

Jack Burns
Council Department Report
January 2026

Here is a summary of key activities for my December department report:

December 8: Washington County Solid Waste Admin. Board

- Republic Waste Services Update:
 - Do not put batteries in trash - they get hot and cause fires - uptick in fires in garbage trucks this past year.
 - A list of businesses who accept batteries e.g. Lowes will be developed and made available to municipalities.
 - No LED bulbs either
 - Take car batteries to NAPA and the Landfill accepts them
 - Battery Mail-Back Program - place at Town Office - box includes shipping label -
 - packback@republicservices.com
 - Education is key - place signage at recycle bins
 - WCSWD will write up a message and send to each City/Town to add to their bill or newsletter
 - If Springdale wants to make this available, Republic will cover the cost of the first pack (\$105)
- Hazardous Waste Day held October 11, 2025 - free event - does Springdale participate in this? 2026 dates will be sent out to each City/Town
- Public Hearing: Resolution to adopt the 2026 final budget - passed

December 8: Meeting w/ Tom regarding development of web based information outreach to residents for current projects

Met with Tom to discuss how we can do a better job providing the current status of projects to town residents and also provide a way in which they can ask questions and receive a reply. Tom offered up several good options and is exploring them with his staff - more to come.

December 19: Specifications Review for River Park Expansion Project

Met with Ryan, Tom and ASSIST (project consultant) to discuss current design specifications for the River Park project. Ryan has posted the current design along with the project budget and

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timeline on the Town's webpage. Residents are encouraged to take a look at it and if they have questions, feel free to contact Ryan or myself.

December 20: Wreaths across America

I participated in this well attended event. Big thank you to Town staff for all their work to coordinate this and to town residents who made the effort to attend and make this important day special.