



VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE

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- Comcast work has continued throughout the Village. At this point in time, the majority of the mainline installation is completed. Comcast techs have been in the Village tying in all the PEDs, and I believe their goal is to begin introducing services in December. Right now, there are prepping areas for service connections, with a little more boring to be completed.
- Staff put together two new sets of bleachers for Diamond 3 in Lions Park. Once they were put together, we excavated pad sites for these as well as the existing bleachers at Diamond 4. Staff formed and poured all 4 pads and anchored the bleachers in.
- Staff went through the Village and did a final mow on roadways, drainage areas, and various other areas with the batwing and brush hog mowers.
- Staff also mowed parks and Village properties a final time this month.
- Following the end of mowing operations, all summer equipment was cleaned, serviced, and put into storage.
- Once that equipment was stored, the shop and coverall buildings were cleaned up and organized. We prepped for winter equipment parking.
- Installed plows, wings, and spreaders/augers on all the 5 yards. Changed out fittings and greased trucks.
- Used hotbox to cold patch Village Wide – having the hotbox will allow us to continue to patch throughout the winter months as needed.
- Reclaimed, stoned, and graded the driveway from the SWWTP to the lift station at the far east end of the property.
- Aerated all park properties.
- Consolidated sludge at SWWTP.
- I confirmed that the boom mower we ordered in May will be delivered and ready for installation the week after Thanksgiving.
- Order the first 125 tons of salt for the year to fill the salt shed.
- We started prep for the Village Christmas party, including hanging lights on the tree. We also added lights to the roof line of Village Hall this year.
- The new Public Works shop has continued on. The pad and underground have all been completed. Steel was erected, and they are in the process of finishing up the side panels and working on the roof installation. It is looking like a building at this point in time. Curb work has been ongoing, and still tentatively hoping to get a binder course down in the parking lot and

roadway this year, although we may run out of time on that depending on when asphalt plants close for the year. Chris and I continue to meet once a week (at least) with Larson and Larson for progress update meetings. The project is moving along and staying on schedule pretty well.

As always, please contact me with any additional questions or concerns. I am always open to going into more detail on past, current, or future projects and work my department is doing.