

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP

1400 Saint Johns Road * CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA 17011-8033

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT JANUARY, 2021

Crews collected Christmas trees for the Township Residents, January 4th through Friday the 15th. There were approximately 700 Christmas trees collected during the two week period, and very few problems were reported by personnel.

The Cumberland County, horizontal grinding machine, has been on site since the beginning of the month. Maintenance Specialists, Ryan Turpin and Ben Peters, worked to grind up the pile of brush, along with the collected Christmas trees. As a reminder, due to the increased costs for the County machines, each residence within the Township, will be able to bring 4 pickup truck or single axle trailer loads of brush and 4 bulk items per calendar year, from their residence. After the designated amounts have been reached, residents can stop at the Municipal Service Center, to pre-pay for additional loads at \$25.00 each. Penn Waste will pick up unlimited amounts of brush; curbside, April through November. (Must be bundled in six foot lengths that one man can pick up, or placed in the yard waste bins.) One bulk item per week may be placed curbside on the residents' normal trash day. Please reference Penn Waste's website for guidelines. Residents, who have contractors working for them, are required to accompany any contract workers, dumping yard waste.

The end of the month, brought a significant winter storm. Crews worked together, everyone did a great job, keeping our roadways safe. During the month, approximately 250 tons of road salt were expended, along with 3250 gallons of salt brine. Luckily we had very few mechanical problems, Fleet Maintenance did a great job with keeping the snow apparatus in working condition.

On the Parks side, athletic field requests for the 2021 season have been received. Scheduling of reservations, for LACP facilities, are proceeding at a slow rate, due to COVID restrictions. Spring events are on hold, but we hope to be able to have some small pocket- park events this summer, as we navigate through restricted gathering limitations.

During January the following projects were completed:

- ⦿ Repaired drain box at Rupp Ave. / Walnut
- ⦿ Repaired drain box at 410 Allendale Way
- ⦿ Street sweeping through the Township
- ⦿ Repaired sink holes at Moreland pond.
- ⦿ Completed leaf pickup in Township parks
- ⦿ Dug test holes at Moreland pond, for the upcoming MS4 project
- ⦿ Assembled new bleachers for Pete's Field (auto accident replacement)
- ⦿ Cut down and clean up brush around LACP pond area
- ⦿ Pot hole patching, with cold mix, on selected roadways
- ⦿ Emptied and washed trucks, twice during the month
- ⦿ Excavated and cold patched, designated areas at Lower Allen Commons
- ⦿ Removed boulders from MSC, behind maintenance garage
- ⦿ 4 Sign repairs/replacements (3 PA-One Call)
- ⦿ Storm water grate cleaning in selected areas
- ⦿ Spread stones on Creekwood Road, back to the park
- ⦿ Parks picnic table repairs and staining
- ⦿ Made salt brine for ice control – pretreated roads for impending storm
- ⦿ Removed pine tree and stump, by the LACP, Keystone pavilion
- ⦿ Playground equipment and bench repairs
- ⦿ Removed old steps to field #3 at LACP, to get ready for replacement

Meetings:

- ⦿ Safety Meeting – (Ben Peters)
- ⦿ Department Head Meeting (2) – Bryan Harshbarger
- ⦿ Public Works meeting – All PW employees

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Harshbarger,
Public Works Coordinator