



Public Service Department

MONTHLY REPORT

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Professionalism

Integrity

Reliability

Quality

Pride

Be inspired.

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

August 2017

Employee Voluntary Goals

City employees who achieve above average scores on their annual performance evaluations are eligible to undertake voluntary goals worth cash rewards. Recently, three proposed Voluntary Employee Goals were reviewed by the city supervisor committee and were recommended to the city manager for approval. Two goals were proposed by an employee within the police department and the third from an employee within the service department.

Rumpke Mid-Year Service Review

The director met with representatives from Rumpke to discuss the services provided for the city's residential trash, recycling and yard waste collection. For the first half of 2017, the service department received six resident complaints regarding collection services. Currently, Rumpke is serving 2,963 customers in New Albany and of those 304 and receiving senior discounts on their monthly fees.

Professional Development

Fleet staff Steve Saunders and Eric Umbleby attended the Midwest Green Fleets Forum & Expo. The agenda included alternative fuel vehicles as well as those that are electric powered and sessions on "Training the Technicians for the Future" in addition to "Financing Your Fleet".

Supervisors and the director attended training hosted by Central Ohio Risk Management Association (CORMA) entitled, Supervisors Say the Darndest Things. This seminar was a focus on what *not* to say to employees and how to avoid discrimination and harassment charges by keeping opinions on personal business to themselves and maintaining an honest and objective view during evaluations.

Office staffers Bernadette Macchi attended a computer class on Microsoft Publisher, while Brian Strayer and Malinda Yarnell enrolled in a class on Excel. All sessions were held via remote instructor enabling all students participating to be provided with a desktop, thereby able to experience the lessons hands on.

Employees Eric Umbleby and Malinda Yarnell attended a live HD telecast training at Rock City Church entitled The Global Leadership Summit.

Crew members attended the required annual safety session on Bloodborne Pathogens hosted by a representative from BWC, and held at the public service department.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES

August 2017

Traffic Signal Projects at Harlem/Dublin Granville & Fodor Rd at High School Drive

In April 2017, bids were solicited for the North Harlem Road and Dublin Granville Road Traffic Signal Project, however proposals received exceeded the engineer's estimate by more than 10%. As a result, all bids were rejected and a new project was developed to include a second signal project located at the Fodor Road and New Albany High School entrance. These two projects were advertised in July and bids opened resulting in four competitive proposals. In August, the contract was awarded to the apparent low bidder Complete General Construction at a bid price of \$365,924.50.

Traffic Signal Study

The service department received several citizen requests regarding the operation of the traffic signal located at Beech Road and Worthington Road. Motorists are asking the city to place the signals on flash during late evening and over-night hours. As a result of this request the city engineer is currently conducting a traffic study to determine if ODOT warrants are met to change the operation of the signals.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS August 2017

Johnstown Rd. & Greensward/Lampton Roundabout

- Construction contract was awarded to N.M. Savko & Sons at a bid price of \$1,528,988.
- Work includes storm sewers, curbs, street lighting, roundabout traffic intersection and landscaping.
- Construction schedule is June 2017 to Dec. 2017.



A view looking west at the partially completed roundabout center median.

2017 City Street Improvement Project

- The construction contract was awarded to Decker Construction at a bid price of \$530,855.
- Work includes ADA curb ramp improvements, pavement overlay, curb repair and crack sealing.
- Construction schedule is May 2017 to August 2017.



ADA ramps and public walks were improved at the Fodor Rd. H.S. entrance.

Smith's Mill Road Microsurfacing Project

- Using ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program the construction contract was awarded to the Strawser Construction Company at a price of \$187,865.
- Work includes the application of microsurface treatment to Smith's Mill Road from Kitzmiller Road to Beech Road.
- Work was performed in June 2017.



New striping was installed to complete the Smith's Mill Rd. Microsurfacing Project.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

August 2017

The public service department hosted the city's annual Touch-a-Truck event on August 19th and had nearly 1,600 attendees. This year's event continued a food drive for the local food pantry, Village Coalition Against Hunger, as well as a coloring area for the children waiting in line for their turn at the Police Department's Child ID program. In addition to the public service vehicles, the fire department, police department, county engineer and NA schools provided vehicles for the children to explore.



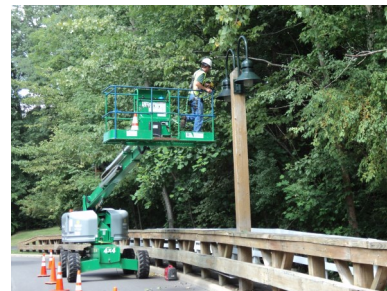
Attendees enjoy the large trucks at the Touch a Truck event on August 19th.

Service staff installed temporary pedestrian directional signs as a result from construction of the Market and Main Street apartments occurring in the center of town. Due too the closeness of the construction activity to the public walks, pedestrians have been asked to take a detoured route around the work.



Workers Tyler Myers & Brent Rush install a new sign to redirect pedestrian traffic.

Crew member Tyler Myers worked on re-painting residential streetlights in the James River, Lambton and Brandon Road areas of the community this summer. The city owns and maintains over 2,000 streetlight poles and fixtures throughout New Albany. Painting is a routine task performed each year to keep this infrastructure protected and in great aesthetic appearance.



Streetlight painting is a routine task which is performed each year.

