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son Martinez and Brenen Lopinski were crowned Fall Homecoming Queen & King in the pouring rain & winds last night at Thompson Field. Due to the weather, I had them

Wastewater Treatment Plant Ribbon Cutting

The City of Hudson held a ribbon-cutting and open house Friday for the city's \$5.2 million wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) improvement project.

About 50 people attended to the event at the WWTP, which included a tour of the improvements and brief speeches by city officials and the engineering firm which provided design and construction engineering – Fleis & VandenBrink (F&V) of Kalamazoo.

“We’re here to dedicate our \$5.2 million wastewater treatment plant improvements,” said Steve Hartsel, Hudson’s city manager. “It’s for something that some of you may not be aware of or take for granted. But without

this plant working, you can’t live in this city.”

Hartsel said city officials and engineers started talking about the project in 2012 and that it was “nice to have it wrapped up successfully.”

F&V’s sister company, FVC provided construction management.

“I couldn’t wait to find a safer, more modern way to do the disinfection process,” said Hartsel, noting the improvement project was the first major one since 1987. “And it increases the reliability of this system for all of our residents.”

“The team work on this project has been impeccable, between the city manager, the city council,

the MDEQ which is now known as EGLE, the engineers and the contractors and the heart of the wastewater treatment plant, superintendent Ted Hutchison.”

Hutchison, who led a tour of the improvements, said the ultraviolet technology allows Hudson, a Lenawee County city of about 2,300 people, to discharge water into Bean Creek that’s cleaner than the creek itself.

He also said a meter now monitors the water quality and if it is poorer it will ramp up the intensity of the rays. Hutchison said this monitoring will save the city money on its electric bill.

“This is giving us 25 more years of a safe, reliable wastewater treatment plant.”

