

Public Service Department

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS July 2018

ADA Transition Planning

The director met with representatives from H.R. Gray and EMH&T to discuss transition planning as described in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility guidelines. The director is seeking proposals to assist the city in creating a transition plan for New Albany. ADA requires that public agencies perform self-evaluations and prepare transition plans to upgrade facilities for accessibility as needed, including streets, sidewalks and buildings. Access to civic life by people with disabilities is a fundamental goal of the ADA. To ensure that this goal is met, Title II of the ADA requires local governments to make their programs and services accessible to individuals with disabilities. This requirement extends not only to physical access at government facilities, programs, and events, but also to policy changes that government entities must make to ensure that all people with disabilities can take part in, and benefit from the program and services of State and local governments.

Clean Fuels Ohio

The director and fleet supervisor, met with the program director of Clean Fuels Ohio to discuss grant opportunities for alternative fueled vehicles, infrastructure and building upgrades. They also discussed opportunities to utilize compressed natural gas (CNG) and electric vehicles (EV) in the city's transit operation and associated transit related grants.

Clean Fuels Ohio is a state-wide, non-profit organization dedicated to improving air quality and health, reducing environmental pollution, strengthening Ohio's economy, and enhancing our nation's energy security by promoting and encouraging the use of cleaner, domestic fuels and efficient vehicles.

Professional Development

Engineering Technician Brian Walkenspaw attended an Ohio LTAP Concrete Pavement Preservation Workshop. This workshop addressed basic performance characteristics of Portland cement concrete pavements, evaluated common distress types and their causes and discussed available maintenance and rehabilitation treatments. Corrective techniques such as full-depth repair, partial-depth repair, dowel bar retrofit, slab stabilization, diamond grinding and joint sealing was also discussed.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES July 2018

New Albany Cemetery Restoration Project

New Albany's first cemetery, known as the Old Burying Ground, was established in 1850 and it's believed that some of the first residence of the area are buried there. The cemetery, however, has been ravaged by time, lack of upkeep, and vandalism. Therefore, to restore the property New Albany City Council created an advisory board to assist in restoration planning. In 2016, research and excavation of the site revealed that up to 126 graves are in the cemetery and the foundation of a building, which is believed to have been used as storage area for the deceased during the winter months had existed at one time. In 2017, funds were appropriated to clean, repair and reset 43-48 gravestone markers. A contractor was hired in May of 2018 and began restoration work in July. Completion of this work is expected by the middle of September.

Residential Refuse Collection

As a member of the Central Ohio Solid Waste Consortium, New Albany is working with other community members on proposed bids for new refuse collection and recycling processing contracts. With the current three year collection contract expiring in December, communities have determined that the consortium's best interest is served by considering new service collection prices before committing to a one year contract extension. All bid prices obtained through this effort will be evaluated against the consortiums option to extend the current trash collection contract an additional year. Bids were opened in late July and are currently being evaluated.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS July 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 began in July and are expected to be completed in September.



Sidewalk replacement work begins in Upper Fenway .

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.



Contractors are motorpaving cold asphalt mix on Jug Street.

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.



On-street parking at Market St. & Keswick Commons is removed to improve visibility.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS July 2018

Fire Hydrant Maintenance

Seasonal crew members Rob Serafin and Nick Taylor are performing yearly fire hydrant maintenance which includes conducting a visual inspection for any rusted or damaged parts. If repair is needed, then full-time maintenance workers will perform the work before seasonal employees scrape and paint the fire hydrants the traditional "Safety Red."

Phil Heit Center Parking Lot

Work continues as seasonal crew member Kyle Vorys and Maintenance Worker Tyler Myers place new brick paver walkways 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 also be installed in an effort to help with turn-over traffic.

Fourth of July Parade

The New Albany July 4th parade kicked off at 11 a.m. and started out at the McCoy Center on Dublin-Granville Road and went to Market St., then Main St. and back to the school parking lot. The community fireworks went off at dusk from the Kardules Fields Park and could be seen throughout the Village Center. The parade and fireworks event is one of many special events that the public service department helps to support.

