

Public Service Department

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS June 2018

Quarterly Stormwater Meeting

Staff from the public service department along with representatives from E.P. Ferris, Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District (FSWCD), and Follow the River Environmental meet quarterly to review the status of city stormwater initiatives to stay in compliance with EPA water quality rules. The agenda for June's meeting included topics on public education & outreach projects, workshop for land developers, media outreach, stormwater webpage, water quality partnership, PUP program, community backyards and upcoming events. In addition, new ideas were discussed for reaching more residents and educating the public on various ways to keep community stormwater systems healthy.

Harlem Road Improvements

New Albany resident Monique Britton reached out to the city regarding the condition of south Harlem Road and asked to meet with city representatives to discuss a request for improvements. The director and operations manager met with Mrs. Britton and shared the results of a 2016 survey that was conducted with residents of Harlem Road about their interest for road and leisure trail improvements and openness to dedicating needed right-of-way. A letter and survey was sent to fifteen property owners on Harlem Road between James River Road and Johnstown Road. The results of the survey concluded that not enough residents were in favor of improvements occurring at this time.

Professional Development

Operations Manager Brian Strayer attended a class on <u>Concrete Pipe</u> offered by Ohio LTAP. The one day training event included the topics on differences in pipe products, installation process, understanding the material used, and receiving purchased products to determine quality of the product. Brian Strayer received four hours towards his OEPA certification renewal.

Fleet Supervisor Eric Umbleby attended the <u>Gaseous Fuels Training: Garage Modifications</u> at the City of Columbus fleet maintenance facility. The two day training event included topics on safety, building codes, facility design, best practices for operations, cold & warm weather garages and cost analysis for garage conversions. Also included was a tour of the City of Columbus Fleet Maintenance Garage, CNG Fueling Station and the Franklin County Fleet Maintenance Garage.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES June 2018

Village Center Signals Update Meeting

The service director and members from the development department met with Dave Samuelson of E.P. Ferris to discuss project updates for traffic improvements in the Village Center. With increased traffic flow and new traffic patterns, congestion and vehicular backs-ups are occurring more frequently during the morning and evening hours of the weekday. After obtaining traffic counts and evaluating the operation of the signal equipment, the city traffic engineer ran a traffic simulation analysis to determine proper changes to signal timings for improvement. Work will continue in July.

SWACO E-Waste Diversion Program

The director, operations manager and administrative assistant met to discuss the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) recently advertised E-Waste Diversion Program. This program safely removes e-waste, electrical and electronic devices, from the waste stream. SWACO created the E-Waste Diversion Program to collect and recycle old, unwanted e-waste products in an environmentally-responsible manner. SWACO's E-Waste Diversion Program is open to Franklin County government agencies and all cities, villages, townships and school districts located within the County. Services provided are divided into two categories:

- * Collection of e-waste generated on site, owned by the entity or collected through a permanent drop-off. Services are provided on a pickup basis.
- * Collection of e-waste from the public through a mobile collection event held by the community, school district, or government agency. The mobile collection event is held on a specific day and time and collection is managed by the contractor.

The public service department will be reaching out to SWACO to gather more details of this program and inquiring of our neighboring cities of Gahanna and Reynoldsburg to see if they would be willing to be partners for a joint collection event.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS June 2018

City Sidewalk Improvement Project

- Decker Construction was the low bid contractor for performing sidewalk replacement as part of the city street improvement project at a cost of \$263,226.
- Upper Fenway and North of Woods are planned for the improvement work.
- Sidewalk improvements will begin in July and be completed by September.



Future sidewalk replacement on Ogden Woods Boulevard

2018 City Street Improvement Project

- The low bidder for the construction contract is Decker Construction at a base bid price of \$ 911,909.
- Work includes ADA curb ramp improvements, pavement overlay, curb repair and crack sealing.
- Construction schedule is July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018.



Resurfacing will occur at the Johnstown and Thurston Hall intersection.

Market Street - Traffic Visibility Improvement Project

- Decker Construction was the low bid contractor for removing the existing concrete curb and asphalt parking spots at Market Street at a cost of \$13,772.
- Decker will enlarge the green space area, where previous parking spots were and add new concrete curb.
- Work improves the sight visibility on Keswick Commons and will be completed by September.



Removing on-street parking on Market Street to improve traffic visibility.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS June 2018

Storm Sewer Maintenance

In conformance with EPA requirements and city stormwater regulations, the service department conducts annual inspections to confirm that stormwater systems installed within New Albany are operating properly. Crew members Jerry Smith, Tyler Ashcraft and Carl McNeal are replacing a curb inlet frame and concrete base.

