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If I were mayor, I would focus on helping my little town of Tingley grow and thrive. There are many things I would want to do that would make big impacts but growing my town would be my main focus. There are no stores and shops open anymore because they went out of business a long time ago. I would first help promote this idea of opening these stores back up to my city council. We could plan ways to get people to buy them. My ideal plans for these buildings would be to create a small grocery store or more preferably a farmers market. So people can get fresh produce. But, sometimes our town is really boring and there seems to be nothing to do so I would want to turn one of those vacant buildings into an indoor roller skating rink or other enjoyable family activities so people are able to enjoy Tingley more. To help grow Tingley even more I would gather funds in fundraisers, bake sales, and free will donation suppers so people can come and donate money so we would be able to build affordable, decent sized, brand new homes. There are homes in Tingley but they are beat up, and about to fall in so I would pay people to do it or I would help fix up and renovate most of the houses so we wouldn't have to spend all of that money on building new houses. That will be expensive so exactly why our town would have to raise funds and I know my town would love this idea.

To make the town more enjoyable for kids and adults I would redo the basketball court so during the summer many kids can go there and shoot hoops with their friends, siblings, and parents! They would have so much fun. For halloween every year Tingley goes all out. Some towns wait all year for Christmas because that is their big thing but Halloween is ours. By many people coming to enjoy Halloween they will see how amazing our town is, and who knows they might just love it. That is the big plan to get more people to come to our town, with more people the possibilities are endless. While being mayor I would pave more roads so they weren't all bumpy gravel or dusty dirt. Those roads are a pain to ride your bike on and in Tingley it is such a small town you can ride your bike basically anywhere. I would put a large welcoming sign on the highway that would say "Welcome to Tingley!" so people will see that and think "Oh! I should go check that out sometime." or "Wow that place looks welcoming, I should drive through there." or "That looks like a really nice place to live. It looks like a great place to raise a family. I should see if there are any houses for sale around that area." If I get the chance I would also like to start having recycling bins so everything is not just getting thrown away. My plan is to get our town to grow and thrive for years and years to come. This town will always have a place in my heart.