

**CITY OF BEL AIRE**  
STAFF REPORT

**DATE: April 30, 2024**

**TO: Ted Henry City Manager**

**FROM: Marty McGee, Public Works Director**

**Water-** The Hillcrest waterline is going great and is around 98% completed. There was a change order issued due to the sewer service line being in the way of the main. The water line has passed all tests and is now having service lines installed; this project is ahead of schedule and will be completed before the deadline of June 1<sup>st</sup>. Yard restoration is the only item left to complete on this waterline replacement.

UMC installed one water test sample station in Bel Aire Park. This is one of 45 test samples that we need to be installed.

**Streets-** Public Works has begun doing mastic repairs in Pearsons's addition to stay on track with the 5-year street plan.

53<sup>rd</sup> Street has been graded three times this month per resident's request. Aurora Park was graded once this month and the test rock was not included in the grading.

**Sewer-** we have cleaned 12,000 feet of sewer line in the Summit Hill Subdivisions and will begin cleaning Pearsons's addition next. We have had another sewer backup this month at the Catholic Care center that was addressed on 4/3/24. The sewer did enter the resident's home, this is when we were notified about the backup by Benjermin Franklin Plumbing. This line has been cleared of all debris and is flowing as it should. I have also purchased a grease dissolver (BIO BLOCK) to add to our lift stations to help dissolve some of the grease entering the system. Also, Burns and Mac and staff are going to do a walkthrough the Catholic Care Center and School to educate them on the grease problems that we are encountering. This will allow us to look at their records to determine the last time that their grease traps were serviced. We are scheduling a walk through the spiritual Life center, Resurrection Church, and School to also educate what the city is expecting of them. So far this has been a positive result and we have found some issues that need to be addressed.

On 4/9/24 we had a pretreatment meeting with Rebecca Lewis about the high Bod levels at the Harding lift station. A lot of information was discussed about how to improve the problems. We are taking steps to implement the procedures. On 4/17/24 we took our sewer sample to CCUA for the Monthly samples and had JCI come out to core drill a hole in the lid of lift station. This hole was drilled to relocate the test sample piping to determine if this would help with test results in the future. This was recommended by Rebecca Lewis after our discussion at the pretreatment meeting.

**Storm Water-**

We have taken our second set of storm water samples per KDHE requirements. We have cleaned out storm the drain at 45<sup>th</sup> and Westlake. We have reviewed the storm water on GIS with PEC to update all information to be inputted into our GIS system. We also cleaned out the ditch behind Heartland Animal Hospital due to a tree breaking off after the storm. I have included a picture below.

**Parks-** All park inspections have been completed per KDHE requirements for the month of April with little to no findings. We have cleaned all entrance signs around town and trimmed shrubbery as needed. We have also started mowing and trimming trees around town. Eagle Lake drainage ditch is in the process of being cleaned out and trees are being removed and pruned to allow proper drainage. We have had a few complaints at Eagle Lake about Poison Hemlock, this was also posted on the neighborhood app and the person is trying to have other neighbors post a complaint about this. We are addressing this issue by mowing and spraying to control the Hemlock, the chemical is called 24D which is what is recommended to be used to kill poison Hemlock.

On 4/15/24 we install the North Lake fountain in Central Park. This fountain was rebuilt in the winter of 2023. The lake fountains are set to run from 7pm to 11pm daily to help maintain algae in the lakes.

**Locates-** we have completed **340** locates this month.

### **Special Events –**

On 4/8/24 I hired Kevin King as an Operator 2 position step 3. Kevin will start on 4/22/2024

I have also Hired Clay Englert as our seasonal part time in the hopes to roll him over to full time position after the summer. Clay will also start on 4/26/2024

On 4/15/24 Hollow Metal Door company came out to install the new door on the Pump House, pictures are included.

Sunrise Volunteers picked up trash along 53<sup>rd</sup> street on 4/19/2024 Glen Thompson will be heading up this project and recording information for the KDHE end of year report. There were a total of 31 volunteers and 4 teachers picking up trash along 53<sup>rd</sup> street. Total bags picked up 96 bags of trash.









