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July 2021 Public Works Report

General:

Our 2021-2022 MFT road projects were completed with the exception being restoration of the dirt/grass areas that were disturbed during construction. Boeing Trail had manholes, inlets and curbing repaired/replaced and was resurfaced. Washington Street was resurfaced and had shoulder stone placed in needed locations. I expect the sidewalks to be completed with Road and Bridge funds in September. Beech Bay had manholes adjusted, the road was resurfaced, and shoulder stone was placed in appropriate locations. Various inlets that our staff repaired last month had patches paved in front of them as part of this project. Staff also sawcut and prepped an area to be patched in front of a driveway on Pebble Beach. Finally, the entrance to Ravenscrest had a spot that settled out due to poor compaction around a storm sewer repaved.

Staff installed two welcome signs on Poplar Grove Road. The signs are located just south of Woodstock Road and Quail Trap Road. The signs are identical to the four existing welcome signs we already have at other Village entry points.

A pre-construction meeting took place with Stenstrom for our DCEO drainage project. The work will be completed in August.

Our white 2005 International needed to have the air brake chambers replaced and staff was able to do so.

Streets/Storm Sewer:

All Village owned retention ponds and drainage swales were mowed.

Staff trimmed the parkway trees at the entrance to Ravenscrest and began trimming ROW trees in Sherman Oaks as time allowed.

Potholes and the edges of pavement were patched in various locations. We also filled in turning radius' with road stone.

Stop signs were replaced and brought up to code on West Edson Street and Sherman Lane.

Staff excavated a flow line in Waco retention pond to help keep the remainder of the pond mowable all year round.

Minnihan Tree Service was hired to remove a group of ROW trees on Woodstock Road. This will allow Village staff to dig a drainage swale that connects Ridgestone Trail drainage to the main drainage swale running through Prairie Green.

ROW inspections on sidewalks and new build properties have continued this month. We continue to have issues with the concrete contractors for the new home builders.

Streets were swept multiple times throughout the month. Concentration was placed on areas with ongoing construction.

Parks/Buildings:

I obtained three quotes for sealcoating, crack filling, and striping Village Hall parking lot. A contract with Norwest will go before the Finance Committee at August's meeting.

Staff assembled 5 picnic tables to be installed in West Grove Park's pavilion once it is erected this fall. We finally received a sign contract back from George's Landscaping, but the materials for the pavilion and restroom enclosure are not expected to arrive until later October. However, the concrete pads should be completed much sooner and staff will place the picnic tables on site at that time.

A-1 Fire completed fire extinguisher inspections at all of our facilities.

We are waiting on a sign board to officially open the dog park. Staff will install it as soon as it comes in. Office staff ordered dog tags and we are waiting on their arrival as well. Public Works restored the dirt/grass areas around the newly installed benches.

Update on our wind/hail insurance claim: Bufalo is currently waiting on the overhead doors for well 3 and Village Hall shed and will install them ASAP when they are in stock.

Weekly mowing and trimming continue at all Village owned parks and properties.

Pesticides were applied in our parks this month and on various Village properties, around buildings, etc.

Water/Sewer distribution:

Staff excavated a water main valve along Whiting Road that was broken and buried. It was repaired and brought up to grade.

I have been working with Nicor to get their gas service out of our sanitary lateral on West Park Street and come up with a reimbursement cost that they will pay us for the cost of repairing that section of sanitary main. There are multiple sections on West Park that have utilities in the sanitary main and this will all get done under one project.

Visu Sewer was out at the end of the June to clean and camera the sanitary laterals on South State St. We should have the data soon and can begin planning for any necessary underground work that might need to be done before we re-surface the road with RBI funds in 2023. UPDATE: As of August 1st we are still waiting on data from Visu.

Staff moved sludge at the SWWTP to assist Test in their operations. We also used our skidloader and winch to pull a pump at the NWWTP lift station that was clogged. Finally, we trimmed around all the buildings and fences at the plants.

The fire hydrant on Hill St that was approved for replacement at May's Board meeting is scheduled to get done at the same time when Stenstrom does the DCEO drainage project in Sherman Oaks. This will help save on mobilization fees and is scheduled for early in August.

The interconnect valve on Whiting Road that connects our west and north water systems needs to be serviced. This was approved by the Village Board and we are waiting on Dorner to get parts in for the work. UPDATE: Parts have arrived and Dorner is scheduled for the second week of August.

Sable Mechanical installed a replacement lift station pump at the NWWTP.

Ion and I gave President Sattler a tour of the NWWTP, SWWTP, and Well 5/6.

Locates were done as required by law and are coming in daily. We also marked and called in our locates.

Meters were read and all un-reads were gathered manually.

Other work performed by staff included: door notices, water turn ons, water turn offs, meter installs/replacements, MXU replacements/installs, bbox adjustments/repairs, final reads, consumption/water quality/pressure complaint appointments.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at MHilden@villageofpoplargrove.com or 815-742-0418

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