



PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES – OCTOBER 2023

- Blacklick playground swing set install in progress
- Brush removal program – removed 12 truckloads of brush and disposed at recycling facility
- Community events
 - Apple Butter Day event preparation and support
 - Haunted Park setup and removal
 - Halloween Block Party setup and support
- Congratulations to Pat Wears on his retirement effective October 31, 2023
- Facility maintenance – responded to 40 service requests
- Grounds maintenance – fall turf weed control application
- Leaf Collection began, collecting 5 loads of leaves
- Log House – memorial bricks installed
- Meetings – Public Service Director
 - Central Ohio APWA board meeting
 - Roundtable participant for “Best Practices in Snow and Ice Control” at the state APWA expo
 - Lazy river resurfacing discussions
 - Lead service line reporting with EMH&T
 - Pickleball court design kick-off meeting
 - Roof repair contractor to discuss 2024 project at Rec Center
 - Interview – Jim Roe (Utility Worker position)
 - Urban paving discussions with ODOT
- OUPS 811 Service – located city owned underground utility infrastructure for 285 tickets
- Professional Development
 - Maintenance staff attended annual snow & ice control training
 - Fire hydrant maintenance & repair training attended by Walt Wagner, Doug Grant, Dane Hudson and Jim Roe
 - Water & wastewater training attended by Doug Grant and Dane Hudson to acquire contact hours for OEPA certification renewal
 - “Transitioning into Supervision” course attended by Jim Roe, Mike Schweinsberg, Mike Sisco, Rick Lane and Zach Lawrence
 - Recruiting and Retaining a Stable Operations and Maintenance Workforce: What Does it Take? Webinar – attended by Brian Strayer
- Recreation Center –
 - Walking track roller shades installed
 - Chemical storage sheds installed for indoor and outdoor pools
 - Suspended ceiling in lobby removed

- Recycling efforts at Apple Butter Day – collected and diverted 10 cubic yards or approx. 5,560 lbs of recycling from the landfill
- Street tree maintenance – contractor is in progress removing 104 dead/dying/hazardous street trees in preparation for planting 168 trees
- Traffic sign upgrade – initiated replacement of all traffic signs along SR 317
- Water treatment & distribution
 - Repaired water meter transmitter at Redwood Apartments
 - Provided 2 water meters for Rarey's Port build-outs