February came in like a lion. Residents dealt with 3 more snow storms during the month, and then all was quiet. Since the end of November, there have been a total of 15 call outs for snow, compared to the 26 call outs for the 2014 - 2015 season. Salt reserves were being monitored closely. Deliveries of the product were quick and reserves of salt were not a problem this season. Other Municipalities were also in good shape for salt and brine. We try to pull together in these extreme circumstances and help each other any way we can. Approximately 750 tons of salt and approximately 1425 gallons of brine were expended during the season, so far. We are hoping the groundhog’s prediction of an early spring is accurate!

Most of the early part of the month, crews were busy cleaning up and widening roadways. Large amounts of snow were trucked back to the shop, from cul de sacs, intersections and site hindering areas. Many neighborhoods had absolutely no where to put the large mountains of snow. Pushing snow off roadways was very difficult, there was absolutely no way snow could be pushed back onto sidewalks and driveways. Many residents were concerned about the massive, snow piles, hindering ADA walkways and parking areas. We thank residents for their patience during the blizzard cleanup.

As time allowed, Crews worked to clean up the winter equipment. The leftover salt takes a toll on the trucks, so it is important to get those cleaned as quickly as possible. When the weather warmed up towards the end of the month, parks personnel were busy collecting tree debris from various parks, and primping ball fields for the upcoming spring season. Many youth leagues are scheduled to start field use at the beginning of March. It takes time to get those fields in good condition. Many hours are spent filling in and dragging the ball fields. Wood carpet was delivered to the shop at the end of the month and will be spread at the playground areas at Township parks. The Yellow Breeches Park was re-opened and the garden plots are being reserved for the 2016 growing season.

Wood chips and leaf compost can be self-loaded during regular business hours, Monday – Friday 7:00am – 2:30pm. Deliveries of the product will start on, Thursdays and Fridays in April and continue through early November. Public Works will be open the second Saturday of the month, 8:00am – 1:00pm, starting in April and running through November. Households within the township are allowed to drop off 4 loads each, of brush and bulk items. Any additional loads will be $25.00 each, to be pre-paid at the Municipal Services Center. Electronics will not be accepted, and must be taken to a recycling center, for disposal.
During February the following projects were completed:

- Constructed a small shed for Wass park, field #2
- Replaced hand rail at the Soccer Office, LACP
- Assembling of new park picnic tables
- Sign repairs/replacements (4 PA-One Calls)
- Storm water grate cleaning in selected areas
- Pothole patching
- Street sweeping
- Installed new vehicle lift in shop
- Turned leaf rows with the front end loader
- Playground equipment painting and repairs
- Transferred wood chip pile to the back pad after grinding was completed
- Inlet top cleaning

Meetings:

- Safety Meeting – (Bob Nailor)
- Department Head Meeting (1) – Bob Nailor
- PW monthly meeting – (All PW employees)

Respectfully submitted,

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