

Department of Public works report

January 2021

The street crew: Meter readings went well this month, Josh and Donnie are in the end stage of Josh's training. He is comfortable with the task and ready to try a solo round.

The crew did an excellent job removing brush and debris from all of the streets. As of this writing there are no brush piles in town.

The crew cleared some overhanging limbs that were obstructing roadways. Also put up some new signs.

Cleared washed out gravel from roadway.

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.

Helped out with the digging and covering of several graves.

Water and sewer crew:

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

They had 87 miss utility request and 4 emergency Requests. That in itself is a huge amount of request.

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.

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

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

Had multiple sewer clean outs.

Still working with B&B on the Endly street project

Have been working on identifying infiltrating water on the sewer lines. They have located several large areas and are making preparations to correct them.

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 the WWTP.

Chris has been cleaning out the bottom half of the R.E.Lee building

Shop:

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

Fixed tires on several police cars and the garbage truck.

Completed some repairs on the leaf machine from wear and use.

Sharpened and worked on chainsaws and weed eaters as needed.

Worked on the concrete saw and the 4 inch pump for the water crew.

Worked on the Dump truck from WWTP the tail gate needed some repair.

Fixed a broken hose on the garbage truck

Had several hydraulic lines blow out on the garbage truck.

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.

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.

WWTP:

Cleaned water clarifiers 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.

The water we are receiving from Morgan lumber seems to be helping with the BOD problem we were having. Still treating way more water than we are buying. This is an ongoing problem that we are trying to address.

Projects completed: There was a large sewer leak on Bluegrass that was addressed. Also a sewer line problem on Norwood dr that was addressed. A lot of the shop area has been cleaned up.

Projects underway: Still have plenty of areas on the sewer system that are being worked on as time permits. Still looking to a way to sweep the main streets to help with appearance and cleanliness. Working on the WWT ponds to help with overflow.

Superintendent statement:

We are now in 2021 and unfortunately it is looking like another wet year. We have had some ups and downs. I am sure we will have more. We are moving forward and hopefully we will continue in that direction. We are working on a family environment for the work place. I hope we can achieve that and make this a great place to work. Our goal is to make this a place everyone wants to work here. As always thank you for your understanding and guidance.

Jim Wilson