

Department of Public works report

October 2020

The street crew: The street crew is doing a great job. They are still cutting grass and keeping the trash picked up on the streets. They were part of the big clean up week.

Cut grass including the ball park, pavilion, the R.E Lee grounds, playground. Streets and lift stations, also the airport and landfill, cleaned and cut the welcome signs and the WWTP.

Trimmed low hanging limbs. And cleared some stop signs.

Cleaned all storm drains and gratings. Cleared debris from water ways after the storms. Picked up some brush and trash on the streets.

Cleared washed out gravel from roadway.

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

Was a part of the road patching that was done.

Donnie filled in on the Dumpster truck when necessary.

Cleared several deceased animals from Main Street.

Water and sewer crew:

They had 92 miss utility request and six emergency Requests. That in itself is a huge amount of request. We normally average around 25 per month.

Pumped and dumped leachate from the landfill tank 3 different times minimum was three trucks and maximum was seven trucks.

Did some flushing of sewer line problem areas.

Did the normal hydrant flush.

Did some repair work on the sewer line behind Butler's manufacturing.

Completed work orders.

Helped out with the patching of the roads with the street crew.

Marked and dug 3 graves.

Used the camera system to inspect some of the sewer line that was identified during smoke testing.

Had multiple sewer clean outs.

Worked on fixing some of the problem clean outs from the smoke testing.

Still working with B&B on the Endly street project.

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.

Painting at the airport in different areas.

Carried the dump truck to the landfill for WWTP.

Chris has help with the SCADA system at WWTP. That project is now in the last part of completion.

Chris has been working with the guys on the boiler at the R.E.Lee building.

Shop:

Worked on police dept. cars to include changing oil, belts, tires, inspection, air conditioning, seats, batteries, etc...

Fixed tires on several police cars and the garbage truck.

Got the leaf machine running and checked out for the leaf season.

Sharpened and worked on chainsaws and weed eaters as needed.

Corrected an overheating problem with the backhoe.

Helping to get the new maintenance log for the town vehicles squared away and implemented.

Meter Crew: For the month of Oct the entire crews from water and sewer and the street crew pulled together and got the meter reading done. There has been a new meter reader hired but he has not started as of yet. So For next month the crews will come together once again and get it done.

Sanitation crew:

Completed trash rounds twice per week.

Helped out with the big clean up week.

They are working well around Holidays with the extra amount of trash being generated.

Commercial:

The dumpster truck has been doing well since the repair.

David is doing a great job keeping the dumpsters cleared. Donnie has jumped in on occasion to help with late call ins.

Got in the new dumpsters and are replacing the ones that are in need of replacing.

WWTP:

Cleaned water clarifiers and sand filters on a daily bases.

Completed daily, weekly, and monthly water tests.

Checked on pumping stations every day and added grease remover as needed.

The SCADA system phase 2 is in the completion stages and looking good.

Projects completed: Completed the road patching on all major areas. Hopefully we have corrected the chlorine problem at the rehab center. Fixed one major sewer line problem behind Butler Manufacturing.

Projects underway: Still have plenty of areas on the sewer system that are being worked on as time permits. The boiler is being installed at the R.E.Lee building with an estimate of completion around middle of November. Got a couple of Sewer taps that need attention.

Superintendent statement: Well we are still in 2020 and as it has proven in the past few months it is not going down without a fight. We are moving in the right direction which is forward. We are starting into leaf season and with a brand new crew so it should prove to be interesting. With that being said they have proven that they can and are willing to get the job done. We are in the process of trying to come up with a once a month brush pick up at no cost to the citizens. Still working on that.

We have hired a new meter reader who will start on or around the 16th. So we are getting settled into the new normal. We are striving to be the best we can be. Thank you for your patience and guidance. It's a great time to be in Chase City.