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## Public Works Report, August 2022

- Poured replacement sidewalk squares at 2 properties that were previously removed during sewer lateral repair.
- Flush Burled Wood sanitary system.
- Excavated and repaired a sanitary service on Ray St as well as Park St.
- After receiving complaints regarding flags at Lions (size and lighting) and Memorial (damage), we replaced all 3 flags we own with a size larger, and changed the lighting to the pole at Lions. We have surprisingly received quite a few compliments on the new flags.
- Sabel and McGilvera finished up the new electrical panel at the Headworks building at NWWTP, and Jake backfilled the open trench.
- Continued with new build inspections.
- Continued with weekly mowing, including mowing roads, drainage ways, and empty lots the last week of August.
- At various points throughout the month, the guys were able to catch up on some routine equipment maintenance.
- We were able to paint the school crosswalks and school zone areas, as well as the crosswalks on the three roads intersecting the bike path. However, due to the inability to get white road paint, we were not able to do the crosswalk at Edson or at Brittany.
- Stenstrom started and completed drainage repair between Park St and Sherman St.
- On 8/24, I received approval from Don and Carina to have our Kubota MX5200 (the smaller of our two Kubota tractors) repaired. While mowing Lions Park, the machine shut down. After replacing the battery, we determined that it could possibly be a fried ECU. Bobcat of Rockford confirmed this. The replacement ECU was \$2,732.82 and shipping at \$35, with Labor coming it at \$630. This ended up totaling \$3,397.82.
- Zach obtained his CLP (CDL permit) and is on track to take his driving test by the end of September. Jake is looking at taking his CLP test at the end of September.
- Continued the interview process for a fourth team member, hoping to have narrowed down candidates and make a selection by the end of September.

- Craig Wilcox was out for the annual fire inspection at the beginning of the month and, with the exception of a new exit sign at the shop and a battery in a plant exit sign, everything came back without any issues.
- Annual preventative maintenance (PM1) was completed the last week of August on all our lift station and large portable generators. Rush Power Systems did the work.
- After receiving direction to look into playground equipment, I reached out to Doug Oberbroeckling at Cunningham Recreation. We have previously used this company for both West Grove and Sherman playgrounds. He and I had some back and forth, and came up with a few playset options for the village if Mansfield Park were to proceed. These are items that we will have more detail on in the coming weeks.
- Met with Don Howe from Pearson Plumbing regarding replacing a section of pipe at Well 5 + 6. Tentatively have this replacement on schedule for the end of September.
- Was able to renew standing agreements with Pearson Plumbing, BK Concrete, Stenstrom Group, and Sabel Mechanical this month.
- Met with Glen from Lions Club regarding adding bleachers to diamond 3 at Lions Park, as well as pouring concrete pads for these and the existing bleachers at diamond 4. Hoping to get these pads poured sometime in the beginning of October.
- Have had multiple conversations with Kristi Richardson regarding the Poplar Grove Community Market. Public Works will make sure that the park is mowed, weeded, and cleaned up the Friday before the market.
- I have asked to attach an agenda item regarding the closure of Main St during the market.