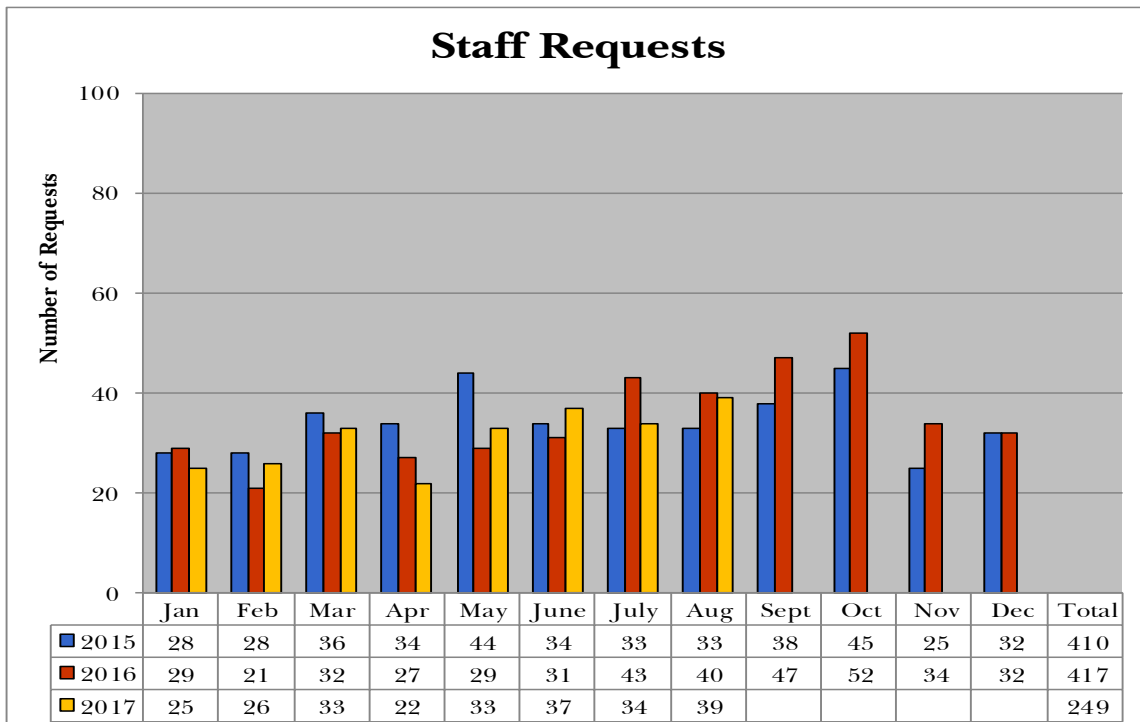
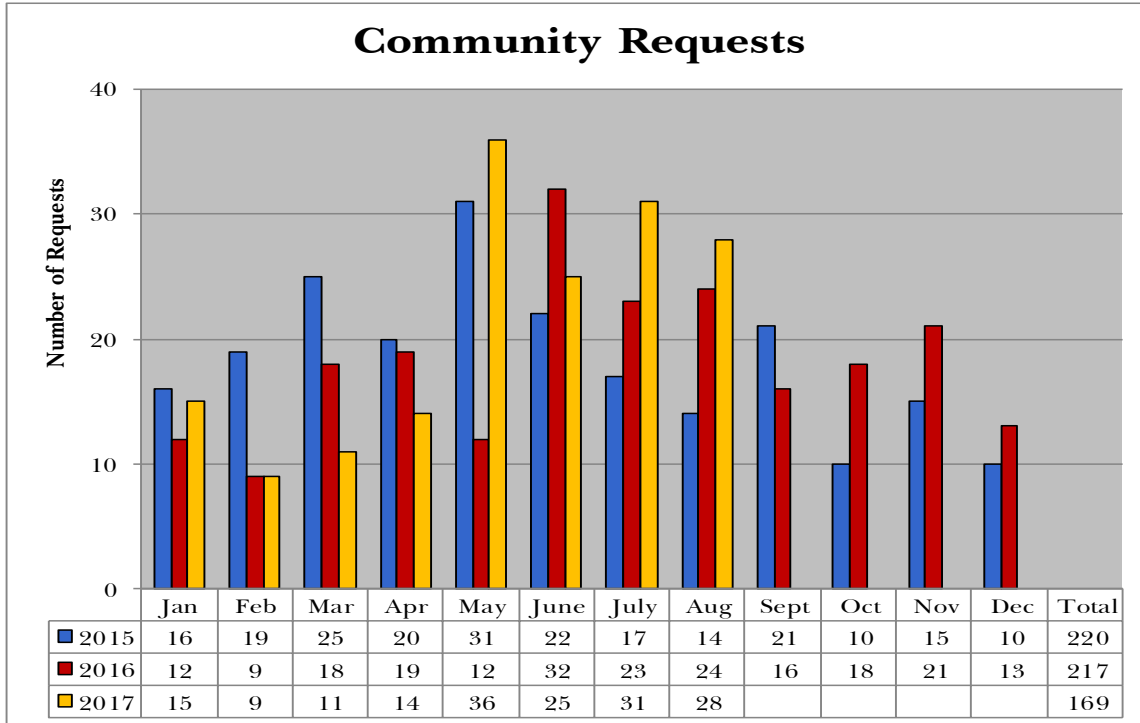
Maintenance employees Carl McNeal, Justin Anderson and Tyler Ashcraft were given the task to install sod at the corner of Keswick Drive and Ogden Woods to make repairs in the city tree lawn area. As a result of ADA ramp improvement work in the right-of-way, the grass was damaged by excavation activity and contractor equipment.



Crew members install sod to finish up ADA ramp upgrades made at Keswick & Ogden.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE STATISTICS

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SEASONAL STATISTICS

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