

The month of July has come and gone with the blink of an eye. We completed our street striping and still have a few crosswalks to do. I am waiting for signage to accompany the crosswalks that cross the major roads such as Halifax and Clinton Avenue.

We presently are in the process of replacing an employee that was terminated. We should have a new employee on the trash truck before September. One of the trash crew members will be moving into the shop to replace the terminated employee.

As discussed at the July council meeting, we have gone out to bid for a replacement utility truck. Bids are due in on Monday, August 11, 2014. I should be able to tell the Council at Monday's meeting who the low bidders are.

We are in the middle of our roadside mowing program. Equipment breakdowns have slowed us down a little, so we rented a larger mower from HP Fairfield for a week to give us a boost. We may looking at a month's rental next year in lieu of replacing our present mower.

We have begun our road project on the Taylor Road. The trees have been cut and we are presently pulling stumps and ditching. We are scheduled to reclaim the roadway on August 18, 2014. We will then add some additional aggregate, grade, and repave. We have also have been in contact with the contractor that completed last year's project on the Taylor Road about some areas of concern. They will be reseeding some areas and they will also be repairing a driveway entrance.

On the sanitation side, our trash truck just returned from O'Connor Motors after some major repairs at a cost of \$9000.00.

On the sewer side, we just completed our annual pump station maintenance survey. We have Steven's Electric and Pump perform this survey. They in turn will prepare an itemized report detailing the condition of each pump and the cost of repairs needed. I presently have Boyd Snowden, our engineer, preparing plans to address some sewer and storm water issues that need to be addressed this summer. I should have bid results ready for your approval at the September meeting. As discussed during the budget review, we are looking to replace our sewer camera system. Fairfield has agreed to split the cost with us. We have evaluated one brand and are waiting to have a demonstration of another popular brand that the Waterville Sewerage District presently owns.

Lastly, we are in the process of locating a new source of winter sand. We may not be hauling jointly with Waterville and Fairfield if we can locate a source closer to Winslow than the present source in Smithfield.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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