



Public Service Department

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Professionalism

Integrity

Reliability

Quality

Pride

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

December 2017

Quarterly Stormwater Meeting

The city stormwater committee met for the final time in 2017 and reviewed preparations needed to submit the city's annual MS4 report to the EPA documenting NPDES permit compliance. Other items of discussion included utilizing Google Drive for sharing documents and other reporting requirements to enable the various agencies involved (Franklin Soil Water Conservation District, EP Ferris, Follow the River and city staff) in reporting all pertinent information.

Arboretum Brochure Development

City staff members met with graphic designer, Kelley Femia of YesPress, to review the desired design elements to be included in a new brochure promoting the city's recent arboretum status recognition by the Morton Arboretum. New Albany is now the second city within the state of Ohio to have achieved city arboretum certification. This exciting accomplishment, along with general information about New Albany's Arboretum at Swickard Woods will be included in the brochure, in addition to a map outlining the 30 identified trees and woody plants.

Maintenance Worker Position Filled

Tyler Ashcraft recently interviewed for, and was offered a fulltime maintenance worker position within the public service department. Tyler started working with the city as a seasonal hire in the winter of 2016 and continued as a seasonal staff member for both the summer and winter of 2017. A fulltime position came available in September.

Professional Development

Maintenance employee Carl McNeal attended the Culvert Inventory and Inspection training hosted by LTAP and held on December 12th at the ODOT central office.

Service Director Mark Nemec attended training on newly released State of Ohio code updates to Building, Mechanical and Plumbing standards. Education credits earned help maintain his state certifications for Chief Building Official, Building Inspector and Residential Building Official.

Department staff members Bernadette Macchi, Brian Strayer and Mark Nemec attended an internal training session at Village Hall, hosted by Public Information Officer Scott McAfee. The purpose of the training was to highlight the city's new power point branded template to be utilized by all departments for city presentations.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES December 2017

Ackerly Farm Four-way Stop/Traffic Circle

The intersection of Ackerly Farms Road and Straits Lane was built as a traffic circle to control traffic flow. However, local residents recently observed some safety concerns involving vehicles entering the circle from the north and south bound directions of Ackerly Farms Road. Therefore, the city traffic engineer re-evaluated the intersection for possible improvements.

Normally, a roundabout (utilized where there is a high volume of traffic) has yield signs upon approaching, however a traffic circle (designed for low volume traffic flow and utilized to reduce speeds upon approach) does not. This particular circle is classified by the city engineer as a “Residential Traffic Circle”.

After completing a re-evaluation of the traffic circle at this location, it was recommended by the city traffic engineer that the area warrants a four-way stop be added to the existing traffic circle. As a result of this study, maintenance workers from the public service department installed additional stop signs, making this location a stop condition at all points entering the traffic circle.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS December 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 roundabout connection to Greensward Road.

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.



New pavement striping was performed on Kitzmiller Rd. at Dublin-Granville Rd.

Beech Road Leisure Trail Connection

- The city contracted with the Strawser Construction Company to install a trail connection on Beech Rd.
- The 8ft path provides connectivity from Jug St. to Smith's Mill Rd. North.
- Work was performed in September at a cost of \$33,500.



A new leisure trail was installed in front of the Beech Road Water Tower.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS December 2017

The service department purchased used shelving units through a close-out sale and crews re-installed them in fleet storage room to organize vehicle parts and supplies for the mechanics. Seasonal employee Tim Duraj assisted in the layout and set up of the new shelves. Also, he completed the project by restocking the new shelves with the existing supplies.



Seasonal worker Tim Duraj helped to reorganize the mechanics parts storage room.

Service workers Nick Cichanowicz and Tyler Ashcraft assisted the city forester with collecting data on the street trees located along Dublin-Granville Road in front of the high school. Both tree diameter and tree height were measured. A report will be generated using iTree software on all 88 trees for an ecosystem assessment of the Rose Run Park. An additional 66 more trees located directly across the street were also evaluated.



Service crews assist the city forester with collecting tree data along Dublin-Granville.

Seasonal worker Logan Shannon and full-time employee Tyler Myers installed new NO PARKING signs at the Phil Heit Center parking lot to restrict parking for customers and employees only. Recent over parking complaints triggered an evaluation of the city code to determine what legal restrictions could be implemented to deter non-customer parking at public parking locations.



