



Public Service Department

MONTHLY REPORT

September 2018

Professionalism

Integrity

Reliability

Quality

Pride

Be inspired.

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

September 2018

Quarterly Stormwater Meeting

City staff along with representatives from EP Ferris, Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District (FSWCD), and Follow the River Environmental meet quarterly to review the status of city stormwater initiatives to stay in compliance with EPA water quality rules. Updates on projects such as: the city's Pick Up Poop (PUP) campaign, Community Backyard Workshop, Cleanwater Program and Water Quality Partnership, Construction Site/Post Construction, and Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping were discussed. In addition, new ideas for reaching more residents and educating the public on various ways to keep community stormwater systems healthy was talked about.

Council Capital Workshop

Each year the city manager facilitates a meeting with New Albany City Council members and senior staff to review completed city projects, discuss current project lists and prioritize new activities according to recommendations from department directors. This year's agenda included Parks and Open Space, Roads and Utilities, Facilities and Bike and Ped Connections.

SWACO Recycling Partnership Grant

In order to promote recycling participation and increase recyclables processed from consortium communities, SWACO is developing a grant/ cost share program to purchase recycling carts for member communities. Many cities and townships are still utilizing small bins for the collection of residential recyclables. However, under the SWACO grant/ cost share program new larger recycling carts can be purchased through low cost cooperative pricing, whereby SWACO will cover 50% of the cost and the member community would cover the other 50%. This program is still under development, but may become available starting in January of 2019.

Professional Development

Operations Manager Brian Strayer and Service Clerk Marlene Donaldson attended The State Auditor's Public Records Law Training in Granville, OH. Information discussed included the following topics: Distinction between a record and non-record, What information can be redacted, What information constitutes a public record, Who can request a public record, and The steps to take to document access to a public record.

Engineering Technician Brian Walkenspaw attended the 2018 Ohio GIS conference held in downtown Columbus. The conference included workshops, technical sessions and trade show exhibits.

Maintenance Worker Brent Rush attended a Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course and Examination. The course included the following topics: Maintenance, Administration, Resources, Safety, Accessibility, and Surfacing.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES

September 2018

Management of New Albany Bridges

Ohio law requires annual bridge inspections be performed and inventory management be maintained. These standards insure that the quality of Ohio bridges are consistently and effectively preserved. New Albany hires an engineering consultant to perform city bridge inspections and to keep it's records updated through ODOT's structure management system (SMS). Beginning in 2019, the city will utilize the city engineer's firm of E.P. Ferris to perform bridge inspection work. Currently, the City of New Albany owns and maintains nineteen (19) bridges within the community. All of the bridges have been rated either very good or excellent at the last inspection performed in April of 2018.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS September 2018

City Sidewalk Improvement Project

- Decker Construction was the low bid contractor for performing sidewalk replacement as part of the city street improvement project at a cost of \$263,226.
- Upper Fenway and North of Woods are planned for the improvement work.
- Sidewalk improvements began in July and are expected to be completed in September.



Sidewalks were replaced on Alpath Rd. eliminating trip hazards caused by roots.

2018 City Street Improvement Project

- The low bidder for the construction contract is Decker Construction at a base bid price of \$ 911,909.
- Work includes ADA curb ramp improvements, pavement overlay, curb repair and crack sealing.
- Construction schedule is July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018.



ADA curb ramps were improved at Lambton Park Road and Milton Court.

Market Street Traffic Visibility Improvement Project

- Decker Construction was the low bid contractor for removing the existing concrete curb and asphalt parking spots at Market Street at a cost of \$13,772.
- Decker will enlarge the green space area, where previous parking spots were and add new concrete curb.
- Work improves the sight visibility on Keswick Commons and was completed in September.



Hydro-seed and mulch was applied in September to complete the project.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS September 2018

Phil Heit Center Parking Lot

Decker Construction was hired to install a concrete walkway at the city parking lot behind the Phil Heit Center. The overall improvement included signs limiting parking hours to help with turn-over traffic and installing brick pavers to help pedestrian movement from parking islands. Crew members Tyler Myers and Shaun Bush performed final touches by adding mulch to the treed islands.



