Public Service Department
MONTHLY REPORT
June 2019

Professionalism
Integrity
Reliability
Quality
Pride

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New Albany Fireworks Meeting
Representatives from the Plain Township Fire Department, New Albany Schools, police and service departments and the fireworks vendor Pyrotechnico met to discuss the city’s upcoming 4th of July event. Details such as fireworks set up/tear down, site security and closure of Kardules Fields were discussed. New Albany’s fireworks display is annually scheduled for July 4th at dusk with a rain date of July 5th.

Maintenance Worker Position Opening
The service department currently has an open position for maintenance worker. After advertising the position in May, 17 applications were received; 8 of which resulted in screening interviews. Five applicants were then selected for full one-hour interviews. Successful candidates will be identified and interviewed by the city manager in July with the hope that one finalist will be recommended for hire in early August. The screening and full one-hour interviews were conducted by the city’s human resource officer, public service director, operations manager and maintenance supervisors.

Compliments Given to Public Service Department Staff
The New Albany Community Garden Club brought in a “Thank You” breakfast to the public service staff recognizing all their hard work towards keeping the Community Garden grounds in pristine condition.

Professional Development
Brian Strayer Operations Manager attended the MAPS training class, “Mediation Skills” at The Ohio State University.

Eric Umbleby Fleet Manager attended the MAPS training class, “Planning with Purpose and Vision” at The Ohio State University.

Clerk Marlene Donaldson and Forester Marylou Bohannon attended the MAPS training class, “Creating J.O.Y. in the Workplace: Inspiring teams through Inclusion.” at The Ohio State University.

Director Mark Nemec and Operations Manager Brian Strayer attended, “Bridge Inspection Refresher Training” offered by ODOT—Central Office.

Forester Marylou Bohannon and Maintenance Worker Chase Loughman attended, “Asian Longhorned Beetle First Detector Training,” offered by The Dawes Arboretum.

Several members of the service staff attended “Supervising Personalities” and “Supervising Generations” offered by the Ohio Plan- Supervisory Series Training held at the Philip Heit Center for Healthy New Albany.
Leisure Trail Pavement Condition Rating Project
The director, operations manager and engineering technician held a project kick-off meeting with representatives from Transmap Corporation. The city recently hired Transmap to perform an evaluation of the pavement condition of the city’s leisure trail system and provide a report. This information will assist the city in developing a maintenance program for it’s leisure trail system. The Transmap Corporation is based out of Westerville, Ohio and is a national provider of professional, technical, and management support services to the transportation industry. Their services are directed towards city-owned and county-owned transportation systems in order to provide the highest quality infra-structure management solutions. Transmap specializes in the mobile data collection, processing, analysis and inventory of roadway assets.

Transmap is scheduled to perform the field inspection portion of the project in early July utilizing ground-based LiDAR driving the city’s entire leisure trail system. Once all of the field data is collected, then the information is evaluated and a report is prepared detailing the varying conditions of the trail pavement sections. The final report is expected by mid-August.
City 2019 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 $87,346.25.
- Upper Fenway and Sudbrook Square are planned for improvement work.
- Sidewalk improvements will begin in July and be completed by September.

2019 City Street Improvement Project

- The low bidder for the construction contract is Decker Construction at a base bid price of $704,899.17.
- Work includes ADA curb ramp improvements, pavement overlay, curb repair and crack sealing.
- Construction schedule is June 24, 2019 to September 30, 2019.

2019 Microsurfacing Projects

- Using ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program a construction contract was awarded to the Strawser Construction Company for $196,073.64.
- Work includes the application of microsurface treatment to sections of Dublin-Granville Rd. and Central College Rd.
- Work will be performed in mid-July this summer.
Mallard Ducklings found in Storm Basin
A driver reported that several mallard ducklings fell into a street storm sewer located on Central College Road east of New Albany Road East across from Huntington Bank. Maintenance Supervisor Steve Kidwell and Maintenance Worker Nick Cichanowicz worked together to rescue the five mallard ducklings and returned them to their mother at the Discover Building pond.

New Market Street Crosswalk Signals
The Paul Peterson Company was hired to install new crosswalk signals on Market Street, replacing non-illuminated signs. The city is testing the use of rectangular rapid flash beacons on Market Street. A Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacon or RRFB provides high visibility to motorists as they approach the signed crosswalks. If these signals are proven effective at stopping traffic, then RRFB’s will be used at other Village Center pedestrian crossings.

Village Center Beautification
Seasonal employees are back working fulltime for the summer and performing maintenance and beautification projects. Seasonal crew members Colin Ryan and Charlie Stanislav are planting English ivy in the tree wells along E. Main Street. The tree wells require regular landscape and grounds maintenance throughout the Village Center. This includes any weed removal and vegetation trimming.

Streetlight Pole Maintenance
Summer painting has begun. Maintenance workers Brent Rush and Tyler Myers have begun painting 30ft streetlight poles on Walton Parkway. They schedule to complete the painting of 300 streetlight poles 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 the infrastructure protected and in great appearance.
REQUESTS FOR SERVICE STATISTICS
June 2019

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New Albany Smart Ride

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Total Passengers

Average Passengers per day