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City Taking Steps to Restore Fisherman's Point

The City of Kewaunee was recently awarded two major grants to change Fisherman's Point from its current blighted conditions to that of being a larger part of the social and economic vitality of the community! \$1.75 Million was received from the Community Development Block Grant program for property acquisition and for blight elimination. According to Mayor Jason Jelinek, "It is rare in funding scenarios to capture 100% funding for a project, yet that is what our city staff did! We greatly appreciate their efforts and the Department of Administration and Kewaunee County for their tremendous support."

The funds will be used to acquire and remove old buildings. It will also be used to raise the property at Fisherman's Point above the flood levels, allowing the land to be restored to its original natural condition. These awards represent nearly two million dollars in City amenities & services that are being off-set with state and federal funds, rather than local tax dollars. This funding will soften the industrial look and feel of our harbor area and prepare Kewaunee's harbor to be competitive in a 21st Century economy. The funding is not only critical to public safety, but also to improving our community. The grant recognizes the good work the City of Kewaunee has been doing with blight elimination and supports the efforts to beautify our community, especially our harbor front area and downtown business district. Investing in core infrastructure ensures Kewaunee can remain an outstanding place to live, work and raise families, as well as maintain a positive and healthy quality of life.

If you have any questions, you can contact Mayor Jelinek, at 920-388-5000 or e-mail jjelinek@cityofkewaunee.org