building this Sunday, the 29th. Library board members and volunteers will be working to replace the edging that surrounds the planted areas, removing the black matting that shows frequently around the building, putting down new mulch, weeding, and planting new plants throughout much of the planted areas. New plants have been selected based on both visual appeal and their ability to expand and monopolize the planted areas, controlling the weeds without as much involvement from library staff and volunteers.
- **Summer Activities Calendar:** Park & Rec Director Melissa Russell completed the Summer Activities Calendar this week. The calendar will be very convenient for parents as they plan out the summer, as well as any new families moving into the community. The Summer Activities Calendar is available on the City website at: <http://westbranchiowa.org/departments/parks-and-recreation> Information on the calendar will also be distributed to parents through the school bulletins.
- **Upcoming Events:**

▪ Saturday April 28, 2012	City Wide Garage Sale
▪ Saturday May 5, 2012, 7:00-11:00 a.m.	City Wide Clean-Up
▪ Monday May 7, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
▪ Tuesday May 8, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.	Animal Control Commission Meeting
▪ Thursday May 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.	Library Board of Trustees Meeting
▪ Saturday May 12, 2012	West Branch Kids Safety Day
▪ Monday May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
▪ Tuesday May 22, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting
▪ Monday May 28, 2012	Memorial Day – City Offices Closed

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