Crew members finalize the project by adding mulch to the island.

City Roadside Trash Collection Project

Crew member Chad Smith is seen picking up trash for the annual Fall roadside trash collection project. The service department staff participates both Spring and Fall in annual roadside trash collection projects to clean debris along the SR 161 corridor in preparation of seasonal right-of-way maintenance. This collection yielded 63 bags of trash equaling 2,205 lbs. of debris.



Service department trash collection project takes place along SR 161 right-of-way.

City Forestry Initiatives

The city forester and his seasonal assistant worked with contractors to get clearance pruning work in Ashton Grove and on Kitzmiller Road completed. Also, they put together a fall tree planting list that identifies locations where street trees have either died or been removed. Other activity include working with 5th graders in the New Albany School District on their annual Bio-Blitz program.



Seasonal assistant Rosalie Hendon helps instructing 5th graders on plant biology.

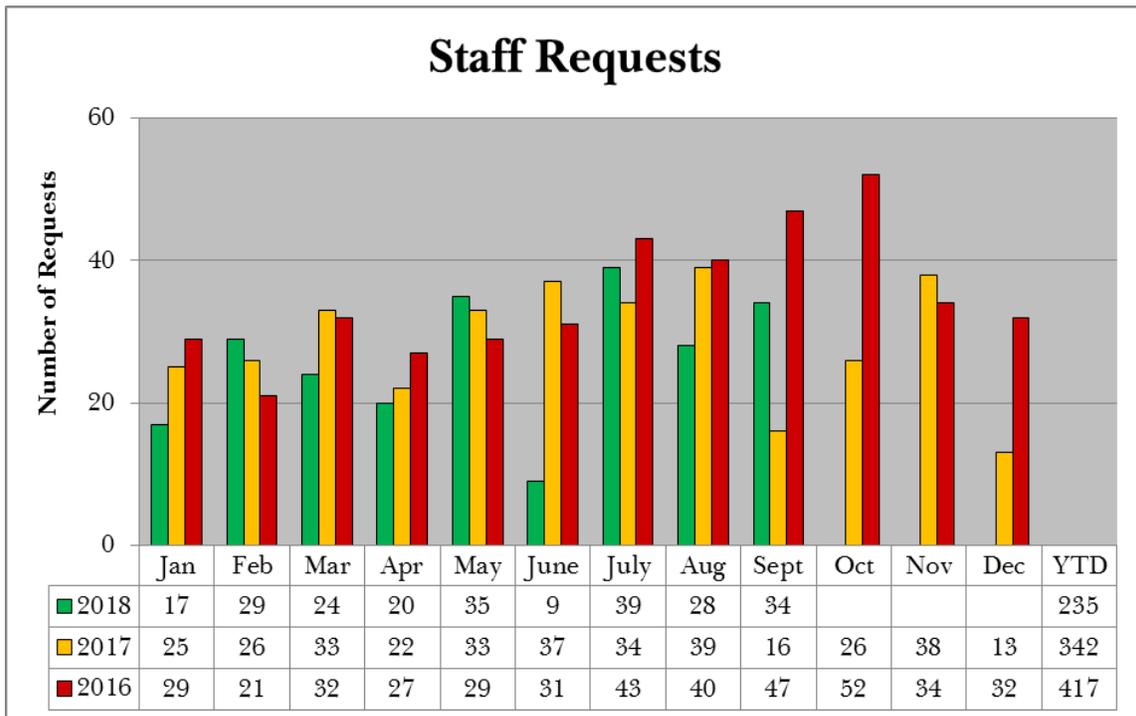
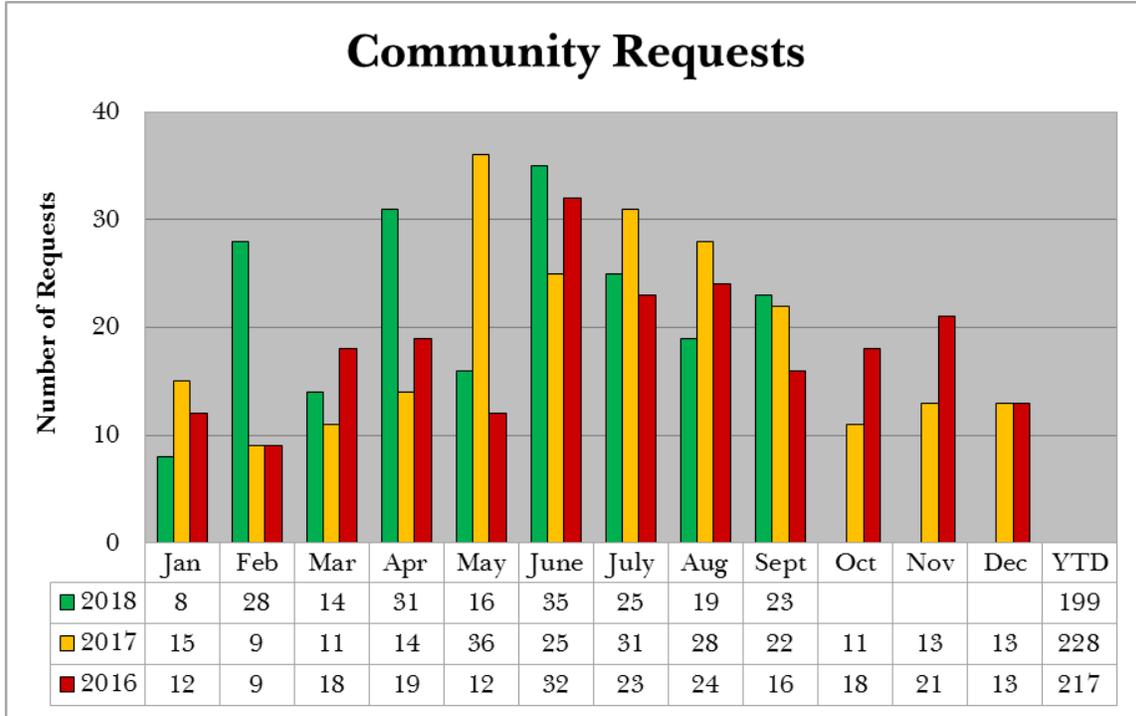
Guardrail Repair

