Department of Public works report December 2020

The street crew:

Josh Rutledge has taken on the meter reading job head on. He is nearing the end of his training and will soon be on his own with the meter reading duties.

Have done a good job with the leaves with the help of the water crew. The remaining leaves will be gotten hopefully the week of the 11th.

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.

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 71 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.

Fixed the sewer line on Bluegrass Street that was on the town where roots had grown into the existing line. There are several more of such areas that will be completed soon.

Completed work orders.

Marked and dug graves. And marked spots for the monument company to place headstones.

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

Had multiple sewer clean outs.

Still working with B&B on the Endly street project

Ran the second truck for the garbage run the Monday after Christmas.

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.

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

Meter Crew: For the month of December the entire crews from water and sewer and the street crew pulled together and got the meter reading done. Josh Rutledge is the new meter reader and is doing good job training with Donnie. It will take several readings for him to become comfortable with the process.

Sanitation crew:

Completed trash rounds twice per week.

They worked tirelessly during the Christmas and New Year's holidays. There was a lot of trash after both Holidays, a big thank you to them for their dedication.

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 every day and added grease remover as needed.

They have been instrumental in the implementation of the new tests at Waste Treatment with the Dog food and the liquid waste from Morgan lumber yard.

Projects completed: The sewer line on Sycamore has been completed. The big water leak in front of the shop gate is finally completed. The sewer main on Endly is complete and they are now starting on the hook-ups.

Projects underway: Still have plenty of areas on the sewer system that are being worked on as time permits. The signs for Bondurant Brothers Distillery have arrived and have been installed as well as a few other signs. Still looking to a way to sweep the main streets to help with appearance and cleanliness.

Superintendent statement:

With 2020 now out of the way and thank goodness it is gone. Let's pray that 2021 will be a better year. We accomplished a lot in 2020 despite the COVID situation. We set the bar high however we are going to make things even better this year. Thank you as always for your support and guidance.

Jim Wilson