

Public Service Department

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS December 2016

Marburn Academy

The members of senior staff and city council were recently invited to tour the new Marburn Academy located off Johnstown Road within the Windsor subdivision. Marburn specializes in serving students with learning disabilities, was previously located in downtown Columbus. The New Albany facility will be home to over 200 students ranging in grades from elementary to high school. A school open house was scheduled for January 8th with classes beginning on January 9th.

LED Street Light Symposium

Electrical supply distributor Graybar, joined by representatives from AEP, Tanko Street Lighting and General Electric, hosted a symposium at COSI to educate and encourage local governments to take part in their Municipal LED Street Light Conversion Program. Funding opportunities are available through AEP's "Business Incentive" program as well as discounted pricing through Graybar's "US Communities" cooperative purchasing program. Several members of the service department staff attended the symposium to gather information. New Albany is currently working with representatives from Tanko to evaluate the cost and return on investment for converting over one thousand existing street light fixtures to LED.

Mobilitie Meeting

The director and city attorney recently met with representatives from Mobilitie, a wireless infrastructure provider, to discuss a possible request to install new microwave transmission towers, also known as "small cell solutions", within the city's right-of-way. Mobile data use has drastically increased within the northern and eastern areas of New Albany's business campus and Mobilitie is attempting to capitalize on this demand. The city embraces the need and use of wireless technology, but through it's communication ordinances regulates the location and appearances of such structures.

Professional Development

Blood Bourne Pathogen training was facilitated by Work Health medical staff and made available to employees of the public service department in December. Crew members and supervisors were required to attend the training and vaccinations were administered for those desiring protection from contracting the hepatitis virus through exposure of on the job work activities.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES December 2016

New Albany 2017 Traffic Signalization Projects

Traffic Engineer, Dave Samuelson of EP Ferris met with the director to discuss the status of various traffic signal projects planned for 2017. The first signal project to be constructed will be at the intersection of Dublin-Granville and Harlem Roads. Surveys have been completed and drawings are currently under design. The project is expected to bid in early April with construction occurring over summer.

The second signal project will be on Fodor Road at the New Albany High School entrance across from the Church of the Resurrection. This signal will improve safety for students crossing Fodor Road from the church parking lot to the high school. Also, during the morning and afternoon rush hours the signal will help eliminate traffic congestion for vehicles entering and exiting the school. This project will be bid in early June and is slated to be finished by fall of 2017.

Johnstown Road (US62) at Thurston Hall Blvd. and Theison Drive intersection may be another location for a new traffic signal. The city is scheduled to conduct a traffic study shortly after Marburn Academy opens. If the study meets ODOT warrants for a signal, then plans will be developed for construction in late 2017.

Lastly, the city was previously awarded the CMAQ grant through MORPC to interconnect the city's traffic signals via fiber optic cables, which will provide a unified system that can be controlled at one location. The project, overseen by ODOT, will have completed plans by the end of 2017, at which time it will go out to bid. Construction will commence in 2018.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS December 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 space took place in December.

A view of the completed Beech Road Water Tank.

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 completed in November.

Crews are inspecting the paint applied to the inside of the tank bowl.

Planter's Grove Sidewalk Improvement Project

- Strawser Paving is performing the sidewalk replacement as part of the city street improvement project.
- Crews encountered heavy root growth beneath the concrete sidewalks.
- Sidewalk improvements will be completed in Spring of 2017.



Completed sidewalks on James River Road.

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 was June 2016 to Nov. 2016



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

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS December 2016

Local tree contractor, Tim Davis, was hired by the city to install trees in the median along Fodor Road between the New Albany Road traffic circle and Swickard Woods Boulevard. Tim and his crew were replacing trees that did not survive from this past growing season. Nearly a dozen trees were planted in late December.

Service department crew members installed additional stop signs at the intersection of Dublin-Granville and Kitzmiller Roads to create a new four way stop condition. After conducting a traffic study of the intersection, the city engineer determined a four way stop was warranted. The intersection has been a location for several recent accidents involving north and west bound vehicles.

Members of The Cycling Club joined forces to pick up trash along Dublin-Granville Road from Beech Road to Reynoldsburg/New Albany Road. Fifteen members of The Cycling Club who attended this event were able to collect 23 bags of trash equaling 805 lbs. of debris. The service department runs an Adopt-a–Roadway program for organizations to help beautify the community.

Fleet Mechanic, Steve Saunders, works on one of eight city snow plow trucks preparing it for the upcoming winter season. Maintenance of trucks and equipment for snow removal begins in October and is generally completed by early November. With the addition of an eighth truck in 2016, winter preparation has taken a little longer.



Replacement trees are being planted in the Fodor Road median .



New four way stop installed at Dublin-Granville and Kitzmiller.



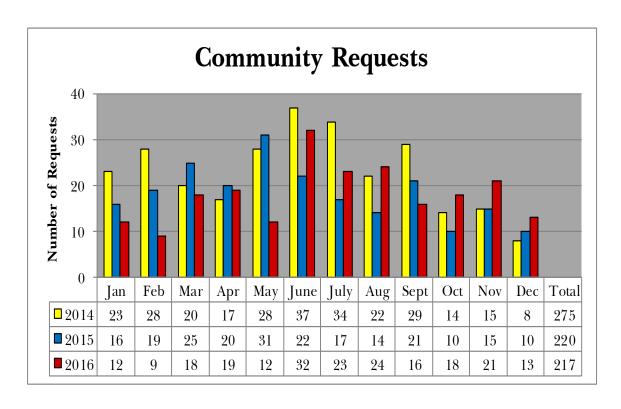
The Cycling Club collects trash on Dublin-Granville Rd.

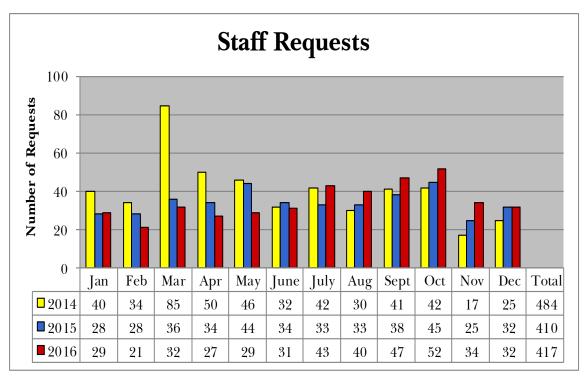


Fleet Mechanic Steve Saunders prepares a plow truck for Winter use.

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