



## **PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL**

### **DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES – JANUARY 2024**

- Brush removal program – removed 1 truckload of brush and disposed at recycling facility
- Degenhart Park playground equipment replacement started installation while weather dependent
- GIS updates – park and street tree layer, sanitary sewer layer, satellite imagery and parcel and search capabilities
- Equipment purchases received – stump grinder, utility vehicle and wood chipper
- Grant application submitted in the amount of \$64,370 for consideration to Ohio EPA for the reduction of chlorides (salt) in Ohio waterways with results expected in March 2024
- Hazardous trees removed on Seymour St – damaged vehicle when originally fell
- Meetings – Public Service Director
  - AEP to clean up billing on street light and traffic signal accounts
  - Central Ohio APWA board meeting
  - Columbia Gas discussion regarding pipeline installation
  - Community event meetings – Apple Butter Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July and First Thursday
  - Heavy load movement for Intel project through Groveport
  - Met with two representatives from Grove Pointe HOA to discuss median island on Grove Pointe Dr
  - Maintenance Worker interviews
  - Pickleball court design
  - Wert's Grove HVAC evaluation
- OUPS 811 Service – located city owned underground utility infrastructure for 128 tickets
- Picnic tables at parks were painted
- Rec Center – several offices and hallways were converted to LED lights
- Safety Data Sheets (SDS) were updated with current materials used
- Sanitary sewer operations
  - OEPA annual and biennial reports submitted on maintenance activities
  - 4 manhole frames repaired
  - Bixford lift station pump was removed and replaced
- Snow & ice control – Season total – 6 events = \$35,388.20
  - January 2024
    - 5 snow events, totaling \$35,299.78
    - 4 inches of snow
    - 161 tons of rock salt, totaling \$10,233.16
    - 1,970 gallons of salt brine applied, totaling \$334.90
    - 351.5 labor hours, totaling \$9,726.05
    - 344 equipment hours, totaling \$15,005.67

- Town Hall renovations
  - Kitchenette – painting cabinets and walls, replacing countertops, sink and appliances
  - Women’s restroom – painted walls and replaced lighting, toilet, sink, vanity, mirror, flooring and baseboards
  - Men’s restroom – replaced lighting, flooring and baseboards
- Water treatment & distribution
  - ODNR annual report submitted
- Veteran’s Park – staff completed an inventory database of the memorial bricks purchased and installed at the park