City Bridge Maintenance

Seasonal crew member Kenny Beery was tasked with re-staining the wooden guardrail at the Hawksmoor Bridge just off Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road. The service department also maintains many wooden pedestrian bridges throughout New Albany which provides important connections for the network of leisure trails that the city has developed.

City Forestry Initiatives

Seasonal crew member Mark Maldovan and full-time worker Tyler Ashcraft clean the street after they removed dead branches along North Goodrich Square. They also performed tree maintenance along Triplett Square, removed a dead maple tree in front of the post office, and removed one elm tree and pruned four London planetrees at Village Hall.

Phil Heit Center Parking Lot

Seasonal crew member Kyle Vorys and Maintenance Worker Tyler Myers remove juniper bushes from the Phil Heit Center parking lot to improve pedestrian access. Brick paver walkways will be added at the center island to help direct foot traffic from the parking lot to the new businesses and retail shops that line Market and Main Streets. Signs limiting parking hours will be installed to help with turn-over traffic.



Crew members replacing the catch basin frame at Theisen Drive and US 62.



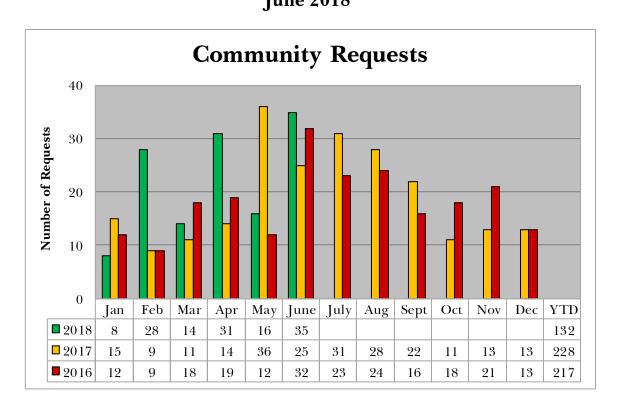
Seasonal crew member maintaining the guardrail at Hawksmoor.

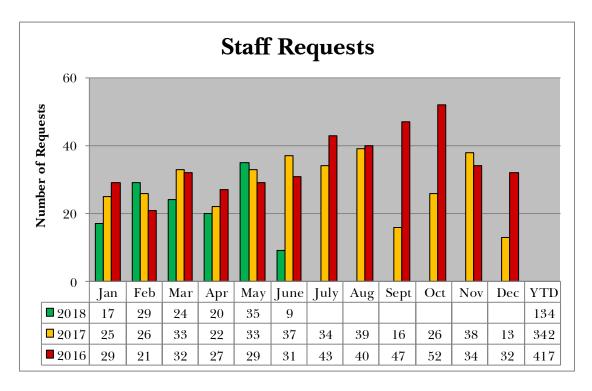


Crew members are cleaning the street after they removed dead branches along North Goodrich Square.

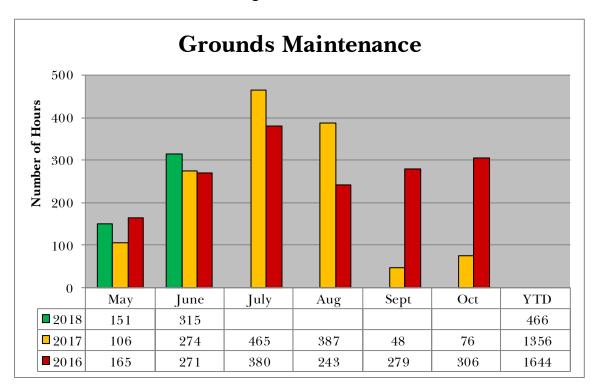


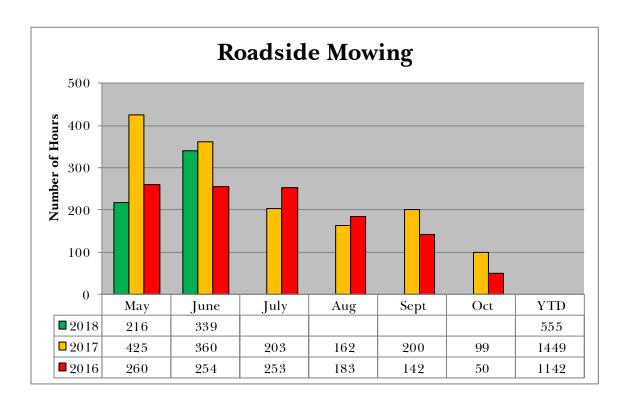
Crew members removing junipers from the Phil Heit Center parking lot.





SEASONAL STATISTICS June 2018





New Albany Smart Ride June 2018

