



Public Service Department

MONTHLY REPORT

September 2016

Professionalism

Integrity

Reliability

Quality

Pride

Be inspired.

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

September 2016

New Council Member Orientation

Marlene Brisk began her term as council member with an introduction to senior staff members as well as the city employees. A tour of the various city departments, a shuttle bus tour of the business campuses, and a city government review including city finances encompassed the new council member orientation. The day wrapped up with the regularly scheduled council meeting at Village Hall.

Johnstown Rd. Leisure Trail Connection

The director, city manager and deputy development director met with a Johnstown Road property owner to discuss obtaining an easement for the installation of a leisure trail at the front of their property. The multi-use path would serve as a trail connection between the Oxford development to the south and Thompson Road to the north. In exchange for an easement the city would install a white four rail fence to separate the leisure trail from the resident's front yard. The leisure trail could possibly be constructed in late fall of 2016.

Central College Beautification

Mike Strauss, HOA President of the Links community, met with the director to discuss the possibility of installing trees along the Central College Road leisure trail corridor from Dean Farm Road to New Albany Links Drive. The New Albany Links HOA is proposing a cost share project with the city to make these beautification improvements. However, before any financial decisions can be made by city council, the city must review its strategic plan for Central College Road and consult planners regarding tree species and layout. An October meeting has been scheduled with the development department and the New Albany Links HOA to further discuss this request and to work towards a Spring 2017 tree installation project.

Professional Development

Public Service Department workers, Rob Runyon and Shaun Bush, attended the IMSA training session entitled Roadway Lighting Technician Level I in South Euclid, OH.

Fleet Supervisor, Eric Umbleby, attended the Emergency Vehicle Technician Certification and sat for both the Aerial Fire Apparatus and the Fire Apparatus Electrical System exams. Training was facilitated by EVT Certification Commission Inc. in Reynoldsburg, OH.

City staff members attended mandatory annual training entitled Discrimination, Harassment, Ethics, and Social Media Training to review the acceptable parameters and boundaries outlined by the city's Rules of Conduct.

The director participated in an ODOT sponsored webinar entitled, ADA/504 "Local Public Agency Responsibilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504". Among many topics discussed, the session reviewed the requirements regarding ADA ramp design and accessibility.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES

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Haines Ditch Improvements

In an effort to alleviate flooding and provide for public safety the New Albany City Council approved funding for a stream cleanup project of Haines Ditch, a tributary of the Blacklick Creek. Vegetation overgrowth and stream bed siltation of Haines Ditch has caused widespread roadway flooding of Central College Road and Jug Street.

Haines Ditch flows generally north to south and is located on both private property and road right-of-way within various jurisdictions, including the City of New Albany as well as Licking and Franklin Counties. The stretch running between Evans Road and Central College Road includes approximately six private property owners, whose cooperation will be needed to make the necessary improvements within this specific area.

The city has contracted with the Franklin County Engineers Office to complete the stream restoration work which has been divided into two phases. Phase one is currently under construction and includes portions of Haines Ditch which runs west of Evans Road onto Abercrombie and Fitch property. Phase two is expected to be completed in 2017 and runs from Evans Road to Central College Road to the north.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS September 2016

Beech Road 2 Million Gallon Water Tank

- The tank interior and exterior has been completed. Final site cleanup and grading has occurred.
- Columbus Division of Water has placed the water tank in full operation.
- Full occupancy of the interior storage space is expected in October 2016.



A view of the Beech Road Water Tank with the security fence installed.

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.
- Renovations began in August and completion is expected by mid-October.



Crews are working on the outside of the Johnstown Road Water Tank.

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 paved and opened to traffic in August.



New Via Tessor Road looking west from the completed traffic circle.

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 Nov. 2016



Microsurfacing was completed on Walton Parkway from SR 605 to US 62..

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

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Employees of the public service department set a side Friday, September 9th to collect trash along the SR 161 corridor between New Albany Road East and Beech Road. Both maintenance crews and office staff members collected over 94 bags of trash equaling 3290 lbs. of debris from the center median and road side shoulders within the four mile stretch of highway. This amount was 20 bags and 700 lbs. more than last year.



