

THE LACY LEDGER

Construction news and trends, plus a little light-heartedness

Performance Plus Liquids, Inc. in Grand Island

Demolition and Renovation Becomes A Historical Restoration

When Performance Plus Liquids, Inc. chose Lacy Construction as part of the team to remodel a 115-year-old, two-story brick structure in downtown Grand Island, we didn't know how many great surprises were in store for us.

Demolition of what will be used as new office space began in November. The structure—5,808-square-feet above grade with a basement—was in desperate need of a facelift. Upon digging down just a little to get to the original structure, we were all excited that what we thought was one building was actually two! And, between those buildings we couldn't believe what we found. Bricks, painted by hand with advertising and logos from more than 100 years ago. Of course, no one wanted to cover it back up. So the plaster was carefully removed, the bricks were cleaned and the paintings were lovingly restored. This unexpected find is now the centerpiece of the building.

The plan was always to have a rustic look because the building's occupants will include companies that produce cattle-feed additives and supplements for antler growth and hunting. What we didn't know was how much of what we uncovered would contribute to that plan and make it even better than imagined.

Reusing and repurposing for style and sustainability

Original flooring is being restored wherever possible and it looks fantastic.



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Even after 100+ years, some of the floors only needed cleaning and sealing. They sure knew how to build things to last back then.

Many of the building's windows had been bricked over throughout the years. We're carefully removing and reusing those bricks for the restoration of other parts of the building. The goal is to reuse as much material as possible to restore this beautiful structure to its original glory.

The whole team is also very excited that the building's tenants have decided that they love the decorative tin ceiling panels and want to keep them, so the tiles

will remain in many of the offices, as well as the main-floor hallway.

Topping off the design are sliding knotty-elder barn doors that will serve as office doors.

We love this stuff!

All of us at Lacy Construction are grateful to be included in yet another wonderful local restoration project. When completed, the restoration work will enhance the experience of the building's occupants and visitors. And, it will be a wonderful addition to this community of Grand Island that we love so much.



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Pictured here is a newly installed arch next to a painted brick "sign."

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Pictured here is a tin ceiling ready for reuse.



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