



Public Service Department

MONTHLY REPORT

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Professionalism

Integrity

Reliability

Quality

Pride

Be inspired.

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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

January 2019

Franklin County Auto Title

The city manager and service director met with the Franklin County Clerk of Courts and the director of Auto Title regarding auto titles completed in Franklin County. Since 2011, the Franklin County Clerk of Courts has contributed \$7,100,000 from the Certificate of Title Administration Fund (CTAF) to the County's General Fund which provides essential county services to Franklin County residents. The sources of revenue which goes into the CTAF are a portion of Title Fees, Sales Tax Poundage and Limited Authority Deputy Registrar (LADR) Fees. A search performed by the Franklin County Clerk of Courts found that the vast majority of auto titles generated by the City of New Albany was not completed in Franklin County which is a loss of revenue. The service director met with the operations manager and the fleet supervisor to make them aware of this revenue loss for the county and discussed titling future vehicle purchases in Franklin County.

The Bevelhymer Barn

The service director and operations manager met with resident Julie Gould regarding the city's ownership of the Bevelhymer family Barn. Julie Gould, works with the New Albany-Plain Township Historical Society and currently resides in the Rose Taylor Dryer House on Walnut Street. Mrs. Gould wanted to know the future plans for the barn and would like to see it renovated. She also asked if the Historical Society could go through the barn to see if there are any historical items to be found that have a unique value to New Albany. If so, the Historical Society would like to request City Council for release of these items to be displayed at the Historical Ealy House. Further discussions are planned.

Compliments Given to the Public Service Department Staff

The public service department received compliments from dispatchers at the police department regarding the outstanding communication they received by service crews relating road conditions and downed utility wires during the January 19th and 20th snow storm event.

Professional Development

The Department of Public Service in collaboration with the Brehob Corporation conducted Overhead and Below-the-Hook Crane Operation Training at the Public Service Department facility. This in class and hands-on training consisted of crane and hoist operation, understanding the operation capacity of the equipment and inspecting equipment to ensure safe operation.

Maintenance worker Carl McNeal attended a two day course on Fall Hazards in Construction and Maintenance held by the BWC in Pickerington. The course covered the Standard for Fall Protection under the OSHA rule 29 CFR 1926.20, 29 CFR 1926.21, and Subpart M. This course covered the fall protection criteria and practices and training requirements. Other requirements that were covered was scaffolds, cranes & derricks, steel erection, stairways and ladders.

PROJECT PLANNING UPDATES

January 2019

ADA Transition Plan Project Kick-off Meeting

The director met with representatives from EMH&T to discuss the city's transition plan project designed to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility guidelines. The director recently sought engineering proposals to assist the city in creating a transition plan for New Albany. EMH&T provided the lowest and best proposal and was awarded the contract. ADA requires that public agencies perform self-evaluations and prepare transition plans to upgrade facilities for accessibility as needed, including streets, sidewalks and buildings. Access to civic life by people with disabilities is a fundamental goal of the ADA. To ensure that this goal is met, Title II of the ADA requires local governments to make their programs and services accessible to individuals with disabilities. This requirement extends not only to physical access at government facilities, programs, and events, but also to policy changes that government entities must make to ensure that all people with disabilities can take part in, and benefit from the program and services of State and local governments.

CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

January 2019

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 were targeted for the improvement work.
- Sidewalk improvements began in July and were completed in September.



2018 City Street Improvement Project

- The low bidder was 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 was July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018.



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.
- The tree lawn area was expanded, where previous parking spots were, and new concrete curb added.
- Work improves the sight visibility on Keswick Commons and was completed by September.



PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS January 2019

Snow and Ice Removal

Crew member Kenny Geiger is captured in this photo plowing snow on Smith's Mill Road. The Public Service Department provides effective snow and ice removal service through the utilization of up-to-date vehicles, equipment, de-icing materials and GPS/AVL technology. From November through April each year, snow removal operations are scheduled for 24 hour service as crews work shifts in order to make roads safe and passable during winter weather events.



Heavy snow is plowed on Smith's Mill Road.

Overhead Crane Operation Training

The department sponsored a half day operators' training for the newly converted motorized overhead crane. The classroom instruction and hands-on training provided maintenance staff the knowledge and skill to properly operate the garage hoist safely. Staff who pass the course will obtain a federal crane operator certification, valid for 24 months. This course included how to perform routine inspections.



Brehob instructor training Public Service Maintenance staff.

New Albany Public Library

As a Rose Run Park partner, the library administrator agreed to reserve interior library space for a Rose Run Park display so that patrons could learn more about the New Albany project. City staff repurposed an old display with new Rose Run Park boards, and in January the public service staff installed the new boards into the display and delivered it to the library.



The city's informational display highlighting the Rose Run Park Project.

