



Public Service Department

MONTHLY REPORT

June 2016

Professionalism

Integrity

Reliability

Quality

Pride

Be inspired.

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

June 2016

Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District (FSWCD) Meeting

The director attended the Associate Board/Partner meeting held this month to review existing programs provided by FSWCD as well as to discuss various upcoming projects. The strategic plan for 2017-2019 was also presented for feedback from the surrounding community representatives.

July 4th Fireworks Meeting

Representatives from the Plain Township Fire Department, New Albany Plain Local Schools, fireworks vendor Pyrotechnico and staff from the police and service departments organized a meeting to discuss the city's upcoming 4th of July celebration. Details such as fireworks set up/ tear down, site security and closure of Kardules Fields were discussed. New Albany's Fireworks display were scheduled for July 4th at 10pm with a rain date of July 5th.

Quarterly Stormwater Meeting

Staff from the city, FSWCD, Follow the River Environmental and EP Ferris gathered for it's second quarterly stormwater meeting of the year. Topics discussed include website promotion for clean water initiatives, citizen access to registering stormwater complaints or concerns, and confirming the roles each committee member plays with NPDES reporting.

MORPC's Regional Collaboration NE Quadrant Meeting

The New Albany Public Service Department was host for MORPC's Northeast Regional Collaboration group meeting. MORPC staff facilitates several regional collaboration group meetings throughout the year. Representatives of special interest groups, and staff members from cities, villages, townships and counties throughout Central Ohio meet to discuss projects and issues relevant to their communities. Topics discussed include planning, engineering, infrastructure, economic development, funding, and the natural environment. Following the meeting, a tour of the public service department was conducted by the director.

Professional Development

The director attended training at the State of Ohio Board of Building Standards on the topic of continuous load path design for wood structures.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES

June 2016

Haines Ditch Improvements

The Haines Ditch is a tributary of the Blacklick Creek and it flows generally from northeast to southwest and crosses Jug Street and Central College Road. The ditch has been prone to flooding for many years. During heavy rains, the flooding gets severe enough that water covers the roadway. The ditch is located on private properties, and its maintenance is the responsibility of the property owners. A number of years ago, the city and county contacted the individual property owners within their respective jurisdictions in an effort to get them to work together and contract with the county to clean the ditch. Unfortunately, a less than adequate number of property owners wanted to participate. Since that time, the flooding has gotten progressively worse, and the road infrastructure is being negatively impacted.

The county engineer would like to clean the ditch section in the unincorporated areas of Franklin County and has asked the city to participate in the cleaning of the incorporated areas of New Albany. The engineer's estimate for the city's portion of the project is \$142,753.54. This project is estimated to take two years to complete. The county needs the city's participation because its ditch section is upstream of the city's section. If the upstream section is cleaned before the downstream section, the downstream flooding could become worse. Council approval is necessary to initiate the project and permit funding. Also, property owners' permission will be required in order for the work to be performed. The city is looking to complete the first phase of this project in September of 2016.

Dublin-Granville Road Bridge Improvements

The Franklin County Engineer has submitted preliminary plans to rebuild the bridge on Dublin-Granville Road that runs over Rocky Fork Creek. The city is currently reviewing these plans, however as estimated construction start date is not expected till 2018. The project includes replacement of the bridge deck, substructure, columns and beams. The city has lobbied the county to include a widening of the bridge to accommodate a leisure trail crossing on the south side. New Albany and Columbus will work together to complete the full trail connection from the bridge to Albany Park Drive to the west and Greensward Road to the east.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

June 2016

Beech Road 2 Million Gallon Water Tank

- The tank interior and exterior has been completed. Final site cleanup and grading is underway.
- Technicians from Columbus Water have been testing monitoring and communication equipment.
- The water tank is scheduled for full operation in August 2016.



A view of the Beech Road Water Tank looking east from Beech Road.