ALICE Training

ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) Training provides preparation and planning for individuals and organizations on how to more proactively handle the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter. The NAPD conducted ALICE Training at the service facility for city staff. Hands-on demonstrations, power-point presentation and roll playing were all used in the course instruction.



Crew members painting fire hydrant "Safety Red."



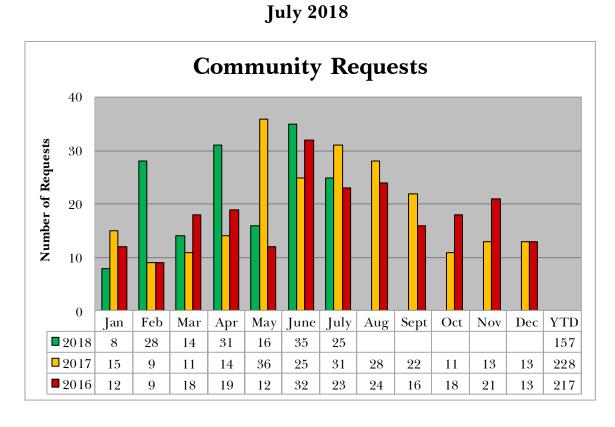
Brick pavers are placed for walkway paths at the Phil Heit Center parking lot.

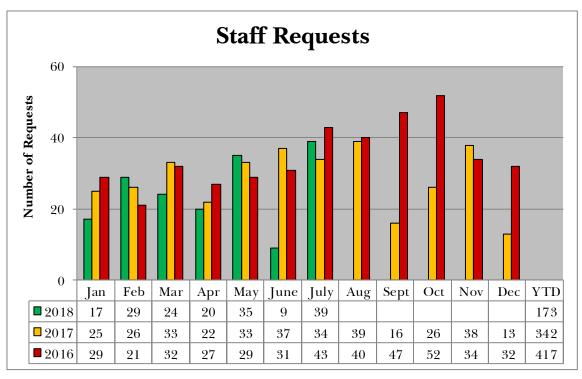


Marlene Donaldson and Malinda Yarnell drove the GEM in the July 4th parade.

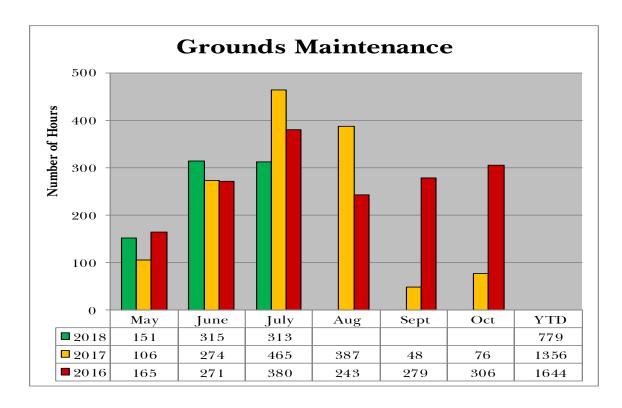


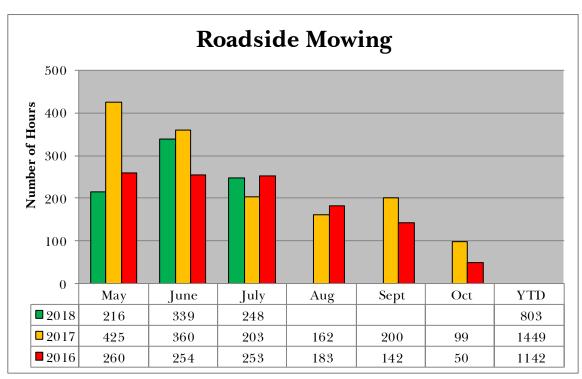
Officers Leland Kelly, Ryan Southers and Joe Catanese conducted ALICE training at the public service department.





SEASONAL STATISTICS July 2018





New Albany Smart Ride July 2018

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