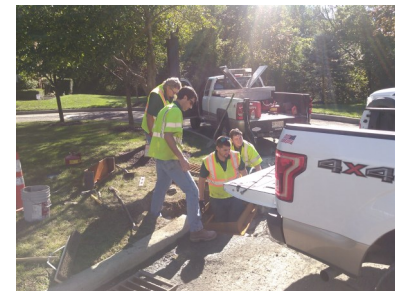
Staff members collect trash bi-annually along SR 161 for city beautification.

Portions of the Village Hall parking lot has deteriorated from regular use of heavy trash trucks emptying the city dumpsters. To restore the pavement surface in the damage area, service crews removed the asphalt, installed wood forms and poured full depth concrete. Once cured, crews will remove the forms and patch in new asphalt around the new concrete pad.



Service crew installs a new concrete pad in front of the Village Hall trash dumpster.

Maintenance crew members Jordan Gambill, Jerry Smith, Andrew Love and Justin Anderson repaired damaged street catch basins in the Pickett Place community before new pavement was installed by city contractors. In some situations catch basin frames were removed so crews could make proper structural repairs. Taking the additional time and effort extends the longevity of the storm structure and reduces future costs.



Crew members rebuild several street catch basins in Pickett Place .

Service Worker Brent Rush works on the building maintenance crew and recently performed exterior repairs to the Police Department Cruiser Shelters. Brent applied caulk to open seams in the building crown molding. Open gaps that aren't sealed will allow moisture to enter and mixed with freezing temperatures will warp and deteriorate wood trim.

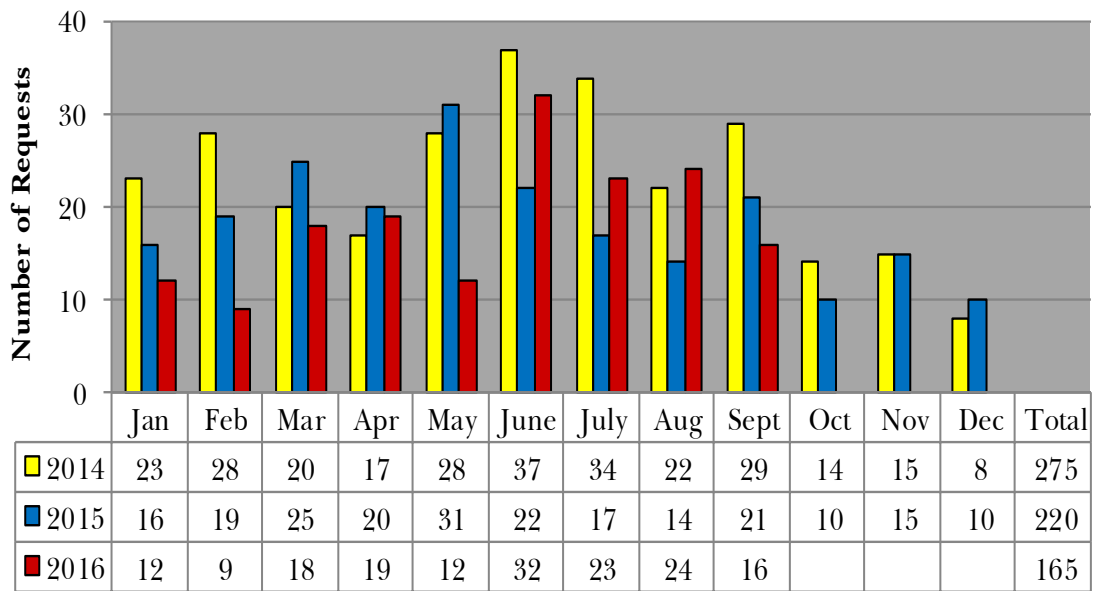


Maintaining the outside of city buildings is an ongoing project for service staff.