Johnstown Road Water Tank Repainting

- The construction contract was awarded to Central Painting & Sandblasting at a base bid price of \$396,200.
- Work includes painting both the interior tank bowl and exterior building surfaces.
- Construction schedule is August 2016 to Sept. 2016.



Current photo of Johnstown Road Water Tank before painting.

Forest Drive to Zarley Street Connector Road

- Construction contractor is Nickolas Savko & Sons.
- Project includes new road, water line & hydrants, street lights and leisure trail.
- The new road was recently paved, but will not be open to traffic till August.



New Via Tessora Road looking west with curb and pavement completed.

2016 City Street Improvement Project

- The construction contract was awarded to Strawser Paving, Inc. at a bid price of \$833,864.
- Work includes ADA curb ramp improvements, pavement overlay, curb repair and crack sealing.
- Construction schedule is June 2016 to Sept. 2016



Surface patches were completed on Walton Parkway and other city streets.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

June 2016

Maintenance Crew member Carl McNeal uses a power washer to remove a heavy build-up of mold and discoloration on the decorative brick retaining wall at South High Street. As the city street trees have matured along this stretch of public walk, the added shade has contributed to mold growth on the bricks.



A power washer is used to clean the brick retaining wall on S. High St.

On June 26th, high winds and heavy rain caused a moderate level of damage to city street trees and private property in New Albany. Service crews responded with clearing roadways for travel and removing fallen debris from city right-of-way areas. Also, assistance was provided to community residents who called in and requested brush pickup at the curb.



Many trees in Fenway Park were blown down during a June wind/rain storm.

Service Worker Rob Runyon uses the bucket truck to replace a standard building light fixture with a new LED style bulb. As a pilot project the service department is testing varying LED manufactured bulbs in city street light fixtures. Several locations throughout the community have been selected and bulbs replaced with LED lights. The determining characteristics are color, brightness and area of coverage.



