

Public Works Department Report

September 12 through November 12, 2024

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Water Treatment Plant – Swalling has sent their sub-contractors Udelhoven and Tec-Pro to work on punch list items. Swalling will be here as soon as the push back rack components arrive.

The new ice-eater for keeping the ice clear underneath the Devils Lake pump house arrived and has been installed, this keeps the ice underneath the pump house thawed all winter which protects the pilings and inadvertently helps keep the water oxygenated thereby reducing Manganese in a small degree.

We received DEC approval to install a flow-paced Potassium Permanganate pump at Devils Lake which will help greatly with our springtime Manganese problems, it is due here by 11-15.

Building Maintenance – There were twenty-five (25) work orders generated two (2) Fire Hall; two (2) Youth Center; one (1) Old Rec Center; four (4) – Public Works; two (2) Devil's Lake; two (2) Water Plant; three (3) – Jail; two (2) Dog Pound; two (2) – City Hall; four (4) Arctic Spirits.

Streets Department – The docks were removed starting on 10/1/24. During the flood 13 docks and Four dumpsters floated away. Three of the dumpsters have been returned. After everything freezes up, we will try and get all the docks that floated away. There were eight work orders generated for the streets department.

Shop Department – there were fifteen (15) work orders. Seven (7) Heavy Equipment; Two (2) KFD; Three (3) Equipment; Two (2) Light Vehicle; One (1) KPD.

Line Maintenance – there were fifty-three (53) work orders generated of which thirty-six were billable \$10,572.38. The majority of the non-billable work-orders were for city infrastructure such as manholes and lift stations.

Refuse Department – Refuse Department has been busy hauling bales to the landfill. We are having increasing troubles with the Baler Machine and had people from *Blankenship Equipment* here to facilitate immediate repairs to continue operation and diagnose it for needed permanent repairs. We had *Seismic Solutions* come up to investigate the sunken flooring in the Baler area to quote us for the flooring that needs to be slab-jacked and repaired, this quote is expected soon.

We received a waiver from DEC for C&D (construction and demolition) cover on an estimated 120 Cubic Yards until January 1, 2025 We actually accumulated over 500 Cubic yards, but still believe that we can get that consolidated enough to cover with the material that we had stock piled to cover our bales throughout the winter.

We will be working with DEC for an alternative bale cover authorization once we have determined how much if any cover is left from the C&D. We also received permission from DEC to store the super sacks that the national guard filled up with non-hazardous debris while here

For a complete list of work orders see Assistant Public Works Director Lorraine Hunnicutt