

September saw the arrival of our new plow truck from O'Connor's. The truck is now at Viking in Sidney to be outfitted. I hope to have it on the road by the end of October.

We are now back up to full employee roster. We hired three new employees to replace those that left in August. I still have one employee who is out on medical leave for an injury received this summer. I hope to have him back before the snow flies.

The shoulder washout we had at the beginning of September of Benton Avenue has been repaired. As a result of this wash out, we have cleared the grass and sand out from under the guard rails on Benton Avenue and the Augusta Road

The Heywood Road has been reclaimed at graded. The Garland Road has been ditched and the cross culverts replaced. Both are awaiting Pike Industries for pavement.

The sewer project on Robert Street is mostly complete. The contractor, Nitram Excavation is prepping the trenches for pavement. Weather permitting, the project should be complete by October 18.

I have part of my crew hauling winter sand and the remainder of the crew is paving around manholes and over old trenches. This should avoid some damaged plows this winter.

I have also been involved with Snowden Engineering to finalize plans for the replacement of the sewer pump station at Johnny's Selected Seeds and the drainage improvements at the library. Both projects will be done this fall, most probably with contractors.

In closing, a reminder that our Household Hazardous Waste collection is Saturday, October 19, 2013, at the Public Works facility from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted by,

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