Crews collected Christmas trees for the Township Residents January 8 through Friday the 19th. There were 960 trees collected during the two week period, and very few problems were reported by personnel.

The Cumberland County, horizontal grinding machine, showed up for work on January 11th. Maintenance Specialists, Ryan Turpin, worked to grind up the pile of brush, along with the collected Christmas trees. He was hindered for a week, due to the snow storm, and will wrap up with grinding, as time allows. As a reminder, due to the increased costs for the County machines, dumping guidelines at the Public Works Facility, have been modified. 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. Contractors working in Lower Allen Township are required to purchase a brush dumping permit prior to using the facility, if not accompanied by a resident.

January kept us hoping with five snow events during the month. Crews worked together, even though we were down a couple snow plow drivers, everyone did a great job, keeping our roadways safe. During the month approximately 550 tons of salt were expended, along with 1500 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 2018 season have been received and the scheduling of reservations for LACP are ongoing. During January, Barry Zook took care of some maintenance issues and did spot painting throughout the Barn. The floors were waxed during the month, and are ready for the upcoming festivities.

**During January the following projects were completed:**

- Bleacher repairs from Pete’s park
- Emptied and washed trucks
- Cleaned drainage swale on 41st street
- Cleaned out drainage ditch in the Cliffs
- Sign repairs/replacements (1 PA-One Call)
- Storm water grate cleaning in selected areas
- Cleaned Seneca Ave. pump
- Parks picnic table repairs and staining
- Made salt brine for ice control
- Playground equipment and bench repairs

**Meetings:**

- Safety Meeting – (Ben Peters)
- Department Head Meeting (2) – Bob Nailor
- CPR training – (All PW employees)

Respectfully submitted,

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