

# **Department of Public works report**

**April 2022**

**The street crew:** The crew has been cleaning up some brush that folks have put out. When the warm weather starts people want to start cleaning up around the yard.

We still had a lot of leaves that were out so they did a good job collecting those. They were able to borrow the leaf machine from Clarksville a couple of times however, they got a lot up the old fashion way.

They worked on filling in some of the graves that had settled and planted grass and cover with straw.

They have also cleaned up some of the ally ways in town. They were starting to become trashy either due to people throwing trash down or the wind carrying it from nearby dumpsters or trash cans.

Hauled loads of gravel and dirt that were bought by citizens.

Donnie filled in on the Dumpster truck when necessary.

Cleared several deceased animals from main street.

Cleaned up debris left from the storms and rain. Cleared grates for storm drains after the rain.

Worked on filling some graves that had sunk in at the cemetery.

## **Water and sewer crew:**

Have fixed quite a few spots as far as water leaks and sewer problems.

They had 67 miss utility request and 7 emergency Requests.

**Pumped and dumped leachate from the landfill tank 2 different times minimum was three trucks and maximum was five trucks.**

**Did some flushing of sewer line problem areas.**

**Did the normal hydrant flush.**

**Marked and dug graves and covered when funeral services were complete.**

**Had multiple sewer clean outs.**

**As of right now all of the water leaks are caught up and several projects are being taken care of to be removed from the to do board.**

**They fixed some ruts that were created during a couple of funerals when the ground was saturated from rain.**

## **Building and Grounds:**

**Inspects the Robert E Lee building and airport on a regular basis.**

**Keeps paper products in all of the buildings of the town and does what work is needed such as light bulbs, fixing doors etc...**

**checked and signed fire extinguishers for the month.**

**Replace several street light bulbs and all air filters in the town buildings.**

**Worked on lights on the runway at the airport. Keeps an eye out for leaks after storms on hangers and other buildings.**

**Carried the dump truck to the landfill for the WWTP.**

**Chris is a vital member of the town often working alone and never complains.**

**Shop:** Worked on police dept cars to include changing oil, belts, tires, inspection, air conditioning, seats, battery's, etc...

changed tires on the garbage truck as well as change out a couple of hydraulic lines.

Sharpened and worked on chainsaws on several occasions.

Went through all of the mowers and changed oil and sharpened the blades to be prepared for the up coming grass cutting season.

Worked on the backhoe and replaced a cylinder on the sidearm tractor.

Marvin helped with a lot of the tree and limb clean up.

Marvin works a lot with the street crew doing some bush hogging and cutting with the side arm tractor.

### **Sanitation crew:**

Completed trash rounds twice per week.

Guys did an outstanding job on trash removal. Facing many different weather related obstacles.

Had a couple of the new guys fill in on the trash route as needed.

### **Commerical:**

Donnie has jumped in and is doing a great job keeping things rolling and dumped.

### **WWTP:**

Cleaned water clairfiers and sand filters on a daily bases.

Completed daily, weekly, and monthly water tests.

Checked on pumping stations everyday and added grease remover as needed.

**Brandon Moore and Tye Wilson are doing a great job at the plant keeping things flowing and the numbers in the the permitted specs.**

**Rick has come back and is working part time on some weekends.**

**Projects completed:** As of right now we have no water leaks in town. That however is subject to change at any time. The Washington street project is complete so hopefully we will not be going there to fix water leaks for a while. The water leak that was in front of Bugg Whitlows is now fixed.

**Projects underway:** We are in the process of changing out the storm drain in front of Jeffs Body shop. We hope to have that completed by the time this report comes out. The Anderson street project will hopefully be next.

**Superintendent statement:** I guess this will be my last report, by the next time council meets I will be gone and hopefully replaced. I would like to thank each member of the council past and present for the kindness and understanding that has been shown since I started here. It has been an interesting journey to say the least. When I started there were no guide lines to follow. Y'all basically said here you go good luck. But you understood that it would take some time to learn the ropes. I think we all learned some things in the last three years or, at least I hope we did. Please remember that when the next person or persons move into this position. I have really enjoyed the time I have worked here and the friendships built here and will carry them on into the future. I truly love the Town of Chase City and I hope it will grow and I know Dusty and the guys and ladies that work for the town will strive to make that happen. So before I get weepy eyed writing this I am going to say God Bless you all and may he give you the wisdom to make the right choices for the Town. Thank you.

**Jim Wilson**