

TOWN COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Public Services Department



MEETING DATE:	April 7, 2026
SUBJECT:	Public Services Department Monthly Report
DIRECTOR:	Larry Beckler, Director of Public Services

PUBLIC SERVICES UPDATE

1. **MS4 MCM – #6 Good Housekeeping (Ditch, Drainage and Roadside Maintenance)**

- **Street Sweeping** - Performed weekly street sweeping on Calhoun Street, Highway 46, Bruin Road, May River Road, Pin Oak Street, Bridge Street, Church Street, Lawton Street, Lawrence Street, Allen Street, Water Street, Boundary Street, and curbs and medians on Simmonsville and Buck Island Roads.
- **Ditch Inspections** - Performed ditch inspections
 - Arrow ditch (2,569 LF)
 - Red Cedar ditch (966 LF)
 - Buck Island roadside ditch (15,926 LF)
 - Simmonsville roadside ditch (13,792 LF)
- **Ongoing Roadside Mowing, Litter Clean-up and Maintenance** of Hampton Parkway, Buck Island and Simmonsville Roads, Goethe Road, Shults Road, Jason and Able Streets, Whispering Pine Road, May River Road, Bluffton Road, Boundary, Calhoun, Bridge Street, Pritchard Street, Buckwalter Boulevard, Bruin Road, Green Street, James Gadson Drive, Thomas Heyward, Church St, Water St, Lawton St. and Colcock St.

2. **FACILITIES**

- **Ongoing Maintenance** of Town Hall, Law Enforcement Center, Public Services, Rotary Community Center, Watershed Management, Police Sub-station, Don Ryan Center, The Cove and general repairs of the Garvin House and Sarah Riley.

3. **PARKS**

- **Ongoing Park Facilities and Landscape Maintenance** of Dubois Park, Martin Family Park, Oscar Frasier, Field of Dreams, Buckwalter Place Park, Oyster Factory Park, Pritchard Pocket Park, May River Pocket Park, Wright Family Park, Eagles Fields, New Riverside Barn, New River Trail, Evercore Park.

4. **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Continued clearing at Disc Golf Course – Joint effort Grounds & Maintenance crews
- Bluffton Fire Department's Wildlands Unit used the clearing of Disc Golf Course as a training situation assisting us in the efforts
- Graffiti removed from Street signpost, Stickers removed from Signs, Signs on Boundary cleaned.
- HVAC Quarterly Preventative Maintenance completed
- Park Information Sign at Wright repaired
- Molding at Town Hall was replaced from water damage

- Ceiling Tiles replaced at town hall from water damage
- 4 additional Dog Stations constructed and placed at Field of Dreams
- New Golf Cart Restricted Signs with at Oyster Factory Park
- LEC repaired water fountain in kitchen area
- Freshen pine straw at The Cove
- Pre-emergent applications completed at balance of parks
- Finished clearing at Disc Golf Course – Joint effort Grounds & Maintenance crews
- Scraped and Painted portions of Calhoun Station ceiling
- Exterior Main Foyer Ceiling lights replaced
- Break Room Molding Finished
- Greenheck Condenser serviced - Town Hall
- Zip Line at NRBP repaired
- Repaired irrigation lines at Town Hall
- Gate entrance to NRB Playground repaired and kick plate installed
- No Trespass Signs installed on gate at pound within Disc Golf Course
- All debris removed from Disc Golf Course
- LEC - Evidence Door Latch repaired
- LEC - Signs Installed (Police Parking)
- LEC - Lights Replaced and mounted TV to wall
- Repairs made to HVAC at Women's Bathroom, Carraige House, Wright Family
- Last Two Signs at Oyster installed – “No Golf Carts”
- Sidewalk Awning and Entrance Awning to Town Hall was Power Washed
- Electrical disconnect for Calhoun Station HVAC repaired
- Street light poles not operating on May River up to Pin Oak were sent to Dominion for service
- Urinals at Town Hall had Diaphragms replaced.
- Benches & Pad cleaned at NRB Playground closest to parking lot
- Windows at Town Hall Cleaned
- Repaired irrigation lines at LEC
- Public Services lot graded and concrete bins installed on lot. Loads of stone started to be picked up.
- Met with the Greenery regarding irrigation at New River Barn Park
- Additional light poles submitted to Dominion for Attention
- Bench on May River across from “The Farm” replaced. Old bench disassembled and refurbished.
- Chair at Dubois (Chess Table) repaired.

5. PREPPING FOR SPECIAL AND CIVIC EVENTS

- Set-up & support for following events:
 - Farmers Market- Martin Family Park
 - Prepped for Camellia Lecture at Welcome Center
 - Prepped for Buck Island Park Community Meeting
 - Prepped for Rotary Club of Bluffton Annual Oyster Roast, Oyster Factory Park
 - Prepped St. Patty's Day Block Party, Oyster Factory Park
 - Prepped for St. Patty's Day 5k, Martin Family Park
 - Prepped Bluffton Flower Show, Martin Family Park (10am - 5pm)

6. EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

- Serviced chainsaws then maintained daily while working on Disc Golf project
- Serviced skid Steer
- Replaced blown hydraulic line on Advent articulating loader
- Began work on disassembling the old street sweeper equipment off of truck
- Assembled and serviced new leaf vacs
- Dropped off old street sweeper to vendor(Lee Transport) in Columbia to install new stake body truck bed
- Old mower & flail mower moved to surplus to sell on GovDeals

7. TRAINING

- Staff completed weekly training topics
- Staff completed Employee Development Plans

8. BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

- **March Meeting Cancelled**

9. ATTACHMENTS

- **Public Services Monthly Cost Report – (Below)**

Public Services Monthly Cost Reports – February 2026 (Cost Includes Labor & Equipment)

ASSETS AND EVENTS	COST
FACILITIES	\$9,779.00
PARKS	\$17,072.00
ROADS AND TRAILS	\$7,448.00
SPECIAL EVENTS	\$2,140.00