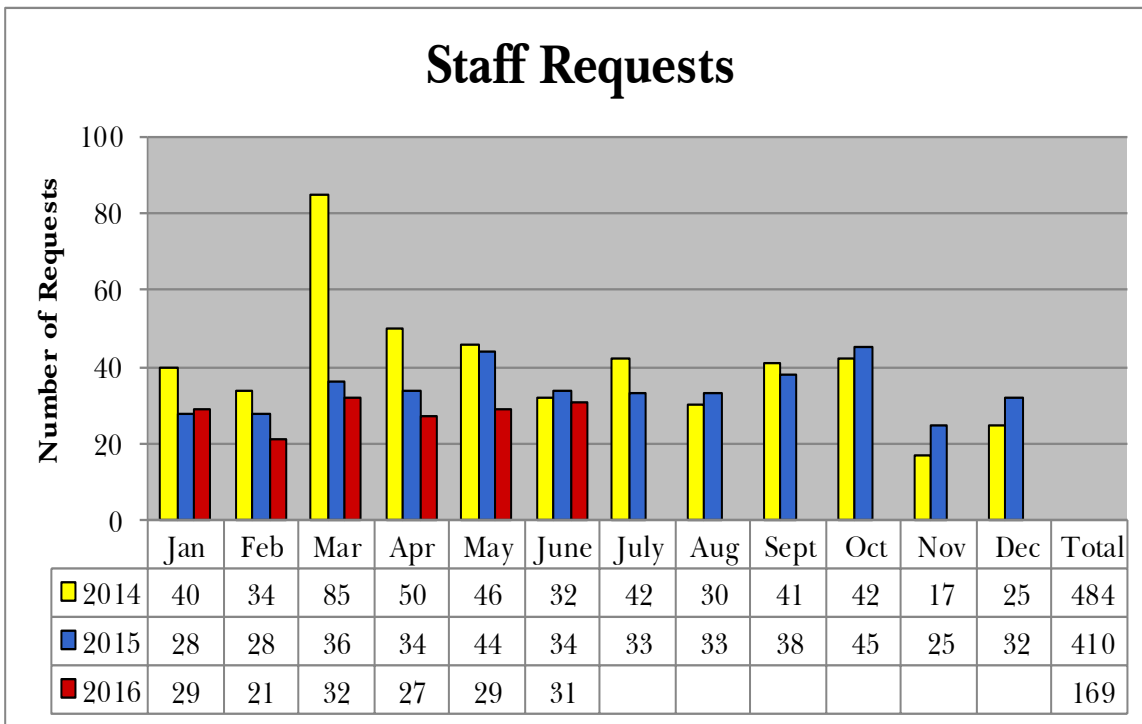
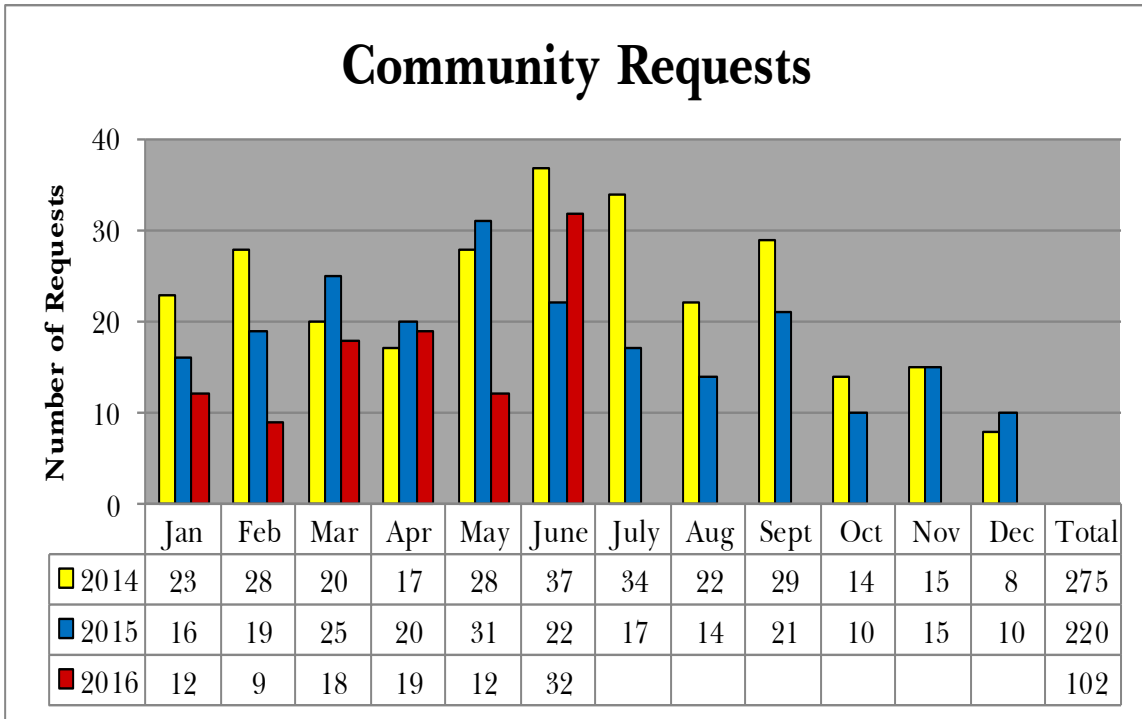
The bucket truck is used to install an LED light fixture over a service garage door.

Service crews worked along a section of Beech Road just north of Morse Road installing a low profile catch basin and a roadway culvert pipe to outlet storm water. This project was a direct result of complaints received regarding flooding of Beech Road during Winter and Spring. The city recently took maintenance responsibility for Beech Road from Licking County and soon discovered a lack of proper storm drainage structures for the road system.



Installation of a new catch basin and culvert on Beech Road.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE STATISTICS June 2016



SEASONAL STATISTICS June 2016