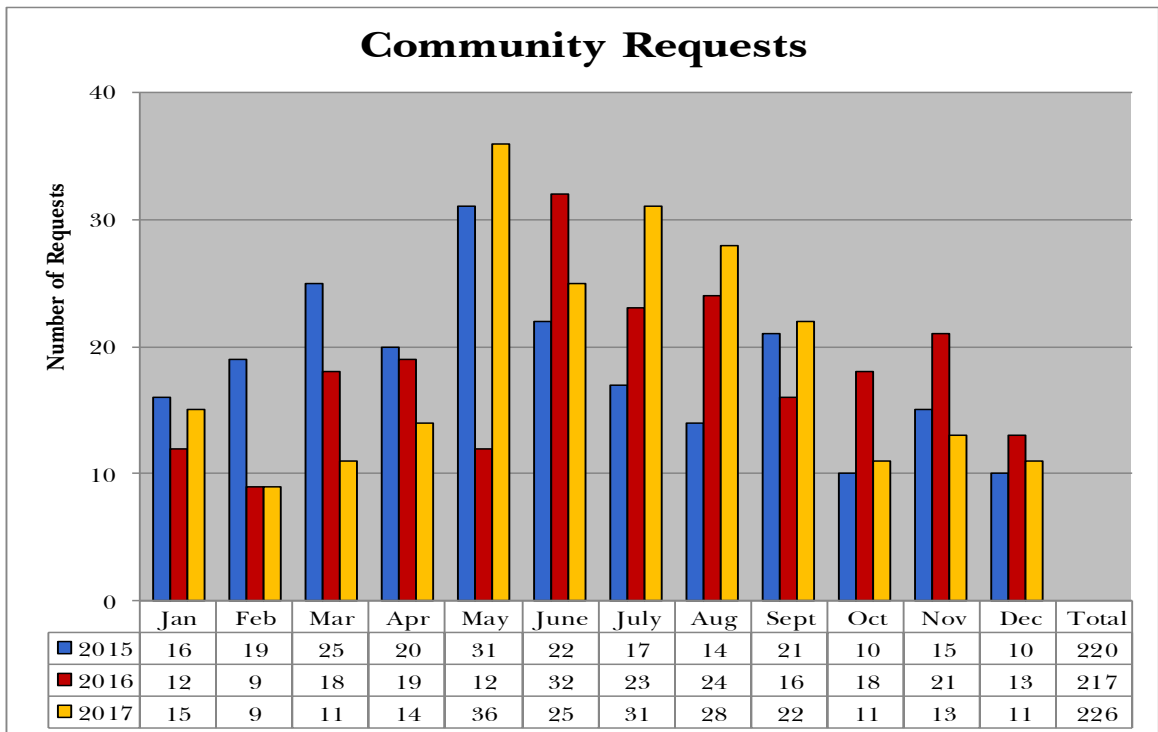
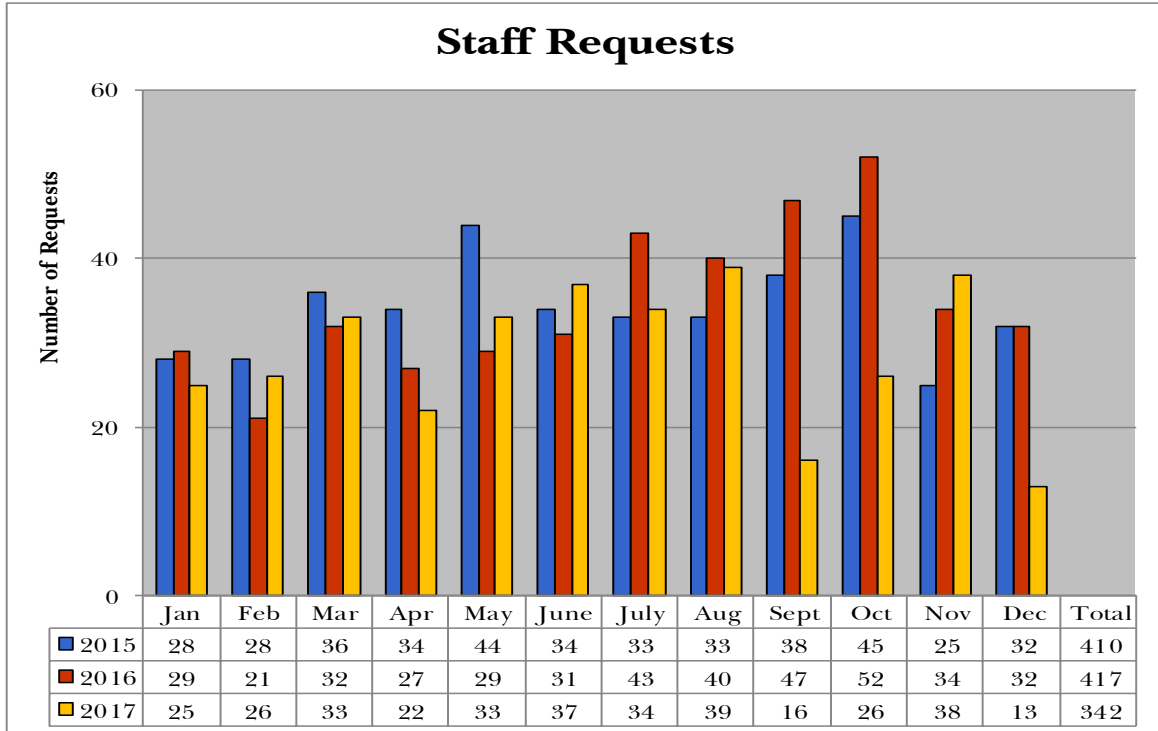
Signs are installed to deter misuse of public parking spaces at the Phil Heit Center.

Maintenance Worker Carl McNeal worked with representatives from the New Albany Plain Local School District to flip a school bus onto its side at the Districts school bus facility. The bus will be utilized in practice and training exercises for the Plain Township Fire Department to prepare for emergency evacuation of students in the event of a real bus turn-over accident.



Using the city front end loader, service crews flipped a school bus on its side.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE STATISTICS December 2017



SEASONAL STATISTICS December 2017