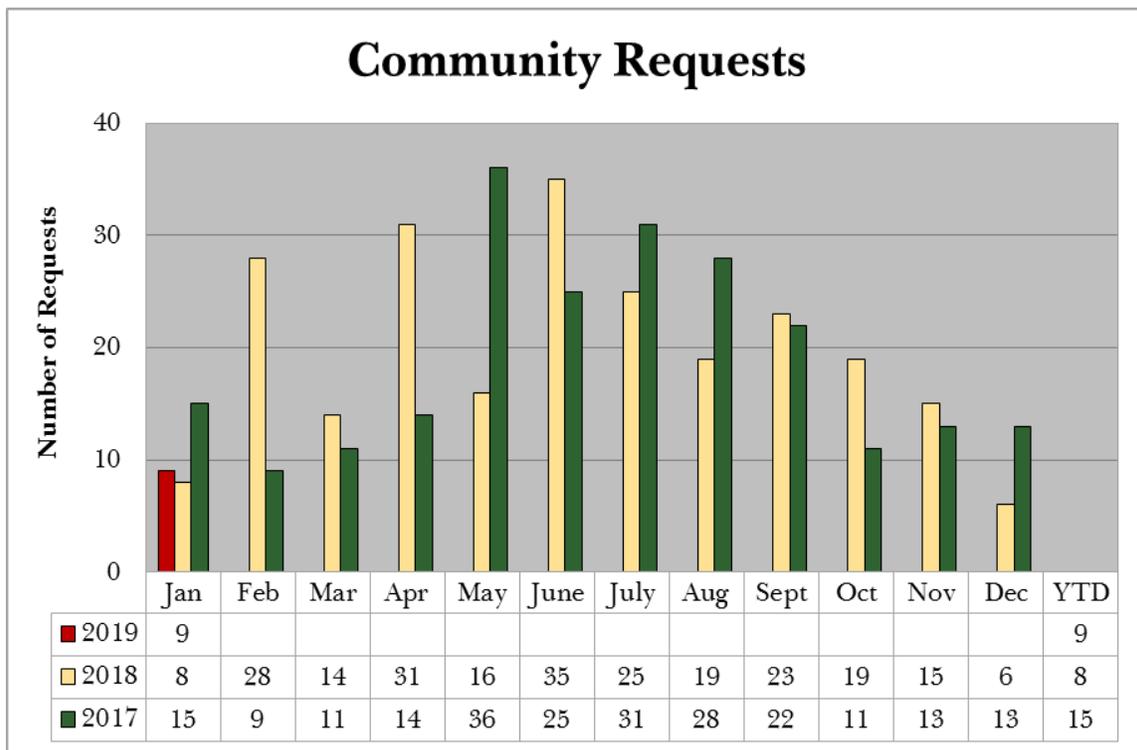
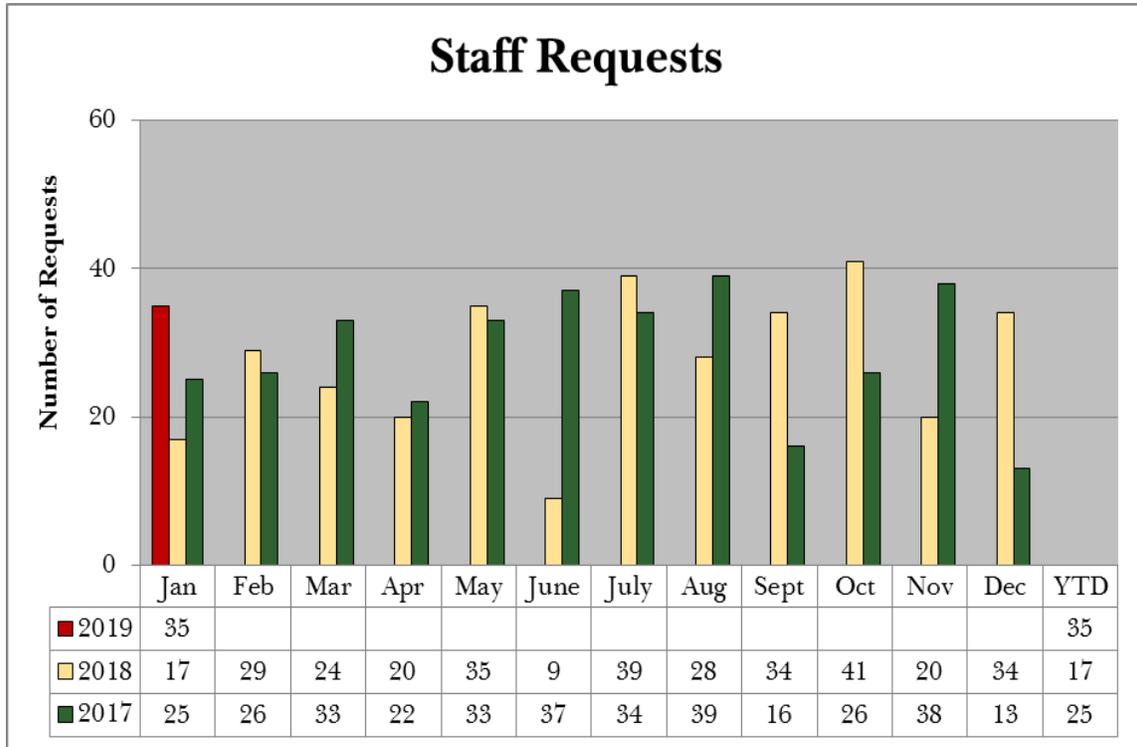
Streetlight Repairs

Maintenance Workers Rob Runyon and Shaun Bush repair a faulty wire which was causing the circuit fuse to trip and shut streetlights off on Johnstown Road (US 62) near Miller Avenue. Streetlights provide increased visibility at residential intersections and along commercial roadways for drivers traveling at night or during inclement weather. Service department crews perform monthly streetlight inspections to identify inoperable lights for repair.



Service department crew members perform extensive underground streetlight repairs.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE STATISTICS January 2019



SEASONAL STATISTICS January 2019

