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In 2024 our clerical staff with three full time and one part time processed 2888 applications.

We performed 8,901 residential and commercial inspections with five full time inspectors during 2024.

Our staff is keeping up with the work load, but I do see a need to hire a plumbing and a building inspector in the near future. Our senior building inspector is in his seventies and is looking to retire in the near future, with civil service it can take up to a year to have someone in place.

We do have our computer software in place for the DCA Memorandum for electronic filing, we are still working on plan review tables to make the system complete. Applicants can go on line to see the status of the application and are able to pay on line.

Ryan Homes on Lenox drive is finishing the last three buildings expected to be completed in the middle of July.

Some of the projects coming up in 2025 are three restaurants coming to the Mercer One Mall, also a new Starbucks with a drive-thru next to the Bank of America.

The development behind the Lawrence shopping center which consists of six duplex units and two other buildings, one will have 24 apartments and the second will have 18 units.

BMS site on Lawrence road currently has a few renovation projects, which most likely will go into the early part of the summer.

Respectfully submitted,

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