Crew member Andrew Love uses a saw to cut a guardrail that was hit on State Route 161 at Beech Road. The accident involved a trailer which went off the roadway and rolled over and hit the guardrail. Guardrail repairs are the responsibility of the service department street crew who also maintain pavement and roadside areas.

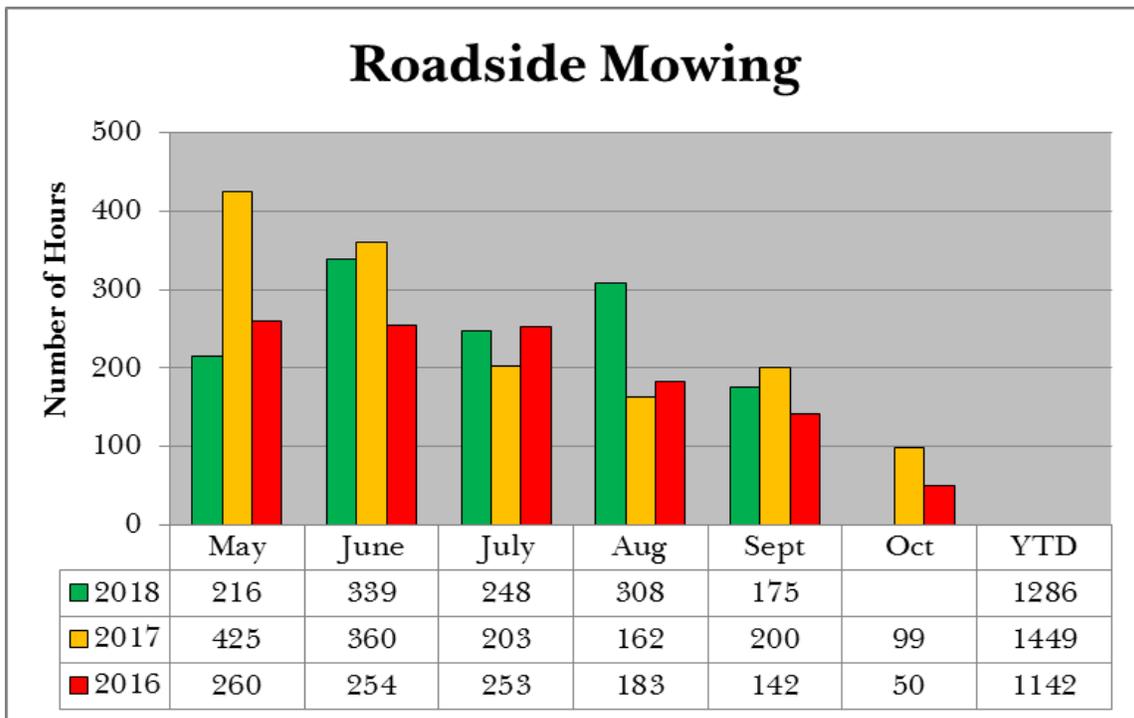
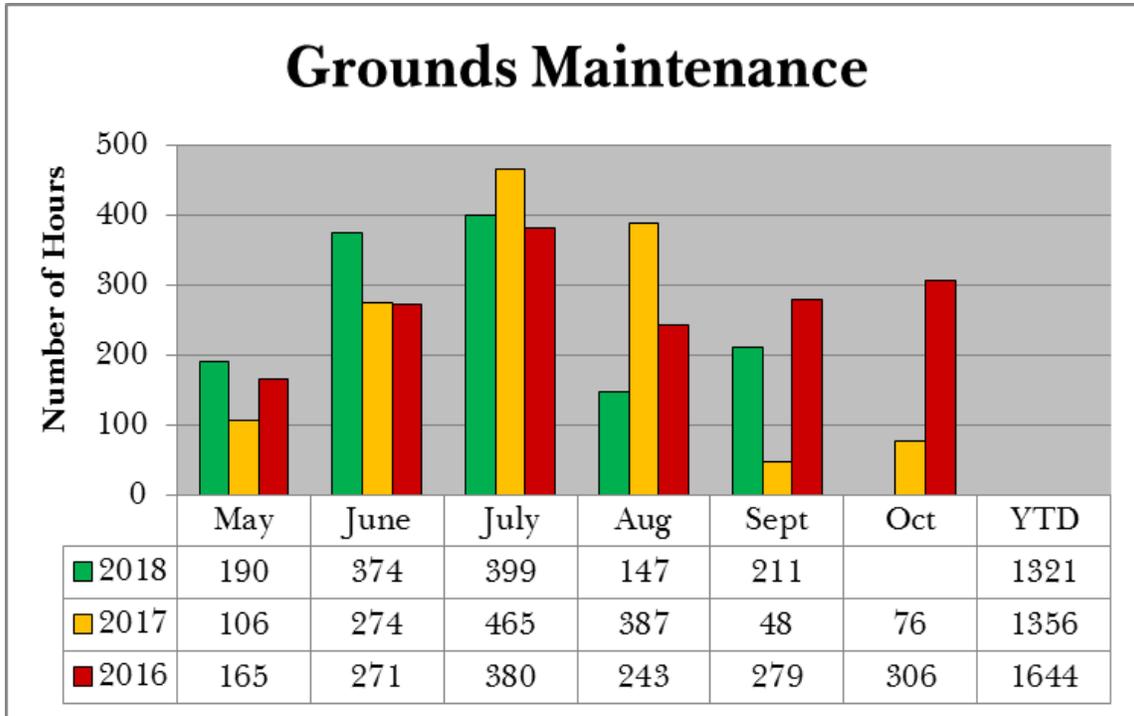


Guardrail repair is performed on State Route 161 at Beech Road.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE STATISTICS September 2018



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