



PUBLIC WORKS AND WWTP REPORT MARCH 2025

PUBLIC WORKS

- Monthly maintenance, general cleaning and repairs at Town Hall, Pavilion, Parham Park, Rathbone/Rich Park, Festival Grounds, Public Works buildings and Police Department.
- Monthly Recyclables approx. 15 tons.
- Monthly Solid Waste approx. 48 tons.
- Monthly White Goods/Electronics 1 pick-ups.
- Picked up miscellaneous residential brush and debris. 204 brush pick-ups that totaled 28 loads of brush.
- Continue maintenance and repairs on Welcome Banners, Miss Maggie Banners and Spring Banners.
- Public Works continues upkeep of all Town facilities.
- Perform ditch, culvert, shoulder and road maintenance along streets. Both private and Town streets.
- Service and/or repaired 5 Public Works vehicles/equipment 0 Administration and 3 Police vehicles.
- Picked up bagged trash and debris along Highway 19 and Highway 276 from Fie Top Road to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Public Works continues inspections and testing of roads, paving and other infrastructure at Mountain View Estates.
- Valley View subdivision on Jonathan Creek behind the CO-OP has started grading and installing infrastructure. We inspect their progress daily.
- Public Works removed and stored (In the new PW storage building) all winter decorations and large displays.
- Public Works and Planning have upgraded the Flossie White room for meetings.
- Public Works hauled 4 loads of salt in March.
- We continue working on storm related issues. Woody debris, streets, parks, creek banks and buildings. We are still finding damage caused by the storm. As we find them, we add them to our damage list for FEMA.
- Public Works have painted the restrooms at both Parham Park and Rathbone Rich Park.
- Bethel Village paving project prep work has been completed and we are planning to pave the last part of April.
- Public Works placed 90 cubic yards of Kids Safe Mulch on the playground at Town Hall.
- Public Works continues weekly meetings with DOT and their contractors for work on highway 276, Evans Cove bridge and Johnson Branch bridge.
- We finished the yearly electric inspection at the Festival Grounds.

WWTP

- Daily and Monthly testing, monitoring and analysis; Monthly cleaning and repairs.
- Monthly Road, Levee, equipment and building maintenance.
- Continued yearly sewer line, manhole, easement spraying and creek crossing inspections as required by DENR.
- Installed/repairs 7 sewer services issues, cleaned and videoed approximately 600' feet of sewer line, inspected 16 sewer connections/installations, repaired/leak stopped 1 damaged manholes and inspected 20 manholes as we continue to work on I&I issues.
- Dewatered 000 gallons of digester sludge. Lime Stabilized 0 tons of dewatered sludge. Also, we hauled 0 tons of dewatered sludge to the landfill.
- Worked with business owners, homeowners, contractors and others to help resolve sewer related issues such as rainwater getting into sewer lines, back-ups, video inspection, private line or service locations and damage to lines.
- Continue monthly sewer easement maintenance. Bush hogging, tree cutting, spraying and debris removal.
- This month we received 108 locate requests for NC811. These were all marked in a timely manner.
- Continue monitoring Johnathan Creek and stream banks for fallen and dead trees that could impact the Town's sewer creek crossings. This is now required by NCDEQ.
- Removed fallen trees and debris from Jonathan's Creek on Moody Farm Road, Stonebridge Campground, Valley Creek and Campbell Creek.
- Grease in the Towns sewer collection system and in the Wastewater Treatment Plant is an ongoing and time-consuming problem. Regular grease trap pumping and maintenance is the key to keeping these problems to a minimum. All food handling businesses are required to have grease-removing equipment installed and to maintain records of cleaning and maintaining their equipment. The sewer department staff regularly inspects this equipment and looks at records and logs of this maintenance. This month we performed 25 grease trap inspections. Of these 2 were found to be non-compliant. We continue to work with all businesses on their grease issues. We provide assistance and education in hopes of reducing the amount of grease in our sewer system.
- Reviewed plans and permits for new developments and projects.
- We continue working on storm related issues. Sewer projects, Fox Run Road pump around, engineering for stream bank repairs, sewer pipe bridge at Fox Run, WWTP bridge engineering and road repairs.
- We have finished getting easements for our low water sewer crossing project and plan to start the bidding process by mid-April.
- The Fox Run Road Pipe Bridge project has been awarded and work has begun. We are looking for this storm related repair to be completed around mid to late April.

