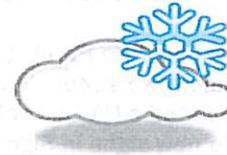




# LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP

2233 GETTYSBURG ROAD \* CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA 17011-5983

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



## MONTHLY REPORT JANUARY, 2009

The Public Works crews began gathering Christmas trees throughout the entire township during the first full week of the new year. Even though the Christmas tree pick-up is always scheduled only for a week, trees continued to be picked up through the month of January. At the end of the month, the horizontal grinder was delivered so crews could begin composting not only the Christmas trees but also the yard waste brought in from township residents. After double shredding the yard waste, there is an ample supply of shredded wood chips available for residents when they begin their spring yard and gardening work.

The general park maintenance at LACP continued throughout the month along with cleaning up the mowing equipment for next spring. Wood chips were spread over the entire large area for dogs at the dog park. Work was started on the new Keystone Pavilion at Field #1 at LACP and new picnic tables were ordered. Various projects such as cleaning up the nature trail from downed tree limbs, working on the horseshoe pits, installing three small locks for the three light timers in the barn (2 lower level and 1 upper level), replacing light bulbs in the barn, making signs and pickets, fixing the damaged areas on the ceiling in the garage and painting of the ceiling, painting the pillars in the barn, mopping the floors at the barn, plowing and putting ice melt throughout the park where needed were performed throughout the month.

Worked on banners from Yetter Field that are to be taken to Sheaffer Signs for repairs. New boards were added to the bleachers for Pete's Field and the 2009 contracts for softball and baseball teams/leagues were drawn up.

Other functions performed by the Public Works crews consisted of building scale boxes for the Police Department, cleaning separator pit in the Public Works shop, changing out 2 white delineators for 2 yellow at the township building, delivered 30 blue recycling bins to the township building, removed damaged carpet and repaired the waterline at Beetle Bop, cleaned up stone at the lot beside the new township building and dropped 2 signs off at the PennDOT Sign Shop for certification. Streets were surveyed for crack sealing to begin later this year and potholes were patched where needed. Letters were sent out to township residents interested in maintaining a garden plot at the Yellow Breeches Park.

The Public Works crews were called out for five different storm events during the month of January. Anti-icing was applied three times in the month. During the first application, 20.5 lane miles of roadway were treated. The expected storm did not happen. During the second application, we received excellent results. Roadways were mostly bare for an additional 1 to 2 hours compared to untreated roadways and .44 lane miles of roadway were covered. The third application received spotty results. We covered 87 lane miles of roadway. The process is working and we are learning more about it with every application.

The last storm in January occurred on January 27<sup>th</sup> and continued into the next day. This was the first measurable snow/ice storm to hit the Township. A total of 304.25 tons of salt and 1,202 gallons of salt brine were used attempting to clear roadways of approximately 4 plus inches of combined snow and ice. A total of 280 man hours were necessary to keep township roads/sidewalks cleared throughout the township during the 24 hour period.

Other projects completed during the month of January were:

- Re-installed No Parking signs on St. Johns Road
- Installed two street signs in Manor at Westport
- Completed a PA-One call sign at Slate Hill and Hartzdale
- Made new signs in Sign Shop
- Installed new light bulb at Rossmoyne Crossing Bridge
- Installed delineator at Westport Drive and Rossmoyne

There were 48 individuals (4 from Shiremanstown) who dropped off brush at the Public Works Department and 38 loads of of bulk (3 from Shiremanstown) were dropped off.

Meetings:        Safety Meeting – (Gary Frazer, Bob Nailor)  
                      Department Head Meeting (2) – (Gary Frazer)  
                      Project Meeting (Dan Flint, Gary Frazer, Jim Chianos, Bob Nailor)  
                      Meeting with Tom Vernau regarding the LACP Nature Trail – (Jim Chianos)

Respectfully submitted,

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