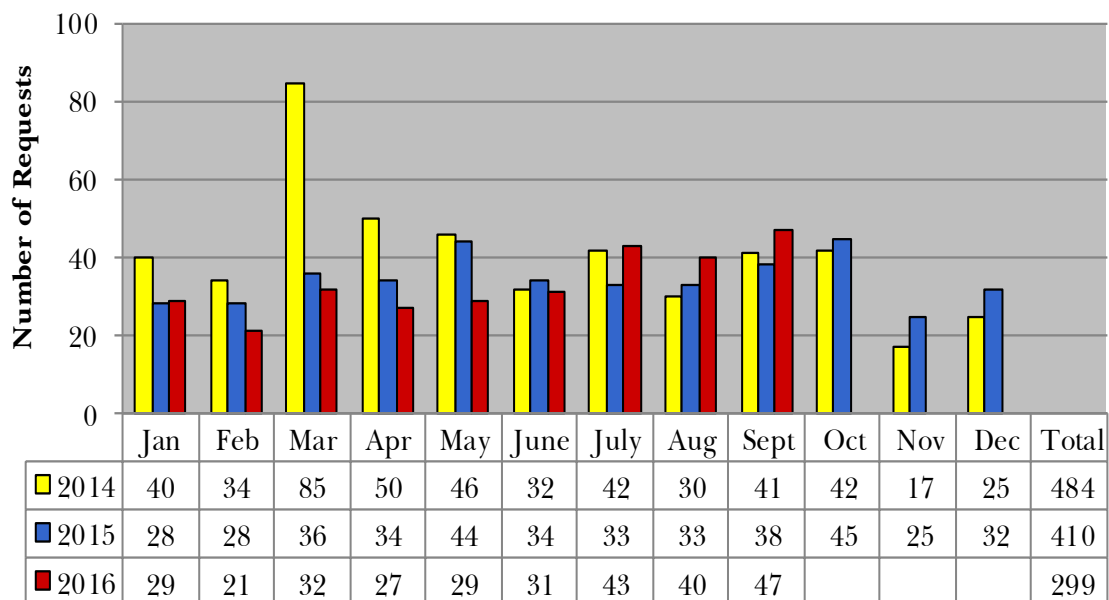
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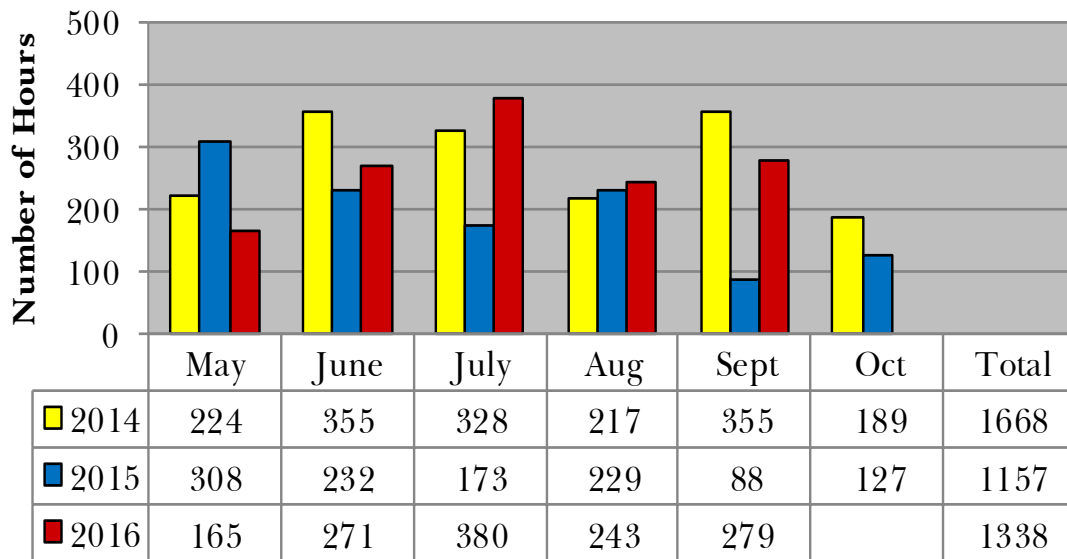
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SEASONAL STATISTICS

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Grounds Maintenance



Roadside Mowing

